

April 7, 2026

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And Parties, Interested Parties, and Interested Persons (See Mailing List)

Re: Notice of Complete Test Claim, Schedule for Comments, and Notice of Tentative Hearing Date

Emergency Communications in Non-English Languages, 25-TC-03

Government Code § 7299.7; Statutes of 2023, Chapter 587 (AB 1638), Effective January 1, 2024 and Operative January 1, 2025

County of Sonoma, Claimant

Dear Mr. Hill, Mr. Rodriguez, and Mr. Roeser:

On December 29, 2025, the County of Sonoma (claimant) filed the above-captioned Test Claim. Upon review, Commission on State Mandates (Commission) staff found the Test Claim to be incomplete, and on January 8, 2026, notified the claimant. On February 6, 2026, the claimant filed documents to cure the Test Claim. Upon review, Commission on State Mandates (Commission) staff found the Test Claim to be incomplete, and on February 27, 2026, notified the claimant. On March 26, 2026, the claimant filed documents to cure the Test Claim. Upon review, Commission staff found the Test Claim to be complete and that it retains the original filing date of December 29, 2025, in accordance with section 1183.1(g) of the Commission's regulations (California Code of Regulations, Title 2).

The Commission is now requesting parties, interested parties, and interested persons to comment on the Test Claim as specified below.

Review of Test Claim

Parties, interested parties, and interested persons receiving this letter are requested to analyze the merits of the Test Claim and to file written comments **by May 7, 2026** in accordance with sections 1181.3 and 1183.2 and of the Commission's regulations. Oral or written representations of fact offered by any person shall be under oath or affirmation and signed under penalty of perjury by persons who are authorized and competent to do so and must be based on the declarant's personal knowledge, information or belief. (Cal. Code. Regs., tit. 2 §§ 1183.2 and 1187.5.) If representations of fact are made, they must be supported with documentary evidence filed with the comments on the test claim. (Cal. Code. Regs., tit. 2 §§ 1183.2 and 1187.5.) The Commission's ultimate findings of fact must be supported by substantial evidence in the record.¹ Hearsay evidence (such as declarations not based on personal knowledge but

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on information and belief alone) may be used for the purpose of supplementing or explaining other evidence but shall not be sufficient in itself to support a finding unless it would be admissible over objection in civil actions.²

Claimants' Rebuttal

Written rebuttals to written comments concerning this Test Claim may be filed and served in accordance with section 1181.3 of the Commission's regulations not later than 30 days from service of the written comments. (Cal. Code. Regs., tit. 2 §§ 1181.3 and 1183.3.) Oral or written representations of fact offered by any person shall be under oath or affirmation and signed under penalty of perjury by persons who are authorized and competent to do so and must be based on the declarant's personal knowledge, information or belief. (Cal. Code. Regs., tit. 2 §§ 1183.3 and 1187.5.) If new representations of fact are made, they must be supported with documentary evidence filed with the rebuttal. (Cal. Code. Regs., tit. 2 §§ 1183.3 and 1187.5.) The Commission's ultimate findings of fact must be supported by substantial evidence in the record.³ Hearsay evidence (such as declarations not based on personal knowledge but on information and belief alone) may be used for the purpose of supplementing or explaining other evidence but shall not be sufficient in itself to support a finding unless it would be admissible over objection in civil actions.⁴

Process for Filing Comments

The Commission's regulations require that written materials filed with the Commission be electronically filed (e-filed) in an unlocked legible and searchable format using a "true-PDF" (i.e., documents digitally created in PDF, converted to PDF, or printed to PDF) or optical character recognition (OCR) function, as necessary, using the Commission's Dropbox. Refer to <https://www.csm.ca.gov/dropbox.shtml> on the Commission's website for electronic filing instructions. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 2 § 1181.3.) If e-filing would cause the filer undue hardship or significant prejudice, filing may occur by first class mail, overnight delivery or personal service only upon approval of a written request to the executive director. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 2 § 1181.3(j).)

If you would like to request an extension of time, please refer to section 1187.9(a) of the Commission's regulations.

Code of Civil Procedure to set aside a decision of the Commission on the ground that the Commission's decision is not supported by substantial evidence in the record.

² Title 2, California Code of Regulations, section 1187.5.

³ Government Code section 17559(b), which provides that a claimant or the state may commence a proceeding in accordance with the provisions of section 1094.5 of the Code of Civil Procedure to set aside a decision of the Commission on the ground that the Commission's decision is not supported by substantial evidence in the record.

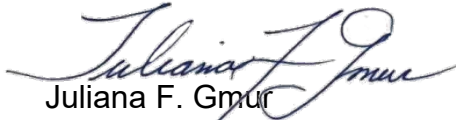
⁴ Title 2, California Code of Regulations, section 1187.5.

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Tentative Hearing Date

The public hearing on this claim has been tentatively scheduled for **February 12, 2027**.
The Draft Proposed Decision will be issued for comment at least eight weeks prior to
the public hearing.

Very truly yours,



Juliana F. Gmur
Executive Director

DECLARATION OF SERVICE BY EMAIL

I, the undersigned, declare as follows:

I am a resident of the County of Sacramento and I am over the age of 18 years, and not a party to the within action. My place of employment is 980 Ninth Street, Suite 300, Sacramento, California 95814.

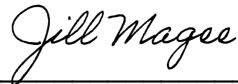
On April 7, 2026, I served the:

- **Current Mailing List dated April 7, 2026**
- **Notice of Complete Test Claim, Schedule for Comments, and Notice of Tentative Hearing Date issued April 7, 2026**
- **Test Claim filed by the County of Sonoma on December 29, 2025**

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by making it available on the Commission's website and providing notice of how to locate it to the email addresses provided on the attached mailing list.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct, and that this declaration was executed on April 7, 2026 at Sacramento, California.



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Claim Number: 25-TC-03

Matter: Emergency Communications in Non-English Languages

Claimant: County of Sonoma

TO ALL PARTIES, INTERESTED PARTIES, AND INTERESTED PERSONS:

Each commission mailing list is continuously updated as requests are received to include or remove any party or person on the mailing list. A current mailing list is provided with commission correspondence, and a copy of the current mailing list is available upon request at any time. Except as provided otherwise by commission rule, when a party or interested party files any written material with the commission concerning a claim, it shall simultaneously serve a copy of the written material on the parties and interested parties to the claim identified on the mailing list provided by the commission. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 2, § 1181.3.)

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