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RESOLUTION OF THE ENERGY COMMISSION ADOPTING THE 2016 EXISTING BUILDINGS ENERGY EFFICIENCY ACTION PLAN UPDATE

WHEREAS, the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (Energy Commission) has been directed to develop a comprehensive program to achieve greater energy savings in California’s existing buildings, in collaboration with the California Public Utilities Commission and stakeholders, under Assembly Bill No. 758 (Skinner, Statutes of 2009, Chapter 470) ("AB 758");

WHEREAS, AB 758, as codified in Public Resources Code sections 25943(a) and 25943(b), directs the program developed by the Energy Commission to “comprise a complementary portfolio of techniques, applications, and practices that will achieve greater energy efficiency in existing [buildings] that fall significantly below the [Commission’s] current [building] standards,” and “may include . . . a broad range of energy assessments, building benchmarking, energy rating, cost-effective energy efficiency improvements, public and private sector energy efficiency financing options, public outreach and education efforts, and green workforce training;”

WHEREAS, AB 758, as codified in Public Resources Code, section 25943(c), directs the Energy Commission to consider a variety of factors in developing the program;

WHEREAS, Public Resources Code, section 25218(e), authorizes the Energy Commission to take actions it deems reasonable and necessary to carry out Public Resources Code section 25943;

WHEREAS, the Energy Commission adopted the Existing Buildings Energy Efficiency Action Plan, dated September 2015, document number CEC-400-2015-013-F, which proposes a 10-year roadmap for statewide agencies to motivate private funding and accelerate energy efficiency improvements in the California’s existing buildings;
WHEREAS, the Existing Buildings Energy Efficiency Action Plan reflects consideration of the factors directed by AB 758 in Public Resources Code, section 25943(c);

WHEREAS, the Energy Commission has been directed to further its efforts to scale energy efficiency by setting statewide energy savings targets to achieve a doubling of current energy efficiency efforts by 2030 in Senate Bill No. 350 (De León, Chapter 547, Statutes of 2015) (“SB 350”);

WHEREAS, SB 350, as codified in Public Resources Code, section 25943(f)(2), directs the Energy Commission to update the Existing Buildings Energy Efficiency Action Plan by January 1, 2017, and at least once every three years thereafter;

WHEREAS, Energy Commission staff has developed the 2016 Existing Buildings Energy Efficiency Action Plan Update, dated December 2016, document number CEC-400-2016-023SD;

WHEREAS, to compile the 2016 Existing Buildings Energy Efficiency Action Plan Update, Energy Commission staff reached out to various stakeholders, including but not limited to, many of the various strategy leads and partners identified in the 2015 Existing Buildings Energy Efficiency Action Plan, to collect feedback and information;

WHEREAS, certain goals and strategies in the Existing Buildings Energy Efficiency Action Plan were updated to reflect new policy mandates as well as new initiatives that have launched since the adoption of the 2015 Existing Buildings Energy Efficiency Action Plan;

WHEREAS, the draft 2016 Existing Buildings Energy Efficiency Action Plan Update was made available for public comment on October 12, 2016;

WHEREAS, Energy Commission staff held a public workshop on October 17, 2016 regarding the draft 2016 Existing Buildings Energy Efficiency Action Plan Update;

WHEREAS, Energy Commission staff has reviewed all public comments regarding the draft 2016 Existing Buildings Energy Efficiency Action Plan Update and has prepared the final 2016 Existing Buildings Energy Efficiency Action Plan Update;

WHEREAS, the 2016 Existing Buildings Energy Efficiency Action Plan Update does not itself impose any requirements; does not describe the program elements to be developed with sufficient detail to reasonably foresee potential changes to the environment; is an informational and planning document; is protective of the environment; contemplates potential future activities to develop or implement the programs it describes that will be protective of the environment and will be subject to review for potential changes to the environment; and

WHEREAS, the act of approved the 2016 Existing Buildings Energy Efficiency Action Plan Update will not cause a direct physical change in the environment or a reasonably foreseeable indirect change in the environment;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Energy Commission hereby adopts the 2016 Existing Buildings Energy Efficiency Action Plan Update, dated December 2015, document number CEC-400-2016-023SD; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Energy Commission finds that adopting the 2016 Existing Buildings Energy Efficiency Action Plan Update:

(1) is not a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality in Public Resources Code section 21065 and the California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15378; and

(2) is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act because of the "common sense" exemption set forth in the California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15061, subdivision (b)(3), as well as the categorical exemption set forth in section 15208 of title 14; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Energy Commission directs the Executive Director to take, on behalf of the Energy Commission, all actions reasonable necessary for the Energy Commission to undertake the activities described in the 2016 Existing Buildings Energy Efficiency Action Plan Update, for which the Energy Commission is designated to perform a lead or supporting role, including but not limited to, developing proposed programs, suggesting actions, and presenting proposed programs and actions to the Energy Commission for approval when required, followed by staff implementation.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned Secretariat to the Commission 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 California Energy Commission held on December 14, 2016.

AYE: Weisenmiller, Douglas, McAllister, Hochschild, Scott
NAY: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

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Secretariat