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# Notice of Lead Commissioner Fuels and Transportation Technology Merit Review Workshop: Manufacturing and Workforce Development

Janea A. Scott, Lead Commissioner on Transportation for the California Energy Commission, will conduct a Fuels and Transportation Technology Merit Review workshop to highlight lessons learned from previous Alternative and Renewable Fuels and Vehicle Technology Program (ARFVTP) funding awards. The workshop will also explore challenges and opportunities to locate, expand, and recruit manufacturers of vehicles, infrastructure, and supply chain components in California. Discussion will include California workforce development relating to existing and future projects. Commissioner Scott will preside over the workshop with other commissioners possibly attending.

Monday, August 6, 2018
10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street
First Floor, Art Rosenfeld Hearing Room
Sacramento, California 95814
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# Background

Since 2009, the ARFVTP has awarded \$49 million for grants to co-fund manufacturing plant expansion, pilot assembly lines, facility automation and technology improvements,

mostly for zero-emission vehicle (ZEV) production.<sup>1</sup> Additionally, ARFVTP manufacturing investments spur significant direct and indirect job creation, tax revenue, and regional economic development.

In January 2018, Governor Brown issued Executive Order B-48-18, which calls for the Energy Commission to support the development and installation of 250,000 electric vehicle charging stations and 200 hydrogen refueling stations by 2025 to support market growth to five million ZEVs by 2030.<sup>2</sup>

On May 4, 2018, the Energy Commission hosted a roundtable discussion in Long Beach titled "Bringing Zero-Emission Infrastructure Technology Manufacturing to California." Discussion centered on actions California state and local governments could take to expand or recruit California-based manufacturing in all or part of the ZEV infrastructure supply chain while harnessing economic growth and job creation.

Recent California trends and goals have drawn interest from manufacturers of fueling and charging infrastructure equipment and supply chain components. California "startup" companies have entered the market to introduce innovations in existing technologies and create new technologies that demonstrate proof of concept, pilot progress, and early commercial success. While California firms excel in technology innovation, large scale manufactured products are mostly imported from other states and countries. In some instances, innovative technologies have progressed to large-scale manufacturing with expectations that manufacturing and product cost reductions will continue to occur. Sustainable market growth of new technologies provides the impetus for manufacturers to expand production and open up new facilities. When this happens, existing California manufacturers are positioned to respond to market growth.

Manufacturing studies published by the National Renewable Energy Laboratory <sup>4,5</sup> conclude that the density of production (i.e., having a ready supply chain and large-scale manufacturing) and the cost of local suppliers (compared to imported products) appear to be key factors for manufacturers to access cheaper materials and machinery. California state and local government programs and incentives are necessary to offset

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 2018-2019 Investment Plan Update for the Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Program, CEC-600-2017-010-SD-REV2, California Energy Commission, April 2018, available at <a href="http://docketpublic.energy.ca.gov/PublicDocuments/17-ALT-01/TN223279">http://docketpublic.energy.ca.gov/PublicDocuments/17-ALT-01/TN223279</a> 20180425T130339 20182019 Investment Plan Update for the Alternative and Renew ab.pdf.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Governor's Executive Order B-48-18, available at <a href="https://www.gov.ca.gov/2018/01/26/governor-brown-takes-action-to-increase-zero-emission-vehicles-fund-new-climate-investments/">https://www.gov.ca.gov/2018/01/26/governor-brown-takes-action-to-increase-zero-emission-vehicles-fund-new-climate-investments/</a>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=15-MISC-04.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Benchmarks of Global Clean Energy Manufacturing, National Renewable Energy Laboratory, Clean Energy Manufacturing Analysis Center (CEMAC), NREL/TP-6A50-65619, January 2017, available at <a href="http://www.manufacturingcleanenergy.org/benchmark/index.html">http://www.manufacturingcleanenergy.org/benchmark/index.html</a>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Automotive Lithium-ion Cell Manufacturing: Regional Cost Structures and Supply Chain Considerations, Clean Energy Manufacturing Analysis Center (CEMAC), NREL/TP-6A20-66086, April 2016, available at <a href="http://www.manufacturingcleanenergy.org/benchmark/index.html">http://www.manufacturingcleanenergy.org/benchmark/index.html</a>.

production disadvantages experienced by California manufacturers to satisfy these key requirements.

This workshop presents an opportunity to highlight key ingredients for success, lessons learned, and challenges addressed from past ARFVTP projects. Comments will be provided by independent peer reviewers on selected ARFVTP projects. The workshop will also present key findings of the May 4, 2018 roundtable and identify next steps for future ARFVTP manufacturing and workforce training solicitation(s). 6 Information from this workshop will benefit existing and future projects and help the Energy Commission inform future ARFVTP investment plans and solicitations.

### **Public Comment**

**Oral comments**: Oral comments will be accepted during the workshop. Comments may be limited to three minutes per speaker and any comments will become part of the public record in this proceeding.

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<sup>6</sup> http://www.energy.ca.gov/altfuels/2017-ALT-01/documents/

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June 28, 2018

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