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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Order Instituting Investigation into the
Creation of a Shared Database or Statewide
Census of Utility Poles and Conduit in
California.

Investigation 17-06-027

And Related Matter.

Rulemaking 17-06-028

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE’S RULING REQUESTING COMMENTS ON
THE ROLE OF JOINT POLE ASSOCIATIONS IN ACTING AS
CLEARINGHOUSES FOR POLE LOCATION, OWNERSHIP, ATTACHMENT,
AND ACCESS INFORMATION**

In this proceeding, the Commission stated that it will consider the question of pole and conduit management.¹ One of the specific areas of inquiry is the role played by the Southern California Joint Pole Committee (SCJPC) and the Northern California Joint Pole Association (NCJPA) in acting as clearinghouses for pole location, ownership, attachment, and access information.²

In order to get a clearer understanding of the parties’ positions on this issue, I invite all parties to comment on the following questions:

1. Should SCJPC continue to act as a clearinghouse for pole location, ownership, attachment, and access information?
If not, how should SCJPC’s role be modified?

¹ I.17-06-027/R.17-06-028 at 41.

² *Id.*

2. Should NCJPA continue to act as a clearinghouse for pole location, ownership, attachment, and access information? If not, how should NCJPA's role be modified?
3. How many joint pole associations are necessary to effectively and efficiently track pole locations, ownerships, and attachment?
4. How many joint pole associations are necessary to effectively and efficiently allow access to information?

Opening comments shall be served and filed by February 15, 2019.

Reply comments shall be served and filed by February 25, 2019.

IT IS RULED that:

1. Opening comments for the topics identified above shall be served and filed by February 15, 2019.
2. Reply comments for the topics identified above shall be served and filed by February 25, 2019.

Dated January 31, 2019, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ ROBERT M. MASON III

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Administrative Law Judge