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In the matter of:)	
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Electric Program Investment Charge 2018 –)	Docket No. 17-EPIC-01
2020 Triennial Investment Plan)	and
and)	
Natural Gas Research and Development)	Docket No. 17-MISC-02
Program 2017/18)	

Notice of Staff Workshop

Potential Areas of Research on Climate Change for the Electricity and Natural Gas Systems

California Energy Commission staff will conduct a workshop to discuss two separate funding programs: the Electric Program Investment Charge (EPIC) and the Natural Gas Research Program. This workshop will include discussion on active energy –related climate research and potential areas of climate research for electricity system for the 2018–2020 Triennial EPIC Investment Plan. The workshop will also include discussion on potential future climate research for the natural gas system for the 2017-2018 Natural Gas Research Budget Plan. Stakeholders may participate in person or online. While this is a staff workshop, Commissioners may attend and participate. The workshop will be held on:

Thursday March 16, 2017

Beginning at 1:00 p.m.

CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

1516 Ninth Street,

First Floor, Art Rosenfeld Hearing Room

Sacramento, California

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Background

The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) established the purposes and governance for the Electric Program Investment Charge (EPIC) in Decision 12-05-037 for Rulemaking 11-10-003 on May 24, 2012, as modified, available online at:

http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/PublishedDocs/WORD_PDF/FINAL_DECISION/167664.PDF.

Some portion of the EPIC Program administered by the Energy Commission provides funding for: increasing the resiliency of the electricity system to climate change and

extreme weather events; identifying optimal pathways for achieving California's energy and climate goals; evaluating strategies to mitigate the impacts of the electricity system on the environment and public health and safety; optimizing management practices associated with the water-energy nexus; climate adaptation planning; and emissions reduction approaches that produce actionable science for the benefit of electricity ratepayers.

CPUC's EPIC schedule calls for EPIC administrators, including the Energy Commission, to submit a proposed 2018–2020 Triennial EPIC Investment Plan to the CPUC by May 1, 2017. The EPIC administrators held a workshop on February 3, 2017 to discuss the framework and themes for the 2018–2020 Triennial EPIC Investment Plan.

The Energy Commission also administers the Natural Gas Research Program funded by natural gas ratepayers. The Natural Gas R&D Program provides funding for climate research that produces actionable science for the benefit of natural gas ratepayers.

The Energy Commission submits to the CPUC annually the Natural Gas Research Budget Plan, which outlines proposed natural gas research. The Energy Commission held a workshop on January 24, 2017 to review the proposed initiatives in the 2017-2018 Natural Gas Research Budget Plan.

Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions
- Actionable Science Discussion
- Presentations elaborating upon the challenges and proposed solutions for environmental area research under the 2017 - 2018 Natural Gas Research Plan.
- Public Comment
- Presentations elaborating upon the challenges and proposed solutions for environmental area research under the 2018–2020 Triennial EPIC Investment Plan
- Public Comment
- Next Steps and Concluding Remarks
- Adjourn

Public Comment

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

Written comments: For the *EPIC 2018-2020 Triennial Investment Plan*, written comments should be submitted to the Dockets Unit by **5:00 p.m. on March 23, 2017**. All written comments may become part of the public record of this proceeding. For the Staff Workshop on Electric Program Investment Charge 2018 – 2020 Triennial Investment Plan Scoping Workshop, the Energy Commission is using an electronic commenting system. Visit our website at: <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Ecomment/Ecomment.aspx?docketnumber=17-EPIC-01> to add comments to the 17-EPIC-01 EPIC Ideas Exchange docket.

For the FY 2017-18 Natural Gas Research Budget Plan, written comments should be submitted to the Dockets Unit by **5:00 p.m. on March 23, 2017**. All written comments will be considered for the 2017-18 Natural Gas Research Budget Plan. To provide input on *Potential Areas of Natural Gas Research and Development for the Proposed Program Plan and Funding Request for 2017/18*, the Energy Commission is using an electronic commenting system. Visit our website at: <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=17-MISC-02> to add comments to the 17-MISC-02 Potential Areas of Natural Gas Research and Development for the Proposed Program Plan and Funding Request for 2017/18 docket.

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California Energy Commission
Dockets Office, MS-4
Re: Docket No. 17-EPIC-01 or 17-MISC-02
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.

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Availability of Documents

Documents and presentations for this workshop will be available online at:

<http://www.energy.ca.gov/research/epic/17-EPIC-01/documents/> .

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