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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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2024 Integrated Energy Policy Report Update

WHEREAS, the Warren-Alquist Act requires the California Energy Commission (CEC) in odd-numbered years to "conduct assessments and forecasts of all aspects of energy industry supply, production, transportation, delivery and distribution, demand, and prices" and to "use these assessments and forecasts to develop and evaluate energy policies and programs that conserve resources, protect the environment, ensure energy reliability, enhance the state's economy, and protect public health and safety" (Public Resources Code § 25301, subd. (a)); and to update these assessments and forecasts in even-numbered years (Public Resources Code § 25302, subd. (c)); and

WHEREAS, on April 22, 2024, the Lead Commissioner issued a Scoping Order for the 2024 Integrated Energy Policy Report Update (2024 IEPR Update) proceeding stating that the *2024 IEPR Update* report would address the following: the Electricity Demand Forecast Update; Wave and Tidal Energy pursuant to Senate Bill 605 (Padilla, Chapter 405, Statutes of 2023); and updates or reports on energy issues that have arisen since the *2023 IEPR*; and

WHEREAS, the proposed report also includes an appendix on Western Electricity Markets, which summarizes a workshop held on January 24, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the CEC held seven workshops and one webinar on the topics identified in the Scoping Order and on Western Electricity Markets between May 2024 and January 2025, to solicit input from stakeholders on these topics; and

WHEREAS, the CEC has considered the application of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to the adoption of the *Final 2024 Integrated Energy Policy Report Update*, and concluded that the adoption of this report is not a "project" under CEQA, because no commitment to any specific project is made in this *2024 IEPR Update*, and approving it will not cause a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect change in the environment. However, in the event that the adoption of the *2024 IEPR Update* were determined to be a project, the CEC has determined that it would nonetheless be exempt from CEQA requirements pursuant to the "common sense" exemption (CEQA Guidelines, § 15061, subd. (b)(3)) for the same reason, and it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the adoption of the *2024 IEPR Update* may have a significant effect on the environment.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the CEC hereby:

- accepts, approves, and adopts the *Final 2024 Integrated Energy Policy Report Update*, incorporating any changes presented and adopted at the October 8, 2025 Business Meeting along with any non-substantive edits such as typographical corrections,
- directs the CEC staff to make the document accessible to state, local, and federal entities, the public, and the Legislature, and
- finds that the *2024 IEPR Update* is exempt from CEQA.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned Secretariat to the Commission does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an order duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the California Energy Commission held on October 8, 2025.

AYE: Hochschild, McAllister, Gallardo

NAY: NONE

ABSENT: Gunda, Skinner

ABSTAIN: NONE

Dated: October 9, 2025

SIGNED BY:

Kim Todd
Secretariat