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Appliance Efficiency Regulations)	Docket No. 15-AAER-05
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**RESOLUTION ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO THE
APPLIANCE EFFICIENCY REGULATIONS**

I. INTRODUCTION

California is in a severe drought and water supplies continue to be severely depleted. Aggressive water conservation actions need to be implemented including amending the water efficiency regulations covering faucets and showerheads.

The California Energy Commission (“Commission”) hereby adopts amendments to its Appliance Efficiency Regulations regulating the water use of faucets and showerheads. (California Code of Regulations, title 20, sections 1602–1606.) The Commission takes this action under the authority of, and to implement, Executive Order B-29-15 issued on April 1, 2015 and sections 25213 and 25218(e) of the Public Resources Code.

In adopting and implementing these regulations for faucets and showerheads, California would save about 3.8 billion gallons of water, 20 million therms (Mtherm) of natural gas, and 132 gigawatt hours (GWh) of electricity per year the first year the regulations are in effect. Over the next ten years, the implementation of the regulations will conserve about 154 billion gallons of water.

By 2029, the year that faucet and showerhead stock is fully replaced, the regulations would have a combined annual savings of about 38 billion gallons of water, 202 Mtherm of natural gas, and 1,322 GWh of electricity. This equates to roughly \$702 billion in savings to California businesses and individuals.

II. FINDINGS

Based on the entire record for Docket No. 15-AAER-05, the Commission finds as follows:

- A. Executive Order B-29-15, paragraph 16, issued on April 1, 2015, directs the Commission to adopt emergency regulations establishing standards that improve the efficiency of water appliances such as faucets and showerheads available for sale and installation in California.

- B. Implementation of the regulations will save approximately 154 billion gallons of water over the first 10 years.
- C. The Warren-Alquist Act. The regulations will reduce the wasteful, uneconomic, inefficient, and unnecessary consumption of water on a statewide basis for faucets and showerheads and are otherwise consistent with the Public Resources Code section 25402 and Executive Order B-29-15. Under paragraph 30 of the Executive Order, the regulations are exempt from the procedural limitations and requirements of the Public Resources Code, commencing with section 25400 that would delay implementation of the regulations.
- D. The Administrative Procedure Act. Under paragraph 30 of Executive Order B-29-15, the regulations are exempt from the requirements of the Government Code, commencing with section 11340.

III. EXEMPTION FROM CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

Under Executive Order B-29-15, paragraph 26, adoption of the regulations is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act, Public Resources Code section 21000, et seq.

IV. ADOPTION OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS FOR DOCKET 15-AAER-05

The Commission, after considering the entire record in Docket Number 15-AAER-05, the directive of Executive Order B-29-15, and all relevant public comments, hereby adopts the proposed water efficiency amendments to the Appliance Efficiency Regulations as presented to the Commission.

V. DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY AND DIRECTIVES TO THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Commission delegates the authority and directs the Executive Director for the Commission to take, on behalf of the Commission, all actions reasonably necessary to have the adopted amendments to the Appliance Efficiency Regulations go into effect, including but not limited to, making any appropriate non-substantive changes, changes for consistency within the regulations and preparing and filing all appropriate documents as may be required for publication by the Secretary of State.

CERTIFICATION

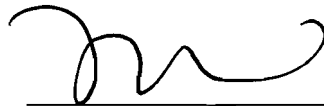
The undersigned Secretariat to the California Energy Commission does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an approved RESOLUTION duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the California Energy Commission held on August 12, 2015:

AYE: Weisenmiller, McAllister, Hochschild, Scott

NAY: None

ABSENT: Douglas

ABSTAIN: None

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Tiffani Winter,
Secretariat