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**IN THE MATTER OF:**

*Home Electrification and Appliance
Rebates Program*

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NOTICE OF REMOTE-ACCESS
WORKSHOP

RE: Home Electrification and Appliance
Rebates Program— Draft Community
Benefits Plan

Notice of Home Electrification and Appliance Rebates (HEEHRA) Program Phase I Community Benefits Plan Workshop July 22, 2024

Start Time 09:00 a.m. – End Time 11:30 a.m.

Remote Access Only

See Attendance Instructions.

The California Energy Commission (CEC) will host a virtual workshop to solicit feedback for the Draft Community Benefits Plan for Homes Electrification and Appliance Rebates (HEEHRA) Program Phase I. The Community Benefits Plan must be submitted and approved by the U.S. Department of Energy 60 days before program launch.

The public can participate in the workshop consistent with the attendance instructions below. The CEC aims to begin promptly at the start time posted and the end time is an estimate based on the proposed agenda. The workshop may end sooner or later than the posted end time.

Agenda

Representatives from CEC staff, non-governmental organizations, and industry will present, discuss, and take public comment of an overview of the HEEHRA Phase I program and the program's draft Community Benefits Plan. A detailed schedule will be posted prior to the workshop.

Background

The Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) was signed into law on August 16, 2022, providing \$391 billion to support clean energy and address climate change. California will be receiving about \$290 million for the HEEHRA Program, which is intended to help household save money on energy bills,

improve energy efficiency, reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, and improve indoor air quality. Funding is split into two phases, with \$96M for HEEHRA Phase I and \$194M for HEEHRA Phase II. The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) estimates these rebates will save household up to \$1 billion on energy bills each year and support over 50,000 U.S. jobs nationwide.

The CEC designed the HEEHRA Phase I program to leverage the existing TECH Clean California residential electrification rebate program and quickly move funds to Californians. TECH Clean California is a contractor point of sale program that offers electric appliance incentives, technical assistance, and installer training to address barriers associated with building decarbonization market transformation.

As a part of federal funding requirements, CEC must submit four Application Blueprint Plans to the DOE for review and approval 60 days prior to HEEHRA Phase I launching: 1) Community Benefits; 2) Consumer Protection; 3) Education and Outreach; and 4) Data Privacy and Security. A fifth Plan for Market Transformation is required but is submitted after program start. In addition, one of the four pre-launch Blueprint Plans must have a public workshop. The CEC will share a HEEHRA Phase I Community Benefits Plan at this workshop. Individuals are invited and encouraged provide input on the Community Benefits Plan during the workshop.

Attendance Instructions

Remote participants may join via Zoom by internet or phone.

- **To join via Zoom.** Click on <https://energy.zoom.us/j/84903593365?pwd=Vbn8rr1tZv7CwSbCq8dhRtTQOMDgjt.1> or login in at <https://zoom.us/> and enter the Webinar ID 849 0359 3365 and passcode 051353 and follow all prompts.
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Public Comment.

The CEC encourages the use of its electronic commenting system. Visit the e-commenting page for this docket [23-DECARB-01](#) at <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=23-DECARB-01>. Enter your contact information and a subject title that describes your comment. Comments may be included in the "Comment Text" box or attached as a downloadable, searchable document in Microsoft® Word or Adobe® Acrobat®. The maximum file size allowed is 10 MB.

Oral comments will be accepted at the end of the workshop. Comments may be limited to three minutes or less per speaker and one person per organization. To comment via Zoom, use the “raise hand” feature so the administrator can announce your name and unmute you. To comment via telephone, press *9 to “raise your hand” and *6 to mute/unmute.

Written comments may be submitted to the Docket Unit by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, July 26, 2024. Written and oral comments, attachments, and associated contact information (including address, phone number, and email address) will become part of the public record of this proceeding with access available via any internet search engine. Written comments may also be submitted by email. Include docket number 23-DECARB-01 and [IRA HEEHRA Phase I Community Benefits Plan] in the subject line and email to docket@energy.ca.gov.

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Availability of Documents: Documents and presentations for this meeting will be available at 23-DECARB-01, at <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=23-DECARB-01>.

When new information is posted, an email will be sent to those subscribed to the following email topics: Adaptation; Barriers Report SB 350; Decarbonization Topics; Disadvantaged Communities Advisory Group; Efficiency Topics; Energy Efficiency Programs for Existing Buildings; Federal IRA Residential Incentives; Health, Equitable Energy Transition (HEET) Working Group; Tribal Program. To receive these notices or notices of other email subscription topics, visit [Subscriptions](https://www.energy.ca.gov/subscriptions), at <https://www.energy.ca.gov/subscriptions>. The Federal IRA Residential Energy Rebates webpage can be found at <https://www.energy.ca.gov/programs-and-topics/programs/inflation-reduction-act-residential-energy-rebate-programs>.

Dated: July 11, 2024, at Sacramento, California.

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