





CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION 1516 Ninth Street Sacramento, CA 95814

In the Matter of:	)	Docket No.	06-AFP-1
Informational Proceeding and Preparation of the State Plan to Increase the Use of Alternative Transportation Fuels	) ) )		
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# NOTICE OF JOINT WORKSHOP ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION FUELS PLAN

The California Energy Commission (Energy Commission) and the Air Resources Board (ARB) will jointly conduct a workshop on the development of the State Plan to Increase the Use of Alternative Transportation Fuels (the Alternative Transportation Fuels Plan). The Alternative Transportation Fuels Plan is being developed as directed by Vice Chair James Boyd and Commissioner Jeffrey Byron, the Presiding and Associate Members, respectively, of the Energy Commission's Transportation Committee, and ARB Chairman Robert Sawyer.

The hearing will be held on:

Monday, October 16, 2006
10:00 a.m.
CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION
1516 Ninth Street
Hearing Room A
Sacramento, California
(Wheelchair Accessible)

Note: Audio from this hearing will be broadcast over the Internet. For details on listening in, please go to: <a href="https://www.energy.ca.gov/webcast/">www.energy.ca.gov/webcast/</a>.

Parties unable to attend the October 16, 2006, workshop in person will be able to comment by conference call.

Conference call information is: USA Toll Free Number: 888-790-1730, Passcode: FUELS, Call Leader: Ms. Lorraine White.

Staff will present the analyses done to date on the market assessment and full fuel-cycle assessment, as well as obtain public input on the key questions being investigated in this proceeding (see Attachment A). Additional workshops will be held in the course of this proceeding and the agencies will consider input and data received from persons interested in the plan development.

## Alternative Transportation Fuels Plan Process

Assembly Bill (AB) 1007 (Pavley, Chapter 371, Statutes of 2005) requires the Energy Commission, in partnership with ARB, to prepare a state plan no later than June 30, 2007, to increase the use of alternative transportation fuels in California. Among other things, AB 1007 requires the agencies to evaluate alternative fuels on a full fuel-cycle assessment of emissions of criteria air pollutants, air toxics, greenhouse gases, water pollutants, and other substances that are known to damage human health. In addition, the Energy Commission's Transportation Committee directed the Commission's staff to conduct a market assessment of the transportation fuels market in California in its April 28, 2006, Scoping Order for this proceeding. These two efforts will form the analytical baseline for developing the plan and policy recommendations called for by AB 1007.

## **Hearing Participation and Comments**

The agencies seek the active participation of interested parties in the *Alternative Transportation Fuels Plan* proceeding. Interested parties are encouraged to present their views either orally at the workshop or through written comments. If you wish to present your comments at this workshop, you may contact Lorraine White at (916) 654-4075 or by e-mail at: [lwhite@energy.state.ca.us] by Thursday, October 12, 2006. Requests for participation on the day of the workshop will be accommodated to the extent that time allows. Staff will also take general comment from the public immediately following the presentations.

The agencies request that written comments on workshop topics or key questions be submitted by 5:00 pm on Friday, October 20, 2006. Please include the docket number **06-AFP-1** and indicate "*Alternative Transportation Fuels Plan* Workshop" in the subject line or initial paragraph of your comments. Those submitting written comments by hard copy only must provide an original plus 12 paper copies to the Energy Commission's Docket Unit. Those submitting written comments by electronic mail should provide the comments in either Microsoft Word format or Portable Document Format, and must also submit one paper copy to the Energy Commission's Docket Unit. E-mail comments should be sent to [docket@energy.state.ca.us].

Please send or deliver materials to the following address:

California Energy Commission Docket Office Attn: Docket 06-AFP-1 1516 Ninth Street, MS-4 Sacramento, CA 95814-5512

Alternatively, participants may provide an original and 12 copies at the beginning of the workshop. All written materials relating to this workshop will be filed with the Energy Commission's Docket Unit and will become part of the public record in this proceeding.

#### Additional Information

The service list for the AB 1007 proceeding on the *Alternative Transportation Fuels Plan* is handled electronically. Notices and documents for this proceeding are posted to the Energy Commission website [http://www.energy.ca.gov/ab1007/]. When new information is posted, an email will be sent to those on the energy-policy e-mail list server. We encourage those who are interested in receiving these notices to sign up for the list server through the website [http://www.energy.ca.gov/listservers/index.html].

The Energy Commission's Public Adviser, Margret J. Kim, provides the public assistance in participating in Energy Commission activities. If you would like information on how to participate in this workshop, please contact the Public Adviser's Office by phone at (916) 654-4489 or toll-free at (800) 822-6228, by FAX at (916) 654-4493, or by e-mail at [pao@energy.state.ca.us]. If you have a disability and require assistance to participate in this workshop, please contact Lou Quiroz at (916) 654-5146 at least five days in advance of the workshop.

Technical questions should be directed to Lorraine White, AB 1007 project manager, at (916) 654-4075 or by email at [lwhite@energy.state.ca.us]. News media inquiries should be directed to Claudia Chandler, Assistant Executive Director, at (916) 654-4989 or by e-mail at [mediaoffice@energy.state.ca.us].

Date: October 2, 2006

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Note: California Energy Commission's formal name is State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission.

### Attachment A

State Plan to Increase the Use of Alternative Transportation Fuels

The Transportation Committee and ARB Chair invite public comment on key issues and questions regarding the increased use of alternative transportation fuels in California.

## Key Issues and Questions Regarding AB 1007 Topics:

- What is the current and projected emissions profile for the full fuel cycle analysis of alternative transportation fuels and conventional fuels?
- What is the current and projected fuel production and distribution of alternative transportation fuels that could be used in California?
- What market share do these fuels hold currently? What is the projected market share for these fuels based on current conditions and market structures?
- What technical, economic, or regulatory challenges exist that prevent these fuels from increasing their market share and use by consumers?
- What assistance, in the form of requirements, incentives, and policies, could be used to increase alternative transportation fuels use?
- What is the potential for production and use of each alternative transportation fuel?
- What is the role of government to increase use of alternative transportation fuels in California?
- What are the economics of producing and distributing alternative transportation fuels and vehicles needed to use these fuels?
- How do the economics of alternative transportation fuels and the vehicles needed to use them compare with current and future costs for conventional fuels?