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ITEM 1, Welcome

Member Attendance			
Member	**Present**	**Absent**	**Location**
1. Abimael	☐	X	All members attended remotely via Zoom with cameras on. Staff present at physical location @ the California Natural Resources Agency Headquarters (715 P Street, Room 2-201, Sacramento, CA 95814).
2. Chelsea	☐	X	
3. Chris	X	☐	
4. Elena	X	☐	
5. Fred	X	☐	
6. Gem	X	☐	
7. Julia	X	☐	
8. Román	☐	X	
9. Sarah	X	☐	
10. Senait	X	☐	
11. Councilman Vasquez	X	☐	

Time commenced: 1:02pm

Julia Hatton facilitated the meeting.

Group has quorum to move forward with voting items pursuant to Government Code, section 11123.5.

ITEM 2, Public Comment. General public comment regarding items on or off the agenda related to the work done by the DACAG.

- *Emma Searson, GRID Alternatives*

ITEM 3, Opening Remarks by the CEC and CPUC Leadership.

Commissioners in Attendance:

- **CEC Leadership**

  X Chair Hochschild

  X Commissioner Gallardo – Joined at 1:30pm

  ☐Others?

  - Commissioners' Office Staff- Raja Ramesh from Vice Chair Gunda's office
  - Sierra Graves

- **CPUC Leadership**

  X Commissioner Houck - Joined at 1:41pm

  X Commissioner Douglas

ITEM 4, Meeting Minutes. Possible approval of January 16, 2026, DACAG meeting minutes.

- Public Comment?
  - *None*

- Motion to approve Item 4, the Previous Month's Meeting Minutes from January 16, 2026.

Member who makes motion	Elena

- Member to seconds motion to approve.

Member who Seconds	Senait

Member Votes				
Member	**Aye**	**Nay**	**Abstain**	**Not present during Vote**
1. Abimael	☐	☐	☐	X
2. Chelsea	☐	☐	☐	X
3. Chris	X	☐	☐	☐
4. Elena	X	☐	☐	☐
5. Fred	☐	☐	X	☐
6. Gem	X	☐	☐	☐
7. Julia	X	☐	☐	☐
8. Román	☐	☐	☐	X
9. Sarah	X	☐	☐	☐
10. Senait	X	☐	☐	☐
11. Councilman Vasquez	X	☐	☐	☐

Motion	Passes	Doesn't Pass	If not unanimous, include vote count
ITEM 4	X	☐	7 ayes, 1 abstention

- Motion passes with 7 votes.

ITEM 5, Senate Bill (SB) 100 (De León, Chapter 318, Stats. 2018). This item relates to the Long-term Planning priority area. CEC and CARB staff will present an overview of the SB 100 Report and the non-energy impacts of SB 100. SB 100 sets the goal of supplying all retail electricity sold in California with renewable and zero-carbon resources by 2045.

Name/Affiliation of Presenters:

- Raja Ramesh, CEC
- Hannah Craig, CEC
- Frederick Hochberg, CEC
- Stephanie Kato, CARB

DACAG Member Discussion:

- Discussion occurred.
    - *Councilmember Vazquez*
    - *Chris Walker*
    - *Elena Krieger*
    - *Senait Forthal*
    - *Sarah Sharpe*
    - *Gem Montes*
    - *Fred Beihn*
    - *Julia Hatton*

ITEM 6, 2025 California Building Energy Action Plan. This item relates to the Building, Industrial, Gas System Decarbonization, and Clean Renewable Hydrogen priority area. CEC staff will present the Draft 2025 California Building Energy Action Plan and invite feedback. DACAG members may vote on a comment letter.

Name/Affiliation of Presenters: Elicia Yoffee, CEC

Public Comment

- Chris Ruch, Sheet Metal Workers, Local 104
- Jennie, Northern California

DACAG Member Discussion:

- Discussion occurred.
- Motion to approve DACAG member drafted comment letter regarding Item 6.

Member who makes motion	Sarah

- Member to seconds motion to approve.

Member who Seconds	Councilman Vasquez

Member Votes				
Member	**Aye**	**Nay**	**Abstain**	**Not present during Vote**
Abimael	☐	☐	☐	**X**
Chelsea	☐	☐	☐	**X**
Chris	**X**	☐	☐	☐
Elena	**X**	☐	☐	☐
Fred	**X**	☐	☐	☐
Gem	**X**	☐	☐	☐
Julia	**X**	☐	☐	☐
Román	☐	☐	☐	**X**
Sarah	**X**	☐	☐	☐
Senait	**X**	☐	☐	☐
Councilman Vasquez	**X**	☐	☐	☐

Motion	**Passes**	**Doesn't Pass**	**If not unanimous, include vote count**
ITEM 6	**X**	☐	

- Motion passes unanimously.

<u>ITEM 7, Break. The DACAG will break for 5 minutes.</u>

Skipped Item 7.

<u>ITEM 8, Senate Bill (SB) 1221 (Min, Chapter 602, Statutes of 2024) Implementation. CPUC staff to present and seek feedback on the</u>

implementation of SB 1221, which directs the CPUC to designate priority neighborhood decarbonization zones and to create a program for up to 30 neighborhood decarbonization zone pilot projects.

Name/Affiliation of Presenters: Eileen Hlavka, CPUC.

DACAG Member Discussion:

- Discussion occurred, no action was taken.

ITEM 9, Energy Disconnections and Reconnections (Disconnections) Rulemaking (R.18-07-005). CPUC staff to present and seek feedback on the Disconnections rulemaking, including whether and how to adjust disconnection caps and recommendations related to pilot programs on Arrearage Management Plans (AMPs), Percentage of Income Payment Plans (PIPPs), and Community-Based Organizations (CBOs) currently scheduled to sunset in 2026. Staff will also seek input on recommendations to minimize impacts to vulnerable customers given high statewide arrearages if pilots were allowed to sunset as scheduled and disconnection caps were modified, such as coordination between Investor-Owned Utilities (IOUs) and other entities to support customers at risk of disconnection.

Name/Affiliation of Presenters:

- Paul Phillips, CPUC
- Isaac Tong, CPUC
- Ankit Jain, CPUC

DACAG Member Discussion:

- Brief discussion. Discussion deferred to March meeting.

ITEM 10, Priority Areas. DACAG members to provide updates and announcements regarding DACAG priority areas and associated activities. Members may discuss and revise items related to the 2025 priority areas, and/or vote to approve 2026 priority areas, including the identification of subject matter experts.

Current Priority Areas (See DACAG Webpage)

- Affordability and Disconnections.

    - Building, Industrial, Gas System Decarbonization, and Clean Renewable Hydrogen.
    - Electric Program Investment Charge Program (EPIC).
    - Electricity Reliability, Resiliency, and Load Flexibility (Including Distribution and Transmission Grid Planning and Distributed Energy Resources).
    - Long-term Planning (SB 100, SB 350, IEPR, Offshore Wind, Lithium Valley Vision, Long-term Natural Gas, Smart Grids and Broadband).
    - Transportation Electrification and Zero Emission Transportation.
    - Tribal and Community Engagement and Participation.
    - Workforce Training and Development.

Priority Areas Discussed:

- No discussion.

ITEM 11, Low-Income Oversight Board (LIOB). DACAG member(s) to provide any update(s) regarding engagement with the LIOB.

Member Update: No LIOB report was made.

DACAG Member Discussion:

- No discussion, no action was taken.

Item 12, Agency Announcements. CEC and CPUC staff to provide any agency announcements.

Updates and announcements by DACAG members and staff of CEC and CPUC.

- CEC Staff Updates – Updates to be shared via email.
- CPUC Staff Updates – No updates

Item 13, Agenda-Setting and Attendance. DACAG member(s) may propose and discuss any agenda items, future meeting dates, location, and attendance for the year's DACAG meetings including in-person attendance and regional meetings.

- *Possible Agenda Items*
    - Energy Disconnections and Reconnections (Disconnections) Rulemaking (R.18-07-005).
    - SB 100 Comment Letter.

Item 14, Public Comment. General public comment regarding items on or off the agenda related to the work done by the DACAG.

Public Comment

- *No comment*

ITEM 15, Adjourn.

Time Adjourned: 5:10pm

- The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, March 20, 2026, **at 1:00 p.m.** via Webex.