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IN THE MATTER OF:

2022 Integrated Energy Policy Report Update (2022 IEPR Update) Docket No. 22-IEPR-04

NOTICE OF WORKSHOP

RE: Centering Equity and Environmental Justice Throughout CEC Efforts

# Notice of IEPR Commissioner Workshop on Centering Equity and Environmental Justice Throughout CEC Efforts

June 29, 2022

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

## **Primary Physical Location:**

Imperial Valley College Building 2700, Floor 1, Room 2734 380 E. Aten Road, Imperial, CA 92251 (Wheelchair Accessible)

## **Additional Publicly Accessible Location:**

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

## Remote Option via Zoom™

https://zoom.us/, webinar ID: 968 9721 2989 and passcode: IEPR2022

The California Energy Commission (CEC) will host a workshop for the public to help the CEC develop a framework to center equity and environmental justice (equity and environmental justice framework), to revisit the Energy Equity Indicators tool<sup>1</sup> developed to identify areas to

<sup>1</sup> Senate Bill 350 (De León, Chapter 547, Statutes of 2015) codified renewable and energy efficiency goals and took steps to ensure the benefits of clean energy transformation are realized by all Californians, especially those in the most vulnerable communities. In 2018, the CEC launched the Energy Equity Indicators as part of its efforts to implement the statute.

invest resources, and to explore approaches to ensure meaningful community engagement to achieve a clean energy future for all.

The workshop is part of the 2022 IEPR Update proceeding. Vice Chair Siva Gunda is CEC's Lead Commissioner for the 2022 IEPR Update. This will be a hybrid meeting, with multiple publicly accessible locations connected via teleconference. At least one commissioner will be at the primary physical location. A quorum of commissioners may participate by attending the meeting in-person at the additional location listed above, but no votes will be taken.

The public can participate in the workshop consistent with the direction provided below. Please note that the CEC aims to begin promptly at the start time posted and the end time is an estimate based on the agenda proposed. The workshop may end sooner or later than the posted end time depending on various factors.

#### **Attendance Instructions**

**In-person** participants may join at Imperial Valley College, Building 2700, Floor 1, Room 2734, 380 E. Aten Road, Imperial, CA 92251.

**Participants may also join from Sacramento** at the Warren-Alquist State Energy Building, Rosenfeld Hearing Room, First Floor, 1516 Ninth Street, Sacramento, California 95814. The meeting will be broadcast via Zoom using the audio system and the screens in the hearing room. There will be an opportunity to provide public comments from this location using a microphone that will be available in the room.

If participants choose to bring their own device to join the meeting via Zoom at either the Imperial Valley College or Sacramento locations, they must mute their system audio or not join the audio (audio will be provided through the onsite sound systems). This is necessary to avoid causing feedback that will disrupt the meeting.

**Remote** participants may join via Zoom by internet or by phone.

- To use Zoom's online platform, click on this link, ttps://energy.zoom.us/j/96897212989?pwd=RHZUVIZ3RkJpcUJ3WWIzcHpyYk9Rdz09 or by logging in via Zoom™ at <a href="https://zoom.us/">https://zoom.us/</a>, entering the unique Webinar ID: 968 9721 2989 and passcode: IEPR2022, and following all prompts.
- To participate by telephone, call toll-free at (888) 475-4499 or toll at (669) 219-2599. When prompted, enter the Webinar ID: 968 9721 2989 and passcode: IEPR2022.

If you experience difficulties joining, contact Zoom at (888) 799-9666 ext. 2, or the Public Advisor at <a href="mailto:publicadvisor@energy.ca.gov">publicadvisor@energy.ca.gov</a>, or by phone at (916) 957-7910.

Attendees using a computer can access **Zoom's closed captioning service** by clicking on the "live transcript" icon and then choosing either "show subtitle" or "view full transcript." The closed captioning service can be stopped by closing out of the "live transcript" or selecting the "hide subtitle" icon. If using a phone, closed captioning is automatic and cannot be turned off. While the closed captioning is available in real-time, it typically includes errors. A more accurate

transcript of the workshop developed by a professional court reporter will be docketed and posted in a later timeframe.

## **Agenda**

The workshop will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. with a break at approximately 12:30 p.m. and resuming at 1:30 p.m.

In the morning, CEC staff will present background information and the fundamentals about IEPR, discuss the equity and environmental justice framework, and introduce the effort to revisit the Energy Equity Indicators tool.

In the afternoon, outreach and engagement experts will participate in a discussion exploring the benefits of regional engagement and effective local approaches. Afterward, attendees will participate in small group discussions to share practices, expertise, and lessons from their own experience that can inform the *2022 IEPR Update* and shape the equity and environmental justice framework.

Opportunities for Q&A will be provided throughout the workshop sessions with formal public comment at the end of each session.

A detailed meeting schedule will be posted prior to the workshop at <u>Docket No. 22-IEPR-04</u>, https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=22-IEPR-04.

## **Background**

As described in the <u>Scoping Order for the 2022 IEPR Update</u> at https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/reports/integrated-energy-policy-report/2022-integrated-energy-policy-report-update, the CEC aims to establish a framework centering equity and environmental justice throughout all CEC efforts and relevant tools to help implement the framework.

Aligned with the state's commitment to a "California for All" agenda and as part of the CEC's current comprehensive effort called the Inclusion Diversity Equity and Access (IDEA) Initiative, the CEC will establish an equity and environmental justice framework to guide CEC activities. The IDEA Initiative focuses internally to improve the workplace and externally to improve programs. This framework will help the CEC continue removing barriers and increasing opportunities for all Californians to live with dignity and achieve prosperity regardless of race, income, or location. The framework will provide:

- Guidance for CEC leadership, divisions, and offices on how to prioritize equity and environmental justice in tribal and stakeholder engagement, regulatory decisionmaking, program development and implementation, investment decisions, policy analysis, and other practices.
- Baseline definitions for terms used by the CEC, including energy equity and the processes to be employed, along with benefits, non-energy considerations, and social costs.
- Recommendations for an outreach and engagement approach, improvements for existing efforts, and ways to create an action plan for future activities.

The framework will be accompanied by an assessment mechanism and action plan. Conducting assessments will enable the CEC to help ensure our work is being completed with an equity and environmental justice lens. The CEC will complete the action plan after learning more from the assessments.

The CEC will also revisit the Energy Equity Indicators to determine whether the indicators should be updated, reimagined, or kept the same. The Energy Equity Indicators were developed in response to recommendations from the SB 350 Barriers Study at https://www.energy.ca.gov/rules-and-regulations/energy-suppliers-reporting/clean-energy-and-pollution-reduction-act-sb-350/sb, to help identify opportunities to improve access to clean energy technologies for low-income customers and disadvantaged communities, increase clean energy investment in those communities, and improve community resilience to grid outages and extreme events.

#### **Public Comment**

**Oral comments** will be accepted at the end of the morning and afternoon sessions of the workshop. Comments may be limited to three minutes or less per speaker and one person per organization. Depending on the number of members of the public seeking to make a comment, the facilitator may adjust the total time allotted for public comment and the time allotted for each comment.

If participating via Zoom's online platform, use the "raise hand" feature to alert the administrator that you would like to make a comment after the lead commissioner opens the floor for public comment.

If participating by telephone, press \*9 to "raise your hand" and \*6 to mute/unmute. A workshop administrator will call on you by the last three digits of your phone number. Unmute your phone before introducing yourself and sharing your comment.

The Public Advisor may, upon the request of public participants who may be absent during the workshop when a matter of interest to them is being discussed, neutrally and publicly relate those participants' points to the CEC on behalf of the public. If you are interested in this service, please email concise comments, specifying your main points, before the start of the workshop to the Public Advisor at <a href="mailto:publicadvisor@energy.ca.gov">publicadvisor@energy.ca.gov</a>. Comments submitted after the workshop starts will be filed in the workshop docket.

Written comments must be submitted to the Docket Unit by 5:00 p.m. on July 20, 2022.

The CEC encourages use of its electronic commenting system. Visit the <u>e-commenting page</u> https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Ecomment/Ecomment.aspx?docketnumber=22-IEPR-04 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 consistent with title 20 of the California Code of Regulations, section 1208.1. The maximum file size allowed is 10 MB.

Written comments may be submitted by email. Include docket number **22-IEPR-04** and **Centering Equity and Environmental Justice Throughout CEC Efforts** in the subject line and email to <a href="mailto:docket@energy.ca.gov">docket@energy.ca.gov</a>.

If preferred, a paper copy may be sent to:

California Energy Commission
Docket Unit, MS-4
Docket No. 22-IEPR-04
715 P Street
Sacramento, California 95814-5512

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.

#### **Public Advisor and Other CEC Contacts**

The CEC's Public Advisor provides the public with assistance in participating in CEC proceedings. For information about how to participate in this workshop or to request interpreting services or other reasonable modification and accommodations, reach out by phone at (916) 957-7910 or via email at <a href="mailto:publicadvisor@energy.ca.gov">publicadvisor@energy.ca.gov</a>. Requests for interpreting services, reasonable modifications, and accommodations should be made as soon as possible but at least five days in advance of the workshop. The CEC will work diligently to meet all requests based on the availability of the service or resource requested.

**Direct media inquiries** to <a href="mediaoffice@energy.ca.gov">mediaoffice@energy.ca.gov</a> or (916) 654-4989.

**Direct technical subject inquiries** to Katrina Leni-Konig at <u>katrina.leni-konig@energy.ca.gov</u> or (916) 957-7911.

**Direct general inquiries** regarding the IEPR proceeding to Raquel Kravitz at <a href="mailto:raquel.kravitz@energy.ca.gov">raquel.kravitz@energy.ca.gov</a> or (916) 907-4284.

## **Availability of Documents**

Documents and presentations for this meeting will be available from the <u>IEPR webpage</u> at https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/reports/integrated-energy-policy-report/2022-integrated-energy-policy-report-update, or at <u>Docket No. 22-IEPR-04</u>, https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=22-IEPR-04.

When new information is posted, an email will be sent to the list subscriptions identified below. To receive these notices about the IEPR, subscribe at <a href="Integrated Energy Policy Report - IEPR">Integrated Energy Policy Report - IEPR</a> | California Energy Commission, https://energy.ca.gov/data-reports/integrated-energy-policy-report Manage existing list servers or sign up for others at <a href="CEC Subscriptions">CEC Subscriptions</a>, at https://www.energy.ca.gov/subscriptions.

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