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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
STATE ENERGY RESOURCES
CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF:

**2025 Energy Code Third-Party
Compliance Software, Right-Energy
Title 24 Version 2025.2.0**

Docket No.: 24-BSTD-03

**Order to Approve the Right-Energy
Title 24 Version 2025.2.0 Alternative
Calculation Method Compliance
Software Application**

I. BACKGROUND

The Warren-Alquist State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Act, Public Resources Code sections 25000 et seq., 25402.1(b), requires the California Energy Commission (CEC) to, among other things, establish a process for certifying calculation methods for demonstrating compliance with its building energy efficiency standards.

As allowed by the 2025 Energy Code, California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 24, Part 1, Chapter 10, Section 10-109(c)3, MiTek Wrightsoft has submitted an application requesting the Commission approve Right-Energy Title 24 Version 2025.2.0 as an alternative calculation method (ACM) to demonstrate performance compliance with the single-family residential new-construction requirements of the 2025 Energy Code.

As specified by the 2025 Energy Code, Section 10-109(c)3, ACM applications must meet the applicable application requirements of Section 10-116(b) and provide documentation demonstrating that the candidate software meets the requirements, specifications, and criteria specified in Sections 10-109(c)1A, 10-109(c)1B, 10-109(c)1C, 10-109(c)1D and 10-109(c)1E, as appropriate.

CEC staff has reviewed the Right-Energy Title 24 Version 2025.2.0 ACM application submitted by MiTek Wrightsoft and determined that it contains the documentation, building energy modeling functionality, and aligns with the current version of the 2025 ACM Reference Manuals as required by the above sections of the 2025 Energy Code.

II. STAFF RECOMMENDATION

CEC staff has considered the Right-Energy Title 24 Version 2025.2.0 ACM application for the 2025 Energy Code and has concluded that it contains the applicable documentation and building energy modeling functionality and aligns with the current

version of the 2025 ACM Reference Manuals as required by Sections 10-109(c)3 and 10-116(b) of the 2025 Energy Code. Therefore, staff recommends approval of Right-Energy Title 24 Version 2025.2.0 as an ACM to demonstrate performance compliance with the single-family residential new-construction requirements of the 2025 Energy Code.

Staff has also considered the application of CEQA to the proposed approval and concluded that the proposed action is exempt from CEQA because it can be seen with certainty that the approval of this application will not have a significant effect on the environment.

III. ENERGY COMMISSION FINDINGS

1. CCR, Title 24, Part 1, Section 10-109(c)3 requires third-party ACM compliance software be approved by the CEC through an application process.
2. MiTek Wrightsoft submitted an ACM application for Right-Energy Title 24 Version 2025.2.0 in November 2025.
3. CCR, Title 24, Part 1, Section 10-109(c)3 requires that ACM applications include documentation demonstrating that the compliance software meets the requirements, specifications, and criteria specified in CCR, Title 24, Part 1, Sections 10-109(c)1A, 10-109(c)1B, 10-109(c)1C, 10-109(c)1D and 10-109(c)1E, as appropriate.
4. MiTek Wrightsoft's Right-Energy Title 24 Version 2025.2.0 ACM application contained documentation which demonstrates compliance with the requirements, specifications, and criteria specified in CCR, Title 24, Part 1, Sections 10-109(c)1A, 10-109(c)1B, 10-109(c)1C, 10-109(c)1D and 10-109(c)1E for building performance compliance with the single-family residential new-construction requirements of the 2025 Energy Code.
5. CCR, Title 24, Part 1, Section 10-109(c)3 also requires that applications contain the application requirements of CCR, Title 24, Part 1, section 10-116(b).
6. CCR, Title 24, Part 1, Section 10-116(b) contains application requirements for ACM applications. The applicable requirements for the Right-Energy Title 24 Version 2025.2.0 ACM application include a compliance software vendor certification statement, computer runs and summary sheets as specified by the ACM Reference Manual, a user manual and changelog describing the functional and analytical capabilities of the ACM candidate compliance software, an executable of the candidate ACM compliance software, and an application fee deposit.
7. Staff evaluated the submitted application for compliance with the above applicable regulations to ensure that Right-Energy Title 24 Version 2025.2.0 would be compliant upon CEC approval.

8. The CEC confirms staff's recommendation and finds that the requirements of CCR, Title 24, Part 1, Sections 10-109 and 10-116 have been met. Therefore, Right-Energy Title 24 Version 2025.2.0 has met the requirements to be approved as a third-party ACM used to demonstrate performance compliance with the single-family residential new-construction requirements of the 2025 Energy Code.
9. The CEC has considered and agrees with staff's CEQA findings. The proposed action does not impose any new requirements and, therefore, has no potential for resulting in either a direct physical or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment. If it is considered a project, it can be seen with certainty that the approval of the applications will not have a significant effect on the environment.

IV. CONCLUSION AND ORDER

The CEC hereby approves Right-Energy Title 24 Version 2025.2.0 as a third-party ACM for demonstrating performance compliance with the single-family residential new-construction requirements of the 2025 Energy Code.

The CEC also adopts staff's recommendation that these actions are either not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) or, if considered a project, they are exempt from CEQA under the common-sense exemption.

The CEC also directs the executive director or their designee to take all actions reasonably necessary to make the above-referenced software available and maintain the software in good form, including but not limited to reviewing and approving updates to third-party software consistent with bug fixes, correcting calculation and analytical errors, necessary ongoing software updates, user interface changes, and other minor updates.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned Secretariat to the CEC 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 CEC held on January 21, 2026.

AYE: Hochschild, McAllister, Skinner

NAY: NONE

ABSENT: Gunda, Gallardo

ABSTAIN: NONE

Dated: January 22, 2026

SIGNED BY:

Kim Todd
Secretariat

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
STATE ENERGY RESOURCES
CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF:

***California State Pipe Trades Council
(CSPTC) Proposed Acceptance Test
Technician Certification Provider
2025 Update Report for the 2025
Building Energy Efficiency Standards***

Docket No.: 13-ATTCP-01

**ORDER TO APPROVE THE
AMENDED CONDITIONS OF
APPROVAL FOR THE CALIFORNIA
STATE PIPE TRADES COUNCIL
ACCEPTANCE TEST TECHNICIAN
CERTIFICATION PROVIDER 2025
UPDATE REPORT FOR THE 2025
BUILDING ENERGY EFFICIENCY
STANDARDS**

I. BACKGROUND

The California Energy Commission (CEC) approves Acceptance Test Technician Certification Providers (ATTCPs) that train, certify, and oversee installation technicians performing acceptance tests for nonresidential and multifamily buildings. Acceptance testing ensures that installed equipment, controls, and systems operate as required by the California Building Energy Efficiency Standards (Energy Code).

Section 10-103.2(d)2 of the Energy Code (codified in Title 24, Part 1, of the California Code of Regulations), requires ATTCPs to submit an update report to address changes to the Energy Code; and update reports are subject to the application review and determination process specified in section 10-103.2(e) of the 2025 Energy Code.

The CEC approved the California State Pipe Trades Council's (CSPTC) 2025 Update Report (CSPTC 2025 Update Report) on November 12, 2025, contingent on meeting the requirements of their Condition of Approval (COA) COA-2025-2 (Order No: 25-1112-03e). The COA required CSPTC to complete their database system for tracking completed acceptance tests and compliance forms by specified dates.

However, following the application's conditional approval, CEC staff has determined that CSPTC could not fully meet the conditions in COA-2025-2. CSPTC has also informed CEC staff that they could not meet the deadlines as expected when the original order was issued. Resultingly, the Executive Director is recommending that the conditions of the application's approval (COA-2025-2) be amended to allow additional time for CSPTC, to complete the application.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION

CSPTC submitted an update report to amend its approved application on July 1, 2025, which proposed to modify its application in compliance with the 2025 Energy Code (CSPTC 2025 Update Report). CSPTC submitted subsequent application materials, with the final filing, including revisions, received on July 1, 2025, August 29, 2025, October 17, 2025, October 23, 2025, and October 24, 2025.

As specified in section 10-103.2(e) of the 2025 Energy Code, staff reviewed and validated all information received in the update report and determined that CSPTC met the criteria and procedures in section 10-103.2(c) for providing acceptance testing certification services, with the exception of sections 10-103.2(c)3H and 10-103.2(c)3I. The Executive Director concurred with these conclusions and signed a recommendation to approve the CSPTC 2025 Update Report. The CEC subsequently approved the CSPTC 2025 Update Report, with conditions, on November 12, 2025.

CSPTC has informed CEC staff that they would not be able to meet the previously approved timeline. Therefore, CSPTC has requested additional time to meet their conditions of approval. CEC staff has assessed and made a recommendation to the Executive Director. Therefore, the Executive Director recommends providing CSPTC additional time to comply with an amended COA (COA-2026-1).

Failure to comply with any requirement of COA-2026-1 may result in the Executive Director suspending the approval of the application, supported by the CSPTC 2025 Update Report.

Finally, the Executive Director recommends the CEC find the action is not subject to CEQA. Approval of the updated COA-2026-1 is not a project pursuant to CEQA because the action has no potential to result in either a direct physical change in the environment or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment. However, if approval of COA-2026-1 was to be considered a project, it can be seen with certainty that the updates made to the application would not have a significant effect on the environment.

II. ENERGY COMMISSION FINDINGS

1. Section 10-103.2(d)2 of the 2025 Energy Code, requires acceptance test technician certification providers to submit an update report to address changes to the Energy Code.
2. Update reports are subject to the Application Review and Determination process specified in section 10-103.2(e) of the 2025 Energy Code.
3. The California State Pipe Trades Council (CSPTC) submitted an update report to amend its approved application on July 1, 2025, which proposed to modify its application in compliance with the 2025 Energy Code.

4. On November 12, 2025, the CEC approved CSPTC's update report and included the condition of approval (COA-2025-2) in the final order.
5. Due to market conditions that have changed since the approval of the prior order, the Executive Director submitted an amended recommendation describing the prior conditional approval and including amendments to the conditions of approval to provide CSPTC additional time to demonstrate compliance with the conditions included in amended conditions of approval COA-2026-1.
6. The Executive Director's amended written recommendation was made available to the public on January 9, 2026.
7. The CEC has considered the Executive Director's amended recommendation, all written comments submitted, and oral comments made at today's business meeting on this matter.
8. The CEC has considered and agrees with staff's CEQA recommendation. The proposed action is either not a project subject to CEQA, or it is exempt from CEQA under the common-sense exemption.
9. Therefore the CEC finds that the changed market conditions justify withdrawing COA-2025-2 and approves the Executive Director amended recommendation amending the conditions of approval for CSPTC's update report (COA 2026-1) where CSPTC must demonstrate to the Executive Director a complete database system for tracking completed acceptance tests, as required by sections 10-103.2(c)3H and 10-103.2(c)3I. Once the Executive Director is satisfied, CEC staff will provide CSPTC with written acknowledgement of compliance. Should CSPTC fail to comply with any requirement of COA-2026-1, its 2025 Update Report may be suspended by the Executive Director.

III. CONCLUSION AND ORDER

The CEC hereby approves the Executive Director's amended recommendation, including COA-2026-1, regarding the previously approved CSPTC 2025 Update Report for the 2025 Energy Code and adopts staff's recommendation that this action is either not a project under CEQA or is exempt from CEQA. Final approval of the CSPTC 2025 Update Report is subject to COA-2026-1 as set forth in the Executive Director's amended recommendation.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned Secretariat to the CEC 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 CEC held on January 21, 2026.

AYE: Hochschild, McAllister, Skinner

NAY: NONE

ABSENT: Gunda, Gallardo

ABSTAIN: NONE

Dated: January 22, 2026

SIGNED BY:

Kim Todd
Secretariat

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
STATE ENERGY RESOURCES
CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

**RESOLUTION FINDING BUILDING ENERGY EFFICIENCY STANDARDS CONTAINED IN
THE CITY OF SANTA CRUZ ORDINANCE NO. 2025-19 SATISFY STATUTORY
REQUIREMENTS UNDER PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE SECTION 25402.1(h)(2)**

WHEREAS, The City of Santa Cruz adopted Ordinance no. 2025-19, which establishes certain locally adopted building energy efficiency standards; and

WHEREAS, Public Resources Code section 25402(a) and (b) establishes that the California Energy Commission (CEC) shall prescribe, by regulation, statewide building energy efficiency and conservation standards; and

WHEREAS, Public Resources Code section 25402.1(h)(2) provides that nothing in Public Resources Code section 25402(a) or (b) shall prohibit the enforcement of city or county building energy efficiency standards if: (1) the city or county files the basis of its determination that the standards are cost-effective with the CEC and (2) the CEC finds that the locally adopted standards will require the diminution of energy consumption levels permitted by the rules and regulations adopted pursuant to Public Resources Code section 25402(a) and (b); and

WHEREAS, California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 1, section 10-106 establishes a process for local governmental agencies to submit an application to the CEC for a determination that locally adopted building energy efficiency standards meet the requirements set forth in Public Resources Code section 25402.1(h)(2); and

WHEREAS, The City of Santa Cruz submitted an application to the CEC that included (1) the basis of its determination that the locally adopted energy efficiency standards contained in Ordinance no. 2025-19 are cost-effective and (2) documentation that the locally adopted energy efficiency standards contained in Ordinance no. 2025-19 will require the diminution of energy consumption levels compared to the 2025 Building Energy Efficiency Standards (Energy Code), as required by California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 1, section 10-106, on September 22, 2025; and

WHEREAS, The City of Santa Cruz adopted a determination at a public meeting on September 09, 2025, that the locally adopted energy efficiency standards contained in Ordinance no. 2025-19 are cost effective; and

WHEREAS, CEC staff have analyzed whether the locally adopted energy efficiency standards contained in Ordinance no. 2025-19 will require the diminution of energy consumption levels compared to the 2025 Energy Code, and determined that it will do so; and

WHEREAS, California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 1, section 10-106(b)(4) requires that the local governmental agency's application include any findings, determinations, declarations, or reports, including any negative declaration or environmental impact report, required pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act, Public Resources Code section 21000 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, The City of Santa Cruz, in its application to the CEC, submitted the California Environmental Quality Act documentation required by California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 1, section 10-106(b)(4); and

WHEREAS, CEC staff has considered the application of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to approval of the City of Santa Cruz's application to enforce its local energy efficiency ordinance and finds that the approval is ministerial and does not meet the definition of a "project" under Cal. Code Regs., Title 14, section 15378(a), because the approval has no potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, and even if the approval was to be considered a project, then the project would fall under the "common sense exemption" in California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 15061(b)(3) because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility the approval of City of Santa Cruz's application would have a significant effect on the environment; and

WHEREAS, the locally adopted energy efficiency and conservation standards application filed by the City of Santa Cruz satisfies the requirements of California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 1, section 10-106; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that, pursuant to Public Resources Code section 25402.1(h)(2), the CEC finds the following: (1) The City of Santa Cruz has filed the basis of its determination that the locally adopted energy efficiency standards contained in Ordinance no. 2025-19 are cost-effective, and (2) Ordinance no. 2025-19 will require the diminution of energy consumption levels compared to the 2025 Energy Code; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that on the basis of the entire record before it, the CEC hereby adopts staff's finding that the approval of the City of Santa Cruz's application to enforce its local energy efficiency ordinance is not subject to CEQA because the approval is ministerial and does not meet the definition of a "project" as it is not an activity that has the potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, and even if it was a project, it is exempt from CEQA pursuant to the Common-Sense Exemption (Cal. Code Regs., tit 14, 15061(b)(3)) because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity will have a significant effect on the environment; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the CEC directs the Executive Director to take all actions necessary to implement this Resolution.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned Secretariat to the CEC does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the CEC held on January 21, 2026.

AYE: Hochschild, McAllister, Skinner
NAY: NONE
ABSENT: Gunda, Gallardo
ABSTAIN: NONE

Dated: January 22, 2026

SIGNED BY:

Kim Todd
Secretariat

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
STATE ENERGY RESOURCES
CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

RESOLUTION FINDING BUILDING ENERGY EFFICIENCY STANDARDS
CONTAINED IN THE CITY OF PALO ALTO ORDINANCE NO. 5665 SATISFY
STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS UNDER PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE SECTION
25402.1(h)(2)

WHEREAS, The City of Palo Alto adopted Ordinance No. 5665, which establishes certain locally adopted building energy efficiency standards; and

WHEREAS, Public Resources Code section 25402(a) and (b) establishes that the California Energy Commission (CEC) shall prescribe, by regulation, statewide building energy efficiency and conservation standards; and

WHEREAS, Public Resources Code section 25402.1(h)(2) provides that nothing in Public Resources Code section 25402(a) or (b) shall prohibit the enforcement of city or county building energy efficiency standards if: (1) the city or county files the basis of its determination that the standards are cost-effective with the CEC and (2) the CEC finds that the locally adopted standards will require the diminution of energy consumption levels permitted by the rules and regulations adopted pursuant to Public Resources Code section 25402(a) and (b); and

WHEREAS, California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 1, section 10-106 establishes a process for local governmental agencies to submit an application to the CEC for a determination that locally adopted building energy efficiency standards meet the requirements set forth in Public Resources Code section 25402.1(h)(2); and

WHEREAS, The City of Palo Alto submitted an application to the CEC that included (1) the basis of its determination that the locally adopted energy efficiency standards contained in Ordinance No. 5665 are cost-effective and (2) documentation that the locally adopted energy efficiency standards contained in Ordinance No. 5665 will require the diminution of energy consumption levels compared to the 2025 Building Energy Efficiency Standards (Energy Code), as required by California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 1, section 10-106, on September 25, 2025; and

WHEREAS, The City of Palo Alto adopted a determination at a public meeting on September 16, 2025, that the locally adopted energy efficiency standards contained in Ordinance No. 5665 are cost effective; and

WHEREAS, CEC staff has analyzed whether the locally adopted energy efficiency

standards contained in Ordinance No. 5665 will require the diminution of energy consumption levels compared to the 2025 Energy Code, and determined that it will do so; and

WHEREAS, California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 1, section 10-106(b)(4) requires that the local governmental agency's application include any findings, determinations, declarations, or reports, including any negative declaration or environmental impact report, required pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act, Public Resources Code section 21000 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, The City of Palo Alto, in its application to the CEC, submitted the California Environmental Quality Act documentation required by California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 1, section 10-106(b)(4); and

WHEREAS, CEC staff has considered the application of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to approval of the City of Palo Alto's application to enforce its local energy efficiency ordinance and finds that the approval is ministerial and does not meet the definition of a "project" under Cal. Code Regs., Title 14, section 15378(a), because the approval has no potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, and even if the approval was to be considered a project, then the project would fall under the "common sense exemption" in California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 15061(b)(3) because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility the approval of City of Palo Alto's application would have a significant effect on the environment; and

WHEREAS, The locally adopted energy efficiency and conservation standards application filed by the City of Palo Alto satisfies the requirements of California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 1, section 10-106; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that, pursuant to Public Resources Code section 25402.1(h)(2), the CEC finds the following: (1) The City of Palo Alto has filed the basis of its determination that the locally adopted energy efficiency standards contained in Ordinance No. 5665 are cost-effective, and (2) Ordinance No. 5665 will require the diminution of energy consumption levels compared to the 2025 Energy Code; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that on the basis of the entire record before it, the CEC hereby adopts staff's finding that the approval of the City of Palo Alto's application to enforce its local energy efficiency ordinance is not subject to CEQA because the approval is ministerial and does not meet the definition of a "project" as it is not an activity that has the potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, and even if it was a project, it is exempt from CEQA pursuant to the Common-Sense Exemption (Cal. Code Regs., tit 14, 15061(b)(3)) because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity will have a significant effect on the environment; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the CEC directs the Executive Director to take all actions necessary to implement this Resolution.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned Secretariat to the CEC does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the CEC held on January 21, 2026.

AYE: Hochschild, McAllister, Skinner

NAY: NONE

ABSENT: Gunda, Gallardo

ABSTAIN: NONE

Dated: January 22, 2026

SIGNED BY:

Kim Todd
Secretariat

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
STATE ENERGY RESOURCES
CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

RESOLUTION FINDING BUILDING ENERGY EFFICIENCY STANDARDS CONTAINED IN
THE CITY OF ENCINITAS ORDINANCE NO. 2025-11 SATISFY STATUTORY
REQUIREMENTS UNDER PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE SECTION 25402.1(h)(2)

WHEREAS, The City of Encinitas adopted Ordinance No. 2025-11, which establishes certain locally adopted building energy efficiency standards; and

WHEREAS, Public Resources Code section 25402(a) and (b) establishes that the California Energy Commission (CEC) shall prescribe, by regulation, statewide building energy efficiency and conservation standards; and

WHEREAS, Public Resources Code section 25402.1(h)(2) provides that nothing in Public Resources Code section 25402(a) or (b) shall prohibit the enforcement of city or county building energy efficiency standards if: (1) the city or county files the basis of its determination that the standards are cost-effective with the CEC and (2) the CEC finds that the locally adopted standards will require the diminution of energy consumption levels permitted by the rules and regulations adopted pursuant to Public Resources Code section 25402(a) and (b); and

WHEREAS, California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 1, section 10-106 establishes a process for local governmental agencies to submit an application to the CEC for a determination that locally adopted building energy efficiency standards meet the requirements set forth in Public Resources Code section 25402.1(h)(2); and

WHEREAS, The City of Encinitas submitted an application to the CEC that included (1) the basis of its determination that the locally adopted energy efficiency standards contained in Ordinance No. 2025-11 are cost-effective and (2) documentation that the locally adopted energy efficiency standards contained in Ordinance No. 2025-11 will require the diminution of energy consumption levels compared to the 2025 Building Energy Efficiency Standards (Energy Code), as required by California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 1, section 10-106, on September 25, 2025; and

WHEREAS, The City of Encinitas adopted a determination at a public meeting on September 24, 2025, that the locally adopted energy efficiency standards contained in Ordinance No. 2025-11 are cost effective; and

WHEREAS, CEC staff has analyzed whether the locally adopted energy efficiency standards contained in Ordinance No. 2025-11 will require the diminution of energy consumption levels compared to the 2025 Energy Code, and determined that it will do so; and

WHEREAS, California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 1, section 10-106(b)(4) requires that the local governmental agency's application include any findings, determinations, declarations, or reports, including any negative declaration or environmental impact report, required pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act, Public Resources Code section 21000 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, The City of Encinitas, in its application to the CEC, submitted the California

Environmental Quality Act documentation required by California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 1, section 10-106(b)(4); and

WHEREAS, CEC staff has considered the application of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to approval of the City of Encinitas' application to enforce its local energy efficiency ordinance and finds that the approval is ministerial and does not meet the definition of a "project" under Cal. Code Regs., Title 14, section 15378(a), because the approval has no potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, and even if the approval was to be considered a project, then the project would fall under the "common sense exemption" in California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15061(b)(3) because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility the approval of City of Encinitas' application would have a significant effect on the environment; and

WHEREAS, The locally adopted energy efficiency and conservation standards application filed by the City of Encinitas satisfies the requirements of California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 1, section 10-106; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that, pursuant to Public Resources Code section 25402.1(h)(2), the CEC finds the following: (1) The City of Encinitas has filed the basis of its determination that the locally adopted energy efficiency standards contained in Ordinance No. 2025-11 are cost-effective, and (2) Ordinance No. 2025-11 will require the diminution of energy consumption levels compared to the 2025 Energy Code; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that on the basis of the entire record before it, the CEC hereby adopts staff's finding that the approval of the City of Encinitas' application to enforce its local energy efficiency ordinance is not subject to CEQA because the approval is ministerial and does not meet the definition of a "project" as it is not an activity that has the potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, and even if it was a project, it is exempt from CEQA pursuant to the Common-Sense Exemption (Cal. Code Regs., tit 14, 15061(b)(3)) because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity will have a significant effect on the environment; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the CEC directs the Executive Director to take all actions necessary to implement this Resolution.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned Secretariat to the CEC does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the CEC held on January 21, 2026.

AYE: Hochschild, McAllister, Skinner

NAY: NONE

ABSENT: Gunda, Gallardo

ABSTAIN: NONE

Dated: January 22, 2026

SIGNED BY:

Kim Todd
Secretariat

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
STATE ENERGY RESOURCES
CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

**RESOLUTION FINDING BUILDING ENERGY EFFICIENCY STANDARDS CONTAINED IN
THE CITY OF SAN RAFAEL ORDINANCE NO. 2052 SATISFY STATUTORY
REQUIREMENTS UNDER PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE SECTION 25402.1(h)(2)**

WHEREAS, The City of San Rafael adopted Ordinance No. 2052, which establishes certain locally adopted building energy efficiency standards; and

WHEREAS, Public Resources Code section 25402(a) and (b) establishes that the California Energy Commission (CEC) shall prescribe, by regulation, statewide building energy efficiency and conservation standards; and

WHEREAS, Public Resources Code section 25402.1(h)(2) provides that nothing in Public Resources Code section 25402(a) or (b) shall prohibit the enforcement of city or county building energy efficiency standards if: (1) the city or county files the basis of its determination that the standards are cost-effective with the CEC and (2) the CEC finds that the locally adopted standards will require the diminution of energy consumption levels permitted by the rules and regulations adopted pursuant to Public Resources Code section 25402(a) and (b); and

WHEREAS, California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 1, section 10-106 establishes a process for local governmental agencies to submit an application to the CEC for a determination that locally adopted building energy efficiency standards meet the requirements set forth in Public Resources Code section 25402.1(h)(2); and

WHEREAS, The City of San Rafael submitted an application to the CEC that included (1) the basis of its determination that the locally adopted energy efficiency standards contained in Ordinance No. 2052 are cost-effective and (2) documentation that the locally adopted energy efficiency standards contained in Ordinance No. 2052 will require the diminution of energy consumption levels compared to the 2025 Building Energy Efficiency Standards (Energy Code), as required by California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 1, section 10-106, on September 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, The City of San Rafael adopted a determination at a public meeting on September 15, 2025, that the locally adopted energy efficiency standards contained in Ordinance No. 2052 are cost effective; and

WHEREAS, CEC staff has analyzed whether the locally adopted energy efficiency standards contained in Ordinance No. 2052 will require the diminution of energy consumption levels compared to the 2025 Energy Code, and determined that it will do so; and

WHEREAS, California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 1, section 10-106(b)(4) requires that the local governmental agency's application include any findings, determinations, declarations, or reports, including any negative declaration or environmental impact report, required pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act, Public Resources Code section 21000 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, The City of San Rafael, in its application to the CEC, submitted the California Environmental Quality Act documentation required by California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 1, section 10-106(b)(4); and

WHEREAS, CEC staff has considered the application of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to approval of the City of San Rafael's application to enforce its local energy efficiency ordinance and finds that the approval is ministerial and does not meet the definition of a "project" under Cal. Code Regs., Title 14, section 15378(a), because the approval has no potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, and even if the approval was to be considered a project, then the project would fall under the "common sense exemption" in California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 15061(b)(3) because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility the approval of City of San Rafael's application would have a significant effect on the environment; and

WHEREAS, The locally adopted energy efficiency and conservation standards application filed by the City of San Rafael satisfies the requirements of California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 1, section 10-106; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that, pursuant to Public Resources Code section 25402.1(h)(2), the CEC finds the following: (1) The City of San Rafael has filed the basis of its determination that the locally adopted energy efficiency standards contained in Ordinance No. 2052 are cost-effective, and (2) Ordinance No. 2052 will require the diminution of energy consumption levels compared to the 2025 Energy Code; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that on the basis of the entire record before it, the CEC hereby adopts staff's finding that the approval of the City of San Rafael's application to enforce its local energy efficiency ordinance is not subject to CEQA because the approval is ministerial and does not meet the definition of a "project" as it is not an activity that has the potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, and even if it was a project, it is exempt from CEQA pursuant to the Common-Sense Exemption (Cal. Code Regs., tit 14, 15061(b)(3)) because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity will have a significant effect on the environment; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the CEC directs the Executive Director to take all actions necessary to implement this Resolution.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned Secretariat to the CEC does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the CEC held on January 21, 2026.

AYE: Hochschild, McAllister, Skinner

NAY: NONE

ABSENT: Gunda, Gallardo

ABSTAIN: NONE

Dated: January 22, 2026

SIGNED BY:

Kim Todd
Secretariat

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

STATE ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION
AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF:

**Sacramento Municipal Utility District
Emission Performance Standard
Compliance Filing**

Docket No. 25-EPS-01

I. INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to Public Utilities Code section 8341(e)(1), the California Energy Commission (CEC) established a greenhouse gases emission performance standard (EPS) of 1,100 pounds carbon dioxide per megawatt hour, as codified in Title 20 of the California Code of Regulations, section 2900 et seq. The CEC is responsible for reviewing all long-term financial commitments entered into by local publicly owned electric utilities for compliance with the EPS.

II. FINDINGS

- a. On December 4, 2025, the Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD) submitted a compliance filing requesting that the CEC find that SMUD's amended power purchase agreement (PPA) with Geysers Power Company LLC for geothermal energy from 13 geothermal power plants be determined to be compliant with the EPS;
- b. CEC staff reviewed SMUD's filing and found it complete. Based on its review, on December 10, 2025, staff recommended that the procurement be found to be in compliance with the EPS; specifically, staff concluded that the geothermal facilities listed in the PPA are determined to be compliant with the EPS under section 2903(b)(1) of Title 20 of the California Code of Regulations; and
- c. The CEC concurs with staff's recommendation that SMUD's compliance filing is complete and that the contract with Geysers Power Company LLC, as described in the compliance filing, complies with the EPS.

III. CONCLUSION AND ORDER

The CEC hereby adopts staff's recommendation and orders that the long-term financial commitment described in SMUD's compliance filing complies with the CEC's Greenhouse Gases Emission Performance Standard, as codified in Title 20 of the California Code of Regulations, section 2900 et seq.

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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RESOLUTION: Rialto Bioenergy Facility, LLC.

RESOLVED, that the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (CEC) adopts the staff CEQA findings contained in the Agreement or Amendment Request Form (as applicable); and

RESOLVED, that the CEC approves amendment 2 to grant agreement EPC-17-054 for a novation to change the grant recipient from Rialto Bioenergy Facility, LLC. to Rialto Bioenergy Solutions LLC., extend the term by 18 months, make minor modifications to the Scope of Work; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Director or their designee shall execute the same on behalf of the CEC.

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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RESOLUTION: American Institute of Chemical Engineers

RESOLVED, that the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (CEC) adopts the staff CEQA findings contained in the Agreement or Amendment Request Form (as applicable); and

RESOLVED, that the CEC approves agreement 600-25-002 with the American Institute of Chemical Engineers, for a \$30,000 contract for a one-year membership with the Center for Hydrogen Safety. Membership allows the CEC to participate in member meetings, working groups, workshops, briefings, and other events, and will provide a forum for the CEC to collaborate with stakeholders in the fuel cell electric vehicle and hydrogen fuel community; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Director or their designee shall execute the same on behalf of the CEC.

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
STATE ENERGY RESOURCES
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RESOLUTION: The Regents of the University of California, on behalf of the Davis campus

RESOLVED, that the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (CEC) adopts the staff CEQA findings contained in the Agreement or Amendment Request Form (as applicable); and

RESOLVED, that the CEC approves agreement 400-25-001 with the Regents of the University of California, on behalf of the Davis campus for a \$100,000 contract to provide technical support services for developing Compliance Test Procedures for Flexible Demand Appliance Standards; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Director or their designee shall execute the same on behalf of the CEC.

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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RESOLUTION: EvGateway

RESOLVED, that the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (CEC) adopts the staff CEQA findings contained in the Agreement or Amendment Request Form (as applicable); and

RESOLVED, that the CEC approves agreement RNEV-25-007 with EvGateway for a \$14,720,818 grant. This project will install, operate, and maintain 148 public electric vehicle (EV) direct current fast charging (DCFC) ports across approximately 33 sites in approximately 12 counties throughout California; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Director or their designee shall execute the same on behalf of the CEC.

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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RESOLUTION: Skychargers, LLC

RESOLVED, that the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (CEC) adopts the staff CEQA findings contained in the Agreement or Amendment Request Form (as applicable); and

RESOLVED, that the CEC approves agreement ARV-25-008 with Skychargers, LLC for a \$1,200,000 grant. This project will install at least 12 public EV DCFC ports in a disadvantaged community in South Lake Tahoe to increase public access to reliable, fast, and convenient EV charging; and

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
STATE ENERGY RESOURCES
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RESOLUTION: Skychargers, LLC

RESOLVED, that the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (CEC) adopts the staff CEQA findings contained in the Agreement or Amendment Request Form (as applicable); and

RESOLVED, that the CEC approves agreement ARV-25-009 with Skychargers, LLC for a \$2,400,000 grant. This project will install at least 24 public EV DCFC ports at the San Francisco International Airport's Electric Vehicle Hub to increase public access to reliable, fast, and convenient EV charging; and

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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RESOLUTION: ENERIDGE INC.

RESOLVED, that the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (CEC) adopts the staff CEQA findings contained in the Agreement or Amendment Request Form (as applicable); and

RESOLVED, that the CEC approves agreement ARV-25-010 with ENERIDGE INC. for a \$1,458,830 grant. This project will install at minimum 20 public EV DCFC ports across a minimum of two locations in disadvantaged and/or low-income communities in Santa Barbara and Irvine to increase public access to reliable, fast, and convenient EV charging; and

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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RESOLUTION: Gravity Mobility

RESOLVED, that the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (CEC) adopts the staff CEQA findings contained in the Agreement or Amendment Request Form (as applicable); and

RESOLVED, that the CEC approves agreement ARV-25-011 with Gravity Mobility for a \$1,942,746 grant. This project will install at least 24 public EV DCFC ports at approximately two sites in Los Angeles to increase public access to reliable, fast, and convenient EV charging; and

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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RESOLUTION: County of Alameda

RESOLVED, that the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (CEC) adopts the staff CEQA findings contained in the Agreement or Amendment Request Form (as applicable); and

RESOLVED, that the CEC approves agreement ARV-25-013 with County of Alameda for a \$3,997,659 grant. This project will install at least 40 public EV DCFC ports across approximately four sites in Alameda County to increase public access to reliable, fast, and convenient EV charging; and

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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RESOLUTION: Charge Bliss, Inc.

RESOLVED, that the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (CEC) adopts the staff CEQA findings contained in the Agreement or Amendment Request Form (as applicable); and

RESOLVED, that the CEC approves amendment 2 to agreement LDS-22-003 with Charge Bliss, Inc. to increase total funding from \$32,750,000 to \$36,250,000 and make minor modifications to the Scope of Work. This amendment will allow the Paskenta Band of Nomlaki Indians of California to procure utility assets, and addresses costs associated with system design changes, and unforeseen project delays; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Director or their designee shall execute the same on behalf of the CEC.

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RESOLUTION: Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory

RESOLVED, that the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (CEC) adopts the staff CEQA findings contained in the Agreement or Amendment Request Form (as applicable); and

RESOLVED, that the CEC approves agreement EPC-25-039 with Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory for a \$3,000,000 grant. This agreement will fund the design, prototyping, field validation, and initial classification of a next-generation smart mooring system for floating offshore wind infrastructure. The system integrates distributed fiber optic sensing to enable real-time entanglement detection, structural health monitoring, and environmental acoustic monitoring along mooring lines; and

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RESOLUTION: Sacramento Municipal Utility District

RESOLVED, that the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (CEC) adopts the staff CEQA findings contained in the Agreement or Amendment Request Form (as applicable); and

RESOLVED, that the CEC approves agreement CER-25-004 with SMUD for a \$25,463,040 grant. The project will deploy grid infrastructure upgrades to replace 230 network protectors and an estimated 210,000-280,000 circuit feet of aging underground electrical cables in the SMUD service territory in Sacramento. Upgrades will enhance grid reliability and safety by eliminating legacy lead cables, reducing failure risks, improving outage detection and response, and enabling more efficient real-time system management; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Director or their designee shall execute the same on behalf of the CEC.

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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RESOLUTION: County of Sonoma

RESOLVED, that the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (CEC) adopts the staff CEQA findings contained in the Agreement or Amendment Request Form (as applicable); and

RESOLVED, that the CEC approves agreement GEO-25-001 with County of Sonoma for a \$1,359,699 grant. This project will create reliable surface datasets and geospatial analysis that provide local county planning and permitting expertise for geothermal development, identify opportunities for industry to develop geothermal resources of conventional and next-generation technologies that are compatible with surface conditions, and foster meaningful engagement with community and tribal partners. The project aims to guide the industry towards lower-risk permitting opportunities and provide an important foundation for future updates to county zoning or general plan updates; and

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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RESOLUTION: Last Frontier Healthcare District (LFHD)

RESOLVED, that the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (CEC) adopts the staff CEQA findings contained in the Agreement or Amendment Request Form (as applicable); and

RESOLVED, that the CEC approves agreement GEO-25-002 with Last Frontier Healthcare District (LFHD) for a \$1,500,000 grant. This project will improve and expand the existing geothermal heating system utilized by the Modoc Medical Center in the City of Alturas. The strategy is to convert an existing, unused geothermal production well into an injection well. The additional injection well will provide the necessary injection capacity to serve the expanded Modoc Medical Center facilities and future users. The project will provide economic benefits to Alturas and the surrounding Modoc County communities by lowering heating costs, providing services to medical personnel, and supporting local businesses; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Director or their designee shall execute the same on behalf of the CEC.

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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RESOLUTION: Red Bluff Union Elementary School District

RESOLVED, that the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (CEC) adopts the staff CEQA findings contained in the Agreement or Amendment Request Form (as applicable); and

RESOLVED, that the CEC approves agreement 002-25-ECG with Red Bluff Union Elementary School District for a \$656,197 Energy Conservation Assistance Account (ECAA) loan at zero-percent interest. The loan will fund the completion of a prior ECAA project to install three solar photovoltaic (PV) arrays totaling 470 kilowatts (kW) at three Red Bluff Elementary School District sites in Tehama County. The project is estimated to reduce 732,656 kilowatt hours (kWh) of electricity consumption in the first year, saving approximately \$185,317 in annual utility costs. The simple payback period is approximately 16.2 years; and

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RESOLUTION: Mountain Gate Community Services District

RESOLVED, that the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (CEC) adopts the staff CEQA findings contained in the Agreement or Amendment Request Form (as applicable); and

RESOLVED, that the CEC approves agreement 002-25-ECI with Mountain Gate Community Services District for a \$2,640,117 ECAA loan at one-percent interest. The loan will finance a 400-kW photovoltaic (PV) system at one site in Redwood City, Shasta County. The project is estimated to reduce 559,612 kWh of electricity consumption in the first year, saving \$155,301 in annual utility costs. The simple payback period is approximately 17 years; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Director or their designee shall execute the same on behalf of the CEC.

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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**ADOPTION OF EQUITABLE BUILDING DECARBONIZATION TRIBAL DIRECT
INSTALL PROGRAM GUIDELINES**

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 209 (AB 209, Chapter 251, Statutes of 2022) directed the California Energy Commission (CEC) to develop and implement the Equitable Building Decarbonization Program, to include two components: a direct install program and a statewide incentive program for low-carbon building technologies; and

WHEREAS, AB 209 provides that the CEC may adopt guidelines or other standards for the program, and that the Administrative Procedure Act (commencing with Government Code section 11340) does not apply to guidelines or other standards for the program adopted at a CEC business meeting; and

WHEREAS, CEC staff released a Request for Information on December 9, 2022, held a public workshop on December 13, 2022, and hosted four tribal listening sessions in May 2023 and August 2024 to solicit input on the Equitable Building Decarbonization Tribal Direct Install Program; and

WHEREAS, CEC staff released draft guidelines for the Equitable Building Decarbonization Tribal Direct Install Program on September 5, 2025, hosted two tribal listening sessions and a public workshop in September and October 2025 to solicit input on the draft guidelines, and accepted written comments on the draft guidelines through October 17, 2025; and

WHEREAS, having considered public comments on the draft guidelines, CEC staff published the proposed Equitable Building Decarbonization Tribal Direct Install Program Guidelines to the CEC website and the program docket (22-DECARB-03); and

WHEREAS, the proposed Equitable Building Decarbonization Tribal Direct Install Program Guidelines establish a framework to provide energy efficiency, decarbonization, or load flexible solutions directly to California Native American Tribes at minimal or no cost through a third-party implementer or through direct grants, as directed by AB 209; and

WHEREAS, the CEC's Chief Counsel's Office considered the application of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to the CEC's adoption of the Equitable Building Decarbonization Tribal Direct Install Program Guidelines and concludes that the CEC's adoption of these Guidelines is not a "project" under CEQA or, if it is a

project, that it is exempt under California Code of Regulations, title 14, sections 15307, 15308, and 15061(b)(3).

THEREFORE, THE CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION FINDS:

With regard to CEQA:

- The CEC has considered the application of CEQA to the proposed Guidelines and concluded that the adoption of the Equitable Building Decarbonization Tribal Direct Install Program Guidelines is not a “project” under CEQA or, if it is a project, that it is exempt under California Code of Regulations, title 14, sections 15307 and 15308 (Class 7 and 8 exemptions) and section 15061(b)(3) (common sense exemption).

With regard to the Administrative Procedure Act:

- The proposed guidelines are exempt from the Administrative Procedure Act under California Public Resources Code 25665.6.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the CEC finds the Equitable Building Decarbonization Tribal Direct Install Program Guidelines are based on substantial evidence in the record and advance the legislative directive in AB 209; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, the CEC hereby adopts the Equitable Building Decarbonization Tribal Direct Install Program Guidelines, incorporating any changes presented and adopted today along with any non-substantive changes, such as typographical corrections; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that documents and other materials can be found at the CEC, 715 P Street, Sacramento, California, 95814 in the custody of the Docket Unit and online in [Docket Number 22-DECARB-03](https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=22-DECARB-03), <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=22-DECARB-03>; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Director or their designee shall execute the same on behalf of the CEC.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, the CEC delegates the authority and directs CEC staff to take, on behalf of the CEC, all actions reasonably necessary to implement the Equitable Building Decarbonization Tribal Direct Install Program as specified in the Guidelines.

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NAY: NONE

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
STATE ENERGY RESOURCES
CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

RESOLUTION OF THE CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION ADOPTING THE
CALIFORNIA ENERGY DEMAND FORECAST, 2025-2045

WHEREAS, Public Resources Code section 25301(a) requires the California Energy Commission (CEC) 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"; and

WHEREAS, the Integrated Energy Policy Report contains these assessments and associated policy recommendations and is adopted every two years, with an Integrated Energy Policy Report Update being adopted each interim year; and

WHEREAS, the CEC consulted with appropriate state and federal agencies in developing the California Energy Demand Forecast, 2025-2045 (2025 IEPR forecast) including, but not limited to, the Public Utilities Commission, the State Air Resources Board, and the California Independent System Operator.

WHEREAS, the CEC held workshops on February 26, August 6, August 26, November 13, and December 17, 2025, and Demand Analysis Working Group Meetings were held on July 16, August 18, October 31, 2025, and January 5, 2026, to discuss the 2025 IEPR forecast; and

WHEREAS, on January 7, 2026, staff docketed the Notice of Availability for the 2025 IEPR forecast, which identifies the documents that make up the forecast, including forecasts for electricity consumption, gas consumption, retail electricity sales, and peak and hourly demand for each of the major planning areas and for the state as a whole; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 IEPR forecast provides electricity and gas demand forecasts which reflect expected impacts from recent economic and demographic projections, projections of data centers, electric vehicle adoption, building electrification adoption, and behind-the-meter photovoltaic and storage system adoption and which are consistent with the latest historical data available for consumption, peak demand, temperatures, and electricity rates; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 IEPR forecast will serve as a key input into a number of planning and procurement efforts, including transmission and distribution system planning, resource adequacy, and other studies and proceedings; and

WHEREAS, consistent with an agreement among leadership at the CEC, the Public Utilities Commission, and the California Independent System Operator, specific variants of the adopted demand forecast to be used in individual applications are described as the “single forecast set agreement” in the text of the 2025 Integrated Energy Policy Report; and

WHEREAS, the CEC has considered the application of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to the adoption of the 2025 IEPR forecast, 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 forecast, 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 2025 IEPR forecast 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 2025 IEPR forecast may have a significant effect on the environment; and

WHEREAS, the CEC has considered all comments received on the 2025 IEPR forecast;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the CEC hereby adopts the 2025 IEPR forecast, along with any changes identified at its January 21, 2026 Business Meeting, and directs CEC staff to make the forecast available to the public and to incorporate the forecast results into the 2025 Integrated Energy Policy Report.

It is so Ordered.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned Secretariat to the CEC does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the CEC held on January 21, 2026.

AYE: Hochschild, McAllister, Skinner

NAY: NONE

ABSENT: Gunda, Gallardo

ABSTAIN: NONE

Dated: January 22, 2026

SIGNED BY:

Kim Todd
Secretariat

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
STATE ENERGY RESOURCES
CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

RESOLUTION: Gas Research and Development Program 2025 Annual Report

WHEREAS, Public Resources Code Section 25620.8(a) requires the Energy Commission to prepare and submit to the Legislature a Gas Research and Development (Gas R&D) Program Annual Report by October 31st of each year, reporting information on activities and projects funded in the previous calendar year; and.

WHEREAS, Section 25620.8(a) requires the Gas R&D Program annual reports include, but are not limited to, a summary of the Gas R&D program's impact and benefits, a summary of how funding is allocated to investment areas, a description of successful or promising projects in each investment area, a summary of expected initiatives and activities over the next year, information on approved budgets and benefits, all active projects and recently completed projects, a description of any recent changes to spending guidelines or eligible projects and recommendations for program improvements; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, Energy Commission staff have prepared the Gas R&D Program 2025 Annual Report in accordance with the requirements of Public Resources Code Section 25620.8, and California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) Gas R&D Program Decision 04-08-010; and

RESOLVED, that the CEC approves the Gas Research and Development Program 2025 Annual Report; and directs the Executive Director, or his designee, to take the following action:

- Finalize the Gas R&D Program 2025 Annual Report, including but not limited to incorporating any changes presented and adopted today along with any nonsubstantive changes such as typographical corrections and graphical formatting;
- Forward the final report to the Legislature and to the CPUC;
- Make the final report available to the public on the Energy Commission's website

RESOLVED, the CEC has considered the application of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to the approval of the Gas R&D Program 2025 Annual Report, and concluded that the approval of this report is not a "project" under CEQA, but that in the event that adoption were determined to be a project, that it would nonetheless be

exempt from CEQA requirements pursuant to the “common sense” exemption (CEQA Guidelines, § 15061, subd. (b)(3)).

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Director or their designee shall execute the same on behalf of the CEC.

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RESOLUTION: California Energy, Power, & Innovation Collaborative (Cal EPIC)

RESOLVED, that the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (CEC) adopts the staff CEQA findings contained in the Agreement or Amendment Request Form (as applicable); and

RESOLVED, that the CEC approves agreement ARV-25-012 with California Energy, Power, & Innovation Collaborative (Cal EPIC) for a \$4,000,000 grant. This project will operate a charging interoperability and collaboration space at Cal EPIC's multi-purpose facility in Sacramento and will create a space for interoperability testing, standards conformance testing and verification, industry collaboration, and exploration of next-generation charging use cases across multiple types of EVs and EV chargers; and

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RESOLUTION: Gallo Global Nutrition LP

RESOLVED, that the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (CEC) adopts the staff CEQA findings contained in the Agreement or Amendment Request Form (as applicable); and

RESOLVED, that the CEC approves agreement FPI-25-001 with Gallo Global Nutrition LP for a \$2,331,222 grant. This agreement will replace the aging and outdated R-407 and R-410A refrigeration systems with two ultra-efficient, low-charge ammonia refrigeration systems at a dairy facility located in Atwater. The new systems will improve energy efficiency, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and enable on-peak demand reductions; and

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RESOLUTION: Harvest Food Products

RESOLVED, that the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (CEC) adopts the staff CEQA findings contained in the Agreement or Amendment Request Form (as applicable); and

RESOLVED, that the CEC approves agreement FPI-25-002 with Harvest Food Products for a \$2,500,000 grant. This agreement will replace an aging, inefficient freon (R-22) refrigerant system with a new transcritical CO2 refrigeration system incorporating substantial efficiency improvements, including heat recovery, variable frequency drives, advanced controls, and an adiabatic gas cooler at the Recipient's frozen food facility in Hayward. The upgraded system will improve energy efficiency and reduce the facility's energy usage and greenhouse gas emissions; and

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RESOLUTION: FC Tracy Holdings, LLC

RESOLVED, that the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (CEC) adopts the staff CEQA findings contained in the Agreement or Amendment Request Form (as applicable); and

RESOLVED, that the CEC approves agreement FPI-25-003 with FC Tracy Holdings, LLC for a \$1,010,101 grant. This agreement will install a solar-powered microgrid and battery energy storage system at a produce processing facility in Tracy. The microgrid system will reduce grid electricity consumption, enable on-peak demand reductions, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions; and

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