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PUBLIC HEARING

WARREN-ALQUIST STATE ENERGY BUILDING

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1516 NINTH STREET

SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2019

10:00 A.M.

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APPEARANCES

CEC STAFF

Halley Cahssai

PUBLIC COMMENT

Maria Martinez (via WebEx written comment)

AGENDA

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P R O C E E D I N G S

10:00 A.M.

SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2019

MS. CAHSSAI: Good morning. This is the public hearing to repeal the outdated Energy Conservation Assistance Act regulations, Docket 18-OIR-02.

My name is Halley Cahssai. I'll be your presenter today. We'll have a bit of summary about the repeal and the program. And then we'll take public comments. And then we are planning to adjourn at 12 noon.

For those of us who are here, the restrooms are located outside this room to the left and to the right. In case of emergencies, please follow the staff to the park kitty-corner from us.

So like I said, this is a public hearing. This is done pursuant to the California Administrative Procedure Act, Government Code 11346.8. No Commissioners are present. No decisions will be made.

Paper copies of the Initial Statement of Reasons, Expressed Terms, and Notice of Proposed Action are available for review.

1 The public comments will be on the
2 proposed rulemaking that we're making.

3 This public hearing is being recorded by
4 a court reporter and is also on WebEx. All
5 statements made today will be part of the public
6 record.

7 So a bit of summary.

8 The ECAA Program low-interest and no-
9 interest loans to local governments and public
10 schools to fund energy efficiency and renewable
11 credits. The Energy Commission has proposed to
12 repeal the outdated ECAA Regulations. The repeal
13 of the Title 20 Public Utilities Energy Division
14 II (phonetic) State Energy Resource Conservation
15 and Development Commission, Chapter 4 -- and I
16 know this is a mouthful -- Chapter 4 Energy
17 Conservation Regulations will not cancel the
18 program, nor will it change the way it is
19 administered. The ECAA Regulations are outdated
20 and have not been revised since 1983.

21 The next steps will be Staff will
22 consider the oral and written comments from
23 today, and the written comments submitted during
24 the 45-day public comment period that ended
25 yesterday, and then Staff will seek adoption at

1 the future Energy Commission business meeting.

2 So now we'll open to public comments for
3 participants that are here in person, and we
4 don't have anybody here in person.

5 And so we will move to participants on
6 WebEx. If you could raise your hand -- I mean,
7 use the raise-hand feature or type in the chat
8 box and a staff member will read your question
9 into the record.

10 Do we have anybody that wants to comment?

11 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: (Off mike.) Nothing
12 so far.

13 MS. CAHSSAI: There is nobody on WebEx
14 that wants to comment.

15 And so we'll move on to the phone
16 participants, if anybody wants to call in.

17 As I see nobody's calling in, we will go
18 off record until we -- somebody comes on to make
19 a comment.

20 (Off the record at 10:04 a.m.)

21 (On the record at 10:05 a.m.)

22 MS. CAHSSAI: We're going back on record.

23 It looks like Maria Martinez, you've
24 raised your hand. If you'd like to make a
25 comment, can you either put it in a chat or call

1 in?

2 (Off mike colloquy.)

3 (Pause)

4 MS. CAHSSAI: Since we're not getting the
5 call, we'll go off record.

6 (Off the record at 10:06 a.m.)

7 (On the record at 10:07 a.m.)

8 MS. CAHSSAI: We're going back on record.
9 We received a comment and Staff will read it.

10 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: We do have a
11 question. The question is: "Will the loans
12 still be available for local governments and
13 schools?"

14 MS. CAHSSAI: According to the documents
15 we've submitted, this program is not being
16 repealed. We're just repealing the regulations.
17 The program will go on as it has been going on.

18 (Pause)

19 MS. CAHSSAI: In addition, this is from
20 the ISOR. "Repealing the ECAA Regulations will
21 not affect how the ECAA Program is currently
22 implemented and will not impact the time or
23 resources needed to apply for an ECAA loan."

24 Do we have any more comments?

25 Since there are no comments, we'll go off

1 record.

2 (Off the record at 10:09 a.m.)

3 (On the record at 10:25 a.m.)

4 MS. CAHSSAI: We're going back on record
5 to clarify something.

6 We are still doing this public hearing.
7 We're open for comments. Anybody wishing to make
8 a comment in person can make a comment. Anybody
9 wishing to make a comment on WebEx, as you see on
10 the slide, you can give us your comments. We'll
11 be here until noon receiving comments. Thank
12 you.

13 We're off the record until we get any
14 comments.

15 (Off the record at 10:25 a.m.)

16 (On the record at 11:59 a.m.)

17 MS. CAHSSAI: Hello. It's now 12 o'clock
18 and we are going to close the public comment
19 period for the ECAA Program, rulemaking program.

20 (The public hearing concluded at 12:00 p.m.)

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