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In the matter of:)	Docket No. 06-OII-1
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Development of Statewide Guidelines for)	NOTICE OF COMMITTEE
Reducing Wildlife Impacts from Wind Energy)	WORKSHOP
Development)	
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The California Energy Commission (Energy Commission) Renewables Committee will conduct a workshop to seek public comment on the draft *Statewide Guidelines for Reducing Impacts to Birds and Bats from Wind Energy Development (Guidelines)*. Commissioner John L. Geesman is the Presiding Member and Chairman Jackalyne Pfannenstiel is the Associate Member. The workshop will be held on:

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2007

2:00 p.m.

LIVERMORE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Community Room

1188 South Livermore Avenue

Livermore, CA 94550

(Wheelchair Accessible)

To participate in the meeting by phone, please call **1-888-625-1617**

Passcode: (24026) Call Leader: (**John Mathias**)

Please note that while members of the public are afforded the opportunity to participate by telephone, it is strongly encouraged that public comments be made in person because there are occasional technical problems with the telephone link.

Background

On May 24, 2006, the Energy Commission adopted an Order Instituting Informational (OII) proceeding to develop voluntary statewide guidelines that would encourage the development of wind energy in the state while minimizing impacts to birds and bats (Docket No. 06-OII-1). The OII delegated responsibility for developing statewide guidelines to the Energy Commission's Renewables Committee.

The Renewables Committee held a hearing on June 9, 2006 to seek public comment from wind industry representatives, environmental organizations, and other

stakeholders about the guideline development. Energy Commission and California Department of Fish and Game (CDFG) staff held workshops on July 28, August 28-29, and September 27-28, 2006 to further discuss key issues and to seek public comment.

On December 22, 2006, Energy Commission and CDFG staff published the draft *Guidelines*. The document is available at [www.energy.ca.gov/2006publications/CEC-700-2006-013/CEC-700-2006-013-SD.PDF]. The draft *Guidelines* include pre-and post-construction monitoring protocols and suggested mitigation strategies and were developed using the best available science with consideration to written and oral comments. Following publication of the draft *Guidelines*, Energy Commission and CDFG staff held a workshop on January 17-18, 2007 to seek public comment on the document.

Agendas, presentations, and other information related to the June 9 hearing and the subsequent workshops are available at [www.energy.ca.gov/renewables/06-OII-1/documents/index.html].

Public Comments

The Renewables Committee encourages interested parties to present their views either in writing in advance of the workshop, orally at the workshop, or through written comments after the workshop. We encourage those with presentation topics for the workshop or issues that may warrant significant discussion to e-mail Rick York, Senior Biologist at [ryork@energy.state.ca.us] by January 29, 2007. Suggested discussion and presentation items will be considered for the workshop agenda.

Written comments on the draft *Guidelines* must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on February 20, 2007. If you have previously submitted comments it is not necessary to resubmit them. The most useful comments are those that reference a page number and line of the *Guidelines* and provide recommended revisions. Please include the docket number 06-OII-1 and indicate "Developing Statewide Avian Guidelines" in the subject line or first paragraph of your comments. Please hand deliver or mail an original plus 12 paper copies to:

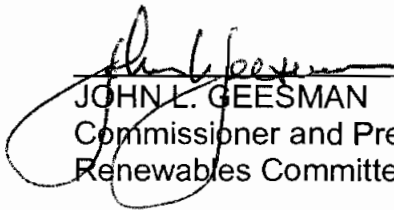
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The Energy Commission encourages comments by e-mail. Please include your name or organization in the name of the file. Those submitting comments by electronic mail should provide them in either Microsoft Word format or as a Portable Document (PDF) to [docket@energy.state.ca.us]. One paper copy must also be sent to the Energy Commission's Docket Unit.

Additional Information

The Energy Commission's Public Adviser, Margret J. Kim, provides the public assistance in participating in Energy Commission activities. If you want information on how to participate in this forum, please contact the Public Adviser's Office 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, please contact Lou Quiroz at (916) 654-5146 at least five days in advance.

Please direct all news media inquiries to Claudia Chandler, Assistant Executive Director, at (916) 654-4989. If you have questions on the technical subject matter of this forum, please contact Rick York, Senior Biologist at (ryork@energy.state.ca.us).



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