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**CALIFORNIA ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION
AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

In the Matter of:

**Repeal of Regulations for
Digital Television Adapters**

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) 07-AAER-2
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P R O C E E D I N G S

10:04 a.m.

PRESIDING MEMBER PFANNENSTIEL: Good morning. This is the Energy Commission's Efficiency Committee public hearing on docket 07-AAER-2, which concerns the repeal of regulations for digital television adapters.

I'm Jackie Pfannenstiel; I am the Presiding Commissioner of the Efficiency Committee. On the phone is Commissioner Rosenfeld, the Associate Member of the Committee. Are you there, Art?

ASSOCIATE MEMBER ROSENFELD: I am here.

PRESIDING MEMBER PFANNENSTIEL: Thank you.

This should be a fairly straightforward proceeding. The Energy Commission adopted standards for various appliances, including television, digital television adapters, to take effect on January 1, 2008.

We have since then learned that the National Telecommunications Infrastructure Administration has adopted standards for DTAs that we believe will, in fact, provide further energy savings to the State of California.

1 Therefore, we are hereby proposing to
2 repeal the standards that we had previously
3 adopted for DTAs.

4 With that I'll ask the staff, the staff
5 counsel in this matter, to provide some background
6 of the issue. Bill.

7 MR. STAAK: Good morning, Commissioners.
8 My name is Bill Staak; I'm a Senior Staff Counsel
9 for the Energy Commission. I also have with me
10 today, Ms. Chrisman and Mr. Singh of our technical
11 staff of the appliance efficiency program.

12 We are here today to accept public
13 comments for the notice of proposed action, docket
14 number 07-AAER-2, which consists of amendments to
15 the appliance regulations in Title 20, California
16 Code of Regulations, to repeal the appliance
17 efficiency standard for digital television
18 adapters.

19 The Energy Commission published the
20 notice of proposed action that includes the
21 initial statement of reasons with supporting
22 documentation and express terms; which provides
23 that the Energy Commission's legal and technical
24 basis for the proposed repeal of the DTA
25 efficiency standards.

1 The public comment period for these
2 proposed regulations began on August 24, 2007; and
3 will end on October 10, 2007.

4 On October 10, 2007, the full Energy
5 Commission will consider adopting these proposed
6 amendments at a public hearing.

7 Finally, any person may present oral
8 statements or arguments relevant to this proposed
9 action at today's hearing; and submit written
10 comments up to 10:00 a.m. on October 10, 2007, the
11 date the full Energy Commission will consider
12 adoption of the proposed regulations.

13 Unless you have any questions this would
14 be the end of my presentation.

15 PRESIDING MEMBER PFANNENSTIEL: Thank
16 you, Mr. Staak.

17 I would ask now whether there's anybody
18 in the public who would like to make comments.
19 Mr. Jensen.

20 MR. JENSEN: Madam Chair and Member,
21 Kelly Jensen representing the Consumer Electronics
22 Association. We thank the Commission very much
23 for their proposed action today, and to send this
24 on to the full Commission. It was our pleasure
25 working with you to try and resolve this issue.

1 And believe that it's appropriate that
2 the federal government take a look at this. And
3 it seems like they have done a good job in looking
4 at this and proposing greater energy savings.

5 So, thank you very much; and we look
6 forward to continuing to work on these issues with
7 the Chair and the Commission. Thank you.

8 PRESIDING MEMBER PFANNENSTIEL: Thank
9 you, Mr. Jensen. One of those rare cases where
10 everybody seems more satisfied with the outcome.

11 Any other comment from the public?

12 Hearing none, then we will take the
13 proposal forward to the full Commission at our
14 business meeting on October 10th.

15 Anything further, Mr. Staak?

16 MR. STAAK: No.

17 PRESIDING MEMBER PFANNENSTIEL: Anything
18 further, Commissioner Rosenfeld?

19 ASSOCIATE MEMBER ROSENFELD: No. I'm
20 very happy that we were all on the same side this
21 time.

22 PRESIDING MEMBER PFANNENSTIEL: All
23 right, then we'll be adjourned.


24 (Whereupon, at 10:09 a.m., the hearing
25 was adjourned.)

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