



# Draft policy on taking official notice of evidence

Topic covered at ModCom mtgs:

## **2015**

July 22-Public Interest Matrix

August 26-Water GRC, What constitutes the record, Interpreting Rule 8.1. (c)(3) , improve transparency

September 16 —Public & Staff access to the record, inclusion of ex-parte communication

October 21 --Strengthening Accessibility, Transparency, and Usefulness of the Proceeding record

December 2— E-filing/Transparency and Access

December 16 —Status update on usefulness of the Proceeding Record

## **2016**

January 13—Schedule and discuss workplan

January 27- Baseline info/Rules about GRC Process

March 16--Incorporating Workshop reports into the record





# Governor Brown, Legislators Announce Sweeping Reforms to California Public Utilities Commission

- <https://www.gov.ca.gov/news.php?id=19461> **6-27-2016**

## **Governance**

*Increasing the CPUC's focus and expertise by relocating responsibilities and making logistical changes that improve the commission's ability to function.*

--Provide statutory authority to consider outside reports from state, federal and academic sources.

## **Accountability**

*Enacting reforms to make it easier for the public and watchdog groups to participate in CPUC proceedings.*

--Allow any California agency to participate in CPUC proceedings without official party status.

## **Transparency**

*Reforming the ex parte rules to establish a more ethical environment that is fair to all parties, while providing flexibility for entities to contact their appointed officials.*

--Require documents distributed to service lists be docketed.

--Require transcripts to be made publicly available promptly.

--Enter public comments into the record and develop an e-comment system to make commenting more accessible.

