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Not sure. I saw the drafts in the docket record. If a new one then have not.

If you're preferred direction is 3rd party have lots of experience with that. Managing that contract was responsibility on staff and had to renegotiate terms as chair. It has worked well here but transition is big lift.

On Wed, Apr 26, 2023 at 5:54 PM Davante (PSC Internal) <Davante@la.gov> wrote:
Thanks Jay! Did we send you the current proposed draft by staff yet?

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Hi,

I spent some time reviewing the EE docket - R-31106. I am surprised anyone can still use the term "Quick Start" in referring to the current programs. The extension makes sense but the description on timing for Phase II should be concerning. I read it to say "maybe this could happen in 2023 but more likely 2024." Given the years of work and voluminous comments, this should be in reach.

Edward - I agree with your recommendation that the Commission should provide a directive on finalizing the rules but I would also offer that feedback should include direction on the differing models in drafts 2 and 3.

It looks like there was a significant change in the Phase II proposal from drafts 2 to 3. I'm not sure what the history is there. Our current programs in Hawaii use the third party model that is proposed in draft 3. I believe we have been successful and doing better than when EE was run by our IOU but it's been a long road to get there. From reading the comments, it looks like draft 3 may be the path of greatest resistance and ultimately result in further multi-year delays. The transition to a Commission-run program in Hawaii was the singular focus of a Commissioner for the two years of start up and remains a full-time job for several employees plus a small army of contractors.

It seems to me that a near-term option that can deliver benefits faster is a revised Draft 2 proposal that looks similar to the efficiency programs in Arkansas. Entergy cannot fight something that they're already doing (successfully) somewhere else. If the IOUs drag feet or implement this poorly, you can pull back their incentives and look to transfer the administration.

Happy to talk further when folks are available. Also, very possible I have missed key items in the docket record. It was challenging to figure out what has happened on this topic.

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On Tue, Apr 25, 2023 at 6:42AM Edward Yeilding <Edward.Yeilding@la.gov> wrote:

My briefing materials for the main agenda are attached. Happy to further discuss and/or provide any clarification.

Edward

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Hi all,

See my notes from review of the agenda and certain priority items. I still need to spend some more time on the energy efficiency program filing.

Of these, the SWEPCO Hurricane storm recovery settlement is at least deserving of further questions to clarify their treatment of certain costs and set up future clean up of these mechanisms. The underlying concepts to address significant, irregular costs are valid. However, without an opportunity to do a real deep dive on their storm response and accounting, there is a lot of gray area in how the costs are attributed.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Jay