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Notice of Staff Workshop on California's Natural Gas Infrastructure, Storage, and Supply

California Energy Commission staff will conduct a workshop to gather stakeholder feedback on California's natural gas infrastructure, storage, and supply for the legislatively mandated Assembly Bill 1257 (Bocanegra, Chapter 749, Statutes of 2013) report. The bill tasks the Energy Commission with assembling a report that "identifies strategies to maximize the benefits obtained from natural gas as an energy source" in California. The workshop will begin with presentations by California's natural gas utilities. The utilities will discuss their plans to address natural gas supply and reliability over the coming years through natural gas infrastructure and storage developments. There will be three panels during the remainder of the day. One will discuss Southern California Gas Company's southern system minimum flow requirements and the pipeline and non-physical solutions that have been proposed to address the issue. Another panel will discuss natural gas/electricity system and market coordination and system reliability. A final panel will address the outlook for California natural gas production and supply, including the possible in-state natural gas price and supply effects of exports to Mexico and possible U.S. liquefied natural gas exports.

This is the second workshop the Energy Commission has hosted for the purpose of gathering stakeholder feedback for the AB 1257 report. The first was held on June 23, 2014 under the 2014 IEPR Update proceeding and focused on transportation. Additional workshops will be held in 2015.

Tuesday, November 18, 2014
9:00 a.m.
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Background

AB 1257, "The Natural Gas Act," was chaptered in October 2013 and tasks the Energy Commission, beginning November 1, 2015 and every four years thereafter, to publish a report, concurrent with the preparation of the Integrated Energy Policy Report (IEPR), that identifies strategies to maximize the benefits obtained from natural gas as an energy source in California. The bill identifies a number of topics that must be addressed in the report; among them are natural gas infrastructure, storage, and supply. In this first AB 1257 report, Energy Commission staff is coordinating across divisions and with other state agencies to assemble an accurate picture of the current issues and future plans related to natural gas infrastructure, storage, and supply and to identify gaps in the existing research or knowledge. The report will help inform policy makers and decisions regarding future state policies or research and development funding.

Public Comment

Oral comments: Staff will accept oral comments during the workshop. Any comments will become part of the public record.

Written comments: Written comments should be submitted to the Dockets Unit by 4:00 p.m. on December 5, 2014.

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http://www.energy.ca.gov/2015 energypolicy/ and click on the "Submit e-Comment" link in the "Proceeding Information" box. From the drop down menu, select 15-IEPR-04 AB 1257 Natural Gas Act Report.

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California Energy Commission Dockets Office, MS-4 Re: Docket No. 15-IEPR-04 1516 Ninth Street Sacramento, CA 95814-5512

If you choose not to use the electronic filing system, please include the appropriate docket number on any e-mailed or written comments. Comments may be e-mailed to docket@energy.ca.gov. Written comments will also be accepted at the workshop. However, the Energy Commission may not have time to review them before the conclusion of the workshop.

Please note that your electronic, e-mailed, written, and oral comments, attachments, and associated contact information (e.g., address, phone, and e-mail) become part of the viewable public record. Additionally, this information may become available via Google, Yahoo, and other search engines.

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If you have questions on the subject matter of this meeting, please contact Silas Bauer at silas.bauer@energy.ca.gov or (916) 651-1229.

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Availability of Documents

Documents and presentations for this meeting will be available online at: www.energy.ca.gov/2015_energypolicy/

Tuesday, November 7, 2014

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