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In the matter of:) Docket No. 11-RPS-01
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) NOTICE OF PROPOSED ADOPTION
Implementation of Renewables) RE: Analyzing BC Run-of-River
Portfolio Standard Legislation) Facilities for the California RPS Lead
) Commissioner Draft Report

**Notice to Consider Adoption of the
Analyzing British Columbia Run-of-River Facilities for
the California Renewables Portfolio Standard
Lead Commissioner Draft Report
CEC-300-2013-011-LCD**

As part of the January 15, 2014, Business Meeting, the California Energy Commission will consider adopting the *British Columbia Run-of-River Facilities and the California Renewables Portfolio Standard Lead Commissioner Draft Report (B.C. Run-of-River Report)*.

January 15, 2014
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Background

In 2002, Senate Bill 1078 (Sher, Chapter 516, Statutes of 2002) initiated the RPS and required retail sellers of electricity to increase the amount of renewable energy they procure annually until 20 percent of their retail sales was from renewable electricity generation by December 31, 2017. In 2006, Senate Bill 107 (Simitian, Chapter 464, Statutes of 2006) accelerated the 20 percent RPS goal to 2010.

On April 12, 2011, Governor Brown signed Senate Bill X1 2 (Simitian, Chapter 1, Statutes of 2011, First Ex. Sess) extending the 20 percent target in 2010 to 33 percent by December 31, 2020. Senate Bill X1 2 also directed the Energy Commission to provide a report to the Legislature that evaluates whether run-of-river hydroelectric generating facilities in BC are, or should be, eligible for the RPS. In the evaluation, the Energy Commission must consider the effect that including these resources as RPS-eligible would have upon:

- Emissions of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases.
- Emissions of air pollutants.
- Water quality, recreation, and fisheries.
- Any other environmental impact caused by run-of-river hydroelectric generating facilities.

Energy Commission staff enlisted the assistance of the Aspen Environmental Group through its technical support contractor, KEMA, to analyze the regulatory requirements for including B.C. run-of-river facilities in the California RPS. On March 15, 2013, Energy Commission staff released a consultant report prepared by Aspen Environmental Group. This was followed by a public workshop on March 22, 2013. After consideration of oral and written comments from the workshop, staff published the *Staff Draft Report on Including British Columbia Run-of-River Facilities in the California Renewables Portfolio Standard (B.C. Run-of-River Staff Draft Report)*.

On October 25, 2013, the *B.C. Run-of-River Staff Draft Report* was posted for public comment. In response, several environmental groups and concerned individuals submitted comments regarding the environmental impacts of hydropower facilities, asserting that no hydropower facilities in British Columbia meet the requirements to be considered eligible for California's RPS. As appropriate, staff incorporated the stakeholder comments, and updated findings. These changes are reflected in this *B.C. Run-of-River Lead Commissioner Draft Report*.

Public Comment

Oral comments. The Energy Commission will accept oral comments during the meeting. Comments may be limited to three minutes per speaker. Any comments will become part of the public record in this proceeding.

Written comments. Interested members of the public are encouraged to review and comment on the *B.C. Run-of-River Report*. Please include your name or organization's name in the name of the file and also include the docket number 11-RPS-01. Please also indicate 'B.C. Hydro Run-of-River Draft Lead Commissioner Report' in the subject line or first paragraph of your comments. Parties are encouraged to file comments by January 15, 2013.

Additionally, written comments may be posted to the Energy Commission's website for the proceeding. Please note that your written and oral comments, attachments, and

associated contact information (e.g. your address, phone, e-mail, etc.) become part of the viewable public record. This information may become available via Google, Yahoo, and any other search engines.

The Energy Commission encourages comments by e-mail. Please include your name and any organization name. Comments should be in a downloadable, searchable format such as Microsoft® Word (.doc) or Adobe® Acrobat® (.pdf). Please include the docket number 11-RPS-01 and indicate 2008-2010 RPS Verification Lead Commissioner Report in the subject line. Send comments to:

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If you prefer, you may send a paper copy of your comments to:

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Availability of Documents

The *British Columbia Run-of-River Facilities in the California Renewables Portfolio Standard Lead Commissioner Draft Report* (Publication # CEC-300-2013-011-LCD) is available at this link:

www.energy.ca.gov/portfolio/documents/index.html

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