

Table 1: PURA Regulations Proposed for Repeal

Section #	Short Description / Subject Matter	History	EO Status ⁺	Rationale
16-1-59B	Surcharges to cover the costs of construction projects for compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act	1979	2	Regulation is outdated; the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act was enacted in the 1970s to address conditions that likely no longer exist today
16-1-66 through 16-1-70	Railroads – Petitions and applications	1971	2	Railroads are no longer under PURA’s jurisdiction
16-1-88 through 16-1-101	Motor carriers – Petitions and applications	1971; 1988	2	Motor carriers are no longer under PURA’s jurisdiction
16-11-101(b)	Record keeping requirements of electric companies’ own generation		2	Electric companies can no longer own generation after deregulation
16-19cc-1 and 16-19cc-2	Filing and quarterly review requirements of nuclear generating plants	1987	2	Obsolete by electric deregulation
16-27-8 through 16-27-10	Uniform system of accounts for motor carriers of passengers	1978	2	Motor carriers are no longer under PURA’s jurisdiction
16-140-1 through 16-140-33	Clearances on railroads with reference to overhead and side structures and parallel tracks	1973	2	Railroads are no longer under PURA’s jurisdiction
16-271-1 through 16-271-38	Natural gas pipelines	1963	2	States no longer have jurisdiction over natural gas pipelines since the passage of the Natural Gas Pipeline Safety Act of 1968; the U.S. DOT now has that jurisdiction.
16-304-A1 through 16-304-F29	Motor carriers – permits, tariffs of rates and charges	1972; 1982; 1984; 1988	2	PURA no longer has jurisdiction over motor carriers
16-325-1 through 16-325-26	Livery service	1965	2	PURA no longer has jurisdiction over livery service
16-333-54	Cable TV rate regulation	1993	2	Connecticut no longer has jurisdiction over cable TV rates (now FCC’s jurisdiction)

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Table 2: Regulations PURA Intends to Amend

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16-1-2; 16-1-10 to 16-1-15; 16-1-16 to 16-1-44; 16-1-45 to 16-1-59A; 16-1-102 to 16-1-117; 16-1-118 to 16-1-133; 16-2-8a to 16-2-8h; 16-8-1 to 16-8-4; 16-8a-1 to 16-8a-6; 16-10a-1 to 16-10a-3; 16-11-3; 16-11-13 to 16-11-15; 16-11-24; 16-11-26 to 16-11-29; 16-11-36 to 16-11-37; 16-11-39; 16-11-43; 16-11-45; 16-11-47 to 16-11-48; 16-11-50 to 16-11-55; 16-11-61; 16-11-64; 16-11-74; 16-11-90; 16-11-94 to 16-11-96; 16-11-99 to 16-11-99c; 16-11-137 to 16-11-140; 16-11-151; 16-11-238; 16-16-1 to 16-16-4; 16-19d-2 to 16-19d-4; 16-32g-1; 16-35-1; 16-47a-1 to 16-47a-12; 16-235-1; 16-243-11; 16-243a-1; 16-243a-3 to 16-243a-7; 16-244h-1 to 16-244h-7; 16-245a-1 to 16-245a-2; 16-247c-2 to 16-247c-6; 16-247d-1; 16-247d-6; 16-247d-8; 16-247g-1 to 16-247g-3; 16-247g-7 to 16-247g-9; 16-250b-2 to 16-250b-5; 16-258b-1 to 16-258b-2; 16-262j-1; 16-262m-1 to 16-262m-9; 16-262o-1 to 16-262o-8; 16-331a-3 to 16-331a-5; 16-331a-8; 16-331a-10 to 16-331a-13; 16-333-1 to 16-333-54; 16-333b-1; 16-333e-1 to 16-333e-3; 16-333f-1 to 16-333f-3; 16-345-1 to 9	Various	Various	3	Amend, where applicable, to change “department,” “commission,” “DPUC,” “Department of Public Utility Control,” or other obsolete agency names to “PURA”
16-1-15	Service requirements	1971; 2003	4	Amend to allow for electronic service
16-1-24	Place of hearings	1971	3	Amend to update PURA’s address
16-2-6 through 16-2-8	Description of Organization	1978	3	Update PURA’s functions, address and organization
16-2-8c	Maintenance of personal data system	1986	3	Update PURA’s address

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16-2-9 through 16-2-10	Office of Commissioners	1978	3	Update to reflect 3 Commissioners and number of Commissioners in a panel
16-2-13	Adjudication division	1988	3	Update language to reflect current agency organization and staff responsibilities
16-2-18 through 16-2-20	Advocacy and operations division	1988	3	Update language to reflect current agency organization and staff responsibilities
16-2-22 through 16-2-24	Information available to the public – requests, complaints, inspection	1988	3	Update PURA’s address
16-3-102	Estimated billing by public service companies	1978	4	Update regulation to reflect modern technology and contemporary company practices
16-11-101(d)	Record of interruptions to be filed by electric companies		4	Should allow notification by email
16-11-103(f)	Rate schedules to be filed by electric companies		3	Correct typo: “field” should be “filed”
16-11-115	Voltage variations	1990	4	Language should be changed to conform with the ANSI standard, which would result in material cost savings by electric distribution companies, which would then be passed to ratepayers.
16-27-3 through 16-27-7	Uniform system of accounts for utility companies	1973; 1974; 1976; 1978; 1982; 1986; 1990; 1992	3	Update PURA’s address
16-32a-1	Filing of procurement policies and practices	1988; 2000	3	Update PURA’s address
16-244c-1 through 16-244c-11	Competitive bidding process for electric distribution companies’ procurement of default and back-up services	1999	3	Language is outdated and does not accurately reflect current bidding process
16-244c-12 through 16-244c-14	Notice by electric suppliers and electric distribution companies of electric suppliers’ default or cessation of service	1999	4	Language outdated and doesn’t accurately reflect ISO New England’s current process of suspending or terminating suppliers’ assets
16-245-1 through 16-245-6	Licensing of electric suppliers	1999; 2004; 2005	4	Update language to improve licensing process

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16-245d-1 through 16-245d-2	Standard billing format for electric distribution companies	1999; 2000; 2005	4	Update language to reflect current billing format and to make applicable to electric suppliers who bill customers directly.
16-333-1	Community Antenna Television Systems - Definitions	1993; 2000	3	Amend to add definitions of Certificate of Cable Franchise Authority (CCFA) and Certificate of Video Franchise Authority (CVFA) as entities authorized to offer video services in Connecticut, in addition to cable CPCN holders, which is defined as "franchise holder"
16-333-13	Community Antenna Television Systems – Construction and extension requirements	1969; 1980	4	Amend to clarify that the construction and extension requirements apply to cable CPCN holders only and not to CCFA or CVFA holders, which have no build-out obligations per statutes
16-333-24 through 16-333-30	Establishment of advisory council	1974	3	Amend to (1) clarify that these regulations apply to CCFA holders as well as cable CPCN holders, (2) clarify that advisory councils of legacy CPCN holders that now have CVFAs instead of CPCNs still exist as separate, distinct advisory councils even though the service areas of the CVFA holder is not the same as the legacy CPCN franchise area.
16-333-31 through 16-331-33a	Cable TV community access	1982; 1987; 1996	3	Amend to clarify that these regulations apply to CCFA holders in addition to cable CPCN holders
16-333e-1 through 16-333e-3	Cable TV reviewing time reliability standards	1986	3	Amend to clarify that these regulations apply only to cable CPCN holders and not CCFA and CVFA holders
16-333f-1 through 16-333f-3	Cable TV planned programming change and rate change notification	1194; 1999	3	Amend to clarify that CCFA and CVFA holders, in addition to cable CPCN holders, are subject to the notification requirements and to the exceptions to the 30-day notice requirement

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Table 3: Response to Comments

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8 (Walter Harris)	None	When a utility pole or line is downed by a storm or accident, the utility company can only obtain reimbursement if it replaces with the same equipment. This law should be changed to allow for smart alternative solutions, such as undergrounding a utility line.	PURA is unable to locate any such regulation. When PURA inquired, Mr. Harris responded that he may have been “mistaken,” that it was something he might have read about in news articles about Storm Sandy.
Connecticut Council of Small Towns (COST)	None	The process for negotiating telephone pole attachment agreements is cumbersome and confusing. COST supports the appointment of a single, statewide pole administrator to assist municipalities.	COST acknowledges that there are no regulations to amend. Recognizing these concerns, PURA has initiated a docket in March 2011, to determine whether to proceed with a single pole administrator. This proceeding is currently pending.
Connecticut Water Works Association (CWWA)	16-11-64	Recommends that a water utility may allow a property owner to install a water service pipe that crosses intervening properties provided certain requirements are met. CWWA states that currently, a utility or property owner must submit a written request to PURA and a docket is initiated for an exception to allow a service pipe to cross intervening properties “only under very exceptional hardship circumstances and then only on a case by case basis.”	A significant purpose of this regulation is to ensure that each property owner pays for his/her share of extending a main. The question of whether any particular customer meets the requirements of not needing to extend the existing main to the midpoint of their property is not always obvious until the facts are scrutinized and tested. In fact, many difficult cases regarding this regulation were the result of water companies allowing non-conforming extensions. It was the next patron in line who then had to pay a significant amount more because the prior person in line was granted an exception. This regulation protects all future customers “down the line” from having to pay more than their share of the extension of the main. PURA protects those future customers. The high relative cost of extending water lines means there is only one chance of getting it right.
Connecticut Water Works Association (CWWA)	None	Recommends that water companies be allowed to impose late charges on unpaid bills after 28 days rather than one full month to eliminate confusion when late charges appear on the next month’s bill.	CWWA did not cite any regulations, and PURA is unable to locate any regulation relating to this requirement for water utility bills.
Connecticut Water Works Association (CWWA)	None	Recommends (1) an increase of the value of property that may be sold, leased, assigned or otherwise disposed of subject to the approval of PURA, and (2) an increase of the value of land subject to a hearing under C.G.S. §16-50c from \$50,000 to \$100,000	CWWA did not cite any regulations, and the only regulations PURA could identify relating to this issue are §16-1-60 and §16-1-61; the latter addresses the components of a merger/sale application, including the number of appraisals required for certain real property transfers, but contains no hearing or approval requirements. The hearing and PURA approval requirements are contained in the statutes, and statutory amendments are outside the scope of this Report.
Connecticut Water Works Association (CWWA)	16-1-59B	This regulation allows for special surcharges to be implemented to cover the costs of construction projects for compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act requirements and should be clarified to ensure that this mechanism may be allowed to be used for plant improvements or upgrades to implement current technology	This regulation was only valid due to the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act; any attempt to repurpose this regulation for construction projects not predicated on the Act requirements would require statutory changes

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