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#### **UNITED STATES**

#### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## FORM N-Q

# QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY

**Investment Company Act File Number:** 811-21188

Registrant Name: PIMCO California Municipal Income Fund III

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Date of Fiscal Year End: December 31

Date of Reporting Period: September 30, 2016

# **Item 1. Schedule of Investments**

## **Schedule of Investments**

# PIMCO California Municipal Income Fund III

September 30, 2016 (Unaudited)

	PR	INCIPAL	MARKET
	A	AMOUNT	VALUE
		(000S)	(000S)
INVESTMENTS IN SECURITIES 163.5%		(0003)	(0003)
MUNICIPAL BONDS & NOTES 163.5%			
CALIFORNIA 156.6%			
Alameda Community Facilities District, California Special			
Tax Bonds, Series 2016			
4.000% due 09/01/2046	\$	200	\$ 218
Bay Area Toll Authority, California Revenue Bonds, Series			
2008			
5.000% due 04/01/2034		1,250	1,328
Bay Area Toll Authority, California Revenue Bonds, Series			
2013			
5.250% due 04/01/2048		8,000	9,721
California County Tobacco Securitization Agency Revenue			
Bonds, Series 2002			
5.875% due 06/01/2035		8,100	8,104
6.000% due 06/01/2042		7,000	7,003
California County Tobacco Securitization Agency Revenue			
Bonds, Series 2006			
5.600% due 06/01/2036		2,000	2,044
California Educational Facilities Authority Revenue Bonds,			
Series 2009			
5.000% due 01/01/2039 (a)		9,800	10,686
5.000% due 10/01/2039 (a)		10,000	10,817
California Health Facilities Financing Authority Revenue			
Bonds, (IBC/NPFGC Insured), Series 2007			
5.000% due 11/15/2042		500	502
California Health Facilities Financing Authority Revenue			
Bonds, Series 2008			
5.000% due 08/15/2038		5,000	5,358
5.250% due 11/15/2040		4,550	5,369
California Health Facilities Financing Authority Revenue			
Bonds, Series 2009		4.000	4.555
5.750% due 09/01/2039		4,000	4,555
6.000% due 07/01/2039		4,000	4,523
6.500% due 11/01/2038		500	581

California Health Facilities Financing Authority Revenue		
Bonds, Series 2010		
5.000% due 11/15/2036	1,300	1,454
California Health Facilities Financing Authority Revenue		
Bonds, Series 2011		
5.000% due 08/15/2035	1,000	1,164
6.000% due 08/15/2042	1,200	1,430
California Health Facilities Financing Authority Revenue		
Bonds, Series 2012		
5.000% due 08/15/2051	8,305	9,557
California Health Facilities Financing Authority Revenue		
Bonds, Series 2015		
5.000% due 08/15/2054	3,000	3,580
California Infrastructure & Economic Development Bank		
Revenue Bonds,		
Series 2013		
5.000% due 02/01/2039	10,000	11,599
California Municipal Finance Authority Revenue Bonds,		
Series 2011		
7.750% due 04/01/2031	800	991
California Pollution Control Financing Authority Revenue		
Bonds, Series 2010		
5.250% due 08/01/2040	1,250	1,398
California State General Obligation Bonds, Series 2009		
6.000% due 04/01/2038	7,300	8,216
California State General Obligation Bonds, Series 2013		
5.000% due 11/01/2043	5,000	6,051
California State General Obligation Bonds, Series 2015		
5.000% due 09/01/2032	5,900	7,310
California State Public Works Board Revenue Bonds, Series		
2009		
6.000% due 11/01/2034	2,000	2,308
California State Public Works Board Revenue Bonds, Series		
2013		
5.000% due 03/01/2038	2,500	2,957
California State University Revenue Bonds, Series 2011		
5.000% due 11/01/2042	9,200	10,713
California State University Revenue Bonds, Series 2015		
5.000% due 11/01/2047	12,750	15,415
California Statewide Communities Development Authority		
Certificates of Participation Bonds, Series 1999		
5.375% due 04/01/2030	945	948
California Statewide Communities Development Authority		
Revenue Bonds, (FGIC Insured), Series 2007		
5.750% due 07/01/2047	3,100	3,366
California Statewide Communities Development Authority		
Revenue Bonds, (FHA Insured), Series 2009		
6.625% due 08/01/2029	1,780	2,061
6.750% due 02/01/2038	6,430	7,468
California Statewide Communities Development Authority		
Revenue Bonds,		
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Series 2007		
5.500% due 11/01/2038	1,300	1,375
California Statewide Communities Development Authority		
Revenue Bonds,		
Series 2008		
5.500% due 07/01/2031	2,030	2,106
California Statewide Communities Development Authority		
Revenue Bonds,		
Series 2010		
6.250% due 10/01/2039	500	571
7.500% due 06/01/2042	980	1,063
California Statewide Communities Development Authority		
Revenue Bonds,		
Series 2011		
5.000% due 12/01/2041	11,000	12,786
6.000% due 08/15/2042	1,800	2,145
6.500% due 11/01/2021	335	370
California Statewide Communities Development Authority		
Revenue Bonds,		
Series 2012		
5.000% due 04/01/2042	11,220	12,911
5.375% due 05/15/2038	2,000	2,308
California Statewide Communities Development Authority		
Revenue Bonds,		
Series 2014		
5.500% due 12/01/2054	2,500	2,916

California Statewide Communities Development Authority		
Revenue Bonds,		
Series 2016		
5.000% due 12/01/2036	1,100	1,269
Chula Vista, California Revenue Bonds, Series 2004	,	,
5.875% due 02/15/2034	2,000	2,243
Contra Costa County, California Public Financing Authority	,	,
Tax Allocation Bonds, Series 2003		
5.625% due 08/01/2033	1,415	1,416
Fremont Community Facilities District No. 1, California		
Special Tax Bonds,		
Series 2015		
5.000% due 09/01/2045	1,400	1,577
Golden State, California Tobacco Securitization Corp.		
Revenue Bonds, Series 2007		
5.000% due 06/01/2033	2,500	2,521
5.750% due 06/01/2047	15,165	15,390
Hayward Unified School District, California General		
Obligation Bonds, Series 2015		
5.000% due 08/01/2038	5,000	5,844
JPMorgan Chase Putters/Drivers Trust, California Revenue		
Bonds, Series 2009		
5.000% due 07/01/2037 (a)	5,000	5,149
Lancaster Redevelopment Agency, California Tax Allocation		
Bonds, Series 2009		
6.875% due 08/01/2039	500	579
Long Beach Unified School District, California General		
Obligation Bonds,		
Series 2009		
5.750% due 08/01/2033	5,000	5,682
Long Beach, California Airport System Revenue Bonds,		
Series 2010		
5.000% due 06/01/2040	2,120	2,338
Los Angeles Community College District, California General		
Obligation Bonds,		
Series 2009		
12.184% due 08/01/2033 (b)	1,000	1,221
Los Angeles Department of Water & Power, California		
Revenue Bonds, Series 2009		
5.000% due 07/01/2039 (a)	10,000	10,860
Los Angeles Department of Water & Power, California		
Revenue Bonds, Series 2012	_	
5.000% due 07/01/2037	2,000	2,371
5.000% due 07/01/2043	2,115	2,503
Los Angeles Department of Water & Power, California		
Revenue Bonds, Series 2014	_	
5.000% due 07/01/2043	3,000	3,588

Los Angeles Unified School District, California General		
Obligation Bonds,		
Series 2009		
5.000% due 01/01/2034 (a)	10,000	11,015
M-S-R Energy Authority, California Revenue Bonds, Series	10,000	11,013
2009		
6.500% due 11/01/2039	10,825	15,870
7.000% due 11/01/2034	2,285	3,405
Malibu, California Certificates of Participation Bonds, Series 2009		
5.000% due 07/01/2039	550	600
Manteca Financing Authority, California Revenue Bonds,		
Series 2009		
5.750% due 12/01/2036	1,000	1,146
Montebello Unified School District, California General		
Obligation Bonds, (AGM Insured), Series 2008		
5.000% due 08/01/2033	3,000	3,226
Oakland Redevelopment Agency Successor Agency,		
California Tax Allocation Bonds, (AGM Insured), Series 2015		
5.000% due 09/01/2036	800	943
Peralta Community College District, California General		
Obligation Bonds,		
Series 2009		
5.000% due 08/01/2039	1,250	1,393
Regents of the University of California Medical Center Pooled	,	,
Revenue Bonds,		
Series 2013		
5.000% due 05/15/2043	5,000	5,847
River Islands Public Financing Authority, California Special		
Tax Bonds, Series 2015		
5.500% due 09/01/2045	3,000	3,331
Rocklin Unified School District Community Facilities District,		
California Special Tax Bonds, (NPFGC Insured), Series 2004		
5.000% due 09/01/2029	500	501
Sacramento Municipal Utility District, California Revenue		
Bonds, Series 2013		
5.000% due 08/15/2037	3,000	3,611
San Diego County, California Regional Airport Authority		
Revenue Bonds,		
Series 2013		
5.000% due 07/01/2043	1,325	1,540
San Diego County, California Water Authority Certificates of		
Participation Bonds, (AGM Insured), Series 2008		
5.000% due 05/01/2038	6,250	6,657
San Diego Public Facilities Financing Authority Sewer,		
California Revenue Bonds, Series 2009		
5.250% due 05/15/2039	4,000	4,451
San Diego Regional Building Authority, California Revenue		
Bonds, Series 2009		
5.375% due 02/01/2036	2,200	2,428

San Francisco, California City & County Certificates of		
Participation Bonds,		
Series 2009		
5.250% due 04/01/2031	550	604
San Francisco, California City & County Redevelopment		
Agency Special Tax Bonds, Series 2013		
5.000% due 08/01/2028	1,505	1,732
San Joaquin Hills Transportation Corridor Agency,		
California Revenue Bonds,		
Series 2014		
5.000% due 01/15/2050	2,000	2,312
San Jose, California Hotel Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2011		
6.500% due 05/01/2036	1,500	1,812
San Marcos Redevelopment Agency Successor Agency,		
California Tax Allocation Bonds, Series 2015		
5.000% due 10/01/2034	885	1,068
San Marcos Unified School District, California General		,
Obligation Bonds,		
Series 2011		
5.000% due 08/01/2038	1,000	1,171
Santa Clara County, California Financing Authority Revenue	1,000	1,171
Bonds, (AMBAC Insured), Series 2007		
5.750% due 02/01/2041	500	520
Santa Cruz County, California Redevelopment Agency Tax	200	320
Allocation Bonds,		
Series 2009		
7.000% due 09/01/2036	1,200	1,409
Stockton Unified School District, California General	1,200	1,100
Obligation Bonds, Series 2016		
5.000% due 08/01/2031	2,000	2,447
Sweetwater Union High School District, California General	2,000	2,447
Obligation Bonds,		
Series 2016		
5.000% due 08/01/2036	1,250	1,521
Tender Option Bond Trust Receipts/Certificates, California	1,230	1,321
Revenue Bonds,		
Series 2016		
11.673% due 11/15/2041	1 275	1 772
15.724% due 11/15/2046	1,275	1,773
	1,063	1,964
Tobacco Securitization Authority of Northern California		
Revenue Bonds, Series 2005	1.500	1.501
5.375% due 06/01/2038	1,500	1,501
Torrance, California Revenue Bonds, Series 2001	2.050	2.002
5.500% due 06/01/2031	2,950	3,002

Washington Township Health Care District, California General Obligation Bonds, Series 2013		
5.000% due 08/01/2043	2,500	2,934
Western Municipal Water District Facilities Authority,		
California Revenue Bonds, Series 2009		
5.000% due 10/01/2039	2,000	2,241
		365,872
ILLINOIS 4.2%		
Chicago, Illinois General Obligation Bonds, Series 2007		
5.500% due 01/01/2035	3,000	3,185
Chicago, Illinois General Obligation Bonds, Series 2015		
5.250% due 01/01/2028	3,700	3,997
5.500% due 01/01/2033	2,500	2,683
		9,865
		9,003
INDIANA 2.3%		
Vigo County, Indiana Hospital Authority Revenue Bonds, Series 2007		
5.750% due 09/01/2042	5,000	5,212
3.730 % duc 09/01/2042	3,000	3,212
NEW JERSEY 0.4%		
Tobacco Settlement Financing Corp., New Jersey Revenue		
Bonds, Series 2007		
4.750% due 06/01/2034	1,000	960
Total Municipal Bonds & Notes		381,909
(Cost \$336,454)		
Total Investments in Securities		381,909
(Cost \$336,454)		
Total Investments 163.5% (Cost \$336,454)	\$	381,909
Preferred Shares (53.5)%		(125,000)
Other Assets and Liabilities, net (10.0)%		(23,318)
Net Assets Applicable to Common Shareholders 100.0%	\$	233,591

Notes to Schedule of Investments (amounts in thousands\*):

- \* A zero balance may reflect actual amounts rounding to less than one thousand.
- (a) Represents an underlying municipal bond transferred to a tender option bond trust established in a tender option bond transaction in which the Fund sold, or caused the sale of, the underlying municipal bond and purchased the residual interest certificate. The security serves as collateral in a financing transaction.
- (b) Represents an investment in a tender option bond residual interest certificate purchased in a secondary market transaction. The interest rate shown bears an inverse relationship to the interest rate on a tender option bond floating rate certificate. The interest rate disclosed reflects the rate in effect on September 30, 2016.

#### **Fair Value Measurements**

The following is a summary of the fair valuations according to the inputs used as of September 30, 2016 in valuing the Fund s assets and liabilities:

Category and Subcategory	Leve	el 1	Level 2	Lev	el 3	ir Value 9/30/2016
Investments in Securities, at Value						
Municipal Bonds & Notes						
California	\$	0	\$ 365,872	\$	0	\$ 365,872
Illinois		0	9,865		0	9,865
Indiana		0	5,212		0	5,212
New Jersey		0	960		0	960
Total Investments	\$	0	\$ 381,909	\$	0	\$ 381,909

There were no significant transfers between Levels 1, 2, or 3 during the period ended September 30, 2016.

See Accompanying Notes

#### **Notes to Financial Statements**

#### 1. INVESTMENT VALUATION AND FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

(a) Investment Valuation Policies The net asset value ( NAV ) of the Fund s shares is determined by dividing the total value of portfolio investments and other assets, less any liabilities attributable to that Fund, by the total number of shares outstanding of that Fund.

On each day that the New York Stock Exchange ( NYSE ) is open, Fund shares are ordinarily valued as of the close of regular trading ( NYSE Close ). Information that becomes known to the Fund or its agents after the time as of which NAV has been calculated on a particular day will not generally be used to retroactively adjust the price of a security or the NAV determined earlier that day. The Fund reserves the right to change the time as of which its respective NAV is calculated if the Fund closes earlier, or as permitted by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC ).

For purposes of calculating NAV, portfolio securities and other assets for which market quotes are readily available are valued at market value. Market value is generally determined on the basis of official closing prices or the last reported sales prices, or if no sales are reported, based on quotes obtained from established market makers or prices (including evaluated prices) supplied by the Fund s approved pricing services, quotation reporting systems and other third-party sources (together, Pricing Services ). The Fund will normally use pricing data for domestic equity securities received shortly after the NYSE Close and do not normally take into account trading, clearances or settlements that take place after the NYSE Close. A foreign (non-U.S.) equity security traded on a foreign exchange or on more than one exchange is typically valued using pricing information from the exchange considered by Pacific Investment Management Company LLC ( PIMCO or the Manager ) to be the primary exchange. A foreign (non-U.S.) equity security will be valued as of the close of trading on the foreign exchange, or the NYSE Close, if the NYSE Close occurs before the end of trading on the foreign exchange. Domestic and foreign (non-U.S.) fixed income securities, non-exchange traded derivatives, and equity options are normally valued on the basis of quotes obtained from brokers and dealers or Pricing Services using data reflecting the earlier closing of the principal markets for those securities. Prices obtained from Pricing Services may be based on, among other things, information provided by market makers or estimates of market values obtained from yield data relating to investments or securities with similar characteristics. Certain fixed income securities purchased on a delayed-delivery basis are marked to market daily until settlement at the forward settlement date. Exchange-traded options, except equity options, futures and options on futures are valued at the settlement price determined by the relevant exchange. Swap agreements are valued on the basis of bid quotes obtained from brokers and dealers or market-based prices supplied by Pricing Services or other pricing sources. The Fund s investments in open-end management investment companies, other than exchange-traded funds (ETFs), are valued at the NAVs of such investments.

Investments for which market quotes or market based valuations are not readily available are valued at fair value as determined in good faith by the Board or persons acting at their direction. The Board has adopted methods for valuing securities and other assets in circumstances where market quotes are not readily available, and has delegated to PIMCO the responsibility for applying the fair valuation methods. In the event that market quotes or market based valuations are not readily available, and the security or asset cannot be valued pursuant to a Board approved valuation method, the value of the security or asset will be determined in good faith by the Valuation Oversight Committee of the Board ( Valuation Oversight Committee ), generally based on recommendations provided by the Manager. Market quotes are considered not readily available in circumstances where there is an absence of current or reliable market-based data (e.g., trade information, bid/ask information, indicative market quotations ( Broker Quotes ), Pricing Services prices), including where events occur after the close of the relevant market, but prior to the NYSE Close, that materially affect the values of the Fund s securities or assets. In addition, market quotes are considered not readily available when, due to extraordinary circumstances, the exchanges or markets on which the securities trade do not open for trading for the entire day and no other market prices are available. The Board has delegated to the Manager the responsibility for monitoring significant events that may materially affect the values of the Fund s securities or

assets and for determining whether the value of the applicable securities or assets should be reevaluated in light of such significant events.

When the Fund uses fair valuation to determine the value of a portfolio security or other asset for purposes of calculating its NAV, such investments will not be priced on the basis of quotes from the primary market in which they are traded, but rather may be priced by another method that the Board or persons acting at their direction believe reflects fair value. Fair valuation may require subjective determinations about the value of a security. While the Fund s policy is intended to result in a calculation of the Fund s NAV that fairly reflects security values as of the time of pricing, the Fund cannot ensure that fair values determined by the Board or persons acting at their direction would accurately reflect the price that the Fund could obtain for a security if it were to dispose of that security as of the time of pricing (for instance, in a forced or distressed sale). The prices used by the Fund may differ from the value that would be realized if the securities were sold.

(b) Fair Value Hierarchy U.S. GAAP describes fair value as the price that the Fund would receive to sell an asset or pay to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. It establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes inputs to valuation methods and requires disclosure of the fair value hierarchy, separately for each major category of assets and liabilities, that segregates fair value measurements into levels (Level 1, 2, or 3). The inputs or methodology used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risks associated with investing in those securities. Levels 1, 2, and 3 of the fair value hierarchy are defined as follows:

Level 1 Quoted prices in active markets or exchanges for identical assets and liabilities.

Level 2 Significant other observable inputs, which may include, but are not limited to, quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in markets that are active, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the assets or liabilities (such as interest rates, yield curves, volatilities, prepayment speeds, loss severities, credit risks and default rates) or other market corroborated inputs.

Level 3 Significant unobservable inputs based on the best information available in the circumstances, to the extent observable inputs are not available, which may include assumptions made by the Board or persons acting at their direction that are used in determining the fair value of investments.

In accordance with the requirements of U.S. GAAP, the amounts of transfers between Levels 1 and 2 and transfers into and out of Level 3, if material, are disclosed in the Notes to Schedule of Investments for the Fund.

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For fair valuations using significant unobservable inputs, U.S. GAAP requires a reconciliation of the beginning to ending balances for reported fair values that presents changes attributable to realized gain (loss), unrealized appreciation (depreciation), purchases and sales, accrued discounts (premiums), and transfers into and out of the Level 3 category during the period. The end of period value is used for the transfers between Levels of the Fund sassets and liabilities. Additionally, U.S. GAAP requires quantitative information regarding the significant unobservable inputs used in the determination of fair value of assets or liabilities categorized as Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy. In accordance with the requirements of U.S. GAAP, a fair value hierarchy, and if material, a Level 3 reconciliation and details of significant unobservable inputs, have been included in the Notes to Schedule of Investments for the Fund.

#### (c) Valuation Techniques and the Fair Value Hierarchy

**Level 1 and Level 2 trading assets and trading liabilities, at fair value** The valuation methods (or techniques) and significant inputs used in determining the fair values of portfolio securities or other assets and liabilities categorized as Level 1 and Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy are as follows:

Fixed income securities including corporate, convertible and municipal bonds and notes, U.S. government agencies, U.S. treasury obligations, sovereign issues, bank loans, convertible preferred securities and non-U.S. bonds are normally valued on the basis of quotes obtained from brokers and dealers or Pricing Services that use broker-dealer quotations, reported trades or valuation estimates from their internal pricing models. The Pricing Services internal models use inputs that are observable such as issuer details, interest rates, yield curves, prepayment speeds, credit risks/spreads, default rates and quoted prices for similar assets. Securities that use similar valuation techniques and inputs as described above are categorized as Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

The validity of the fair value is reviewed by the Manager on a periodic basis and may be amended in accordance with the Fund s valuation procedures.

#### 2. FEDERAL INCOME TAX MATTERS

The Fund intends to qualify as a regulated investment company under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code ) and distribute all of its taxable income and net realized gains, if applicable, to shareholders. Accordingly, no provision for Federal income taxes has been made.

The Fund may be subject to local withholding taxes, including those imposed on realized capital gains. Any applicable foreign capital gains tax is accrued daily based upon net unrealized gains, and may be payable following the sale of any applicable investments.

In accordance with U.S. GAAP, the Manager has reviewed the Fund s tax positions for all open tax years. As of September 30, 2016, the Fund has recorded no liability for net unrecognized tax benefits relating to uncertain income tax positions they have taken or expect to take in future tax returns.

The Fund files U.S. tax returns. While the statute of limitations remains open to examine the Fund s U.S. tax returns filed for the fiscal years from 2013-2015, no examinations are in progress or anticipated at this time. The Fund is not aware of any tax positions for which it is reasonably possible that the total amounts of unrecognized tax benefits will significantly change in the next twelve months.

As of September 30, 2016, the aggregate cost and the net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments for Federal income tax purposes are as follows (amounts in thousands):

					Net ]	Unrealized
	Aggreg	gate Gross	Aggre	gate Gross	Ap	preciation
<b>Federal</b>	Unrealized		Unrealized		(Depreciation)	
Tax Cost	Appr	eciation	(Dep	reciation)		(1)
\$ 336,454	\$	45,637	\$	(182)	\$	45,455

Primary differences, if any, between book and tax net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) are attributable to wash sale loss deferrals for federal income tax purposes.

GLOSSARY: (abbreviations that may be used in the preceding statements)

(Unaudited)

**Currency Abbreviations:** 

USD (or \$) United States Dollar

Municipal Bond or Agency Abbreviations:

AGM Assured Guaranty FGIC Financial Guaranty Insurance IBC Insured Bond Certificate

Municipal Co.

AMBAC American Municipal Bond FHA Federal Housing NPFGC National Public Finance

Assurance Corp. Administration Guarantee Corp.

#### **Item 2. Controls and Procedures**

- (a) The principal executive officer and principal financial & accounting officer have concluded that the registrant s disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 30a-3(c) under the Act (17 CFR 270.30a-3(c))), are effective based on their evaluation of these controls and procedures as of a date within 90 days of the filing date of this document.
- (b) There were no significant changes in the registrant s internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 30a-3(d) under the Act (17 CFR 270.30a-3(d))) that occurred during the registrant s last fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant s internal control over financial reporting.

## Item 3. Exhibits

A separate certification for each principal executive officer and principal financial & accounting officer of the registrant as required by Rule 30a-2 under the 1940 Act is attached as Exhibit 99.CERT.

#### **Signatures**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

PIMCO California Municipal Income Fund III

By: /s/ Peter G. Strelow

Peter G. Strelow

President (Principal Executive Officer)

Date: November 28, 2016

By: /s/ William G. Galipeau

William G. Galipeau

Treasurer (Principal Financial & Accounting Officer)

Date: November 28, 2016

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

By: /s/ Peter G. Strelow

Peter G. Strelow

President (Principal Executive Officer)

Date: November 28, 2016

By: /s/ William G. Galipeau

William G. Galipeau Treasurer (Principal Financial & Accounting Officer)

Date: November 28, 2016