

PURA Follow-Up Responses:

During last Friday's meeting, PURA was asked to provide the subcommittee with a status overview of several ongoing PURA proceedings, which I have provided below.

Docket 20-08-03 - Investigation into Electric Distribution Companies' Preparation for and Response to Tropical Storm Isaias

- [Notice of Proceeding](#) – In this investigation, PURA is reviewing the preparation for and response to Tropical Storm Isaias by Eversource and UI. The investigation addresses a myriad of related topics, including the prudence and reasonableness of the EDCs' storm preparation, response, and recovery activities. PURA is also reviewing the accuracy of the storm-related costs for which recovery may be sought.
- [External schedule](#) – Reply briefs were due on 2/19/21, and the next step in this case is the issuance of a Draft Decision, expected on March 19. In the event that PURA reaches an adverse finding for one or both of the EDCs, PURA will move immediately into a penalty phase of the docket.

Docket 20-12-46 - PURA Implementation of Residential Customer Credit and Reimbursements by Electric Distribution Companies for Storm-Related Outages

- [Notice of Proceeding](#) – This docket will serve as the administrative record for PURA's investigation into and implementation of the electric distribution companies' process for distributing residential customer credits and reimbursement of medical prescriptions and food spoilage due to emergency-related outages.
- [External Schedule](#) – A Technical Meeting is scheduled to take place on 03/12/21, and the deadline for PURA to issue a Decision is 07/01/21
- [Notice of Technical Meeting](#)

Docket 17-12-03RE03 - PURA Investigation into Distribution Planning of the Electric Distribution Companies – Electric Storage

- [Notice of Proceeding](#) – This docket is investigating the topic of electric storage in Connecticut; specifically, exploring programs and technology applications to most effectively leverage the value of electric storage for the net benefit of the electric distribution system. The Authority will also explore programs and rate designs that provide multiple types of benefits to the grid, including but not limited to: customer, local, or community resilience; support for DER deployment; ancillary services; and peak shaving. Lastly, the Authority will determine the appropriate cost-benefit methodology to calculate net benefits to ratepayers.

- [Straw energy storage program design proposal](#) – This is the draft program design released by PURA for public input derived from stakeholder proposals submitted in 2020. The proposed program envisions a structure to incentivize the deployment of behind-the-meter and front-of-the-meter energy storage assets, for both residential and non-residential customers. The proposed program also contemplates specific incentives for innovative uses of storage that promote equity and greater resiliency for the most vulnerable communities.
- [External Schedule](#) – A hearing is scheduled for 03/08/21 and Briefs are due in this case on 03/22/21

As Chairman Gillett mentioned to the subcommittee members, PURA can only base its decisions off of the record evidence developed in each proceeding, which is why diverse perspectives are so critical to reaching a balanced and equitable outcome in PURA dockets. Should any member of the committee be interested in participating in a PURA proceeding or submitting comments on the record, they can email me directly and I'm happy to facilitate their involvement.