



Docket 23-UPs Undergrounding Plans, Electric Undergrounding Plans

November 13, 2023

NOTICE OF WORKING GROUP MEETING

November 14, 2023

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

The Office of Energy Infrastructure Safety (Energy Safety) is holding a series of structured working group meetings on the development of guidelines for the Ten-Year Undergrounding Distribution Infrastructure Plan (Undergrounding Plan) pursuant to Public Utilities Code sections 8385 and 8388.5. The remaining working group meetings will be held from 10am-12pm on Tuesday, November 14, 21, 28 and December 5th (if necessary). The meetings are open to the public.

The second working group meeting will take place via Teams on November 14, 2023. Discussion topics will center around Public Utilities Code section 8388.5(c). Documents and presentations for this meeting will be available at [Docket #2023-UPs \(ca.gov\)](#)

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Agenda

The topics to be addressed in this first of five working group sessions will focus on the stakeholder responses to the request for comments due November 2, 2023.

Purpose of the working groups

Energy Safety intends to develop guidelines to direct submissions of voluntary electrical undergrounding plans by large electrical corporations. This working group is the start of that process. The working group provides an opportunity for stakeholder input regarding the development of the undergrounding plan guidelines.

Background

Senate Bill 884 – McGuire ([SB 884](#)), which became law on January 1, 2023, requires the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to establish a program for expediting the undergrounding of a large electrical corporation’s distribution infrastructure. This program is available to Pacific Gas and Electric, Southern California Edison, and San Diego Gas & Electric. Energy Safety may approve a Plan if it finds that it will achieve, at the least, both of the following:

1. Substantially increase reliability by reducing use of public safety power shutoffs, enhanced powerline safety settings, de-energization events, and other outage programs.
2. Substantially reduce wildfire risk.

Information

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