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Vice Chair Janea A. Scott is the lead commissioner for the 2019 Integrated Energy Policy Report (2019 IEPR). Vice Chair Scott will jointly conduct this workshop with Commissioners Karen Douglas and Andrew McAllister of the Energy Commission, Commissioners Martha Guzman-Aceves, Cliff Rechtschaffen, and Genevieve Shiroma of the CPUC, and Richard Corey, Executive Officer of ARB. A quorum of commissioners may be in attendance, but no votes will be taken.

**Tuesday, July 30, 2019** 

10:00 a.m.

Warren-Alquist State Energy Building Art Rosenfeld Hearing Room, First Floor 1516 Ninth Street, Sacramento, California 95814 (Wheelchair Accessible)

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## **Agenda**

The workshop will open with a panel of state agency representatives reporting on the implementation status of the recommendations in the Low-Income Barriers Study Part A and Part B. The panel will include staff from the Energy Commission, CPUC, ARB, California Department of Community Services and Development, California Alternative Energy and Advanced Transportation Financing Authority, and California Workforce Development Board.

The workshop will also include two panel discussions with environmental justice and community-based organizations, academics, and others with relevant knowledge on the issues affecting low-income customers, disadvantaged communities, and clean energy and transportation opportunities. One panel will discuss additional actions and strategies that state agencies could be prioritizing moving forward to advance energy equity in disadvantaged communities, including, but not limited to, boosting community engagement, increasing access to incentives for low-income multifamily building energy efficiency retrofits, development of tariff on-bill financing programs, and launching a regional climate collaborative and comprehensive technical assistance program. The other panel will explore emerging energy equity topics in clean energy and transportation, including low-income customer access to, and potential impacts from, building decarbonization, energy storage, and transportation electrification.

A detailed meeting schedule will be posted prior to the workshop at: http://www.energy.ca.gov/2019\_energypolicy/.

## **Background**

SB 350, set two objectives in clean energy, clean air, and pollution control for 2030: increase the requirement for renewable electricity procurement to 50 percent and double projected future energy efficiency savings for both electricity and natural gas. SB 32 (Pavley, Chapter 249, Statutes of 2016) set a statewide goal to reduce California's GHG emissions 40 percent below 1990 levels by 2030. SB 197 (Garcia, Chapter 250, Statutes of 2016) requires that the state's implementation of its GHG emission reduction goals be transparent and equitable, with the benefits reaching disadvantaged communities.

SB 350 found that there was insufficient understanding of the barriers to access for low-income customers and disadvantaged communities to renewable energy generated in the state, energy efficiency investments, and zero-emission and near-zero emission transportation options, as well as contracting opportunities for small businesses located in disadvantaged communities. For this reason, SB 350 directed the Energy Commission and ARB to identify barriers and develop recommendations for increasing access for low-income customers and disadvantaged communities in those areas. As a result, the Energy Commission and ARB developed the Low-Income Barriers Study, Part A and Low-Income Barriers Study. Part B, respectively.

The Low-Income Barriers Study, Part A, was published in December 2016, and is available at https://www.energy.ca.gov/sb350/barriers\_report/.

The Low-Income Barriers Study, Part B, Final Guidance Document, was published in February 2018, and is available at https://www.arb.ca.gov/resources/documents/carb-barriers-report-final-guidance-document.

The Energy Commission's Low-Income Barriers Study, Part A, contains 12 recommendations that encourage state agencies to pursue promising approaches to addressing the challenges faced by low-income customers, including those in disadvantaged communities, in accessing clean energy and its associated benefits. ARB's Low-Income Barriers Study, Part B, identifies six priority recommendations that most directly address the barriers low-income residents (including those in disadvantaged communities) face to access zero-emission and near-zero emission transportation and mobility options.

Since the passage of SB 350, state agencies have been implementing programs to address the barriers and increase access to clean energy and transportation for low-income residents and disadvantaged communities, which maximize public health and economic benefits. With the enactment of more recent bills, including SB 100 (De León, Chapter 310, Statutes of 2018), which accelerated the renewables goal to 60 percent by 2030 and codified the state's commitment to a near carbon-free electricity sector by 2045, the Energy Commission seeks to identify additional actions needed to dramatically reduce GHG emissions while making sure that low-income and disadvantaged communities share the benefits of a transformed energy sector.

#### **Public Comment**

**Oral Comments**: Commissioners will accept oral comments at the end of the workshop. Public comments may be limited to three minutes or less per speaker and to one person per organization. If participating via WebEx, use the "raise hand feature" so the administrator can introduce you and unmute your microphone after comments from the floor.

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