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# **Item 10: Amendments to Small Powerplant Exemption Regulations (Docket No. 21-OIR-04)**

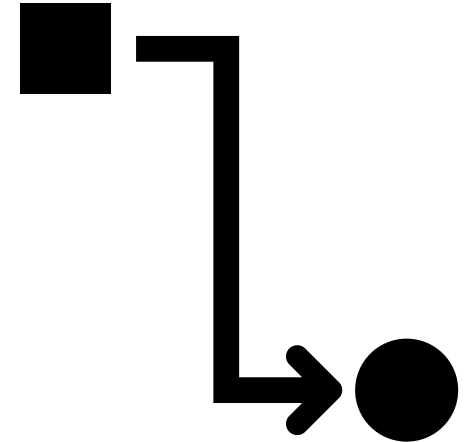
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# Benefits to Californians

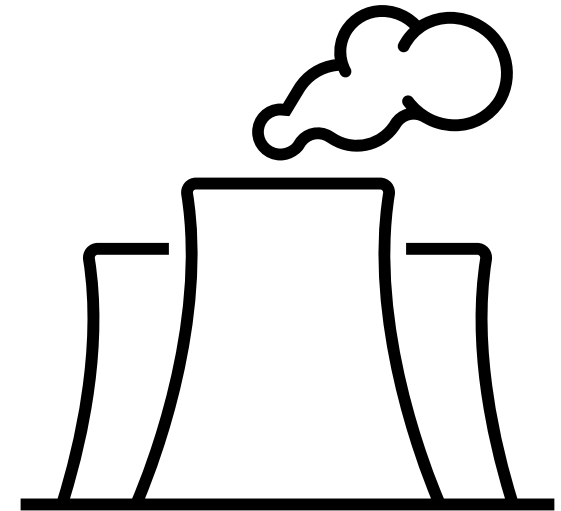
- Streamlines application review
- Removes obsolete process
- Improves transparency





# SPPE Regulations Overview

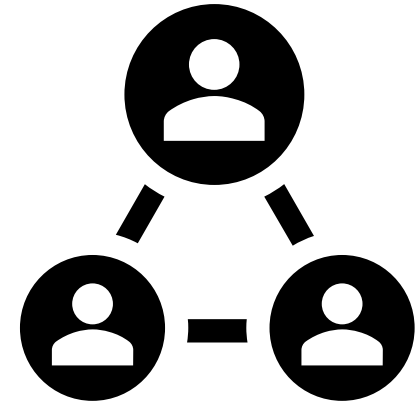
- Warren-Alquist Act authorizes CEC to exempt from its jurisdiction thermal powerplants with a generating capacity up to 100 MW.
- Must find **NO** substantial adverse impacts to the environment or energy resources.
- Approving SPPE application is **NOT** approval of project.





# Proposed Regulations

- Proposed amendments:
  - Eliminate evidentiary process.
  - Update info requirements in Appendix B.
  - Preserve robust environmental review and public participation.
- Key dates:
  - 45-day public comment period ended 8/29/2022.
  - Public hearing 8/30/2022.





# Recommendation

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- Approve the resolution:
  - Find that adoption of regulations in 21-OIR-04 is not a project under CEQA or alternatively exempt, and
  - Adopt amendments to Sections 1934-1948, Appendix B and Appendix F of California Code of Regulations title 20.