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#### IN THE MATTER OF:

Implementation of the Investment Plans for the Electric Program Investment Charge Program DOCKET NO. 23-ERDD-01 NOTICE OF JOINT SYMPOSIUM RE: ELECTRIC PROGRAM INVESTMENT CHARGE PROGRAM

# **Notice of Joint Symposium:**

# 2024 Electric Program Investment Charge (EPIC) Symposium Monday, October 28, 2024

8:45 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

## **In-Person Location at:**

California Natural Resources Agency Building Auditorium, First Floor 715 P Street, Sacramento, California 95814 (Wheelchair Accessible)

# Remote Option via Zoom Events™

See Attendance Instructions.

The California Energy Commission (CEC), in collaboration with Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E), Southern California Edison Company (SCE), and San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E), will host an in-person symposium to explore the latest technology and policy innovations funded by the Electric Program Investment Charge (EPIC) that are catalyzing an equitable, zero-carbon, and climate-resilient energy future for California. The event will also be livestreamed, and a recording of the livestream will be posted on the CEC's website after the event. A majority of commissioners from the CEC and California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) will attend in person, but no votes will be taken. The public can participate in the 2024 EPIC Symposium 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.

#### Agenda

The EPIC symposium will highlight the latest updates to California's electricity ratepayer-funded research and deployment program, offering discussions about priority research topics and areas of rapid market growth and interest to benefit California ratepayers. The event offers interactive and thought-provoking panels featuring technology developers, entrepreneurs, researchers, energy service providers, and policymakers, among other leaders.

A detailed agenda and additional information for the symposium is posted at the <u>CEC's 2024 EPIC Symposium event site</u> at https://www.energy.ca.gov/event/outreach/2024-10/2024-electric-program-investment-charge-epic-symposium.

## The agenda features:

- A Living Room Chat: an engaging conversation with top government and utility leaders
  focused on how the next decade of public investment in California can prepare the state's
  electricity system for the clean energy future through the scale-up of next-generation
  technologies, including the increased deployment of zero-emission vehicles, load flexible
  controls, and energy storage.
- <u>Plenary Sessions</u>: sessions will feature discussions with state, federal, tribal, and industry leaders. Discussions will highlight how public funds enable clean energy deployments and innovations in tribal communities, bolster local energy resiliency, accelerate decarbonization, advance equity and health outcomes, and grow California's energy manufacturing and supply chain capacity sustainably and justly.
- Breakout Sessions: panels will feature innovators in the areas of building electrification, load flexibility, distributed energy resource integration, medium- and heavy-duty electric vehicles charging infrastructure, and industrial decarbonization. Attendees will receive a behind-thescenes look at emerging technologies and commercialization challenges as well as strategies for overcoming those barriers to foster benefits for all Californians.

The symposium will be an exciting opportunity to connect with industry thought leaders, forge new partnerships, explore future endeavors, and more!

# **Background**

The state is continuing its investment through EPIC and other innovation programs, bringing new energy products and services to market, driving technology performance and cost improvements, and expanding opportunities to all Californians.

EPIC invests approximately \$150 million annually in new technology breakthroughs to transform the electricity sector to meet California's energy and climate policy goals and bring increased benefits to electric ratepayers of the state's three largest investor-owned utilities – PG&E, SCE, and SDG&E. EPIC is funded by California utility customers under the auspices of the California Public Utilities Commission, and administered by the CEC, PG&E, SCE, and SDG&E.

Pursuant to CPUC Decision (D.) 12-05-037, the four EPIC administrators are required to consult with interested stakeholders no less than twice a year, both during the development of each investment plan and during its execution. CPUC D.15-04-020 requires one of these two annual events to be an EPIC Innovation Symposium intended to achieve the following: share progress, results, and future plans; improve coordination and understanding among administrators, parties, and the CPUC; raise awareness and visibility of EPIC investments; connect administrators, policymakers and innovators; and promote program transparency. CPUC D.12-05-037 (Ordering Paragraph 15) requires EPIC administrators to provide notice of these biannual meetings to the parties on the service list of R.11-10-003 and any subsequent related proceedings.

#### **Attendance Instructions**

Registration is free and is required for all attendees, both in-person and virtual, through the Zoom Events platform.

- Register at the <u>Zoom Event webpage</u> at https://events.zoom.us/ev/AtVy43h3M2n2N0ckdhJg140WVkP-UaqjKGUHL2JMZxh\_WMhq0PIF~AqZhMaY7qzUP4qJ5Jw8wbictJ7yTb5WtLWqbTOkwm6CJ\_oL Y-wD3mrdITg.
- Choose to register either by entering your Zoom login email and password or with an email address if you do not already have an account.
- A confirmation email will be sent with instructions on how to access the virtual event via web browser.

**In-person capacity is limited** and requires registration in advance. In-person event registration will close once the event is at maximum capacity. In-person participants may join the event at 715 P Street, First Floor Auditorium and Atrium, Second Floor Rooms 2-221 A, B, C and 2-201, in Sacramento, California 95814.

There is no capacity limit for **virtual participation**. **Remote** participants may join via Zoom Events.

To ensure the best access to the site and each of the sessions, use the latest version of your internet browser and the Zoom Events software. Zoom Events works well with Google Chrome, Mozilla Firefox, Safari, and Microsoft Edge browsers.

To join the Zoom Events platform once you are registered, click the "Join" link in the confirmation email, calendar appointment, or your Zoom Events account. You can also join Zoom Events from the Zoom desktop client, Zoom mobile app, or the events detail page.

When logging in to access the platform, you'll need to enter the **same email address and password** you used to register for the event. If no password was set up, follow the prompts to create a new one.

**Zoom Closed Captioning Service.** At the bottom of the screen, click the Live Transcript CC icon and choose "Show Subtitle" or "View Full Transcript" from the pop-up menu. To stop closed captioning, close the "Live Transcript" or select "Hide Subtitle" from the pop-up menu. While closed captioning is available in real-time, it can include errors.

**Zoom Difficulty.** Contact Zoom at (888) 799-9666 ext. 2, or the CEC Public Advisor, see below for contact information.

**Panel Questions.** Verbal and written questions from the audience may be accepted during the breakout sessions, as directed by the moderators. Panelists will do their best to respond to as many as possible. When instructed, online audience members can pose questions by clicking on the "O&A" button in the Zoom window and entering their inquiry in the pop-up box.

**Public Advisor.** The CEC's Public Advisor assists the public with participation in CEC proceedings. To request assistance, interpreting services, or reasonable modifications and accommodations, call (916) 957-7910 or email <a href="mailto:publicadvisor@energy.ca.gov">publicadvisor@energy.ca.gov</a> as soon as possible but at least five days in advance of the event. The CEC will work diligently to meet all requests based on availability.

**Media Inquiries.** Email <u>mediaoffice@energy.ca.gov</u> or call (916) 654-4989.

**General and Technical Subject Inquiries:** Email Fritz Foo at <u>Fritz.Foo@energy.ca.gov</u> or call (916) 599-8293.

**Availability of Documents:** Documents and presentations for this event will be available on the <u>CEC's event webpage</u> at https://www.energy.ca.gov/event/outreach/2024-10/2024-electric-program-investment-charge-epic-symposium, or at the <u>CEC Docket log for 23-ERDD-01</u> at https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=23-ERDD-01.

When new information is posted, an email will be sent to those subscribed to the EPIC list. To receive these notices or notices of other email subscription topics, visit <u>Subscriptions</u>, at https://www.energy.ca.gov/subscriptions.

**Dated:** October 17, 2024, at Sacramento, California.

Jonah Steinbuck
Director, Energy Research & Development Division

## **Subscriptions:**

EPIC, Research, Distributed Generation, Commission News Releases, Diversity Outreach Program, Integrated Energy Policy Report, Tribal Program, Climate Change Issues, Green Building, Renewable Energy Executive Order, Decarbonization Topics, Efficiency Topics, Flexible Demand Appliances and Load Management and Demand Response, Order Instituting Informational

Proceeding on Distributed Energy Resources in California's Energy Future, Distributed Electricity Backup Assets, General Renewable Energy Info and CEC Renewable Energy Programs, Joint-Agency Report - SB 100, Long Duration Energy Storage (LDES), Clean Transportation Program, V2G Equipment, Vehicle-Grid Integration, Disadvantaged Communities Advisory Group, Healthy, Equitable Energy Transition (HEET) Working Group.

A companion notice will be sent (on behalf of all four EPIC Administrators) to the service lists for the following CPUC proceedings: R.19-10-005; A.23-05-010; A.22-05-016; A.21-06-021.