

## PANELIST BIOGRAPHIES

### Leuwam Tesfai



- Deputy Executive Director for Energy & Climate Policy at the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC).
- Has worked at the CPUC since 2011 in several roles including as Commissioner Genevieve Shiroma’s Chief of Staff and Legal Advisor, an Advisor to former Commissioner Liane M. Randolph, and in the CPUC’s Legal, Energy and Administrative Law Judge Divisions.
- Private sector experience includes renewable energy markets, siting and permitting generation facilities, and commercialization of clean energy technologies.

### Aleecia Gutierrez



- Director of the Energy Assessments Division, which is responsible for forecasting energy demand and supplies, at the California Energy Commission (CEC).
- Has worked at the CEC since 2007, previously in the Fuels and Transportation Division to develop the Clean Transportation Program and with the Energy Research and Development Division’s Energy Generation Research Office.
- As assistant deputy director for the Energy Assessments Division, she helped develop a strategic vision for the division to serve as California’s primary resource for energy data and independent energy assessments.

### Román Partida-López



- Senior Legal Counsel of Transportation Equity at the Greenlining Institute.
- Advocates for legislation and regulation to improve transportation access, affordability, and lasting socio-economic and environmental benefits for low-income communities of color.
- Focuses on advancing equitable policies and programs that deliver clean air, zero-emission mobility options, and workforce opportunities for the most impacted communities.
- Chair of the Disadvantaged Communities Advisory Group, which advises the CPUC and CEC on the development of equitable energy policy.

## **Duncan Callaway**



- Professor of Energy and Resources at UC Berkeley.
- Faculty Scientist at Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory.
- Researches emerging energy technologies and develops control, optimization, and data analysis tools to facilitate their integration into power systems.
- Worked in the energy industry, first at Davis Energy Group and later at PowerLight Corporation.

## **Kevin Geraghty**



- Chief Operating Officer and Chief Safety Officer at San Diego Gas & Electric (SDG&E).
- Responsible for the safe and reliable engineering, construction, and operations and maintenance of the SDG&E's gas, electric, and generation resources. He is also responsible for customer service and programs, workplace safety, and public safety including emergency management.
- Previously served as both chief safety officer and as senior vice president of electric operations, responsible for all aspects of electric transmission, distribution and substation operations, and major capital projects at SDG&E.

## **Rocky Fernandez**



- Director of Policy at the Center for Sustainable Energy.
- Has two decades of organizing and policy experience with a focus on clean energy and transportation.
- Prior to joining CSE, worked for 13+ years for the California Legislature and held roles with the nonprofits Environmental Entrepreneurs and the Clean Energy Project.