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- 2 SEPTEMBER 21, 2012 9:10 A.M.
- 3 MS. ZOCCETTI: So, good morning everyone. I'm
- 4 Kate Zoccetti, I'm the lead for the Renewables Portfolio
- 5 Standards here at the California Energy Commission
- 6 I'd like to welcome you to the Commission on
- 7 this fine, fall day.
- 8 We have folks participating here in the
- 9 audience. We have a reporter here that will be doing a
- 10 transcript for us, for the first part of our
- 11 presentation, and we also have WebEx, and folks can call
- 12 in as well.
- So, just to give you a little brief overview and
- 14 then I'm going to turn it over to staff. First, I'd
- 15 like to give you some housekeeping notes that, in the
- 16 case of an emergency, please follow staff. We'll be
- 17 going outside, across the street to the park kiddie
- 18 corner to the Energy Commission, until the all-clear
- 19 sign. Hopefully, that won't be an issue this morning.
- We have restrooms located right outside this
- 21 room, across the hall. And on the second story -- the
- 22 second floor there is a coffee room with sandwiches and
- 23 snacks.
- 24 What we plan to do, we sort of have three parts
- 25 to today's workshop. First, we're going to have an

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- 1 overview of the Energy Commission's RPS Procurement
- 2 Verification process. Then we'll have some public
- 3 comments.
- 4 And then we're going to give you an overview of
- 5 a draft summary of the Retail Sellers' Procurement
- 6 claims for the years 2008 through 2010.
- Again, we'll have comments on those issues.
- If we finish that early enough, maybe we'll have
- 9 a break and move into the second or the third part of
- 10 our presentation, our workshop which is talking about
- 11 what staff is thinking about for verifying procurement
- 12 for the retail sellers and the publicly-owned electric
- 13 utilities for the years 2011 and thereafter under Senate
- 14 Bill X1-2.
- 15 If we go a little bit longer this morning, then
- 16 we'll just have a lunch break and then proceed with the
- 17 third part in the afternoon.
- 18 Of course, we'll have public comments then and
- 19 then there will be an opportunity for written comments,
- 20 as well.
- 21 Let's see, okay, I already went over
- 22 housekeeping. There are handouts there. I should
- 23 mention that if you want to speak here, in the Energy
- 24 Commission, Conference Room A, you should grab a blue
- 25 card at the front desk there, and fill it out, and give

- 1 it to staff and then we'll call you up to the podium.
- 2 Please make sure that you state your name before
- 3 you speak, for the court reporter, and he would
- 4 appreciate it if you would give him a business card so
- 5 that he spells your name correctly in the transcript.
- 6 I'm getting ahead of myself. Is someone -- was
- 7 there someone speaking? We'd like to go ahead and mute
- 8 the phone lines for now.
- 9 During the public comment period we will unmute
- 10 the phone lines.
- If you are participating on WebEx, you can view
- 12 the slides on your computer. You can raise your hand
- 13 with the little raise hand function, and we can take
- 14 your question verbally or you can type it into the chat.
- 15 And we have someone here monitoring your comments and
- 16 questions, and we would be happy to address those at the
- 17 comment period.
- 18 As I mentioned, the WebEx users and the phone
- 19 users will be unmuted during the public comment period.
- 20 And if you are listening in and you want to find
- 21 out how to get online, please follow our workshop notice
- 22 instructions.
- During the public comment periods we will take
- 24 comments, first, from the folks here in person at the
- 25 Energy Commission, followed by the WebEx participants

- 1 and then the phone-in participants.
- 2 So, I'd like to introduce the staff here today.
- 3 I'll be sitting right there and to my immediate left is
- 4 Gabe Herrera, with our Legal Office, Gina Barkalow, who
- 5 leads the verification process and James Haile who works
- 6 on the verification.
- 7 And working the WebEx here is Brian McCullough.
- 8 We have other staff in the audience, too, who
- 9 worked on the publicly-owned utility regulations and so
- 10 they're here to answer questions, as well.
- 11 And so I'd like to have Gina come up and she can
- 12 give you her presentation.
- MS. BARKALOW: Hi everyone, thank you for coming
- 14 today. My name's Gina Barkalow and I am the lead for
- 15 the RPS Procurement Verification.
- This slide is just a general outline of what I'm
- 17 going to cover this morning. There's a lot to talk
- 18 about today, so this presentation is designed to give a
- 19 high level overview of the Energy Commission's role in
- 20 regards to the California Renewable Portfolio Standard.
- 21 Theresa Daniels, as Kate mentioned, will be
- 22 giving a presentation going into the details of our
- 23 verification process and the results, and while I'm more
- 24 focused here on discussing the main issues that have
- 25 been identified.

- 1 Under the Renewable Portfolio Standard the
- 2 Energy Commission is charged with certifying eligible
- 3 renewable energy resources, designing and implementing
- 4 an accounting system to verify Renewable Portfolio
- 5 Standard Procurement, or RPS, establishing a system that
- 6 protects against double counting of the same renewable
- 7 energy credit, and developing and implementing RPS
- 8 regulations for the POUs.
- 9 RPS Procurement Verification Reports through
- 10 2010 present the amount of RPS-eligible energy procured
- 11 and reported by electric retail sellers toward meeting
- 12 California's RPS.
- 13 Staff is currently verifying years 2008 through
- 14 '10, and we expect to have a draft verification report
- 15 by the end of this year and a final within the first
- 16 quarter of next year.
- 17 For 2011 and forward, staff anticipates
- 18 Compliance Period Verification Reports, one for retail
- 19 sellers and one for POUs, and I'll be talking more about
- 20 this later today.
- 21 The Energy Commission was mandated to develop a
- 22 system based on independently audited data to protect
- 23 against double counting. Until WREGIS was operational,
- 24 the Energy Commission relies on an interim tracking
- 25 system, but it has inherent limitations. And they're

- 1 listed here on this slide.
- 2 So, WREGIS stands for the Western Renewable
- 3 Energy Generation Information System. WREGIS tracks
- 4 renewable generation to help ensure the credibility of
- 5 the green value of renewable electricity.
- 6 WREGIS is a voluntary, independent renewable
- 7 energy registry and tracking system for the Western
- 8 Interconnection Transmission area. This includes 14
- 9 Western States, two Canadian Provinces, and a portion of
- 10 Northern Baja, Mexico.
- 11 WREGIS was launched in 2007. Retail sellers,
- 12 POUs, renewable facilities and third parties
- 13 participation in California's RPS are required to
- 14 register with, and use WREGIS. Generation is reported
- 15 by qualifying reporting entities, OREs.
- 16 The results, as of September 12th, show that
- 17 there are more than 537 companies and 2,600 generators
- 18 approved to be WREGIS account holders.
- 19 So, retail sellers began transitioning to WREGIS
- 20 starting in 2008. And by 2010 almost all procurement
- 21 claims were made using WREGIS.
- 22 WREGIS certificates are created for every one
- 23 megawatt hour of generation, so there may be kilowatt
- 24 hours from one year that do not make it into a
- 25 certificate until the next calendar year.

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- 2 was reported in kilowatt hours, but with WREGIS it's
- 3 reported in megawatt hours through certificates.
- 4 For most retail sellers we saw a clean break.
- 5 The interim tracking system was used January through
- 6 April and then by May most all claims were made using
- 7 WREGIS.
- 8 In cases where the facility was in WREGIS, but
- 9 the retail seller did not believe the full generation
- 10 amount was to be represented in WREGIS, the interim
- 11 tracking system was allowed only after intense
- 12 scrutinizing of the interim tracking system claim.
- 13 This included a three-year analysis of
- 14 procurement and generation amounts to make sure the
- 15 amount claimed was below the generation amount. So, we
- 16 were really concerned for not allowing for double
- 17 counting and during this transition period it's really
- 18 important that just because something is reported on the
- 19 interim tracking system, we wanted to make sure it
- 20 wasn't eventually -- those kilowatt hours weren't
- 21 eventually wrapped up into megawatt hours later on.
- 22 And so this three-year analysis looked at the
- 23 total amount of procurement for those three years, and
- 24 summed it up, and then summed up the generation from the
- 25 facility for the three years, and compared if there was

- 1 an over claim or not.
- 2 So, this process was very timely and burdensome,
- 3 and in most cases the claims ended up not being accepted
- 4 and removed.
- 5 So, if there are any POUs in the audience, this
- 6 is just sort of a lessons learned that once it gets into
- 7 WREGIS it's, you know, always important to pay attention
- 8 to what happens in WREGIS, but counting this little
- 9 kilowatt hours is really, really, really burdensome and
- 10 time consuming, so I just caution you there.
- 11 In 2009 and '10 there were a few RPS track
- 12 claims that were accepted, but documentation was
- 13 required from either WREGIS or the facility stating that
- 14 the WREGIS certificates were not available.
- 15 And in some cases we had initial claims on the
- 16 RPS track form and then when the retail seller went to
- 17 go get this documentation from WREGIS, it turned out
- 18 that there were WREGIS certificates there.
- 19 And so this was a good double check to make and
- 20 I think it was worthwhile.
- 21 All right, now I'm just going to jump right to
- 22 the issues for 2008 through '10. There are three of
- 23 them. the first one is verification of procurement date
- 24 relative to the vintage of the renewable energy product.
- 25 The second one is verification of biomethane-

- 1 related claims. This is just for years 2008 through
- 2 '10, and then generation of energy delivery for out-of-
- 3 state facilities.
- 4 This first issue is worth mentioning, but we
- 5 don't have any pending or ineligible claims as a result.
- 6 It's just things are changing in the RPS world, as I'm
- 7 sure you all know.
- 8 The California Public Utilities Commission, the
- 9 CPUC, decisions regarding TRECS and Senate Bill X1-2 now
- 10 allow for procurement from one year to be applied to a
- 11 later year or compliance period.
- 12 But procurement from contracts executed after
- 13 2010 may not be used for compliance in years during the
- 14 2008 -- or through 2010 reporting period.
- So, for example, 2009 vintage certificates
- 16 procured under a 2011 contract may not be used for
- 17 compliance until the first compliance period.
- 18 This point is to really just put people on
- 19 notice that while we're providing preliminary
- 20 verification data results here, if we later learn that a
- 21 claim was made during the 2008 through 2010 time frame,
- 22 but the amounts were actually procured after 2010, we
- 23 will need to make adjustments accordingly.
- 24 This is to really clarify in case anyone was not
- 25 aware, or if they were unclear on this, that the bright

- 1 line for when procurement claims can be made is the
- 2 procurement contract date, unless there was a special
- 3 circumstance approved by the CPUC.
- 4 So, entities cannot make a purchase in 2011 and
- 5 report it as if it was procured before then, as this
- 6 would be falsely inflating their RPS progress.
- 7 So, in the earlier years of the RPS program we
- 8 did not have the situation where procurement from one
- 9 year could be reported in a later year. It was always
- 10 the amount of procurement for a given year that was
- 11 reported for the same reporting year.
- 12 So, this is just to say if you need to do any
- 13 double checks on what was reported to us, please go
- 14 ahead and do that, and let us know if there is anything
- 15 that needs to be changed.
- 16 Everyone is really anxious to close the books on
- 17 these years and just move forward, and we would really
- 18 hate to do that and then later find out that we need to
- 19 make a change.
- So, we're aware that the CPUC is reviewing the
- 21 ES -- some of the ESP contracts, so if anything comes up
- 22 as a result of that, we'll know.
- 23 But in terms of verification, this is a
- 24 difficult check for us to make because we don't normally
- 25 see the contracts unless there's a red flag for any

- 1 particular reason.
- 2 So, it's really incumbent upon the retail
- 3 sellers to report correctly.
- 4 Verification of procurement under SBX1-2 will
- 5 require much more contract checking and I would expect
- 6 this sort of concern to pretty much go away because we
- 7 will be doing a lot of contract checks. So, it's just
- 8 in these years here that it's a little bit difficult for
- 9 us.
- 10 There are some cases where a WREGIS certificate
- 11 has a vintage year different than the reporting year and
- 12 this situation occurs when WREGIS certificates were
- 13 created for more than there was generation.
- 14 And in order to correct this excess amount of
- 15 WREGIS, the ORE needs to reload the adjustment amounts
- 16 in WREGIS.
- 17 Adjustment amounts are written into the database
- 18 and any increases or decreases will be applied to the
- 19 next available WREGIS generation period.
- 20 So, for example, say 110 WREGIS certificates are
- 21 created with a December 2009 vintage, but after the
- 22 prior period adjustments are made it's realized that,
- 23 really, only 100 WREGIS certificates should have been
- 24 created. So, there are ten excess December 2009 vintage
- 25 certificates that then would need to be used with the

- 1 January 2010 vintage.
- 2 And this is really just to let folks know a
- 3 little bit more about how things are working in WREGIS.
- 4 And staff needs to understand when this is happening to
- 5 determine if we need to analyze the amounts differently,
- 6 as I'll get to in the next slide.
- 7 So, staff identified 2008 and 2009 vintage year
- 8 certificate claims reported for 2010. And while this
- 9 reporting strategy does not appear to violate any
- 10 specific RPS requirements, it does complicate
- 11 verification.
- 12 So, for example, 2008 year vintage certificates
- 13 for claims reported for 2010 cause over claims for 2010
- 14 that can only be resolved by removing the 2008 vintage
- 15 amount from staff's analysis.
- 16 So, it's maybe a little bit hard to understand,
- 17 but the way that we look at our procurement claims is on
- 18 an annual basis.
- 19 And so what is happening is these 2008 amounts
- 20 are showing up with 2010, so it's blowing up the amount
- 21 of procurement, as we see it, for 2008. So, it looks
- 22 like a lot more was procurement than was generated, and
- 23 that raises a flag for us.
- 24 So, what we had to do was remove the 2008
- 25 vintage amounts, put it back into 2008, make sure there

- 1 were no over claims in 2008, and make sure there were no
- 2 over claims in 2010, and then we were able to add it
- 3 back in.
- 4 So, it's just a complication. It adds time and
- 5 effort to our process. And our internal database is
- 6 currently not set up to handle this sort of analysis.
- 7 We are hoping to get a more sophisticated
- 8 verification system in the future because these sort of
- 9 situations will probably be happening more often.
- 10 And, hopefully, that will help us automate these
- 11 sort of checks in the future so that we can check
- 12 vintage and generation amounts that may occur over
- 13 multiple years.
- So, basically, in these three cases when it was
- 15 a contract date that was after 2010, the retail seller
- 16 was required to remove the claim.
- 17 In cases where the reason for the vintage
- 18 reporting mismatch was a WREGIS functionality, staff
- 19 accepted the claims.
- 20 And in cases where vintage year and reporting
- 21 year did not match staff -- if staff was able to verify
- 22 that there was no double counting, then staff accepted
- 23 the claims.
- 24 So, as I mentioned before, if we become aware of
- 25 additional cases where procurement was claimed for an

- 1 incorrect reporting year, staff will work with the
- 2 retail sellers to correct the situations and we'll
- 3 document the outstanding issues in the RPS Procurement
- 4 Verification Report, as appropriate.
- 5 So, the second topic we have is Verification of
- 6 the 2008 through 2010 Biomethane Claims.
- 7 Listed on this slide are the requirements that
- 8 have been listed from the third edition through the
- 9 sixth. I'm just going to read here that, first, the gas
- 10 must be produced from an RPS-eligible resource, such as
- 11 biomass or digester gas.
- 12 Two, the gas must be injected into a natural gas
- 13 pipeline system that is either within the WECC region or
- 14 interconnected to a natural gas pipeline system.
- In the WECC region, that delivers gas into
- 16 California.
- 17 Three, the energy content produced and supplied
- 18 to the transportation pipeline system must be measured
- 19 on a monthly basis and reported annually, illustrated by
- 20 month.
- 21 Reporting must be in units of energy, for
- 22 example MMBtu, based on metering of gas volume and
- 23 adjustment for measured heat content per volume of each
- 24 gas.
- 25 In addition, the total amount of gas used at the

- 1 RPS-eligible facility must be reported in the same units
- 2 measured over the same period and the electricity
- 3 production must be reported in megawatt hours.
- 4 Four, the gas must be used at a facility that
- 5 has been certified as RPS eligible. As part of the
- 6 application for certification, the applicant must attest
- 7 that the RPS-eligible gas will be nominated to that
- 8 facility or nominated to the LSE-owned pipeline serving
- 9 the designated facility.
- 10 And what I just read was taken from the third
- 11 edition of the guidebook.
- 12 The two types of documentation for biomethane
- 13 verification include physical and contractual data.
- 14 Physical data is about the physical delivery and
- 15 use of the gas and it needs to come from both the source
- 16 and the RPS facility.
- 17 Contractual data is proof of purchase of the gas
- 18 and proof showing an arrangement ahead of time to have
- 19 the gas delivered to California was made.
- 20 So, I'll talk a little bit about both of these
- 21 requirements.
- 22 Date required for physical verification at the
- 23 biomethane source are monthly metered data reported
- 24 annually for the amount of biomethane injected into the
- 25 pipeline.

- 1 The meter data can show the amount of biomethane
- 2 in two ways. The first is to show both the monthly
- 3 volume and the monthly average heat content, which we
- 4 would then use to calculate the total energy of the gas
- 5 injected each month. Or, the meter data can show the
- 6 monthly total energy of the biomethane injected into the
- 7 pipeline.
- 8 Invoices cannot be substituted for meter data.
- 9 Physical verification requirements for use at
- 10 the RPS-certified facility; here we also require monthly
- 11 meter data reported annually, showing the amount of
- 12 total pipeline gas consumed at the facility.
- 13 And just to clarify, we are looking here for the
- 14 monthly total gas removed from the pipeline by the RPS-
- 15 certified facility. So, there's sort of two things
- 16 here, the meter data, but also the total amount of
- 17 electricity produced by the facility.
- 18 And again, invoices cannot be substituted for
- 19 meter data.
- We need the invoices to show that the facility
- 21 did purchase the biomethane. We also compare the total
- 22 amounts on the invoices to the total amount injected to
- 23 verify that they match up. And if there is a
- 24 difference, we take the lesser of the two.
- So, for example, the biomethane might inject

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- 1 more than is purchased, but the facility only gets
- 2 credit for what was purchased.
- 3 Also, the facility might buy more than what is
- 4 injected and would just then get to count the amount
- 5 injected, unless the facility used stored biomethane and
- 6 then additional documentation would be required.
- 7 So, in some cases there could be multiple
- 8 sources and then the required -- all of this data is
- 9 required, the same documentation is required for each
- 10 source.
- 11 This slide here shows the status of the pending
- 12 biomethane claims. This is the first time we've really
- 13 had to verify biomethane claims, so it has been a
- 14 learning process for us. And these claims have actually
- 15 served as very good case studies.
- 16 So, the Xs here indicated that sufficient
- 17 documentation has not yet been received, and the
- 18 checkmarks indicate appropriate or complete
- 19 documentation has been provided.
- 20 The table does not indicate that a claim has
- 21 been verified as eligible or ineligible. All of the
- 22 claims are pending because we still don't have the data
- 23 points we need to complete the verification.
- 24 So again, the physical requirements include
- 25 meter data, and for the RPS-certified facility it also

- 1 includes generation data.
- 2 PG&E has provided some documentation and we are
- 3 continuing to work with them to complete the
- 4 verification. There are two sources of biomethane for
- 5 PG&E's claims, so this adds to the amount of data
- 6 requirement for verification purposes.
- 7 And the Pastoria facility used stored
- 8 biomethane, so we are working with the retail sellers to
- 9 get sufficient documentation regarding storage.
- 10 So, there's still work to be done before we can
- 11 make a determination of the eligibility of these claims.
- 12 the results of our analysis will be included in the
- 13 draft Verification Report.
- It just gets a bit more complicated when there's
- 15 multiple sources or when there is stored biomethane, and
- 16 we just happen to have both of those situations in these
- 17 claims here.
- 18 The next issue is on energy delivery. The RPS
- 19 Eliqibility Guidebook requires that a matching quantity
- 20 of electricity must be delivered to an in-state point of
- 21 delivery consistent with the North American Electrical
- 22 Reliability Corporation, or NERC, rules and documented
- 23 with a NERC e-Tag.
- 24 So, I do realize that this is changed and now
- 25 it's being done by NASB, and we have the OATI web

- 1 registry. And so maybe at some point we will update it
- 2 to just say e-Tags, instead of NERC e-Tags. But for now
- 3 we're using NERC e-Tags.
- 4 And the RPS Eligibility Guidebook requires the
- 5 RPS ID on the e-Tags to demonstrate that a matching
- 6 amount of substitute energy was delivered into
- 7 California for the RPS-certified facility.
- 8 The RPS Eligibility Guidebook states that the
- 9 annual report to verify delivery must include the source
- 10 point located out of California, and that is for the
- 11 substitute energy, the final point of delivery, the POD,
- 12 which is also the sink, and the RPS ID of the certified
- 13 facility or facilities with which the delivered energy
- 14 is being matched.
- 15 The California RPS ID must be shown on the
- 16 miscellaneous field of the NERC e-Tag, the amount of the
- 17 electricity delivered per month and annually.
- 18 So, because the tracking services using NERC e-
- 19 Tags was not available in WREGIS in 2009, retail sellers
- 20 reported using this interim tracking delivery form for
- 21 2008.
- 22 NERC e-Tags in WREGIS are created -- or e-Tags
- 23 are created when energy is scheduled to cross a
- 24 balancing authority area and they're used to track the
- 25 physical path.

- 1 E-Tags are pulled into WREGIS if the RPS ID is
- 2 on the miscellaneous token field line of the physical
- 3 path of the e-Tag.
- 4 In WREGIS account holders can match e-Tags to
- 5 the corresponding WREGIS certificates to show that
- 6 energy was delivered to California.
- 7 Retail sellers submit NERC e-Tag summary
- 8 reports, along with the WREGIS compliance reports, which
- 9 provide verification information included on the e-Tags.
- 10 So, this is the information that is provided to
- 11 us on the WREGIS NERC e-Tag summary report. The
- 12 generator name is the source, or the POR, and the load
- 13 is the sink, or the POD, and the load-serving entity is
- 14 the PSE.
- 15 This is the interim -- the information that is
- 16 available to us on the Interim Tracking Delivery Form.
- 17 So, there's two schedules. The first one includes
- 18 various IDs, the POR and the POD. And then the second
- 19 one includes the monthly and annual amount.
- 20 So, there were some cases in 2009 and '10 where
- 21 retail sellers were allowed to report using the delivery
- 22 form, and so we did see that in 2009 and '10, as well.
- So, the situations that we identified through
- 24 the verification process, so while we received the
- 25 summary report from WREGIS, and also the delivery form

- 1 for the ITS reporting, that does not include the NERC e-
- 2 Tags. And so to avoid having to look at every single
- 3 NERC e-Tag that was generated, we just asked for random
- 4 samples.
- 5 And during this process we found that some of
- 6 the NERC e-Tags did not include the RPS ID number in the
- 7 miscellaneous field, but it was in the comments section
- 8 of the NERC ID.
- 9 So, when we asked why this occurred, their
- 10 justification was that in the second edition of the RPS
- 11 Eligibility Guidebook the requirement was to have the
- 12 NERC ID in the comments section.
- And so, basically, I think the argument here was
- 14 there was a transition time. So, the third edition of
- 15 the RPS Eligibility Guidebook came out in January 2008,
- 16 and so that's what we have here.
- 17 There were other cases where there was just no
- 18 RPS ID on the e-Tag, and the reasons for that are listed
- 19 here.
- 20 And so, the claims in these situations are
- 21 listed, currently listed as pending, so they have not
- 22 been determined to be eligible or ineligible.
- 23 Staff has been collecting information from the
- 24 retail sellers that did not meet this delivery
- 25 requirement, and we will determine if claims -- you

- 1 know, based on this supporting documentation, staff will
- 2 determine if the claims can be considered verified.
- 3 And, if so, we will include a recommendation in the
- 4 draft Verification Report.
- 5 So, basically, staff does not have the authority
- 6 to go against what is in the guidebook. So, in a
- 7 situation like this we want to get enough information to
- 8 be able to make a recommendation one way or another.
- 9 It is the full Commission that votes on a
- 10 decision like this.
- 11 So, we can now be open to public comments. Feel
- 12 free to comment on any of the issues, now.
- 13 Theresa also will be giving her presentation and
- 14 she'll be going into more detail of the various retail
- 15 sellers summary slides, and so it's also possible to
- 16 make comments after that presentation.
- So, it's really up to you. We can wait for blue
- 18 cards and give you some time now to see if anybody wants
- 19 to comment, or you can hold your comments until later.
- It looks like we might have a comment.
- 21 And if you're on WebEx, please send a request to
- 22 the coordinator that you would like to ask a question or
- 23 make a comment.
- 24 And Lorraine Gonzales will go around and maybe
- 25 look for blue cards, or feel free to bring it up. Okay.

- 1 MS. WINN: Hi, Valerie Winn with PG&E. I
- 2 believe back on slide 9 you talked about as you're doing
- 3 more of the verification going forward --
- 4 MS. BARKALOW: Yes.
- 5 MS. WINN: -- that you're going to need to do
- 6 more contract checks.
- 7 MS. BARKALOW: Yes.
- 8 MS. WINN: Could you say a little bit about what
- 9 you're going to be looking for? Are you going to be
- 10 looking for the contract, are you going to ask people to
- 11 simply provide the date of the execution, or approval?
- 12 What's that going to look like?
- MS. BARKALOW: Actually, that's really a
- 14 question that's more appropriate for the second portion
- 15 of today's workshop.
- MS. WINN: Okay.
- MS. BARKALOW: We're going to be talking about
- 18 that because it has to do with the role of the CPUC, as
- 19 well.
- 20 MS. WINN: Okay, good, because that goes to my
- 21 questions about confidentiality of the contract
- 22 information, which was really where I was going.
- MS. BARKALOW: Okay. Well, I could just tell
- 24 you that we really do not want confidential information.
- 25 We're not interested in price information. And we'd

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- 1 really appreciate it if all confidential information is
- 2 redacted. It makes our life a lot easier, too.
- 3 MS. WINN: Okay.
- 4 MS. BARKALOW: So, we usually tend to agree on
- 5 how to be able to get the information submitted without
- 6 a confidential request.
- 7 MS. WINN: Okay, thank you.
- 8 MS. BARKALOW: You're welcome.
- 9 And it's also possible to provide written
- 10 comments, so if you don't feel like speaking right now,
- 11 please just go ahead and submit your comments. And the
- 12 information is on the notice, and it looks like maybe we
- 13 have a question on -- through WebEx.
- Okay, so Brian is going to write down the
- 15 question and I will read it.
- 16 And folks can maybe start thinking about how we
- 17 want to go about the rest of the day. So, after
- 18 Theresa's presentation we can take a break. And if it's
- 19 still early, then perhaps we can launch into the
- 20 presentation or it's possible to break for lunch,
- 21 depending on the timing. So, we can think about that
- 22 and we'll just maybe probably take a vote or so, try and
- 23 get a sense of what people would like to do.
- 24 MR. ROTH: Gina, I'm calling from WebEx, can you
- 25 hear me?

- 1 MS. BARKALOW: Yes, go ahead.
- MR. ROTH: Good. Yeah, this is Tom Roth calling
- 3 with SCPPA.
- 4 You state in one of your slides. I didn't get
- 5 the number. It was going faster than I could write it
- 6 down.
- 7 MS. BARKALOW: Oh, sorry.
- 8 MR. ROTH: That the certified facility must show
- 9 that it is the purchaser and sole possessor of the
- 10 biomethane that's to be consumed for the purpose of
- 11 making a qualified RPS product.
- 12 Certain facilities and, of course, one of which
- 13 SCPPA owns and is operated by Burbank, does not purchase
- 14 gas for use in the facility. It owns the facility, but
- 15 the facility's gas is brought -- and this is the
- 16 biomethane. It's brought to the facility by the cities
- 17 that participate in the plant.
- 18 Does this give rise to a conflict with the proof
- 19 of physical path, which we can certainly give you that,
- 20 but the issue having to do with possession, title, and
- 21 all those particular matters? Would you kind of tell me
- 22 about that?
- MS. BARKALOW: I'm going to ask if James Haile
- 24 has anything to say, or Kate. I'm not really able to
- 25 answer that question right now.

- 1 MR. ROTH: Okay.
- 2 MS. BARKALOW: We probably have to think more
- 3 about how that would work.
- 4 Certainly, feel free to provide that question in
- 5 writing, too, so we can think about it more.
- 6 MR. ROTH: Oh, I've made an effort -- okay, I've
- 7 made an effort to do that but I'm failing miserable in
- 8 the jackpot. So, I can get into it, but it isn't taking
- 9 my message.
- MS. BARKALOW: Oh, I'm sorry.
- 11 MR. ROTH: Anyway, you have somebody there who
- 12 is doing a transcript of this so, hopefully, that
- 13 will --
- MS. BARKALOW: Yes, we will have a transcript.
- 15 We will have a transcript of this, yeah, and there will
- 16 be a WebEx recording, as well.
- MS. ZOCCETTI: Tom, this is Kate Zoccetti.
- 18 Thank you for your comment.
- MR. ROTH: Yes.
- 20 MS. ZOCCETTI: I think probably we'll discuss
- 21 plans for future verification processes in the last
- 22 section of our workshop today, when we talk about how
- 23 we're going to verify RPS claims under SB X 1-2.
- 24 Hopefully, you're going to be on the line at
- 25 that time, and I think probably others will have similar

- 1 questions, if you don't mind?
- 2 MR. ROTH: That's good.
- 3 MS. BARKALOW: Oh, actually, I'm sorry, just to
- 4 jump in, I was not actually planning to talk about
- 5 verification of biomethane in the afternoon portion.
- 6 MS. ZOCCETTI: That's true.
- 7 MS. BARKALOW: Just as more of the buckets so,
- 8 I'm sorry.
- 9 MR. HERRERA: Hey, Tom, this is Gabe Herrera
- 10 with the Commission's Legal Office. So, this issue is
- 11 one that comes up in the context of the AB2196 which, if
- 12 the Governor signs that bill, the Energy Commission will
- 13 have to revise its guidebook to talk about the rules for
- 14 verifying, both the delivery of the biomethane, itself,
- 15 as well as the delivery path, and then the attributes.
- So, that discussion, I think, how we verify the
- 17 quantities of biomethane that were procured by SCPPA on
- 18 behalf of its members I think is a good point to raise
- 19 when we start talking about 2196.
- 20 MR. ROTH: We will raise it then and at any
- 21 other point in time that you suggest it's appropriate.
- 22 I guess we'd like to get it front of it before, you
- 23 know, it gets reported and then a year or two later it
- 24 gets questions.
- 25 MS. ZOCCETTI: Sure, understood. Just a

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- 1 reminder to everyone, though, that these morning
- 2 presentations are regarding 2008 through 2010 claims.
- 3 So, the verification --
- 4 MR. ROTH: Okay.
- 5 MS. ZOCCETTI: -- processes that were in place
- 6 at that time are more of what's coming into play here.
- 7 MR. ROTH: I'll keep that in mind. Thank you,
- 8 Kate.
- 9 MS. ZOCCETTI: Thanks Tom.
- MR. ROTH: Yeah.
- 11 MS. BARKALOW: I have a blue card from Michael
- 12 Webster, Associate Director of Power System Planning and
- 13 Development, LADWP.
- 14 MR. WEBSTER: Yes, Mike Webster, L.A. Water and
- 15 Power.
- 16 I might reserve this comment, but when you said
- 17 you weren't going to talk about biomethane verification,
- 18 it is a very important issue to the City of Los Angeles.
- 19 And I'll gen it up and maybe we can talk more about it
- 20 this afternoon.
- 21 But we were under our rules at the time, 387
- 22 delegated that authority to water and power
- 23 commissioners and our city council.
- 24 And so while we implemented RPS with an eye
- 25 towards what was going on in California, what the CEC

- 1 was doing under Guidebook Number 3, it was not clear to
- 2 us that you were going to implement that through
- 3 tracking the biomethane all the way through the
- 4 pipeline.
- 5 While we can clearly demonstrate that it is
- 6 burned in our facility, some of the tracking mechanisms
- 7 that were deployed in historical verification are going
- 8 to be very, very hard in the future.
- 9 So, I'm going to gen that up and we'll talk more
- 10 about it this afternoon.
- 11 And I'll just raise one more comment about this
- 12 historical verification. We're in 2012 and you're in
- 13 the process of wrapping up verification for 2008 to
- 14 2010. So, when I think about the future, that's quite a
- 15 long delay. And I know it's incredibly complicated, but
- 16 if we were to find ourselves short in renewable energy
- 17 how do we make up the difference?
- 18 And I'll just pose that as a question, not
- 19 living with your process for all these years, how will
- 20 we go back and make sure we comply when maybe two years
- 21 later we find out we're deficient for whatever technical
- 22 reason? Thank you.
- MS. BARKALOW: Thanks. I would just sort of say
- 24 one of the lessons learned here is that we do require
- 25 documentation going back in time, so I would start

- 1 collecting it now and have it ready and available, so it
- 2 makes it a lot easier to get when it's time to present
- 3 it.
- So, it has been hard. PG&E had to go back and
- 5 look for 2008 records, and a lot of time had passed
- 6 since then, so that's part of the problem in the delay
- 7 of getting information.
- 8 So, now that we know a little bit more, I would
- 9 start saving that documentation right away.
- 10 MS. ZOCCETTI: This is Kate Zoccetti. I'd also
- 11 like to add a reminder that we are not planning to, as
- 12 Gina pointed out, really discuss biomethane tracking in
- 13 our presentation today regarding what the Energy
- 14 Commission is thinking about for 2011 and thereafter,
- 15 under SB X 1-2.
- 16 As Mr. Herrera mentioned, we're also watching
- 17 carefully as to whether or not the Governor signs
- 18 AB2196. And if he does, we will be charged with
- 19 implementing most of that.
- 20 And so there's a lot that we don't know and
- 21 we're trying to get ahead of the game and figure out, if
- 22 it is chaptered, how we will address that.
- 23 And we expect to have a workshop later on this
- 24 year to talk about that and other issues that will have
- 25 to all be rolled into an RPS Eligibility Guidebook

- 1 revision process, which we'll have another at least one
- 2 opportunity for public participation.
- 3 So, I just want to assure everyone that today is
- 4 looking more at 2008 through 2010. And while we're
- 5 having this workshop, we wanted to take the opportunity,
- 6 while we have your attention, to also kind of just tee
- 7 up our thinking, our current thinking, nothing is in
- 8 stone at all, about how we might proceed with verifying
- 9 2011 and thereafter.
- 10 So, the last presentation is more of a
- 11 brainstorming, talking with you, and more informal
- 12 process. We won't be having the court reporter at that
- 13 time.
- So, I sense people's concerns that we might have
- 15 made decisions about how we're going to do things in the
- 16 future that, you know, you might not have had a say in,
- 17 and that's not the case at all.
- So, just be watching for future notices about
- 19 workshops, or webinars, or things like that as we start
- 20 to begin the guidebook revision process. So, thank you.
- 21 MS. BARKALOW: Okay, hi, so I do have two blue
- 22 cards here and I have a Barry Dong on the phone. Barry,
- 23 if you'd like to go ahead and speak?
- 24 MR. DONG: Yeah, this is Barry Dong from L.A.
- 25 Water and Power. I have a question on one of the slides

- 1 you showed that the June for 2010 biomethane contracts
- 2 will have to be used as CEC certified facility in order
- 3 to count the credits.
- 4 The thing is, the CEC certification was not
- 5 required actually out for the SB X 1-2 is in place.
- 6 So, our situation applied to out, our facilities
- 7 were not certified, even though we submitted
- 8 verification out of that. But right now it's still
- 9 under pending.
- 10 I was wondering what those facilities, the
- 11 contracts hired 2010, would that biomethane credit would
- 12 be counted in those facilities?
- MS. BARKALOW: Just to clarify, are you asking
- 14 about something that was an SB X 1-2 situation?
- 15 MR. DONG: No, no, our facilities were not SB X
- 16 1-2 --
- MS. BARKALOW: And, I'm sorry, could you speak
- 18 up a little bit louder, it's very hard to hear you.
- 19 MR. DONG: Yeah, our facilities are not
- 20 certified, have not been certified, yet, even though we
- 21 submitted application and it has been pre-certified, but
- 22 it has not been certified.
- MS. BARKALOW: Okay.
- 24 MR. DONG: So, what the concern is for those
- 25 pre-2010 contracts, biomethane contracts. So, because

- 1 on one of your slides it's showing that it has to be
- 2 used in certified facilities, and our facility has not
- 3 been certified. So, we are concerned on how do we count
- 4 those credits?
- 5 MR. HERRERA: Hi. Gina, I'll address that.
- 6 This is Gabe Herrera, Mr. Dong.
- 7 So, this presentation and these requirements are
- 8 really focusing on the retail seller requirements, and
- 9 so as part of the retail sellers, in order for them to
- 10 claim this procurement based on biomethane use, the
- 11 facility designated for use of the biomethane needed to
- 12 be certified by the Energy Commission.
- 13 Again, these were retail sellers. Back in 2010
- 14 LADWP was under no obligation, obviously, to follow the
- 15 Energy Commission's rules. It had its own rules it
- 16 adopted pursuant to Public Utility Code Section 387.
- 17 You know, going forward, starting in 2011, under
- 18 Senate Bill X 1-2, the Energy Commission will need to
- 19 address the situation of verifying procurement by POUs.
- 20 And at that point we'll need to address L.A.'s, you
- 21 know, contracts pre-June 2010 contracts.
- 22 But again, those rules and that discussion, I
- 23 think, will need to wait until such time as the Energy
- 24 Commission is implementing AB2196. Because if that bill
- 25 does get enacted into law there will need to be a number

- 1 of changes that will be addressed in our guidebook to
- 2 address the biomethane procurement issue.
- 3 MR. DONG: Thank you. Thank you.
- 4 MS. BARKALOW: Okay, I have a blue card that
- 5 came in over WebEx, and the question is from Dana
- 6 Griffith.
- 7 "I own the biomethane production facility.
- 8 There will be no invoice showing a purchase. How do we
- 9 meet the invoice requirement in that case?"
- 10 That is a good question. So --
- 11 MR. HAILE: Hi, James Haile here. So, you're
- 12 the biomethane source facility but -- so, you're selling
- 13 the biomethane but there's no invoice. I would imagine
- 14 there would have to be some sort of proof of sale that
- 15 would show the amount of biomethane that was sold by the
- 16 source facility to someone.
- MS. BARKALOW: Do you have any comments, Dana
- 18 Griffith?
- 19 Okay, it's also possible to submit written
- 20 comments so I just want to leave it at that.
- Okay, yes, we have someone from --
- MR. WESTERFIELD: Yes, I have a blue card. Bill
- 23 Westerfield with SMUD --
- MS. BARKALOW: Can you state your name and
- 25 information?

- 1 MR. WESTERFIELD: Bill Westerfield with SMUD.
- MS. BARKALOW: Okay.
- 3 MR. WESTERFIELD: Gabe, you had just made a
- 4 comment and I was trying to understand kind of the basis
- 5 for your comment. I think you had mentioned that should
- 6 2196 be signed by the Governor, then the Energy
- 7 Commission would have to look at potentially new
- 8 requirements for the certification of facilities for the
- 9 combustion of biomethane from pre-2011 contracts.
- 10 And I'm thinking over that bill and I can't
- 11 remember any requirements in that bill that might impose
- 12 extra requirements on the certification of facilities
- 13 for those -- those older contracts, or even for the
- 14 requirements for the eligibility of that fuel under the
- 15 old contracts.
- 16 I thought those old contracts were basically
- 17 grandfathered.
- MR. HERRERA: So, you're right, so the
- 19 biomethane procurement contracts, not the procurement of
- 20 electricity contract, right, is what 2196 is focused on,
- 21 Bill.
- 22 But there are provisions in there, for example,
- 23 that require I think a beefed up verification process
- 24 that the Energy Commission will have to use in place.
- 25 For example, we would need to take a look at our

- 1 existing rules to see if they are as rigorous as may be
- 2 required by 2196, or if we need to impose some
- 3 additional requirements.
- 4 2196 includes, for even these grandfathered
- 5 provisions, a requirement that the biomethane source be
- 6 online and injected into common carrier pipeline by
- 7 April 1, 2014.
- 8 So, for example, if you had an existing contract
- 9 for biomethane that included a source that wouldn't be
- 10 producing gas until after that April 2014 date, then I
- 11 think, you know, our rules need to address that.
- 12 So, there are some grandfathering -- there is a
- 13 grandfather provision, but it's subject to some
- 14 conditions.
- 15 And I think what I'm saying is we're going to
- 16 need to take a look at those, those requirements in the
- 17 statute and figure out how to apply them to these
- 18 existing contracts.
- 19 MR. WESTERFIELD: Yeah, I understand the general
- 20 point. But I was just wondering if you had any
- 21 particulars that you had in mind.
- I know the 2014 date, it's my recollection this
- 23 only applies to contracts that were signed after March
- 24 28th, 2012. So, I was just trying to think in the back
- 25 of mind whether there were any particular requirements

- 1 that you think needed to be developed.
- 2 MR. HERRERA: Right. So, we can chat
- 3 afterwards, Bill, but I think the provisions in the
- 4 statute actually -- that March -- excuse me, that April
- 5 1, 2014 date apply to contracts that were executed prior
- 6 to March 29th, 2012.
- 7 MR. WESTERFIELD: Okay. All right thank you.
- 8 MS. BARKALOW: Okay, I have a blue card here
- 9 from Sergio, and the question is; "Can you go over the
- 10 dates of which the draft report will be released and
- 11 finalized?"
- 12 And I don't really -- I'm not able to give any
- 13 firm dates right now. We will hope to turn around right
- 14 after this workshop and get ready to start drafting the
- 15 Verification Report.
- 16 And the goal would be to have a draft released
- 17 publicly by the end of this year. I really hope that's
- 18 possible, but I cannot promise.
- 19 And then we hope to have the final one shortly
- 20 after the draft, so I'm hoping within the next six
- 21 months or so.
- 22 Any other questions?
- Okay. All right, then, we will go ahead with
- 24 Theresa Daniels' presentation.
- MS. DANIELS: Hello everyone. My name is

- 1 Theresa Daniels and I'm going to discuss the 2008
- 2 through 2010 RPS Procurement Verification Process and
- 3 the current results of our analysis.
- 4 The 2008 through 2010 verification process
- 5 includes procurement data from a total of 16 retail
- 6 sellers; however, not all of the retail sellers
- 7 reporting RPS procurement for each year.
- 8 As you can see, the total RPS-eligible
- 9 procurement amount has increased each year. In 2008
- 10 approximately 23.8 terawatt hours of renewable
- 11 procurement from 520 renewable facilities will be
- 12 verified as RPS eligible.
- In 2009, approximately 29.2 terawatt hours of
- 14 renewable procurement, from 529 facilities will be
- 15 verified as eliqible.
- And in 2010, approximately 31.8 terawatt hours
- 17 of renewable procurement, from 561 facilities will be
- 18 verified as eliqible.
- 19 Please note that the 2010 renewable procurement
- 20 amounts include generation from years 2008 and 2009 that
- 21 were claimed in 2010.
- 22 During the verification process 551 claims in
- 23 2008 were verified as RPS eligible, and 608 claims in
- 24 2009, and 620 claims in 2010 were verified as RPS
- 25 eligible.

- 1 Of these, staff identified approximately 38 over
- 2 claim issues, 12 multi-fuel issues, and 13 energy
- 3 delivery issues.
- 4 Eleven over claim issues were identified and
- 5 resolved through our collaboration with Green-e-Energy,
- 6 a program of the Center for Resource Solutions.
- 7 Staff resolved the majority of these issues by
- 8 having the retail seller submit supporting documentation
- 9 for their claims.
- 10 However, in some cases retail sellers re-filed
- 11 their RPS claims to remove ineligible procurement.
- The sources of the 2008 through 2010
- 13 verification data; RPS procurement claims are reported
- 14 on the CEC RPS track form and WREGIS compliance reports.
- 15 We also use procurement data reported to the
- 16 1305 Power Source Disclosure Program, and voluntary
- 17 WREGIS sales information from Green-e-Energy in our
- 18 analysis to determine that the RPS procurement claims
- 19 are not double counted.
- We also used generation data that we got from
- 21 various Energy Commission programs, EIA, and directly
- 22 from the generating facilities, themselves, on the CEC
- 23 RPS GEN form.
- 24 This slide shows the information found on the
- 25 CEC RPS Track Form. It includes the facility name, fuel

- 1 type, various ID numbers, and the annual procurement
- 2 amount.
- 3 There's also a Schedule 2 of this form, which
- 4 includes monthly procurement data for each claim.
- 5 As Gina mentioned in her presentation, this form
- 6 was used to report RPS procurement data in 2008 when
- 7 retail sellers and generators were transitioning to
- 8 WREGIS.
- 9 In 2009 and 2010 this form was used for
- 10 generation that was not available in WREGIS, when
- 11 supporting documentation was provided confirming this.
- 12 This slide shows the information found on the
- 13 WREGIS compliance report. Among other things, it
- 14 includes the generator's name, fuel type, the vintage
- 15 month and year of the certificates, the certificate
- 16 quantity, the certificate serial number and the NERC e-
- 17 Tag ID, if e-Tags are matched with the certificates.
- This is the 2008 through 2010 RPS procurement
- 19 verification methodology. To verify procurement is RPS
- 20 eligible, Energy Commission staff checked that all
- 21 claims are from RPS-certified facilities by internal
- 22 collaboration with the certification staff, compare all
- 23 load-serving entities' procurement claims from
- 24 individual facilities with generation data to verify
- 25 that there is sufficient generation for all procurement

- 1 claims.
- 2 Determine, to the extent possible, the claim was
- 3 counted only once by coordinating with other states,
- 4 including Oregon, Washington, Nevada and Green-e-
- 5 Energy's voluntary REC PROGRAM.
- And to verify that procurement from out-of-state
- 7 facilities satisfies RPS delivery requirements through
- 8 2010; the sources for this include the CEC RPS Delivery
- 9 Form, NERC e-Tags, and the WREGIS NERC e-Tag Summary
- 10 Report.
- 11 This is information that we included in the
- 12 appendices of the Verification Report to demonstrate the
- 13 detailed findings of our analysis.
- 14 We report the facility information, the annual
- 15 generation procured, the procurement from other sources,
- 16 annual generation of the facility, and the percent
- 17 difference between the total procurement and the
- 18 generation amount.
- 19 Staff works closely with retail sellers in the
- 20 verification process to gather supplemental
- 21 documentation to verify claims and to make adjustments
- 22 to retail sellers' procurement claims, including adding
- 23 in additional procurement claims and removing ineligible
- 24 procurement claims.
- 25 This is our first time using -- this is our

- 1 first time verifying using WREGIS data and we're
- 2 developing process to address issues that have been
- 3 identified using WREGIS.
- 4 One issue is when retail sellers want to make
- 5 corrections to their procurement data, WREGIS only
- 6 allows for certificates to be un-retired within 12
- 7 months of the retirement. After that, certificates
- 8 cannot be un-retired.
- 9 With the ITS, retail sellers were able to submit
- 10 a revised RPS Track Form with the ineligible claim
- 11 removed. But corrections cannot be made this way to the
- 12 WREGIS reports.
- 13 The process that we are using to address this is
- 14 to have retail sellers submit a letter to Energy
- 15 Commission staff documenting which procurement claims
- 16 should be removed as an ineligible claim for the
- 17 verification report.
- 18 In cases that WREGIS reduces the amount of
- 19 certificates created in a future year to correct an
- 20 error in the current year, retail sellers can submit an
- 21 additional letter requesting that the procurement be
- 22 reduced in the current year and credited back in the
- 23 future year that WREGIS is reducing.
- 24 There may be cases in which the amounts claimed
- 25 in the Verification Report and WREGIS will differ. The

- 1 end result of this is that the Verification Report
- 2 should be used as the final determination of eligible
- 3 procurement.
- 4 The RPS summary table shows the details of each
- 5 retail seller's current RPS procurement eligibility.
- 6 This is a template of the summary table and it includes
- 7 the total procurement claimed by the retail seller, and
- 8 lists the disallowances which include procurement from
- 9 facilities without RPS certification, procurement from
- 10 facilities in which procurement claims exceed generation
- 11 by five percent or greater, procurement from distributed
- 12 generation facilities, procurement of energy only,
- 13 procurement from facilities that exceed fossil fuel
- 14 usage limit, and procurement claimed before the
- 15 beginning on -- before the facility's beginning on date.
- 16 This table also lists pending claims. These
- 17 claims fall within the following categories; procurement
- 18 without standing issues regarding electricity delivery
- 19 verification and procurement without standing issues
- 20 regarding biomethane gas delivery verification.
- 21 There are also footnotes on this table
- 22 explaining each of the categories.
- I will now go through each retail seller's
- 24 individual RPS summary table.
- 25 Three Phases Renewables has -- Three Phases has

- 1 a pending 2009 claim due to the NERC e-Tags used in the
- 2 delivery of their out-of-state claim not having the RPS
- 3 ID number in the miscellaneous field of the tag, as
- 4 required by the RPS Eligibility Guidebook.
- 5 Three Phases has submitted supplemental
- 6 documentation in support of their claim.
- 7 APS Energy Service has no outstanding issues.
- 8 Calpine Power America also has no outstanding
- 9 issues.
- 10 Constellation New Energy has three pending
- 11 claims. One in 2008 and two in 2009, due to the NERC d-
- 12 Tags used in the delivery for their out-of-state claims
- 13 not having the RPS ID number of the facilities in the
- 14 miscellaneous field of the e-Tags, as required by the
- 15 RPS Eligibility Guidebook.
- 16 CNE has submitted supplemental documentation in
- 17 support of their claims.
- 18 Commerce Energy has no outstanding issues.
- 19 Direct Energy has a pending 2008 claim due to
- 20 the NERC e-Tags used in the delivery of their out-of-
- 21 state procurement not having the RPS ID number in the
- 22 miscellaneous field of the e-Tag, as required by the RPS
- 23 Eligibility Guidebook.
- 24 Direct Energy has also submitted supplemental
- 25 documentation in support of their claim.

- 1 Paxel Playing Field has no outstanding issues.
- 2 Pilot Power has a pending 2010 claim due to the
- 3 biomethane gas delivery verification.
- 4 Noble Americas also has a pending 2010 claim due
- 5 to biomethane gas delivery verification.
- 6 Marin Energy Authority has no outstanding
- 7 issues.
- 8 Shell Energy has pending procurement claims in
- 9 years 2008 through 2010 for the NARC e-Tags used in the
- 10 delivery of its out-of-state procurement not having the
- 11 RPS ID number in the miscellaneous field of the e-Tag.
- 12 Also, Shell's 2010 procurement amounts include
- 13 vintage 2008 and 2009 generation, which Shell chose to
- 14 apply to 2010.
- 15 PacifiCorp has no outstanding issues.
- 16 Sierra Pacific Power Company also has no
- 17 outstanding issues.
- 18 PG&E resubmitted it's 2008 RPA track form to
- 19 remove procurement that is also being reported in WREGIS
- 20 -- in PG&E's WREGIS compliance report.
- 21 PG&E also has pending claims in 2008 for not
- 22 having the RPS ID number in the miscellaneous field of
- 23 the NARC e-Tags for the delivery of its out-of-state
- 24 procurement claim.
- 25 And in 2009 and 2010 PG&E has pending claims due

- 1 to the biomethane gas delivery verification.
- 2 San Diego Gas and Electric has no outstanding
- 3 issues.
- 4 This table shows Southern California Edison's
- 5 2008 through 2010 eligible procurement amounts. During
- 6 the verification process SCE revised their procurement
- 7 claims to remove ineligible procurement.
- 8 SCE currently has no outstanding issues.
- 9 This table shows SCE's updated RPS procurement
- 10 claims from 2001 and 2003, through 2007. SCE removed
- 11 previously reported ineligible procurement claims from
- 12 its 2001 and 2003, through 2007 total procurement
- 13 claimed amounts, and also removed a portion of
- 14 procurement claimed that was determined to be ineligible
- in each of those years, as well.
- 16 So, these are their updated procurement claim
- 17 amounts.
- 18 The next steps include finishing up the
- 19 verification analysis and reporting any revisions to the
- 20 data in the draft 2008 through 2010 RPS Procurement
- 21 Verification Report.
- We are hoping that the draft report will be made
- 23 available for public comment by the end of the year.
- When the final report is adopted by the Energy
- 25 Commission, it will be transmitted to the CPUC for

- 1 compliance determinations.
- 2 If anyone has public comments, you can provide
- 3 them now.
- 4 Are there any comments?
- 5 Are there any comments for users on WebEx, WebEx
- 6 participants?
- If anybody on WebEx has any comments, you're
- 8 unmuted so you can speak now, or any telephone
- 9 participants.
- MS. BARKALOW: All right. So, I guess there are
- 11 no comments. Feel free to provide written comments.
- 12 They are due October 1st. And the information to submit
- 13 those comments is provided in the details of the
- 14 workshop notice.
- So, we have wrapped up -- yeah. So, we've
- 16 wrapped up fairly early here. It's about 10:20. I
- 17 propose that we take a break, maybe meet back here
- 18 about, let's see, 10:40, and then we'll get started
- 19 about 10:45. And we'll go through the second
- 20 presentation -- or, actually, it's the presentation on
- 21 SB X 1-2.
- 22 And for this one we will not have a court
- 23 reporter, but we will include WebEx, so people can
- 24 participate via WebEx.
- 25 And this really will be more of an informal

1	discussion, so these are I've worked really closely
2	with CPUC staff on what we will be presenting, and this
3	is just our preliminary thoughts about how we will go
4	about with reporting and verification. We really want
5	this to be more of an exchange, and more of an informal
6	dialogue, so that's what you can expect.
7	And then we'll just take it from there. If
8	people want to break for lunch and continue talking, we
9	can do that, we'll just kind of play it by ear.
10	So, how about we meet back here about 20 'till
11	and we'll get started about quarter to 11:00. Sound
12	okay?
13	All right, thank you.
14	(Thereupon, the Workshop was adjourned at
15	10:19 A.M.)
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