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In the matter of:)	Docket No.18-MISC-03
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Renewable Energy for Agriculture Program)	NOTICE OF BUSINESS MEETING
(REAP) Draft Guidelines)	RE: Adoption of the Renewable
)	Energy for Agriculture Program
)	Draft Guidelines
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Notice to Consider Adoption of the *Renewable Energy for Agriculture Program Draft Guidelines*

The Energy Commission will hold a business meeting on:

Wednesday, November 7, 2018

10:00 a.m.

CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

1516 Ninth Street

First Floor, Art Rosenfeld Hearing Room

Sacramento, California 95814

(Wheelchair Accessible)

As part of the November 7, 2018, Business Meeting, the California Energy Commission will consider adopting the *Renewable Energy for Agriculture Program Draft Guidelines*.

More information about the November 7, 2018, Business Meeting, including the full agenda and instructions for participation is available on the Energy Commission's website at https://www.energy.ca.gov/business_meetings/.

Background

Assembly Bill 109 (Ting, Budget Act of 2017, Chapter 249, Statutes of 2017) provided \$6 million in Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund monies to the Energy Commission to support renewable energy projects in the agriculture sector to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Senate Bill 856 (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review, Chapter 30, Statutes of 2018) provided an additional \$4 million in funding for these purposes. To implement these efforts, the Energy Commission developed the Renewable Energy for Agriculture Program (REAP) as a competitive grant program to support the installation of onsite renewable energy projects serving agricultural operations located in California.

As a program funded through California Climate Investments, REAP is designed with the primary goal of reducing greenhouse gas emissions, emphasizing projects in disadvantaged and low-income communities and is envisioned to foster projects with co-benefits serving the local community, benefitting public health, and reducing air pollution.

The proposed *Renewable Energy for Agriculture Program Draft Guidelines* describe the proposed REAP program structure, eligibility criteria for selecting projects for funding, solicitation procedures, project implementation requirements, project reporting, and statutory requirements. Information gathered from past workshops and public comment periods informed the content of the proposed *Draft Guidelines* now considered for adoption by the Energy Commission.

On October 8, 2018, the *Renewable Energy for Agriculture Program Draft Guidelines, Version 2*, was posted for public comment. Several comments were received, and some minor clarification changes were made to the current *Renewable Energy for Agriculture Program Draft Guidelines* under consideration for adoption.

The *Renewable Energy for Agriculture Program Draft Guidelines* Publication # CEC-300-2018-006-SD3 was released to the public on October 29, 2018, and is available at <https://www.energy.ca.gov/renewables/18-MISC-03/documents/>.

Public Comment

Oral comments. The Energy Commission will accept oral comments during the meeting. Comments may be limited to three minutes per speaker. All comments will become part of the public record in this proceeding.

Written comments. Written comments should be submitted to the Energy Commission's e-commenting online system by 5:00 p.m. on November 2, 2018. Written comments will also be accepted at the meeting; however, the Energy Commission may not have time to review them before the conclusion of the meeting.

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

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4. Click "Continue" to Add a Comment.
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6. Type comments into the “Comment Text” field or upload a document with comments. Comments should be in a downloadable, searchable format such as Microsoft® Word (.doc or .docx) or Adobe® Acrobat® (.pdf).
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