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STATE OF CALIFORNIA

STATE ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF:

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CLEAN TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM'S 2020-2023 INVESTMENT PLAN UPDATE

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 118 (Núñez, Chapter 750, Statutes of 2007) established the Clean Transportation Program (CTP, formally called the Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Program) to be administered by the Energy Commission (CEC), with a goal to "develop and deploy innovative technologies that transform California's fuel and vehicle types to help attain the state's climate change policies" (Health and Safety Code §44272(a)). The same law also directs the CEC to develop and update an investment plan that will determine priorities and opportunities for the CTP (Health and Safety Code §44272.5); and

WHEREAS, the CEC must prepare and submit an investment plan update to the Legislature (Health and Safety Code §44272.7(b)); and

WHEREAS, although the 2020-2023 Investment Plan Update is the first CTP investment plan to include funding allocations for the next three and a half fiscal years, the CEC will continue to develop annual updates to the investment plan; and

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 8 (Perea, Chapter 401, Statutes of 2013) extended the collection of fees supporting the CTP until January 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the development of the 2020-2023 Investment Plan Update has benefitted from two Advisory Committee meetings and well over 100 comments submitted to public docket; and

WHEREAS, after considering all materials and comments received, Commissioner Monahan, Lead Commissioner for Transportation, released a draft of the 2020-2023 Investment Plan Update on September 30, 2020. The latest draft, incorporating only minor, clarifying changes to two tables' notes, was released October 13, 2020. The 2020-2023 Investment Plan Update includes proposed funding allocations for fuels and technologies designed to advance the goals of the CTP; and

WHEREAS, the CEC staff will develop solicitations, grants, and other types of agreements in the ensuing fiscal years to implement these funding allocations; and

WHEREAS, the CEC has considered the application of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to the adoption of the 2020-2023 Investment Plan Update, and concludes that the 2020-2023 Investment Plan Update is not a "project" for purposes under CEQA because it fits within activities excluded from the definition of "projects" under CEQA, including the "creation of government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities which do not involve any commitment to a specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment" (14 California Code of Regulations Section 15378(b)(4)). The 2020-2023 Investment Plan Update proposes funding for categories of activities, but decisions to fund specific projects will be made in the future through competitive solicitations or other selection mechanisms.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the CEC hereby finds the 2020-2023 Investment Plan Update not to be a project under CEQA, adopts the 2020-2023 Investment Plan Update with any errata approved at the October 14, 2020 Business Meeting, directs CEC staff to prepare the 2020-2023 Investment Plan Update incorporating any non-substantive changes such as typographical corrections, to forward the 2020-2023 Investment Plan Update to the appropriate committees of the Legislature for review pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 44272.7(b), and to make the 2020-2023 Investment Plan Update available to the public.

<u>CERTIFICATION</u>

The undersigned Secretariat to the Commission does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a Resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the CEC held on October 14, 2020.

AYE: Hochschild, Scott, Douglas, McAllister, Monahan

NAY: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

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