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#### IN THE MATTER OF:

Accelerating Interconnection of Clean Energy Resources with the Bulk Power System for the 2023 Integrated Energy Policy Report DOCKET NO. 23-IEPR-04

NOTICE OF REMOTE ACCESS

WORKSHOP – UPDATED

## UPDATED: LATER START TIME, 10:00 a.m.

# Notice of Commissioner Workshop on the Clean Energy Interconnection – Bulk Grid Thursday, May 4, 2023

**10.00 a.m.** (originally scheduled at 9:30 a.m.) – 5:00 p.m. Remote Access Only See Attendance Instructions

The California Energy Commission (CEC) will host a remote-access workshop to gather information on processes and timelines for interconnection of clean energy resources such as grid-scale zero carbon generation and energy storage with the bulk electric system. Speakers from state agencies and utilities will describe ongoing initiatives to improve interconnection processes as well as clean resource and transmission planning. This workshop will also feature presentations from developers and researchers providing recommendations for accelerating deployment and interconnection of clean energy resources on the bulk electric grid in support of reaching climate goals.

This workshop is part of the 2023 Integrated Energy Policy Report (IEPR) proceeding. Commissioner Patty Monahan is the CEC's Lead Commissioner for the 2023 IEPR. A quorum of commissioners may participate, but no votes will be taken.

The public can participate in the workshop as described below. The CEC aims to begin promptly at the start time posted and the end time is an estimate based on the proposed agenda. The workshop may end sooner or later than the posted end time.

## **Agenda**

The workshop will include presentations by the California Public Utilities Commission, the California Independent System Operator (California ISO), utilities, developers, and other stakeholders providing an overview of resource interconnection processes, current and potential future

challenges to interconnection, and ongoing efforts to improve processes relative to the bulk electric grid.

A detailed final schedule will be posted prior to the workshop at <u>2023 IEPR Workshops</u>, <u>Notices and Documents</u>, https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/reports/integrated-energy-policy-report/2023-integrated-energy-policy-report/2023-iepr.

## **Background**

The proposed focus of the 2023 IEPR is identifying barriers and solutions to accelerate the connection (including interconnection, energization, and associated system upgrades) of clean energy technologies with both the bulk electric grid and the electric distribution grid. This workshop will focus on resource interconnection relative to the bulk electric grid.

California's climate goals are driving an increase in the development of grid scale clean energy projects. This in turn is putting pressure on existing interconnection processes, making the timely interconnection of these resources at the bulk electric system one of the key challenges to California's clean energy transition. For example, the California ISO has received interconnection requests that are triple the annual average. The continued growth in the development of grid scale clean energy resources associated with achieving Senate Bill 100 (De León, Chapter 312, Statutes of 2018), goals highlights the need to examine existing interconnection processes and identify recommendations for accelerating deployment and interconnection of clean energy resources on the bulk electric grid in support of reaching climate goals.

## **Attendance Instructions**

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### **Public Comment**

The CEC encourages the use of its electronic commenting system. Visit the <u>e-commenting page</u> for this docket at https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Ecomment/Ecomment.aspx?docketnumber=23-IEPR-04. Enter your contact information and a subject title that describes your comment. 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.

**Oral comments** will be accepted at 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.

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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 read those participant comments into the record during the public comment period. 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 or that cannot be read within a three-minute timeframe will be filed in the workshop docket.

Written comments may be submitted to the Docket Unit by 5:00 p.m. on May 23, 2023.

Written comments may also be submitted by email. Include docket number 23-IEPR-04 and "Accelerating Interconnection with the Bulk Power System" in the subject line and email to docket@energy.ca.gov.

If preferred, a paper copy may be mailed to:

California Energy Commission
Docket Unit, MS-4
Docket No. 23-IEPR-04
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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.

### **Contacts**

**Public Advisor.** The CEC's Public Advisor assists the public with participation in CEC proceedings. To request assistance, interpreting services, or reasonable modifications and accommodations, call

(916) 957-7910 or email <a href="mailto:publicadvisor@energy.ca.gov">publicadvisor@energy.ca.gov</a> 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 availability.

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# **Availability of Documents**

Documents and presentations for this meeting will be available online at <u>2023 Integrated Energy Policy Report (ca.gov)</u>, https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/reports/integrated-energy-policy-report/2023-integrated-energy-policy-report, or at https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=23-IEPR-04.

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**Dated:** April 26, 2023, at Sacramento, California.

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