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In the matter of,

*2013 Integrated Energy Policy Report
(2013 IEPR)*

) Docket No. 13-IEP-1P

) RE: Assembly Bill 2339

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California Energy Commission

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13-IEP-1P**

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Notice of Staff Workshop on Assembly Bill 2339 Requirement

Under the *2013 Integrated Energy Policy Report (2013 IEPR)* proceeding, California Energy Commission staff will conduct a workshop to address the requirements of Assembly Bill 2339 (Williams and V. Manuel Pérez, Chapter 608, Statutes of 2012). This proceeding is overseen by the Energy Commission's IEPR Lead Commissioner, Andrew McAllister. While this is a staff workshop, Commissioners may attend and participate in this workshop. Commissioners and staff from the California Public Utilities Commission may also attend and participate.

MARCH 21, 2013

10:00 AM

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Background

AB 2339 requires the Energy Commission, in consultation with the California Public Utilities Commission, Air Resources Board, cities, counties, special districts, and other stakeholders, to evaluate policies to overcome barriers to the use of geothermal heat pump and geothermal ground loop technologies. AB 2339 further requires the Energy Commission to include evaluations and recommendations made pursuant to this bill in the *2013 Integrated Energy Policy Report*.

The commission, in consultation with the Public Utilities Commission, cities, counties, special districts, and other stakeholders, shall evaluate and recommend policies and

implementation strategies to overcome barriers to the deployment and use of geothermal heat pump and geothermal ground loop technologies. In evaluating these policies and strategies, the commission shall consider all of the following:

1. The quantitative benefits and costs to ratepayers specific to safer, more reliable, or less costly gas or electrical service and through greater energy efficiency, reduction of health and environmental impacts from air pollution, and reduction of greenhouse gas emissions related to electricity and natural gas production and use, through the use of geothermal heat pump and geothermal ground loop technologies.
2. The existing statutory and permit requirements that impact the use of geothermal heat pumps and geothermal ground loop technologies and any other existing legal impediments to the use of geothermal heat pump and geothermal ground loop technologies.
3. The impact of the use of the geothermal heat pump and geothermal ground loop technologies on achieving the state's goals pursuant to the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 and achieving the state's energy efficiency goals.

The commission shall include the evaluations and recommendations made pursuant to this section in the integrated energy policy report that is required to be adopted for calendar year 2013.

This workshop is being held as part of the 2013 IEPR proceeding. Public Resources Code Section 25302 requires the Energy Commission to prepare an integrated energy policy report every two years for submittal to the Governor that provides an overview of major energy issues and trends facing California. The report makes energy policy recommendations based on the Energy Commission's energy assessments and forecasts with the intent of conserving resources, protecting the environment, providing reliable energy, enhancing the state's economy, and protecting public health and safety.

Public Comment

Oral Comments. Staff will accept oral comments during the workshop. Comments may be limited to five minutes 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 **April 12, 2013**. Written comments will also be accepted at the workshop; however, the Energy Commission may not have time to review them before the conclusion of the workshop. All written comments will become part of the public record of this proceeding. Additionally, written comments may be posted to the Energy Commission's website for this proceeding. Written comments will also be accepted after the scheduled workshop for consideration in the proceedings and may be posted with other workshop materials.

Please note that your written and oral comments, attachments, and associated contact information (e.g. your address, phone, email, etc.) will become part of the viewable public record. Additionally, this information may become available via Google, Yahoo, and any other search engines.

The Energy Commission encourages comments by e-mail. Please include your name and any organization name. Comments should be in a downloadable, searchable format such as Microsoft® Word (.doc) or Adobe® Acrobat® (.pdf). Please include the docket number 13-IEP-1P and indicate AB 2339 in the subject line. Send comments to docket@energy.ca.gov and copy the technical lead staff at Joe.loyer@energy.ca.gov.

If you prefer, you may send a paper copy of your comments to:

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The service list for the 2013 IEPR is handled electronically. Notices and documents for this proceeding are posted to the Energy Commission website at www.energy.ca.gov/2013_energy_policy/index.html. When new information is posted, an e-mail will be sent to those on the energy policy e-mail list server. We encourage those who are interested in receiving these notices to sign up for the list server through the website www.energy.ca.gov/listservers/index.html.

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Availability of Documents

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