



Submitted Comment on Transmission Development Forum

CPUC Energy Division Staff comments on the July 2026 Transmission Development Forum.

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CPUC Energy Division staff submit questions for Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) and Southern California Edison (SCE), based on their presentations during the July 29th 2026 Transmission Development Forum (TDF):

Questions for PG&E

1. In the January 2026 TDF, PG&E presented on GIP C13P1-KPN03 Midway 230 kV Bus D BAAH Conversion. The last update was that key activities at Midway Sub and Midway Kern Lines #3 and #4 must be completed in 2026 to maintain the in-service date. Can PG&E provide updates on those key activities and whether their timelines will affect the Conversion's in-service date (ISD)?
2. Energy Division staff have questions about some of the long-term completion times for several PG&E projects. Energy Division staff would like to know why the projects below have taken so long from being conceptualized (Identified) to their projected ISDs:
 - a. Christie-Sobrante 115 kV Line Reconductor: Why nearly 10 years to complete?
 - b. North Tower 115 kV Looping Project: Why 18 years to complete?
 - c. Kern PP 115 kV Reinforcement: Why 18 years to complete?
 - d. Midway-Temblor 115 kV Line Reconductor and voltage support: Why 17 years to complete?
 - e. Coburn – Oil Fields 60 kV system project: Why 14 years?
 - f. Wilson 115 kV Area Reinforcement: Why 20 years?
 - g. Herndon – Bullard 115 kV Reconductoring: Why 10 years?
 - h. Mosher Transmission Project: Why 15 years?
3. For PG&E project 1415-R-03: Martin 230 kV Bus Extension (a.k.a. Egbert) can PG&E give more information about the nature of the “delay to scope development”, and expand on any other delays to this project including delays related to Gas Insulated Switchgear (GIS) procurement or commissioning?



Questions for SCE

1. Energy Division staff have questions about some of the long-term completion times for several SCE projects. Energy Division staff would like to know why the projects below have taken so long from being conceptualized (Identified) to their projected ISDs:
 - a. Lugo Substation install new 500 kV CBs for AA Banks: Why 23 years?
 - b. Lugo-Mohave series capacitor upgrade: Why 12 years
 - c. Method of Service for Wildlife 230/66 kV Substation: Why 22 years?
 - d. Alberhill 500 kV Method of service: Why 20 years?
2. On the Serrano-Alberhill upgrade (item 18 in SCE's TDF presentation): Can SCE confirm that lead time for GIS equipment is causing the project to be delayed? Can SCE provide additional context on procurement issues or other delays impacting the project?