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*IN THE MATTER OF:**2021 Integrated Energy Policy Report
(2021 IEPR)*

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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

RE: Final 2021 Integrated Energy
Policy Report, Volume III**Notice of Availability and Consideration for Adoption,
2021 Integrated Energy Policy Report, Volume III:
Decarbonizing the State's Gas System**

The lead California Energy Commission (CEC) commissioner for the *2021 Integrated Energy Policy Report (2021 IEPR)*, J. Andrew McAllister, seeks public comments on the *Draft 2021 Integrated Energy Policy Report (Draft 2021 IEPR), Volume III: Decarbonizing the State's Gas System*. The *Draft 2021 IEPR* is available on the CEC's 2021 IEPR [web page](https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/reports/integrated-energy-policy-report/2021-integrated-energy-policy-report) at <https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/reports/integrated-energy-policy-report/2021-integrated-energy-policy-report>. Volume III will be considered for adoption at the CEC's March 9, 2022, business meeting. The CEC adopted the other volumes and the appendix of the *2021 IEPR* on February 16, 2022.

To assist parties in their review, two versions of the report are available:

1. One shows changes to the January 2022 draft in underline/strikeout with new text underlined and deleted text in strikeout (for example, underline/~~strikeout~~).
2. The second incorporates the changes without showing text in underline/strikeout.

Background

Public Resources Code Section 25301 requires the CEC to prepare an IEPR every two years that includes assessments and forecasts of all aspects of energy industry supply, production, transportation, delivery and distribution, demand, and prices. The CEC uses these assessments and forecasts to develop and evaluate energy policies and programs that conserve resources, protect the environment, ensure energy reliability, enhance the state's economy, and protect public health and safety.

Public Resources Code Section 25302(e) directs state government entities to use the information and analyses contained in the adopted IEPR to carry out their energy-related duties and

responsibilities. The CEC has coordinated closely with other agencies to ensure consistency in the underlying information used to develop this report.

The IEPR lead commissioner issued a scoping order on March 16, 2021, identifying topics to cover in the report. As detailed in the scoping order, the *2021 IEPR* is composed of four volumes and an appendix. The following volumes were adopted on February 16, 2022:

- **Volume I** addresses actions needed to reduce the greenhouse gases (GHG) related to the buildings in which Californians live and work, with an emphasis on energy efficiency. It also addresses reducing GHGs from the industrial and agricultural sectors.
- **Volume II** examines actions needed to increase the reliability and resiliency of California's energy system.
- **Volume IV** reports on California's energy demand outlook, including a forecast to 2035 and long-term energy demand scenarios to 2050. The analysis includes the electricity, gas, and transportation sectors.
- **Appendix** evaluates the benefits of California's Clean Transportation Program.

Volume III looks at the evolving role of gas in California's energy system. *This volume is available for comment with this notice and will be considered for adoption on March 9, 2022.*

The CEC held 21 workshops from January 2021 through December 2021 on the topics identified in the scoping order. Information from the workshops and public comments were key inputs in developing the *Final 2021 IEPR, Volume III*. All workshop documents including agendas, background material, transcripts, presentations, and public comments, are available on the CEC's 2021 IEPR [web page](https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/reports/integrated-energy-policy-report/2021-integrated-energy-policy-report/2021-iepr) at <https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/reports/integrated-energy-policy-report/2021-integrated-energy-policy-report/2021-iepr>.

Public Comment

Written comments must be submitted to the Docket Unit by 5:00 p.m. on **Thursday, March 3, 2022**. Written and oral comments, attachments, and associated contact information (including address, phone number, and email address) will become part of the public record of this proceeding with access available via any internet search engine.

The CEC encourages use of its electronic commenting system. Visit the [e-commenting page](https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Ecomment/Ecomment.aspx?docketnumber=21-IEPR-01) (<https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Ecomment/Ecomment.aspx?docketnumber=21-IEPR-01>), which links to the comment page for this docket. Enter your contact information and a comment title describing the subject of your comment(s). Comments may be included in the "Comment Text" box or attached as a downloadable, searchable document in Microsoft® Word or Adobe® Acrobat®. The maximum file size allowed is 10 MB.

Written comments may be submitted by email. Include docket number 21-IEPR-01 and Draft 2021 IEPR in the subject line and email to docket@energy.ca.gov.

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Availability of Documents

The service list for the 2021 IEPR is electronic. Notices and documents for this proceeding are posted to the CEC [web page](https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/reports/integrated-energy-policy-report/2021-integrated-energy-policy-report) at <https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/reports/integrated-energy-policy-report/2021-integrated-energy-policy-report>.

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Dated: Wednesday, February 22, 2022, at Sacramento, California

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