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**CPUC AND ENERGY COMMISSION SEEK FEEDBACK ON PROPOSAL  
FOR NEW DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES ADVISORY GROUP**

SAN FRANCISCO, August 1, 2017 - The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) and the California Energy Commission today released a joint proposal to establish a new advisory group consisting of representatives from disadvantaged communities who will provide advice on state programs proposed to achieve clean energy and pollution reduction.

The proposal is available at [www.cpuc.ca.gov/discom](http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/discom) and [www.energy.ca.gov/sb350/DCAG/](http://www.energy.ca.gov/sb350/DCAG/). Feedback on the proposal will be accepted until August, 15, 2017. The CPUC and the Energy Commission will then consider public input, draft a charter for the Advisory Group, and begin to prepare the application for public distribution.

The purpose of the joint proposal is to:

- Inform stakeholders of the Disadvantaged Communities Advisory Group
- Propose a set of guiding principles for the Advisory Group
- Propose roles and responsibilities of Advisory Group members, as well as minimum requirements necessary to serve on the Advisory Group
- Propose roles and responsibilities of the CPUC and the Energy Commission
- Solicit feedback from stakeholders

Senate Bill (SB) 350, the Clean Energy and Pollution Reduction Act of 2015, requires that the CPUC and the Energy Commission create a Disadvantaged Communities Advisory Group to provide advice on programs proposed to achieve clean energy and pollution reduction. As defined in SB 350, disadvantaged communities are the most burdened census tracts in California. Relative burden is determined by review of data on 20 pollution/health and socio-economic factors.

Comments or any other feedback pertaining to the joint proposal should be sent to Alice Glasner at [alice.glasner@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:alice.glasner@cpuc.ca.gov).

Public comments and news related to the development of the advisory group will be posted on [www.cpuc.ca.gov/discom](http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/discom), including the application, when it is available.

For more information on the California Energy Commission, please visit [www.energy.ca.gov](http://www.energy.ca.gov).

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