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In the matter of:)	Docket No. 11-RPS-01
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Developing Regulations and Guidelines)	Docket No. 02-REN-1038
for the 33 Percent Renewables Portfolio)	
Standard)	NOTICE OF STAFF WORKSHOP
)	RE: Guideline Revisions for
)	RPS Implementation
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**Notice of Staff Workshop on Proposed Changes to the
*Renewables Portfolio Standard Eligibility Guidebook***

California Energy Commission staff will conduct a workshop to solicit public comments on proposed changes to the *Renewables Portfolio Standard Eligibility Guidebook (RPS Guidebook)* on:

March 14, 2013
 Beginning at 9:30 a.m.
 CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION
 1516 Ninth Street
 First Floor, Hearing Room A
 Sacramento, California
 (Wheelchair Accessible)

California Energy Commission DOCKETED 11-RPS-01
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Purpose

The purpose of the staff workshop is to solicit comments from interested parties on staff's proposed changes to the *RPS Guidebook*. The *RPS Guidebook* describes the eligibility requirements and process for certifying renewable resources as eligible for California's RPS and describes how the Energy Commission verifies compliance with the RPS.

Proposed changes to the *RPS Guidebook* clarify eligibility requirements and implement changes in law. Additionally, because the Energy Commission intends to phase out the *Overall Program Guidebook for the Renewable Energy Program (Overall Program Guidebook)* by the end of 2013, staff also proposes to transfer information pertinent to the RPS program from the *Overall Program Guidebook* to the *RPS Guidebook* at this time, with any proposed changes to this information highlighted in the *RPS Guidebook*. The *Overall Program Guidebook* describes how the Renewable Energy Program is administered and includes information that applies overall to the program elements and aspects related to the RPS. Because other elements of the Renewable Energy Program

refer to the *Overall Program Guidebook*, staff will propose that the Energy Commission adopt the revisions to the *Overall Program Guidebook* that reflect the transfer of RPS-related information until that guidebook is phased out.

Staff estimates that the draft *RPS Guidebook*, with proposed changes shown in underline/strikeout format, will be available on the Energy Commission's Website by March 11, 2013, at:

www.energy.ca.gov/portfolio/documents/index.html

Background

The *RPS Guidebook* is revised periodically to reflect statutory, market, and regulatory developments and to respond to lessons learned through implementing the RPS program. The *Overall Program Guidebook* will be revised to reflect the transfer of information related to the RPS program to the *RPS Guidebook*. Staff will consider public comments on the proposed changes to the *RPS Guidebook*, incorporate any needed revisions, and then propose that the Energy Commission adopt final drafts of both guidebooks at a business meeting. Public Resources Code Section 25747 authorizes the Energy Commission to approve substantive changes to the guidebooks upon providing ten days public notice. Changes take effect once approved at a publicly noticed meeting.

Remote Attendance and Availability of Documents

Internet Webcast - Presentations and audio from the workshop will be broadcast via the Energy Commission's WebEx web meeting service. For details on how to participate via WebEx, please see the "Remote Attendance" section toward the end of this notice. Documents and presentations for this meeting will be available online at:

www.energy.ca.gov/portfolio/documents/index.html

Public Comment

Oral comments. Staff will accept oral comments during the workshop. Comments may be limited to three minutes per speaker. Any comments may 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 March 20, 2013.** Written comments will be also accepted at the workshop; however, the Energy Commission staff may not have time to review them before the conclusion of the workshop. For additional information, see Standing Order re: Proceedings and Confidentiality Procedural Requirements for Filing, Service, and Docketing Documents with the Energy Commission, available at: www.energy.ca.gov/commission/chief_counsel/docket.html.

Additionally, written comments may be posted to the Energy Commission's website for the proceeding. Please note that your written and oral comments, attachments, and associated contact information (e.g. your address, phone, email, etc.) become part of the viewable public record. 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) and sent to:

docket@energy.ca.gov and RPS33@energy.ca.gov.

If preferred, please send or deliver written materials to:

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