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The Publicly Owned Utility Integrated Resource Plan Submission and Review Guidelines, Revised Second Edition (Guidelines) were adopted Wednesday, October 3, 2018, at a regularly scheduled California Energy Commission business meeting. The Guidelines specify the requirements for submitting information, data, and reports needed to support the Energy Commission's review of integrated resource plans (IRP) submitted by the specified local publicly owned electric utilities in accordance with Senate Bill 350 (de León, Chapter 547, Statutes of 2015).

SB 350 requires the Energy Commission to produce guidelines for and to review IRPs from local publicly owned electric utilities (POU). Those POUs with an average load greater than 700 gigawatt-hours (in the 2013-16 period) are required to adopt IRPs by January 1, 2019, submit them to the Energy Commission, and update them at least once every five years thereafter. Based on historical data, 16 POUs are expected to be required to file an IRP.

IRPs are electricity system planning documents intended to ensure that POUs lay out the resource needs, policy goals, physical and operational constraints, and general priorities or proposed resource choices, including customer-side preferred resources. These plans will provide a framework to evaluate how utilities have chosen to align with greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reduction targets as well as energy and other policy goals outlined in SB 350.

The revised second edition of the *Guidelines* adds a reference to the 2030 GHG emissions reduction targets established by the California Air Resources Board, and includes additional instructions for reporting GHG emissions in the reporting tables that clarify how to report spot market purchases and sales in GHG emissions accounting.

The Guidelines, Second Edition are available online at https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=18-IRP-01.

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