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IN THE MATTER OF:

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NOTICE OF REMOTE ACCESS WORKSHOP

RE: Workshop on Analytical Framework Results for Gas Decommissioning

Notice of Workshop on Analytical Framework Results for Strategic Gas Infrastructure Decommissioning in Northern California

February 28, 2024

9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Remote Access Only See Attendance Instructions.

The California Energy Commission (CEC) will host a workshop for grant recipient Energy and Environmental Economics Inc. (E3) to present their analysis results from the project "Strategic Pathways and Analytics for Tactical Decommissioning of Portions of Natural Gas Infrastructure in Northern California" funded under the Gas Research and Development (R&D) Program.

The public can participate in the workshop consistent with the attendance instructions 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

E3 will present their results from evaluating the feasibility, costs, system benefits, and community outreach efforts for strategic gas decommissioning at select pilot locations in the East Bay Area. Time will be reserved for questions and public comment at the end of the workshop.

The presentation portion of the workshop will include:

- 1. Overview of the site selection framework for identifying candidate sites for targeted electrification and gas decommissioning.
- 2. Application of this site selection framework to Ava Community Energy's (formerly East Bay Community Energy (EBCE)) service territory to identify pilot sites.
- 3. Quantitative analysis of the benefits and costs of targeted electrification and gas decommissioning at the potential pilot sites.
- 4. Discussion of community outreach and education efforts in these pilot communities.
- 5. Description of the proposed deployment plan for project implementation.

Background

Electrification of homes and businesses is an essential component of California's plan to achieve its net zero greenhouse gas emissions goals by 2045. However, building electrification will significantly challenge the funding and cost recovery mechanisms for California's gas distribution system. California policymakers and regulators are exploring strategic approaches to a managed transition for the gas system in a future with declining gas usage driven by electrification. This managed transition will need to include strategies for reducing gas system spending and managing rates for gas customers who have not or cannot make the switch to electric building equipment. This project investigates how targeted building electrification paired with tactical gas decommissioning can provide net gas system savings while promoting equity and meeting the needs of local communities.

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 23-ERDD-02 at

https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/EComment/EComment.aspx?docketnumber=23-ERDD-02. 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 welcomed at the end of the workshop. Comments may be limited to three minutes or less per speaker and one person per organization. To comment via Zoom, use the "raise hand" feature so the administrator can announce your name and unmute you. To comment via telephone, press *9 to "raise your hand" and *6 to mute/unmute.

Written comments may be submitted to the Docket Unit by 5:00 p.m. on March 13, 2024. 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. Written comments may also be submitted by email. Include docket number 23-ERDD-02 and Strategic Gas Infrastructure Decommissioning Workshop in the subject line and email to docket@energy.ca.gov.

A paper copy may be mailed to: California Energy Commission Docket Unit, MS-4 Docket No. 23-ERDD-02 715 P Street Sacramento, California 95814

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Availability of Documents: Documents and presentations for this meeting will be available in the <u>Docket Log</u> at https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=23-erdd-02. When new information is posted, an email will be sent to those subscribed to the Energy Research and Development and Public Interest Energy Research (PIER) Program. To receive these notices or notices of other email subscription topics, visit Subscriptions, at https://www.energy.ca.gov/subscriptions.

Dated: February 16, 2024, at Sacramento, California.

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