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In the matter of:)	Docket No. 16-OIR-02
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Senate Bill 350 Study on Barriers to Low)	NOTICE OF WORKSHOP
Income Customers to Renewable)	
Technologies and Energy Efficiency)	RE: Senate Bill 350 Barriers Study
Investment)	

Notice of Energy Commission Workshop Regarding Barriers of Low-Income and Disadvantaged Communities to Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

The California Energy Commission will conduct a workshop to present the details of the draft "Senate Bill 350 Barriers Study" required by the Clean Energy and Pollution Reduction Act of 2015 (De León, Chapter 547, Statutes of 2015). This study addresses the barriers faced by low-income and disadvantaged communities to investing in energy efficiency and weatherization, installing solar photovoltaic and other renewable generating resources, and contracting opportunities for local small businesses. The draft study also highlights a range of potential solutions that have previously demonstrated success and may serve as the basis for developing recommendations to address these barriers in California.

Energy Commission Chair Robert B. Weisenmiller will preside over the discussion and may be joined by other Commissioners. Commissioners and executive officers of other agencies may also attend and participate in the workshop. A quorum of commissioners from the Energy Commission may be in attendance, but no votes will be taken. The workshop will be held:

Tuesday, September 13, 2016

1:30 PM

CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION
1516 Ninth Street
First Floor, Art Rosenfeld Hearing Room
Sacramento, California
(Wheelchair Accessible)

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Background

Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. signed the Clean Energy and Pollution Reduction Act of 2015 (SB 350) on October 7, 2015. The bill establishes new energy efficiency and renewable electricity targets by 2030 to support California's long-term climate goal of reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 80 percent below 1990 levels by 2050.

The bill also finds that there is insufficient understanding of the barriers for low-income and disadvantaged communities to access energy efficiency investments, solar photovoltaic energy generation, weatherization, other forms of renewable generation, and contracting opportunities. For this reason, SB 350 directs the Energy Commission to complete and publish a study by January 1, 2017, on the following topics:

- Barriers to and opportunities for solar photovoltaic energy generation as well as barriers to and opportunities for access to other renewable energy by low-income customers.
- Barriers to contracting opportunities for local small businesses in disadvantaged communities.
- Barriers for low-income customers to energy efficiency and weatherization investments, including those in disadvantaged communities, as well as recommendations on how to increase access to energy efficiency and weatherization investments to low-income customers.

Agenda

This workshop will include presentations highlighting the identified barriers and potential solutions included in the draft study. The workshop may also include a panel discussion featuring representatives of the energy industry and environmental justice groups to respond to the barriers and solutions identified in the study.

In the workshop and public comments, the Energy Commission will ask for feedback on the following three questions:

- Are there any important barriers that are not identified in the draft study?
- Are there any important solutions that are not identified in the draft study?
- What would you identify as high-priority recommendations the final study should include to address these barriers?

A schedule of participants will be provided prior to the workshop.

Public Comment

Oral Comments: The Energy Commission will accept oral comments during the workshop. Public comments may be limited to three minutes or less per speaker. Any comments will become part of the public record in this proceeding.

Written Comments: Written comments should be submitted to the Dockets Unit by **4:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 29, 2016**. All written comments will become part of the public record of this proceeding.

The Energy Commission uses an electronic commenting system. Visit the website at http://www.energy.ca.gov/sb350/barriers_report/index.html and click on the "Submit e-Comment" link in the "Proceeding Information" box.

This will take you to the page for adding comments to the SB 350 Barriers Report Docket. Please enter your contact information and comment title. Under "subject(s)" select "SB 350 Public Comments". You may include comments in the box titled "Comment Text" or attach a file with your comments. Attached comments must be in a Microsoft® Word (.doc, .docx) or Adobe® Acrobat® (.pdf) formatted file.

Written comments may also be submitted by e-mail to the Dockets Office or sent by U.S. Mail to:

California Energy Commission
Dockets Office, MS-4
Re: Docket No. 16-OIR-02
1516 Ninth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814-5512

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Public Adviser and Other Commission Contacts

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Spanish translation can be made available. If you need this service, please contact Alana Mathews no less than 7 days prior to this workshop at Alana.Mathews@energy.ca.gov or (916) 654-4489.

If you have a disability and require assistance to participate, please contact Poneh Jones no less than five days prior to the event at (916) 654-4425 or by e-mail at poneh.jones@energy.ca.gov.

Media inquiries should be sent to the Media and Public Communications Office by e-mail at mediaoffice@energy.ca.gov or (916) 654-4989.

If you have questions on the subject matter of this meeting, please contact Alana Mathews at Alana.Mathews@energy.ca.gov or Michael Sokol at Michael.Sokol@energy.ca.gov or (916) 654-4516.

The service list for the *SB 350 Barriers Study* is handled electronically. Notices and documents for this proceeding are posted to the Energy Commission website at <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=16-OIR-02>. When new information is posted, an e-mail will be sent to those on the e-mail listserv. We encourage those who are interested in receiving these notices to sign up for the listserv through the website at <http://www.energy.ca.gov/listservers/index.html>. The listserv is titled "barriers - SB 350 Barriers Report."

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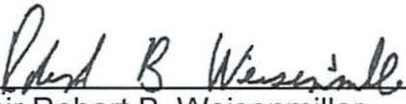
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Availability of Documents

Documents and presentations for this meeting will be available online at:
www.energy.ca.gov/sb350/barriers_report/index.html.

DATE: September 1, 2016



Chair Robert B. Weisenmiller
California Energy Commission

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