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## **CPUC PRESIDENT REYNOLDS CONFIRMED BY STATE SENATE**

SAN FRANCISCO, August 18, 2022 - The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) is pleased to announce that yesterday the California State Senate confirmed the appointment of Alice Busching Reynolds to the CPUC. She was [appointed](#) to the CPUC and designated President by Governor Gavin Newsom on November 22, 2021, effective December 31, 2021.

“It is truly an honor to serve on the CPUC, and I am very grateful to the Governor and the Legislature for the opportunity,” said President Reynolds. “There are many transformative issues we address at the CPUC, including combating climate change and closing the digital divide, while always being centered on equity for California’s most impacted communities. These challenges present opportunities and I look forward to working with the Governor, Legislature, and our sister agencies on the shared goal of safe, clean, reliable, and affordable utility services for all Californians.”

Prior to her appointment, President Reynolds served for three years as Governor Newsom’s Senior Advisor for energy. From 2011 to January 2019, she served in the administration of Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr., including as Senior Advisor for Climate, the Environment and Energy and Chief Counsel and Deputy Secretary for Law Enforcement at the California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA). During her time at CalEPA, she coordinated statewide multi-agency environmental enforcement actions and led the creation of the agency’s Environmental Justice Task Force and Refinery Safety Task Force. President Reynolds began her public service career in 2002, serving approximately 10 years as a Deputy Attorney General in the California Attorney General’s Office, where she litigated cases involving protection of public trust lands, coastal resources and public access, and other environmental issues. President Reynolds holds a bachelor’s degree from Stanford University and a juris

doctor degree from Santa Clara University School of Law where she graduated magna cum laude. Prior to entering public service, President Reynolds was a lawyer in private practice in San Francisco.

More information on President Reynolds is available at <https://www.cpuc.ca.gov/about-cpuc/commissioners/page-content/profile-list/president-alice-reynolds>.

Commissioners are appointed to the CPUC for six-year terms and require Senate confirmation.

The CPUC regulates services and utilities, protects consumers, safeguards the environment, and assures Californians' access to safe and reliable utility infrastructure and services. For more information on the CPUC, please visit [www.cpuc.ca.gov](http://www.cpuc.ca.gov).

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