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CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

In the Matter of Association of Home Appliance Manufacturer's Bathroom Exhaust Fan Testing and Certification Program Docket No.: 26-BSTD-01

ORDER Approval of Association of Home Appliance Manufacturer's Bathroom Exhaust Fan Testing and Certification Program as Alternative Procedure

ORDER NO: 26-0312-03a

I. BACKGROUND

On September 11, 2024, the California Energy Commission (CEC) adopted the 2025 Energy Code, contained in the California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 1, Chapter 10, and Part 6, which includes requirements for local mechanical exhaust systems for single-family buildings in Section 150.0(o)1G and multifamily buildings in Section 160.2(b)2Avi. These requirements went into effect on January 1, 2026.

The 2025 Energy Code incorporated by reference ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 62.2-2022 Ventilation and Acceptable Indoor Air Quality¹. Section 150.0(o)1G and Section 160.2(b)2Avi requires that local mechanical exhaust systems, including bathroom exhaust fans, shall be rated for airflow in accordance with ASHRAE 62.2-2022, Section 7.1. ASHRAE requires that airflow and sound ratings for ventilation devices and equipment serving individual dwelling units shall be provided by:

- An administration and certification body that is accredited in accordance with ISO/IEC 17065 with respect to application of the standards and test procedures referenced in Table 7-1 "Laboratory Test Procedures for Airflow and Sound."
- For bathroom fans, the relevant test procedures are listed in Table 7-1 under "other exhaust or supply."
- The administration and certification body is accredited by an accreditation body operating in accordance with ISO/IEC 17011.

Further, Section 10-109(h) of the 2025 Energy Code states that "In addition to the procedures and protocols identified in Sections 10-109(c), 10-116 and the Reference Appendices, the Commission may authorize alternative procedures that demonstrate compliance with Part 6."

On December 18, 2025, the Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers (AHAM) submitted to the CEC an application for CEC approval of AHAM's bathroom

exhaust fan testing and certification program to meet the requirements for manufacturer ratings of airflow for local mechanical exhaust fans specified by the 2025 Energy Code. AHAM submitted documentation to the CEC to demonstrate that their certification program for bathroom exhaust fans, including use of the AHAM Verifide® Mark, meets the requirements of ASHRAE 62.2-2022 Section 7.1. The documentation provided included the following appendices:

- A1. The Procedural Guide for the AHAM program, which is available to members and non-members.
- A2. AHAM HBF-2-2026. This is the test procedure document and is fully based on the requirements of ASHRAE 62.2-2022 clause 7.1 and Table 7-1.
- A3. The on-line directory.
- A4. Lab Qualifications.
- A5. The Certification Body Accreditations.
- A6. Supplemental information about AHAM and the AHAM program.

The CEC provided an initial copy of the application to interested members of the public on January 20, 2026, and accepted comments through February 17, 2026.

On January 31, 2026, AHAM submitted an updated application to the CEC clarifying the scope of their request included both Section 150.0(o)1G and Section 160.2(b)2Avi. The Commission provided a copy of the updated application to interested parties on February 3, 2026, and accepted comments through February 19, 2026.

CEC staff reviewed the application and determined it met all the requirements to be considered as an alternative procedure under Section 10-109(h). The Executive Director evaluated staff's analysis and agrees that AHAM's program provides an acceptable alternative procedure and, therefore, recommends its approval for the 2025 Energy Code under Section 150.0(o)1G for single-family buildings and Section 160.2(b)2Avi for multifamily buildings compliance purposes.

II. STAFF RECOMMENDATION

CEC staff and the Executive Director have considered the application for CEC approval of AHAM's bathroom exhaust fan testing and certification program and confirmed that it meets the requirements for manufacturer ratings of airflow for local mechanical exhaust fans specified by the 2025 Energy Code. Therefore, staff recommend approval of AHAM's bathroom exhaust fan testing and certification program as an alternative procedure to demonstrate compliance with the local mechanical exhaust system rating requirements of the 2025 Energy Code, consistent with Section 10-109(h).

III. ENERGY COMMISSION FINDINGS

Based on the entirety of the record, the CEC finds that:

- 1) On December 18, 2025, the Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers (AHAM) submitted to the CEC an application for CEC approval of AHAM's bathroom exhaust fan testing and certification program.

- 2) On January 20, 2026, the CEC provided an initial copy of the application to interested persons and provided an opportunity for public comment. No comments were received by the close of the comment period on February 17, 2026. A public notice was posted to Docket Number [26-BSTD-01](https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=26-BSTD-01) (<https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=26-BSTD-01>).
- 3) The notice provided an opportunity for public comment, and no comments were received by the close of the comment period on February 17, 2026. On January 31, 2026, AHAM submitted an updated application to the CEC for approval of AHAM's bathroom exhaust fan testing and certification program, clarifying the scope of their request included both Section 150.0(o)1G and Section 160.2(b)2Avi.
- 4) On February 3, 2026, the CEC provided a copy of the updated application to interested persons and provided an opportunity for public comment, and no comments were received by the close of the comment period on February 19, 2026. The public notice was posted to Docket Number [26-BSTD-01](https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=26-BSTD-01) (<https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=26-BSTD-01>).
- 5) Staff reviewed the updated application, and supporting documentation. No comments were received during the comment periods. Staff's analysis confirmed that AHAM's bathroom exhaust fan testing and certification program meets the requirements of ASHRAE 62.2-2022, Section 7.1.
- 6) The Executive Director reviewed the staff analysis and, on February 25, 2026, submitted a recommendation to the CEC that the Commission approve AHAM's bathroom exhaust fan testing and certification program as an alternative procedure to demonstrate compliance with the local mechanical exhaust system rating requirements of the 2025 Energy Code under Section 150.0(o)1G for single-family buildings and Section 160.2(b)2Avi for multifamily buildings compliance purposes.

The Executive Director reviewed staff's analysis and conclusion that the action is not a project, as defined, under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) or, in the alternative, if it is a project, it is exempt from CEQA pursuant to the common-sense exemption and recommends the CEC confirm this determination

IV. CONCLUSION AND ORDER

The CEC has considered the application materials, staff's analysis, and the Executive Director's recommendations. No written or oral comments were received, and no staff responses were required.

Therefore, the CEC concludes the following in accordance with Section 10-109(h) of the 2025 Energy Code:

- 1) AHAM's bathroom exhaust fan testing and certification program is an alternative procedure to demonstrate compliance with the local mechanical exhaust system rating requirements of the 2025 Energy Code under Section 150.0(o)1G for single-family buildings and Section 160.2(b)2Avi for multifamily buildings compliance purposes.

- 2) Approval of this application is not a project, as defined, subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and, alternatively, if it is a project, it is exempt pursuant to the common-sense exemption under section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines; and,
- 3) The CEC delegates the authority and directs the Executive Director to take, on behalf of the CEC, all actions reasonably necessary to carry out the above direction.

V. IT IS SO ORDERED.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of March 2026, by the following vote:

AYE: Gunda, McAllister, Gallardo, Skinner

NAY: NONE

ABSENT: Hochschild

ABSTAIN: NONE

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 approved and adopted by the affirmative vote of the CEC at a meeting held on March 12, 2026.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kim Todd".

Kim Todd
Secretariat



CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

In the Matter of Load Management Standards Compliance Plans for MCE and SCP Docket No.: 23-LMS-01

ORDER Approval of Load Management Standards Compliance Plans for MCE and SCP

ORDER NO: 26-0312-03b

I. BACKGROUND

The Load Management Standards (“LMS”) regulations (Title 20 California Code of Regulations “CCR” section 1621, et seq.) define Marin Clean Energy (MCE), and Sonoma Clean Power (“SCP”) as a “Large Community Choice Aggregators” (“Large CCAs”), and require them to submit plans for complying with the LMS regulations (“plans” or “compliance plans”) to the California Energy Commission (“CEC” or “Commission”) for its review and approval (20 CCR section 1621(c)(8); 20 CCR section 1621(c)(10); 20 CCR section 1623.1(a)(3)).

As Large CCAs, MCE’s and SCP’s compliance plans must show how they will comply with 20 CCR section 1623.1 of the LMS regulations. Among other things, this requires that MCE’s and SCP’s plans show how they will develop marginal cost-based electricity rates or programs, apply to their rate approving bodies for approval, and offer at least one such rate or program to its electricity customers. (20 CCR sections 1623.1(b)(2) and (4).)

In particular, the LMS regulations require that MCE’s and SCP’s compliance plans show how they, with the approval of their rate-approving bodies, will:

1. Upload and maintain its time-dependent electricity rates in the CEC’s Market Informed Demand Automation Server (“MIDAS”) database and assign Rate Identification Numbers (“RINs”) to customers so they can access their electricity rates in real time and manage their energy use to optimize electricity savings and align it with supply and the availability of renewable energy. (20 CCR section 1623.1(c)).
2. Provide customers with access to marginal cost-based electricity rates that vary at least hourly for each customer class for which the rate-approving body determines

such a program will materially reduce peak load. (20 CCR section 1623.1(b)(1) and (b)(4)). Where such rates have not yet been approved by a Large CCA's rate-approving body, the Large CCA must provide programs identified as cost-effective according to 20 CCR section 1623.1(b)(3) that allow customers to respond to MIDAS signals indicating marginal cost-based rates, marginal prices, hourly or sub-hourly marginal greenhouse gas emissions, or other Commission-approved marginal signals (20 CCR sections 1623.1(b)(3) and (4)). To fulfill these requirements, Large CCAs may apply for approval of marginal cost-based rates that are offered by the Large Investor-Owned Utilities ("Large IOUs", 20 CCR section 1621(c)(8)) in whose service areas the Large CCA exist (20 CCR section 1623.1(b)(2).) By July 1, 2027, Large CCAs must offer each of their customers voluntary participation in either a marginal cost-based rate developed according to 20 CCR section 1623.1(b)(2) and approved by its rate-approving body, or a cost-effective program identified according to 20 CCR section 1623.1(b)(3). (20 CCR section 1623.1(b)(4).)

3. Conduct public information programs to inform customers of the benefits of marginal cost-based rates and automation, which may include saving money, aligning electricity usage with available green energy resources, and reducing use during periods of grid stress (20 CCR section 1623.1(b)(5)).

The LMS regulations also require MCE, SCP and the other regulated load serving entities (LSEs) to jointly build a RIN access tool so that customers and third parties may look up customers' RINs and, with customer consent, program their electrical devices to connect with the rates uploaded to MIDAS (20 CCR section 1623(c)). Large CCAs are not required to document these efforts in their compliance plans, however.

MCE submitted its compliance plan to the CEC on June 14, 2024. SCP submitted its compliance plan on May 13, 2024.

20 CCR section 1623.1(a)(3) establishes a process under which the Executive Director of the CEC ("Executive Director") "shall review the plans and either return them to the Large CCA for revision or submit them to the Commission for review and potential approval." The Executive Director "shall make an initial determination whether the plan... is consistent with the requirements of [s]ections 1623.1(a)(1) and (2)."

The Commission approves CCA compliance plans that are consistent with sections 1623.1(a)(1) and (2) "and which show a good faith effort to plan to meet the goals listed in sections 1623.1(a)(1) and (2)." "The Commission may place conditions on its approval of [compliance] plans that are necessary to guarantee that the plan... will comply with [sections] 1623.1(a)(1) and (2)." (20 CCR section 1623.1(a)(3)).

The Executive Director conducted an initial review of the compliance plans submitted under the LMS regulations. The CEC staff reached out to the LSEs, including MCE and SCP, collaborated with them, and provided them with technical assistance necessary to bring their plans into compliance with the regulations'

requirements. In addition, on June 19, 2025, the CEC staff docketed a formal compliance plan revision request to MCE. The CEC staff also published documents providing technical compliance assistance. They are available at: <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=23-LMS-01>.

MCE submitted a revised compliance plan to the CEC docket on August 1, 2025, and further revised it on January 7, 2026 (“revised plan”) in response to CEC staff’s comments. A key feature of MCE’s revised plan is its commitment to participate in the expanded California Flexible Unified Signal for Energy (“CalFUSE”) pilots that the California Public Utilities Commission authorized in its Decision D. 24-01-032. These pilots utilize marginal cost-based electricity rates and will be offered by the Large IOU within MCE’s service area.

SCP submitted a revised plan on February 3, 2026. SCP’s revised plan includes an evaluation of dynamic rates that is methodologically sound. It concludes that offering dynamic rates at this time is not yet more cost-effective than SCP’s proposed portfolio of load flexibility programs, due to high upfront cost and SCP’s small size. SCP will offer its customers a portfolio of load flexibility programs that enable continuous, daily load shifts. Notably, some programs will incorporate an innovative, tiered incentive structure that aligns with the pay-by-performance principle. The portfolio of programs, when taken together, complies with LMS requirements at this time. Going forward, SCP will continue to offer its current load flexibility programs and SCP will reevaluate its rate and program designs for compliance with LMS requirements based on program operations and results. SCP will include findings based on this experience in the next update of its LMS plan.

The Executive Director reviewed the revised compliance plans MCE and SCP submitted, makes the initial determination that they are consistent with the requirements of 20 CCR sections 1623.1(a)(1) and (2), and submits them to the Commission for review and potential approval pursuant to 20 CCR section 1623.1(a)(3).

As required by 20 CCR section 1623(c), MCE and SCP are working along with the other load serving entities subject to the LMS regulations in an open, public process to develop the single statewide standard tool (RIN tool) which will allow authorized third parties access to customer electricity rate information. 20 CCR section 1623(c)(2)(A) requires the RIN tool to be submitted by October 1, 2024, but 20 CCR section 1623(c)(2)(B) authorizes the Executive Director to extend this deadline for good cause. The Executive Director finds that good cause exists for extending this deadline to May 8, 2029, as discussed below.

A workshop on the RIN tool was held on January 17, 2024. A draft plan for the RIN tool was submitted on October 1, 2024, and on November 15, 2024, the CEC staff published a notice requesting public comment on it. Comments were received from members of the public and most of the LSEs subject to the LMS regulations. Developing the RIN tool is a complex matter. It involves highly technical issues, implicates sensitive customer information, and is of interest to many stakeholders

and members of the public. Based on the comments received, staff's most current analysis of them and the draft RIN tool plan itself, additional time, public input, and analysis are required before the RIN tool can be finalized. The CEC is continuing to examine options to help consumers and may pursue an update for the regulations to assist with this goal. Accordingly, pursuant to 20 CCR section 1621(c)(2)(B), the Executive Director finds that good cause exists to extend the deadline for submitting the final RIN tool to May 8, 2029, and for also extending the deadline established in the Commission's Orders 25-0508-05a (covering Pacific Gas & Electric Company ("PG&E"), Southern California Edison ("SCE") and San Diego Gas & Electric ("SDG&E")), 25-0508-05b (covering San Jose Clean Energy (SJCE), Valley Clean Energy (VCE), and Peninsula Clean Energy Authority (PCEA)), 25-0813-09 (covering Ava Community Energy (ACE), Clean Power Alliance of Southern California (CPASC), Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) and Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD)) and, 25-1208-03d (covering Central Coast Community Energy (3CE), CleanPowerSF (CPSF), Pioneer Community Energy (PCE), Silicon Valley Clean Energy (SVCE), and San Diego Community Power (SDCP)).

Although their compliance plans indicate that MCE and SCP are participating in developing the RIN tool as required by 20 CCR section 1623(c), 20 CCR section 1623.1 does not specifically require that Large CCAs document these efforts in their compliance plans.

II. THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S INITIAL DETERMINATION, FINDING OF GOOD CAUSE AND RECOMMENDATION

20 California Code of Regulations section 1623.1(a)(1) provides that each Large CCA "shall submit a plan to comply with Section 1623.1." 20 CCR section 1623.1(a)(3) then requires the CEC Executive Director to "review the plans and either return them to the Large CCA for revision or submit them to the Commission for review and potential approval." The Executive Director "shall make an initial determination whether the plan... is consistent with the requirements of [s]ections 1623.1(a)(1) and (2)." 20 CCR section 1623.1(a)(3) requires the Commission to approve Large CCA compliance plans that are consistent with sections 1623.1(a)(1) and (2) "and which show a good faith effort to plan to meet the goals listed in sections 1623.1(a)(1) and (2)." Section 1623.1(a)(3) also provides that the Commission may impose conditions on its approval of the plans.

The Executive Director has reviewed the revised compliance plans submitted by MCE and SCP and makes the initial determination that the plans are consistent with the requirements of the LMS regulations. The Executive Director also finds that good cause exists to extend the deadline for submitting the final RIN tool plan to May 8, 2029. However, since, as discussed above, the law does not specifically require Large CCAs to document their efforts to develop the RIN tool in their compliance plans (although most do), there is no basis for including the RIN tool's completion as a condition of approving MCE's and SCP's compliance plans. The Executive

Director recommends that the Energy Commission approve the revised LMS compliances plan submitted by MCE and SCP without the condition.

III. ENERGY COMMISSION FINDINGS

The CEC makes the following findings:

- 1) 20 CCR section 1621(c)(10) defines MCE and SCP as a “Large CCAs” for purposes of the LMS regulations (20 CCR section 1621, et seq.).
- 2) 20 CCR section 1623.1(a)(3) requires Large CCAs to submit plans for complying with the Load Management Standards regulations to the CEC. MCE submitted its original plan on June 14, 2024. SCP submitted its original compliance plan on May 13, 2024.
- 3) 20 CCR section 1623.1(a)(3) establishes a process under which the Executive Director of the CEC “shall review the plans and either return them to the ... Large CCA for revision or submit them to the Commission for review and potential approval.” The Executive Director reviewed the original plans MCE and SCP submitted and sought revisions to them. MCE submitted a revised plan on August 1, 2025, and further revised it on January 7, 2026. SCP submitted a revised plan on February 3, 2026. The Executive Director made the initial determination that MCE’s and SCP’s revised plans comply with the requirements of the Load Management Standards regulation and submitted MCE’s and SCP’s revised plans to the Commission for its review and approval. The Executive Director also found good cause exists to extend the deadline for MCE, SCP and the other LSEs subject to the Commission’s orders approving their compliance plans [Orders 25-0508-05a (covering Pacific Gas & Electric Company (“PG&E”), Southern California Edison (“SCE”) and San Diego Gas & Electric (“SDG&E”)) and 25-0508-05b (covering San Jose Clean Energy (SJCE), Valley Clean Energy (VCE), and Peninsula Clean Energy Authority (PCEA), 25-0813-09 (covering Ava Community Energy (ACE), Clean Power Alliance of Southern California (CPASC), Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) and Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD)) and 25-1208-03d (covering Central Coast Community Energy (3CE), CleanPowerSF (CPSF), Pioneer Community Energy (PCE), Silicon Valley Clean Energy (SVCE), and San Diego Community Power (SDCP)) to submit the final RIN tool plan to May 8, 2029.
- 4) 20 CCR section 1623.1(a)(3) requires the Commission to approve Large CCA compliance plans that are consistent with sections 1623.1(a)(1) and (2) “and which show a good faith effort to plan to meet the goals listed in sections 1623.1(a)(1) and (2).” The Commission finds that MCE’s and SCP’s revised compliance plans are consistent with 20 CCR sections 1623.1(a)(1) and (2) and show good faith efforts to plan to meet the goals of the LMS program.

- 5) The CEC has considered the application of CEQA to its approval of MCE's and SCP's revised compliance plans and concluded that its approval is not a "project" under CEQA, but that in the event that approval were determined to be a project, that it would nonetheless be exempt from CEQA under Class 7 (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15307) and Class 8 (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15308) because it constitutes a regulatory action that would protect natural resources and the environment, and the commonsense exemption (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15061 subd. (b)(3)) because there is no reasonable possibility that its approval would have a significant effect on the environment, even due to unusual circumstances.

IV. CONCLUSION AND ORDER

The California Energy Commission hereby approves the revised Load Management Standards compliance plans submitted by MCE and SCP. The Commission also extends the deadline for MCE, SCP, PG&E, SCE, SDG&E, SJCE, VCE, PCEA, ACE, CPASC, LADWP, SMUD, 3CE, CPSF, PCE, SVCE and SDCP to May 8, 2029 for submitting the final RIN tool plan.

V. IT IS SO ORDERED.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of March 2026 by the following vote:

AYE: Gunda, McAllister, Gallardo, Skinner

NAY: NONE

ABSENT: Hochschild

ABSTAIN: NONE

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 approved and adopted by the affirmative vote of the CEC at a meeting held on March 12, 2026.

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Kim Todd
Secretariat



CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

RESOLUTION: THE ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN IN WATER, ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT, INC. (AWWEE)

RESOLUTION NO: 26-0312-03c

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 a purchase order with The Association of Women in Water, Energy and Environment, Inc. (AWWEE) for a \$2,500, for a one-year membership and including use of the CEC logo in AWWEE advertisements. Membership supports CEC staff diversity, recruitment and development opportunities, and expands education and training to advance justice, access, equity, diversity, and inclusion initiatives; and

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

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of March 2026, by the following vote:

AYE: Gunda, McAllister, Gallardo, Skinner

NAY: NONE

ABSENT: Hochschild

ABSTAIN: NONE

CERTIFICATION

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Secretariat



CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

RESOLUTION: American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy (ACEEE)

RESOLUTION NO: 26-0312-03d

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 300-25-007 for a \$60,000 contract for a one-year membership with ACEEE's Ally Program at the Vanguard level, which includes a CEC co-sponsorship of \$20,000 for the 2026 Summer Study to be held in August in Monterey. The annual membership provides CEC staff with access to a network of energy efficiency experts, leaders, and decision makers across multiple cross-sector conferences throughout the year; and

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

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of March 2026, by the following vote:

AYE: Gunda, McAllister, Gallardo, Skinner

NAY: NONE

ABSENT: Hochschild

ABSTAIN: NONE

CERTIFICATION

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CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

RESOLUTION: Women of Renewable Industries and Sustainable Energy (WRISE)

RESOLUTION NO: 26-0312-03e

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 100-25-002 for a \$10,000 membership contract with WRISE, including use of CEC's logo in membership activities. This membership will support WRISE's annual events and activities, including an annual leadership forum and Executive Women's Summit; and

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

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of March 2026, by the following vote:

AYE: Gunda, McAllister, Skinner

NAY: NONE

ABSENT: Hochschild

ABSTAIN: Gallardo

CERTIFICATION

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Kim Todd
Secretariat



CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

RESOLUTION: Offshore Wind California

RESOLUTION NO: 26-0312-03f

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 700-25-002 with Offshore Wind California, for a \$20,000 co-sponsorship of the 2026 Pacific Offshore Wind Summit and approving use of the CEC logo in co-sponsorship advertisements. The conference will take place on May 18-20, 2026, in Long Beach and will serve as a key platform for stakeholders across sectors to connect, collaborate, and advance key initiatives; and

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

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of March 2026, by the following vote:

AYE: Gunda, McAllister, Gallardo, Skinner

NAY: NONE

ABSENT: Hochschild

ABSTAIN: NONE

CERTIFICATION

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Secretariat



CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

RESOLUTION: Qualus, LLC (Qualus)

RESOLUTION NO: 26-0312-03g

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 800-25-005 with Qualus for a \$28,801 contract to provide CEC with technical support to update the Commercial Forecast Model. Qualus will migrate forecast model code to modern software, revise key inputs (e.g., energy use intensities, saturations), improve forecasting capabilities, create a user manual, and provide training to CEC staff; and

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

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of March 2026, by the following vote:

AYE: Gunda, McAllister, Gallardo, Skinner

NAY: NONE

ABSENT: Hochschild

ABSTAIN: NONE

CERTIFICATION

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Kim Todd
Secretariat



CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

RESOLUTION: City of Downey

RESOLUTION NO: 26-0312-03h

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-25-015 with City of Downey for a \$560,000 grant. This project will install at least 10 public electric vehicle (EV) direct current fast charging ports at one site in the City of Downey to increase public access to reliable, fast, and convenient EV charging; and

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

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of March 2026, by the following vote:

AYE: Gunda, McAllister, Gallardo, Skinner

NAY: NONE

ABSENT: Hochschild

ABSTAIN: NONE

CERTIFICATION

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Kim Todd
Secretariat



CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

RESOLUTION: EvGateway

RESOLUTION NO: 26-0312-03i

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-25-016 with EvGateway for a \$967,750 grant. This project will install at least 10 EV direct current fast charging ports in Bakersfield to increase public access to reliable, fast, and convenient EV charging; and

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

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of March 2026, by the following vote:

AYE: Gunda, McAllister, Gallardo, Skinner

NAY: NONE

ABSENT: Hochschild

ABSTAIN: NONE

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 approved and adopted by affirmative vote of the CEC at a meeting held on March 12, 2026.

Kim Todd
Secretariat



CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

RESOLUTION: EV CHARGING SOLUTIONS, INC.

RESOLUTION NO: 26-0312-03j

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-25-017 with EV CHARGING SOLUTIONS, INC. for a \$1,824,169 grant. This project will install at least 40 public EV direct current fast charging ports across at least two sites in Santa Ana and Ventura to increase public access to reliable, fast, and convenient EV charging; and

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

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of March 2026, by the following vote:

AYE: Gunda, McAllister, Gallardo, Skinner

NAY: NONE

ABSENT: Hochschild

ABSTAIN: NONE

CERTIFICATION

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Kim Todd
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CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION
RESOLUTION: Blue Planet Systems Corporation

RESOLUTION NO: 26-0312-03k

WHEREAS The Planning Department of the City of Pittsburg, California, and its associated Planning Commission are the Lead Agency for San Francisco Bay Aggregate's Global Innovation Center, at which location Blue Planet Systems Corporation would implement the Concrete Carbon Capture & Mineralization Field Demonstration (CCCMFD) project (the grant project); and

WHEREAS, the City of Pittsburg's Planning Commission has considered and approved in several stages both the San Francisco Bay Aggregate's Global Innovation Center and the CCCMFD (also known as the "Temporary Carbon Capture and Mineralization Facility Pilot Project"), as follows: The Planning Commission approved a 2019 Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) (Resolution No. 10130) and Use Permit; a 2021 Addendum #1 to the MND (Resolution No. 10179) (to construct and operate an 880-foot pipeline to the site); a 2022 Addendum #2 to the MND (to determine if a full-scale operation is feasible at the project site and approve application No. 22-0097, subject to conditions) with a 24-month time extension (Resolution No. 10208); and a January 27, 2026, Resolution No. 10282, approving another 24-month time extension (to Dec. 31, 2026). In the January 2026 approval, the Planning Commission reasoned that there were "no changed circumstances and new information is not expected to have a significant effect on the environment," citing the CEQA Common Sense Exemption, i.e., title 14, California Code of Regulations, Section 15061(b)(3); and

WHEREAS, the Energy Commission is considering approval of agreement PIR-25-001 with Blue Planet Systems Corporation for a \$2,100,000 grant to fund the CCCMFD project for optimization of the performance of its concrete mix designs to improve strength and durability, as well as displace the carbon footprint of cement, with the intent to transform concrete production from an emissions-intensive process to an adaptable, robust decarbonization method in the State of California

WHEREAS, CEC staff prepared a Staff CEQA Memorandum regarding the CCCMFD grant project describing substantial evidence collected by CEC staff about the potential environmental impacts of the proposed grant project, concluding that the proposed CCCMFD project presents no new significant or substantially more severe environmental impacts beyond those already considered and mitigated by the Lead Agency. Implementation of applicable mitigation measures in the Lead

Agency's CEQA documents will mitigate the potential environmental impacts of the proposed CCCMFD project to a less than significant level; and

WHEREAS, The Energy Commission has reviewed and considered the Lead Agency's CEQA documentation described above, and the Energy Commission Staff's Findings, which are contained in the Staff CEQA Memorandum regarding PIR-25-001, which is included in the backup materials; and

WHEREAS, Prior to acting on the Agreement PIR-25-001, the Energy Commission desires to make certain findings pursuant to CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines;

THEREFORE, THE CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION FINDS:

1. The Energy Commission has reviewed the information contained in the Lead Agency's Mitigated Negative Declaration, Addenda, and additional documents described above, which are adopted to the extent that they are relevant to the Energy Commission's decision to approve PIR-25-001, and has reviewed the Staff CEQA Memorandum identified above.
2. The City of Pittsburg has already adopted the mitigation measures recommended in its Mitigated Negative Declaration, Addenda, and associated Planning Commission Resolutions, and has authority to implement the mitigation measures.
3. The Energy Commission has reviewed and considered the City of Pittsburg's CEQA documents described above, and the Staff CEQA Memorandum, and finds that these documents are adequate for its use as the decision-making body for its consideration of PIR-25-001.
4. None of the circumstances within CCR, title 14, section 15162 are present and there have been no substantial project changes and no substantial changes in the project circumstances that would require major revisions to the MND and Addenda, either due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects, or to an increase in the severity of previously identified significant impacts, and there is no new information of substantial importance that would change the conclusions set forth in the MND and Addenda.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the Energy Commission finds, on the basis of the entire record before it, that the mitigation measures incorporated in the MND and Addenda will prevent PIR-25-001 from having any significant environmental impacts; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the Energy Commission approves PIR-25-001 with Blue Planet Systems Corporation for \$2,100,000.00. This agreement will initially provide \$525,000 for calendar year 2026, and if the Recipient receives further extension of the Use Permit from the City of Pittsburg's Planning Commission past December 31, 2026, up to an additional \$1,575,000 may be added, by CEC approval through an amendment, for completing the grant project implementation at the facility in Pittsburg; and

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

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of March 2026, by the following vote:

AYE: Gunda, McAllister, Gallardo, Skinner

NAY: NONE

ABSENT: Hochschild

ABSTAIN: NONE

CERTIFICATION

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Kim Todd
Secretariat



CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

RESOLUTION: RULEMAKING IMPLEMENTING PHASE 3 FOR NATURAL GAS AND RENEWABLE NATURAL GAS DATA COLLECTION

RESOLUTION NO: 26-0312-06

WHEREAS, on December 19, 2025, the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (“California Energy Commission” or CEC) mailed and posted on the CEC’s website a Notice of Proposed Action (NOPA) formally notifying the public of the CEC’s intent to adopt proposed regulations for Energy Data Collection – Phase 3 for Natural Gas and Renewable Natural Gas Data Collection, the Express Terms of the proposed regulations, an Initial Statement of Reasons (ISOR) describing the rationale for the proposal, and the Economic Impact Statement (Form 399); and

WHEREAS, on December 19, 2025, the NOPA was published in the California Regulatory Notice Register, delivered to the Secretary of the California Natural Resources Agency, and distributed to the CEC’s Increase Access to Energy Data email subscription lists; and

WHEREAS, on January 20, 2026, the CEC staff for the rulemaking held a Public Workshop, to receive oral comments on the proposed regulations to the Energy Data Collection – Phase 3 for Natural Gas and Renewable Natural Gas Data Collection; and

WHEREAS, on February 3, 2026, the 45-day written comment period established by the NOPA closed; and

WHEREAS, on February 9, 2026, the CEC published a Notice of 15-day comment period proposing changes to the Express Terms based on comments received during the 45-day comment period and the January 20, 2026, Public Workshop; and

WHEREAS, on February 25, 2026, the 15-day comment period closed; and

WHEREAS, on February 27, 2026, the CEC staff posted a Notice of Adoption Hearing, informing interested parties and the public that the CEC would consider and possibly adopt the proposed regulations at the March 12, 2026, Business Meeting of the CEC; and

WHEREAS, each of the above-referenced documents and notices was provided to every person on the CEC’s Increase Access to Energy Data email subscription list

and to every person who had requested notice of such matters, and was posted to the CEC's website via docket number 25-OIR-02; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2026, the CEC considered adoption of the proposed regulations at its Business Meeting.

THEREFORE, THE CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION FINDS:

With regard to CEQA:

- The CEC has considered the application of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to the proposed regulations and concluded that the proposed regulations are not a "project" for purposes of CEQA as this action does not result in any direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment and even if the adoption of the proposed regulations is a project for purposes of CEQA, it would be exempt per California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15306 as a data collection activity and exempt under the common sense exemption located in California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15061(b)(3); and

With regard to the Warren-Alquist Act:

- The CEC has the authority to adopt rules and regulations to carry out the Warren-Alquist Act per Public Resources Code sections 25213 and 25218(e); and
- The CEC is the central repository within state government for "the collection, storage, retrieval, and dissemination of data and information on all forms of energy supply, demand, conservation, public safety, research, and related subjects" per Public Resources Code section 25216.5; and
- The CEC manages a data collection system to support its policy and analytical efforts per Public Resources Code section 25320; and
- The CEC's data collection system has protections for confidential information per Public Resources Code section 25322 and its implementing regulations; and
- The CEC is coordinating with other state agencies to exchange information and data related to energy resources in order to avoid unnecessary duplication of effort; and
- The CEC is adopting these regulations to support its data collection efforts and improve its policy development and analyses as well as support other state agencies in their efforts related to energy usage; and

With regard to the Administrative Procedure Act:

- The proposed regulations will not result in the creation of new businesses or elimination of existing businesses, will not result in the expansion of businesses currently doing business in California, and will not result in a significant statewide adverse economic impact directly affecting business, including the ability of California businesses to compete with businesses in other states; and
- The proposed regulations will not impose direct cost or savings, or direct or indirect requirements or mandates, on state agencies, local agencies, or school districts, including but not limited to costs that are required to be reimbursed under Part 7 (commencing with section 17500) of Division 4 of the Government Code, when savings accruing over the lifetime of the appliance is considered; and
- The proposed regulations will not result in the creation or elimination of jobs within California; and
- The proposed regulations will not result in costs or savings in federal funding to the State of California; and
- The proposed regulations will not result in nondiscretionary costs or savings to local agencies or school districts; and
- The proposed regulations will not have an impact on housing costs; and
- The proposed regulations will result in cost impacts to representative private persons or businesses in reasonable compliance with the regulations resulting from increased submission of data reports amounting to \$14,575,168; and
- The proposed regulations will not adversely impact the health and welfare of California residents, or worker safety, or the state's environment; and
- The proposed regulations have no alternatives that would be more effective in carrying out the purpose of the statutes for which it is proposed, that would be as effective and less burdensome to affected private persons in carrying out those purposes, or that would be more cost effective to affected private persons and equally effective in implementing those purposes; and
- The proposed regulations will not have a significant adverse economic impact on small business and no alternatives were proposed that would lessen any adverse economic impact on small business; and

- The proposed regulations will not require completion of any new report, but minimal reporting of required information will be necessary. It is necessary for the health, safety, and welfare of the people of the state that these regulations apply to business; and
- None of the comments received during each separate comment period, public workshop, or at the business meeting where the proposed regulations were adopted, and nothing else in the record, justified any changes to the proposed regulations as published on February 9, 2026.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that, on the basis of the entire record before it, the CEC finds that the proposed regulations do not result in any direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment and therefore this is not a project for purposes of CEQA, and even if the adoption of the proposed regulations is a project for purposes of CEQA, it is exempt from CEQA under the categorical exemption under section 15306, and the commonsense exemption because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the proposed regulations will have a significant effect on the environment; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that, after considering all comments received and the staff's responses, and based on the entire record of this proceeding, the CEC hereby adopts the proposed regulations, as set forth in the express terms that were published on February 9, 2026 and incorporating any changes presented and adopted today.

The CEC takes this action under the authority of sections 25213, 25218(e) of the Public Resources Code, which authorize the CEC to adopt any rule or regulation to carry out the Warren-Alquist Act including data collection; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that documents and other materials that constitute the rulemaking record can be found at the CEC, 715 P Street, Sacramento, California, 95814 in the custody of the Docket Unit and online in [Docket 25-OIR-02](https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/EComment/EComment.aspx?docketnumber=25-OIR-02), <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/EComment/EComment.aspx?docketnumber=25-OIR-02>; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that, the CEC delegates the authority and directs CEC staff to take, on behalf of the CEC, all actions reasonably necessary to have the proposed regulations go into effect, including but not limited to making any appropriate non-substantive changes to the regulations; preparing all appropriate documents; compiling and submitting the rulemaking file to the Office of Administrative Law (OAL); making any changes to the rulemaking file required by OAL; and filing a notice of exemption with the Office of Planning and Research. This delegation explicitly includes authority for the Executive Director or Chief Deputy Director to Sign the Form 400 on behalf of the CEC.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of March 2026, by the following vote:

AYE: Gunda, McAllister, Gallardo, Skinner

NAY: NONE

ABSENT: Hochschild

ABSTAIN: NONE

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 approved and adopted by the affirmative vote of the CEC at a meeting held on March 12, 2026.

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Kim Todd
Secretariat



CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

**In the Matter of Riverside Public Utilities' 2023 Integrated Resource Plan Filing,
Docket No. 18-IRP-01**

ORDER FINDING COMPLIANCE WITH PUBLIC UTILITIES CODE SECTION 9621

ORDER NO: 26-0312-07

I. BACKGROUND

Pursuant to Senate Bill 350 (Stats. 2015, ch. 547), Public Utilities Code (PUC) section 9621 requires publicly owned utilities with an annual electrical demand exceeding 700 gigawatt hours to adopt integrated resource plans (IRPs) at least once every five years and submit them to the California Energy Commission (CEC). The IRPs must contain supporting information sufficient to demonstrate that they meet certain requirements, including greenhouse gas emission reduction targets and renewable energy procurement goals, as set forth in PUC section 9621. Under PUC section 9622, the CEC must review IRPs for consistency with these requirements. On October 4, 2018, the CEC adopted the *Publicly Owned Utility Integrated Resource Plan Submission and Review Guidelines* to govern the submission of IRPs.

II. STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the CEC find the Riverside Public Utilities' 2023 IRP, filed on June 12, 2024, under Docket Number 18-IRP-01, complete and consistent with the requirements of PUC section 9621.

III. ENERGY COMMISSION FINDINGS

- a. On June 12, 2024, Riverside Public Utilities submitted an IRP and supporting documentation to the CEC (the IRP Filing); and
- b. On July 18, 2025, CEC staff filed its notification of completeness letter informing Riverside Public Utilities that its IRP Filing was complete; and
- c. The complete IRP Filing has been available on the CEC website since June 12, 2024, and no public comments were received; and
- d. On January 9, 2026, CEC staff, under the authority of the Executive Director, filed its review on the CEC website (*Review of Riverside Public Utilities 2023 Integrated*

Resource Plan, TN No. 268208) determining the IRP Filing to be consistent with the requirements for PUC Section 9621 and this document has been available for public comment for at least 45 days; and

e. On January 9, 2026, CEC staff informed Riverside Public Utilities in writing of staff's determination (TN No. 268209) and the Executive Director informed Riverside Public Utilities in writing that the CEC would consider adopting this determination at the CEC Business Meeting on March 12, 2026; and

f. The CEC concurs with staff's recommendation that Riverside Public Utilities' IRP Filing is complete and consistent with the requirements of PUC section 9621.

IV. CONCLUSION AND ORDER

The CEC hereby adopts staff's recommendation and orders that Riverside Public Utilities' IRP Filing complies with requirements set forth in Public Utilities Code section 9621.

V. IT IS SO ORDERED.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of March 2026, by the following vote:

AYE: Gunda, McAllister, Gallardo, Skinner

NAY: NONE

ABSENT: Hochschild

ABSTAIN: NONE

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CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

RESOLUTION: Ocean Charter School

RESOLUTION NO: 26-0312-08

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 001-25-RLF with Ocean Charter School in Los Angeles City and County for an \$849,700 Kindergarten through Twelfth Grade Energy Efficiency Program (KTEP) loan at zero-percent interest. The loan will finance a rooftop mounted 269.7 kilowatt photovoltaic system on the school buildings and demand recirculation controllers on the domestic hot water system. The project is estimated to provide annual electric savings of 292,610 kilowatt hours, natural gas savings of 125 therms, save \$57,357 in utility costs per year, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 61.6 metric tons. KTEP is funded by a federal Energy Efficiency Revolving Loan award, and all loan award funding is contingent upon receipt of funds from the U.S. Department of Energy; and

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

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of March 2026, by the following vote:

AYE: Gunda, McAllister, Gallardo, Skinner

NAY: NONE

ABSENT: Hochschild

ABSTAIN: NONE

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CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

RESOLUTION: Electric Power Research Institute, Inc.

RESOLUTION NO: 26-0312-09b

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-25-050 with Electric Power Research Institute, Inc. for a \$1,199,004 grant. This agreement will fund the development and demonstration of a 120V electric heat pump water heater system using refrigerants with ultra-low global warming potential, in Irwindale; and

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

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of March 2026, by the following vote:

AYE: Gunda, McAllister, Gallardo, Skinner

NAY: NONE

ABSENT: Hochschild

ABSTAIN: NONE

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CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

RESOLUTION: Association for Energy Affordability, Inc.

RESOLUTION NO: 26-0312-09c

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-25-047 with Association for Energy Affordability for a \$1,499,630 grant. This project will develop an electric heat pump prototype using ultra-low global warming potential refrigerants. The system will provide heating, cooling and hot water heating and will be demonstrated in multifamily residences. The system will be evaluated for advances to safety, energy performance, cost effectiveness, and market potential; and

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

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of March 2026, by the following vote:

AYE: Gunda, McAllister, Gallardo, Skinner

NAY: NONE

ABSENT: Hochschild

ABSTAIN: NONE

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CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

RESOLUTION: Prospect Silicon Valley

RESOLUTION NO: 26-0312-09d

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-25-049 with Prospect Silicon Valley for a \$1,849,978 grant. The purpose of this project is to demonstrate an advanced, cost-competitive CO₂-based heat pump system capable of providing simultaneous heating, cooling, and domestic hot water for multifamily buildings, replacing conventional gas-fueled systems with ultra-low GWP refrigerant technology. The initiative aims to reduce first costs through modular design, validate performance through rigorous lab and field testing, and showcase grid-responsive controls for demand flexibility and energy efficiency; and

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

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of March 2026, by the following vote:

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

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CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

**RESOLUTION: The Regents of the University of California on behalf of the
Berkeley campus**

RESOLUTION NO: 26-0312-09e

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-25-045 with The Regents of the University of California on behalf of the Berkeley campus for a \$2,000,000 grant. This project aims to develop a cost-effective, energy-efficient air-to-water heat pump (AWHP) integrated with low-cost thermal energy storage (TES) to provide domestic hot water and space conditioning while enabling demand flexibility for residential buildings; and

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

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of March 2026, by the following vote:

AYE: Gunda, McAllister, Gallardo, Skinner

NAY: NONE

ABSENT: Hochschild

ABSTAIN: NONE

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CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

RESOLUTION: The Regents of the University of California on behalf of the Davis campus

RESOLUTION NO: 26-0312-09f

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-25-040 with The Regents of the University of California on behalf of the Davis campus for a \$1,301,773 grant. Project will develop and test two distinct technology pathways for achieving ultra-low GWP heat pump technologies that are safe, efficient, cost-effective, and well-suited for California's residential market; and

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

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of March 2026, by the following vote:

AYE: McAllister, Gallardo, Skinner

NAY: NONE

ABSENT: Hochschild

ABSTAIN: Gunda

CERTIFICATION

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CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

RESOLUTION: Icebox Heat Pumps Inc.

RESOLUTION NO: 26-0312-09g

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-25-042 with Icebox Heat Pumps Inc. for a \$1,891,835 grant. This project will support development and demonstration of a high-efficiency, fully electric CO₂-based heat pump that replaces natural gas and high-GWP refrigerant HVAC systems in residential buildings, advancing building decarbonization, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and lowering energy costs for Californians; and

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

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of March 2026, by the following vote:

AYE: Gunda, McAllister, Gallardo, Skinner

NAY: NONE

ABSENT: Hochschild

ABSTAIN: NONE

CERTIFICATION

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CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

RESOLUTION: Electric Power Research Institute, Inc.

RESOLUTION NO: 26-0312-10a

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-25-048 with Electric Power Research Institute, Inc. for a \$1,780,779 grant. This project will evaluate, deploy, and demonstrate a high-performance aerogel fiber mat insulation that is easy-to-install, environmentally friendly, non-flammable, and non-toxic. The insulation will be installed in low-income residential retrofits in a range of California climate zones, aiming to reduce space conditioning loads, lower energy bills, and increase building resilience, occupant comfort, health and safety, while supporting California's broader decarbonization efforts; and

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

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of March 2026, by the following vote:

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

CERTIFICATION

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CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

RESOLUTION: Institute of Gas Technology dba GTI Energy

RESOLUTION NO: 26-0312-10b

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-25-041 with Institute of Gas Technology dba GTI Energy for a \$1,750,000 grant. This project will demonstrate the performance and benefits of vacuum insulated glass (VIG) windows via laboratory testing, thermal modeling and field demonstration. The project will also explore improvements in VIG value propositions, address cost and durability concerns, and develop a plan for broad market adoption. The project is partnering with major VIG and window manufacturers to develop and demonstrate high-performance VIG solutions in single-family and multi-family residential buildings in Sonoma and Ventura Counties; and

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

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of March 2026, by the following vote:

AYE: Gunda, McAllister, Gallardo, Skinner

NAY: NONE

ABSENT: Hochschild

ABSTAIN: NONE

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ENERGY COMMISSION



CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

RESOLUTION: Association for Energy Affordability, Inc.

RESOLUTION NO: 26-0312-10c

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-25-046 with Association for Energy Affordability for a \$1,985,004 grant. The project will design, test, and commercialize integrated, spray-applied robotic and aerosol-based attic and wall retrofit solutions, that make it faster, safer, and more affordable to improve the envelopes of existing California homes; and

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

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of March 2026, by the following vote:

AYE: Gunda, McAllister, Gallardo, Skinner

NAY: NONE

ABSENT: Hochschild

ABSTAIN: NONE

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 approved and adopted by affirmative vote of the CEC at a meeting held on March 12, 2026.

Kim Todd
Secretariat



CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

RESOLUTION: The Regents of the University of California as Manager and Operator of the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory

RESOLUTION NO: 26-0312-10d

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-25-043 with Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory for a \$500,000 grant. This agreement will fund the development, testing, and demonstration of advanced window retrofit solutions that significantly improve thermal performance and reduce air infiltration in existing frames; and

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

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of March 2026, by the following vote:

AYE: Gunda, McAllister, Gallardo, Skinner

NAY: NONE

ABSENT: Hochschild

ABSTAIN: NONE

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 approved and adopted by affirmative vote of the CEC at a meeting held on March 12, 2026.

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