

Southern California Joint Pole Committee

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A regular meeting of the **Administrative Board** took place on the above date, at 9:02 a.m., via teleconference.

Those in attendance were:

Mr. John Bacon	City of Los Angeles
Mr. Lex Treepaisan	Frontier Communications
Ms. Silvana Ray	Southern California Edison
Ms. April DeBarge	Southern California Edison
Ms. Shelby Mulvehill	Southern California Edison
Ms. Marisol Bailey	Southern California Edison
Mr. Samuel Picazo	Southern California Edison
Mr. Michael Pearson	Southern California Edison
Mr. Kevin Flores	Southern California Edison
Mr. Julian Ruiz	AT&T California
Ms. Kay Black	AT&T California
Mr. Alvin Robielos	AT&T California
Mr. Barry Consulter	AT&T California
Ms. Joy Young	AT&T California
Ms. Veronica C. Romero	AT&T California
Ms. Aarize Dizon	Crown Castle NG West Inc (Arium Networks)
Mr. Jeremy Effinger	Crown Castle NG West Inc (Arium Networks)
Mr. Wesley Jones	Crown Castle NG West Inc (Arium Networks)
Mr. James Todaro	Verizon Wireless
Mr. Alex Parra	City of Riverside
Mr. John Vu	City of Anaheim
Ms. Maribel Sanchez	Teleport Communications America, LLC
Mr. Edward Castro	City of Glendale
Ms. Maria Ortiz	MCI Metro ATS/MCI Telecommunications/XO Communications
Mr. Salvador Zambrano	City of Burbank
Mr. Joe Armstrong	City of Pasadena
Ms. Yesenia Delgado	Time-Warner Cable
Ms. Lynn LaFrenis	Bear Valley Electric Service, Inc.
Mr. David Navar	City of Colton
Mr. Joseph DeLaTorre	City of Azusa
Mr. Ben Coffey	City of Banning
Mr. David Campo	City of Lompoc
Mr. Hugo Martinez	City of Vernon
Mr. Nick Van Stryk	City of Vernon (Petrelli Electric)

Ms. Alicia Smith	Sprint Nextel/Sprint Communications
Ms. Shawn Henderson	T-Mobile USA
Mr. Johnny Villalobos	M-Power Communications
Ms. Linda McLean	Extenet Systems
Ms. Tamara Zaki	Boldyn Networks US LLC
Ms. Maggie Howell	ATC-Outdoor DAS, LLC
Ms. Angela Pranata	Committee Staff
Ms. Kathleen Allen	Committee Staff

Guests:

Mr. Joe Serrato	Zayo Group
Ms. Kendall Edwards	Zayo Group

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Bacon, President of SCJPC, called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. Mr. Bacon then proceeded with roll call. When the roll call was completed Sonic Telecom, LLC was not in attendance.

There were no questions or comments.

HOUSEKEEPING:

Mr. Bacon requested that members who are teleconferencing mute their phones so that no interference is picked up. He added that if the teleconferencing members must step away from the meeting please inform the chair when they leave and return to the meeting, in the event that a vote call transpired in their absence. Additionally, he asked members, before speaking, to please state their name and company first, then proceed with comments or questions. If someone else is talking, please do not talk over them because it is hard to hear and incoherent.

Ms. Dizon announced that Mr. Serrato and Ms. Edwards of Zayo Group joined the meeting as guests of Crown Castle.

Mr. Pranata announced that only SCJPC staff are authorized to record the meeting or use AI note taking tools for official documentation. Members and their guests are not permitted to record the meeting or use AI note taking tools.

There were no questions or comments.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Bacon inquired whether the members reviewed the minutes of April 15, 2026, Administrative Board meeting and if there were any comments, additions, deletions, or revisions. In that there were no corrections, Mr. Bacon then solicited a motion to accept the minutes as written. Mr. Treepaisan motioned to accept April 15, 2026, minutes as written. Ms. Black seconded the motion, which after the vote tally was completed, passed. However, City of Azusa and City of Vernon abstained.

There were no questions or comments.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Ms. Pranata reported that the April 2026 Gross Expenses and Capital Investments totaled \$125,433.18, and the members were assessed the same amount. There were no questions or comments.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- Awaiting membership application response packages from Cityside Networks and Zayo Group, LLC. Both companies have signed the MNDA.
- Awaiting AVX Networks to sign the MNDA.

Ms. Pranata reported that she is awaiting membership allocation response packages from Cityside Networks and Zayo Group, LLC, both of which have executed the MNDA. She also noted that AVX Networks has not yet signed the MNDA. Mr. Bacon inquired whether this was the final step before membership. Ms. Pranata clarified that it is not, explaining that once the packages are received, the applicants will be invited to a meeting to address questions, after which the committee may proceed with a vote.

Mr. Van Stryk asked whether comments regarding Zayo Group should be addressed at that time or deferred to later discussion. Ms. Pranata confirmed that he could raise his questions. Mr. Van Stryk expressed concern that Zayo may have gained early access to the pole database, Routine Handbook, and related resources potentially through its relationship with Crown Castle or as a contractor to Arium prior to completing the membership process. He noted this could undermine the integrity of the application process and create inequity compared to other applicants required to wait for full approval before receiving access. Mr. Treepaisan asked what action Mr. Van Stryk proposed. Mr. Van Stryk suggested restricting Zayo's access to the pole database until membership is finalized and fees are paid. Mr. Treepaisan noted that Zayo may currently have legitimate access through its association with Crown Castle or Arium. Mr. Bacon added that he understood Zayo to be working directly with Arium. Mr. Van Stryk clarified that Zayo is a telecommunications provider and raised concerns about its ability to access resources as a competitor while not yet a member. Mr. Serrato explained that Zayo is operating as an Arium subcontractor and is applying independently for membership. Ms. Black and Mr. Serrato provided additional context regarding corporate restructuring, explaining that Crown Castle's fiber and small cell divisions have been divided, with Arium and Zayo assuming different assets. As a result, Zayo currently lacks SCJPC membership and is attending as a guest while completing its application. Mr. Jones of Arium Networks explained that Arium, as Crown Castle NG West, retains ownership of the pole space regardless of whether it is a small cell or fiber attachment, while Zayo owns the underlying strand. Therefore, Zayo owns the assets but not the pole space. Arium has submitted a letter of authorization to the SCJPC office, to Ms. Pranata, permitting Zayo to act on its behalf for in-progress JPAs to facilitate completion. Most of the submissions are in-flight JPAs that Crown Castle/Arium has a vested interest in closing out, and Zayo has the same interest in closing them out. He stated that this arrangement is intended as an interim

solution, has not been denied by the committee, and would benefit the committee as a whole by helping to finalize those in-flight JPAs. Mr. Van Stryk questioned how a denial of Zayo's membership would affect the current arrangement and reiterated concerns regarding fairness, including whether similar access would be permitted to other applicants. Mr. Parra and Mr. Treepaisan noted that this situation differs from a standard new applicant due to the corporate transition and prior access under Crown Castle, and that access is being provided through Arium rather than directly granted by the committee.

Further discussion highlighted differing perspectives on whether Zayo's access constitutes an unfair advantage or a continuation of existing rights under Arium's authorization. Mr. Bacon acknowledged the validity of the concerns raised and recommended that the matter be set aside for further review by members. He indicated that a separate discussion would be held to evaluate the issue, including relevant bylaws and membership requirements. Ms. Ray asked whether guests would be permitted to remain for all portions of the meeting. Mr. Bacon clarified that the specific issue regarding access and membership would be discussed separately among members only but confirmed there were no objections to allowing guests to remain for the remainder of the meeting. Ms. Ray requested clarification on which meetings the guests can attend, since this is the first time she has attended a meeting with guests present. Mr. Bacon stated that he is fine with the guests remaining for the remainder of the meeting and other meetings that day. Mr. Bacon asked other members to voice their opposition at that time; however, none of the members raised any opposition or concerns about Zayo attending the remainder of the meeting or attending other meetings that day. Mr. Bacon stated that he would be sending emails to the members regarding where the committee needs to go with this matter.

There were no further questions or comments.

SPECIAL REPORTS:

There were no Special Reports.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Compliance ad hoc Committee

Ms. Black reported that the ad hoc committee met last month but did not discuss any items. The committee agreed to place meetings on hold and advised that members with topics should contact Ms. Pranata in advance so she can schedule a meeting as needed.

For additional information, she referred the members to the meeting minutes.

Computer Communications ad hoc Committee

Ms. Ray reported that the Computer Communications committee did meet last month. She added that an update was received, which Ms. Pranata will share during the meeting.

She directed members to the minutes for full details.

Routine Revision ad hoc Committee

Ms. Ortiz reported that the Routine Revision Committee met last month and agreed to begin reviewing the Routine Handbook, covering a few sections each month, starting with the glossary and Section One. The committee also discussed removing certain sections from the bill of sale information on the pole record, as the latest finalized versions are now available in PDF format on the website.

She directed members to the minutes for all the details.

Basic JPA Training ad hoc Committee

Ms. Dizon reported that the Basic JPA Training Committee met last month. The streamlining a new process for billing out of sequence JPAs and members review of the samples are put on hold until more samples are collected for Ms. Allen to analyze.

For additional information, she referred the members to the meeting minutes.

Operating Committee

Mr. Treepaisan reported that the Operating Committee met last month and highlighted several key discussions. The committee noted that the IT maintenance line item is expected to exceed budget due to increased Microsoft pricing and enhanced cybersecurity measures. They also clarified that, per the bylaws, nonpayment beyond 60 days constitutes a member default, and discussed potential penalties or restrictions for late payments. Additionally, the committee observed a decrease in priority JPAs and reviewed Edison's backlog reduction plan, which includes a multistage approach and the use of temporary staff to address the backlog.

He directed the members to the minutes for all the details.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

There was no Consent Calendar.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR:

There was no Discussion Calendar.

OTHER ITEMS:

Unfinished Business

Item 1697: Review of Routine Handbook examples – ROUTINE REVISION
(5/19/2015) **(STILL OPEN)**

Item 1730: CPUC Updates – COMPLIANCE (2/14/2018) – **ON HOLD**

Item 1758: Environmental Issues – COMPLIANCE (1/16/2019, moved from Admin
Board 1/15/2020) **(STILL OPEN)**

Item 1776: Establishing a Timeline and Codified Process for Mutual benefit of Pole

- Replacements - ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD (3/17/2021, Moved from COMPLIANCE 6/18/2021) – **ON HOLD**
- Item 1793: Section 4.0 with Form 48 – ROUTINE REVISION (10/18/2023) - **ON HOLD**
- Item 1798: Strand Mounted Antennas – ROUTINE REVISION (11/20/2024) (**STILL OPEN**)
- Item 1799: Approved Maintenance Program Routine Handbook Review – ROUTINE REVISION (2/19/2025) (**STILL OPEN**)
- Item 1800: Approved Maintenance Program Review – COMPLIANCE (2/19/2025) (**STILL OPEN**)
- Item 1806: Standardized Excel Form – COMPUTER COMMUNICATIONS (6/18/2025, Moved from OPERATING 5/21/2025) (**STILL OPEN**)
- Item 1808: Time Limit for Final Form 2 Billing (H. Chadwick - NXT/MCI/ATS – 1/21/2026) (**STILL OPEN**)

Closed Items

Item 1808: Time Limit for Final Form 2 Billing (H. Chadwick - NXT/MCI/ATS - 1/21/2026) was closed.

All other items remain open.

New Business

Known Items:

There were no Known Items.

Unknown Items:

Item 1809 – Third Party Accountant Financial Review

Ms. Ray stated that she had a question regarding a topic discussed during the March meeting. She recalled raising the idea of bringing in a third party accounting firm to review the organization’s financials and provide analysis. She asked whether an action item had been created for this or if one still needed to be opened. Ms. Pranata confirmed that no item number had been assigned and asked if Ms. Ray would like one created. Ms. Ray confirmed and proposed the title “Third Party Accountant Financial Review.” Mr. Van Stryk asked whether the topic had been discussed during last month’s Administrative Board meeting. Ms. Ray confirmed that it had been discussed but noted that no formal action item resulted from the discussion. Ms. Pranata asked whether the item should be assigned to the Operating Committee. Mr. Treepaisan inquired whether Ms. Ray had any specific third-party accounting firms in mind, or whether Southern California Edison uses any firm that could be considered. Ms. Ray stated she did not have any firms in mind but would research and provide recommendations. She also asked if the organization had previously used any outside

firms. Mr. Treepaisan stated he was not aware of any, aside from referencing general accountants. Ms. Pranata added that the organization currently works with an accountant, Mr. Robert Hunt. Mr. Bacon asked for clarification regarding the purpose and intent of hiring an outside firm. Ms. Ray explained that, given recent organizational changes, including closing the office and discussions about hiring contractors to address backlog, it would be beneficial to have an independent review to ensure financial stability and proper handling of funds. She noted that a third-party firm could provide guidance on tracking funds and overall financial practices. Mr. Bacon noted that hiring an outside firm would incur costs. Ms. Ray agreed. Mr. Bacon stated that a formal vote would be required in the future before proceeding.

Ms. Pranata assigned Item Number 1809 – Third Party Accountant Financial Review.

There were no further questions or comments.

Policy Changes (standing agenda item)

There were no Policy Changes.

SCHEDULE OF FUTURE MEETINGS:

Future meetings that will be remote were scheduled as follows:

Administrative Board	6/17/2026	9:00 a.m.	Teleconference (MS TEAMS)
Operating Committee	6/17/2026	Following	Administrative Board
Nominating Committee	6/17/2026	Following	Operating Committee
Authorized Costs Committee	6/17/2026	Following	Nominating Committee
Routine Revision Committee	6/17/2026	Following	Authorized Costs Committee
Compliance Committee	6/17/2026	Following	Routine Revision Committee
Computer Committee	6/17/2026	Following	Compliance Committee
Basic JPA Training	6/17/2026	Following	Computer Committee

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Treepaisan adjourned the meeting at 9:35 a.m. until Wednesday, June 17, 2026.

Mr. Treepaisan, Vice President

Ms. Angela Pranata, Manager of Operations

Transcribed by Ms. Kathleen Allen - Committee Staff