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STATE OF CALIFORNIA

STATE ENERGY RESOURCES
CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF:

*Preparing the final Scoping Order for
the 2024 IEPR Update*

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ORDER INSTITUTING
INFORMATIONAL PROCEEDING

I. Introduction

The California Energy Commission (CEC) is required to adopt the Integrated Energy Policy Report (IEPR) every two years and an update on alternate years.¹ The *2023 IEPR* contains an overview of major energy trends and issues facing the state, as well as a number of detailed assessments of energy supply and demand, energy reliability, efficiency, and other energy issues affecting the state’s economy, public health and safety, and environment. The *2024 IEPR Update* will update certain analyses from the *2023 IEPR*, raise energy issues that have emerged since the *2023 IEPR* was adopted, and address certain other statutory requirements. The IEPR update proceeding requires participation from, and coordination with an array of public and private stakeholders, including utilities, public agencies, marketers, producers, generators, importers and exporters, and others, many of whom submit detailed information to support the CEC’s analytical efforts. This IEPR update proceeding will also include consultation and coordination with California Native American tribes under the CEC Tribal Consultation Policy. Numerous workshops and other opportunities for public participation will be provided throughout the year-long proceeding. All public IEPR events are publicly noticed. Written comment and information from stakeholders and transcripts of IEPR events submitted into one of several IEPR dockets maintained for the proceeding, together with tribal consultation and engagement, serve as the basis for the recommendations in the final *2024 IEPR Update*.

II. Assignment of the Committee and Scope

Determining the scope of the *2024 IEPR Update* begins with review of the applicable statutory provisions, found in Public Resources Code sections 25301 et seq, and specific sections of the Public Utilities Code and Health and Safety Code which direct the CEC to periodically report on certain information and assessments in the IEPR. Additionally Public Resources Code section 25996(a) & (b) requires the *2024 IEPR Update* to include an evaluation of wave and tidal

¹ Public Resources Code, sections 25301 & 25302.

energy. Chair David Hochschild is the Lead Commissioner for the *2024 IEPR Update* and Vice Chair Siva Gunda is the Associate Commissioner.

On March 22, 2024, the Lead Commissioner issued a draft scoping order identifying the topics that will be examined in the *2024 IEPR Update*.² Following public comment, the final *Scoping Order for the final 2024 IEPR Update* was issued on April 22, 2024.³ The scope of the report addresses two topics:

- Electricity demand forecast update
- Wave and tidal energy

The *Scoping Order for the 2024 IEPR Update* is available from the program [webpage](https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/reports/integrated-energy-policy-report/2024-integrated-energy-policy-report-update) at <https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/reports/integrated-energy-policy-report/2024-integrated-energy-policy-report-update>. The *2024 IEPR Update* may also address other topics as the Lead Commissioner deems necessary.

III. Hearings and Workshops

The Commissioners responsible for overseeing the *2024 IEPR Update* will issue notices at least ten days in advance of their respective hearings and workshops and will identify at that time when written comments and testimony will be due, as well as the manner of the filing. Any person may make oral comments on the subject of this proceeding at these hearings and workshops. The written public comment periods for this proceeding, and the manner in which they will be required to be filed, will be established by separate notice.

IV. Authority

Pursuant to Public Resources Code section 25210 and California Code of Regulations, Title 20, section 1220(b), informational proceedings allow the CEC to hold hearings and take other actions to gather and assess information needed to assist it in formulating policies. Instituting an informational proceeding with the adoption of this Order ensures that the assigned Commissioners responsible for overseeing the preparation of the *2024 IEPR Update* can collect the information needed to complete the required analyses and assessments.

V. Participation

Those interested in receiving notices of workshops and hearings for the [2024 IEPR Update](https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/reports/integrated-energy-policy-report/2024-integrated-energy-policy-report-update) can subscribe at <https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/reports/integrated-energy-policy-report/2024-integrated-energy-policy-report-update>. (Scroll down the right side of the page to find “subscribe.”). Alternatively, parties may go to [CEC Subscriptions](https://www2.energy.ca.gov/listservers/index_cms.html), https://www2.energy.ca.gov/listservers/index_cms.html to sign up for the energypolicy subscription topic. There will be opportunities for providing comments before and during these hearings, the details of which will be specified in the notice issued for each hearing. In general, the following instructions will apply, but may be modified in the hearing notice:

For the 2024 IEPR Update, the CEC is using an electronic commenting system for written comments. Visit the [website](https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/reports/integrated-energy-policy-report/2024-integrated-energy-policy-report-update) at <https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/reports/integrated-energy-policy-report/2024-integrated-energy-policy-report-update>. Please select and expand the appropriate docket (there are four separate dockets for the *2024 IEPR Update* and more may be added as needed) and click on the “**Submit e-Comment**” link. This will take you to the page for adding comments to that docket. Please enter your contact information and comment title. You

² TN 255223.

³ TN 255866.

may include comments in the box titled “Comment Text” or attach a file with your comments. Attached comments must be in a Microsoft® Word (.doc, .docx) or Adobe® Acrobat® (.pdf) formatted file. The CEC encourages use of its electronic commenting system, but written comments may be submitted by emailing them to the Dockets Office, or by U.S. Mail to:

California Energy Commission
Dockets Unit, MS-4
Re: Docket No. 24-IEPR-01
715 P Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

If you choose not to use the electronic filing system, please include the appropriate docket number on any emailed or written comments. Comments may alternatively be emailed to docket@energy.ca.gov, with the appropriate docket number provided in the subject line. Please note that your electronic, emailed, written and oral comments, attachments, and associated contact information (for example, address, phone number, and email address) become part of the viewable public record. Additionally, this information may become available via Google, Yahoo, and other search engines.

Any person may make oral comments on the subject of the proceeding at workshops, hearings, and any other public events or forums for the *2024 IEPR Update*; the notice for each event will identify further details and any limitations surrounding the provision of such comments. California Native American tribes will also be invited to participate in government-to-government discussions to inform the *2024 IEPR Update*. The Lead and Associate Commissioners overseeing the *2024 IEPR Update* may also require the presence and participation of certain persons, consistent with the nature and purpose of the proceeding.

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 publicadvisor@energy.ca.gov as soon as possible but at least five days in advance. The CEC will work diligently to meet all requests based on availability. If you have questions about the subject matter of this order, please contact Heather Raitt, Director for the Integrated Energy Policy Report, at (916) 628-2355 or by email at Heather.Raitt@energy.ca.gov.

Direct media inquiries to mediaoffice@energy.ca.gov or (916) 654-4989.

VI. Conclusion and Order

The CEC therefore appoints the Lead and Associate Commissioners named above and orders the institution of an informational proceeding for the *2024 IEPR Update*, directing the Executive Director and staff to gather and assess the information needed to prepare the *2024 IEPR Update* consistent with the scope identified in section II above, under guidance of the Lead and Associate Commissioners.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned Secretariat to the CEC does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the CEC held on May 8, 2024.

AYE: Hochschild, McAllister, Monahan, Gallardo

NAY: NONE

ABSENT: Gunda

ABSTAIN: NONE

Dated: May 9, 2024

SIGNED BY:

Kristine Banaag
Secretariat

