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**Subject: Comments on the 2024 IEPR Update Draft Scoping Order**

Dear Chair Hochschild,

Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) appreciates the opportunity to provide comments on the California Energy Commission's (CEC) 2024 Integrated Energy Policy Report (IEPR) Update Draft Scoping Order. The IEPR provides a critical foundation for broadly assessing California's energy system and the need to decarbonize the energy system to meet 2045 carbon neutrality goals. SoCalGas has actively engaged in the development of previous IEPRs and appreciates the CEC's continued focus on stakeholder engagement, resulting in robust policy discussion and analysis.

While the proposed 2024 IEPR scope is focused on the electricity forecast update and assessment of wave and tidal energy, it will also include discussion on key policy initiatives, like Senate Bill (SB) 100 implementation. This effort is imperative to ensuring a clean, safe, and reliable transition to a decarbonized energy solution. SoCalGas has actively participated in SB 100 efforts and looks to partner with the State to meet the goal of 100 percent renewable and zero-carbon electricity by 2045. Clean and renewable hydrogen, as well as renewable natural gas (RNG), can facilitate that goal. These cleans fuels can provide a viable pathway for achieving emissions reductions in combustion, fuel cells, and linear generators.

SoCalGas looks forward to participating in these efforts throughout the 2024 IEPR process and thanks the Energy Commission for its leadership on this critical initiative. Thank you for your consideration of our comments.

Respectfully,

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