



# CPUC Mobilehome Park Utility Conversion Program

## Program Background and Phase II Considerations

### Phase II Considerations

- MHP Electric Service System Standards or Upgrades
- MHP Electrification Pilot Program
- Tenant Protections for MHP Residents

### We Want To Hear From You!

A Prehearing Conference will be held on **October 29, 2020 at 2:30 p.m.**

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The California Public Utilities Commission's (CPUC) Mobilehome Park Utility Conversion Program offers mobilehome parks and manufactured housing communities (collectively, MHPs) located within electric and/or natural gas company service areas conversion from master-meter/submeter natural gas and/or electric service to direct utility service.

Many MHPs built in California before 1997 did not receive electricity and/or natural gas directly from their local utility. Instead, the utility served a master-meter customer, such as an MHP owner or operator, who then distributed the electricity and/or natural gas to individual coaches at the MHP through a privately owned submeter system.

To increase safety and reliability in MHPs, this utility conversion program funds upgrades to the natural gas and/or electricity infrastructure within a utility's operating territory. This funding includes prioritizing those located in Disadvantaged Communities (DACs). Utility conversions increase the number of individuals eligible for low-income discount programs such as [California Alternate Rates for Energy \(CARE\)](#) and [Family Electric Rate Assistance \(FERA\)](#).

To address safety risks due to aged infrastructure, the MHP Utility Conversion Program encourages MHP owners in coordination with their utility service provider to upgrade legacy natural gas and/or electricity systems at little to no-cost to the MHP owner. The conversion program includes common use facilities as part of the ongoing program; it does not cover beyond-the-meter costs to upgrade these facilities. This program also encourages upgrades of other utility services such as broadband.

Phase II in this CPUC proceeding will consider whether consumer protection and/or enforcement mechanisms can help ensure MHP owner participation in the program does not result in unreasonable cost increases to tenants.

Phase II will also explore the prospect of promoting MHP electrification. Finally, to further California's climate goals, Phase II will also explore the cost, feasibility, and challenges associated with the full electrification of MHPs currently served by natural gas or propane, including how to transition customers. For more information, please visit [www.cpuc.ca.gov/mhpupgrade](http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/mhpupgrade).

