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NOTICE OF STAFF WORKSHOP

Notice of Staff Workshop on Electricity Demand Forecast and **Resource Plan Data Request**

The California Energy Commission staff will conduct a workshop to solicit comments on proposed data collection and analyses for the 2009 Integrated Energy Policy Report (IEPR) relating to electricity demand forecasts and resource plans. This work is overseen by the Energy Commission's IEPR Committee, Commissioner Jeffrey D. Byron, Presiding Member, and Vice Chair James D. Boyd, Associate Member. While this is a staff workshop, Commissioners may attend and participate.

Following the workshop, the IEPR Committee will establish the final requirements and schedule for submittal of demand forecasts, resource plans, and related information. The workshop will be held:

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2008

10 a.m. CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION 1516 Ninth Street First Floor, Hearing Room A Sacramento, California (Wheelchair Accessible)

Audio from this meeting will be broadcast over the Internet. For details, please go to: www.energy.ca.gov/webcast/

To participate in the meeting by phone, please call 888-566-5914 by 10 a.m. Passcode: IEPR Call Leader: Suzanne Korosec

Purpose

The purpose of this staff workshop is to provide the Energy Commission and the public with the opportunity to consider a range of perspectives on energy demand trends and resource plans. Staff is proposing to request electricity demand forecasts, demand-side management impacts, retail price information, capacity resource and energy balance accounting, bilateral agreement information, and related information from all utility distribution companies in California. These data will be used to develop the staff electricity demand forecast and provide an alternative view of future demand trends. The data also will allow the staff to assess current conditions in electric generation system infrastructure and identify major statewide trends affecting electricity supply and reliability.

Staff seeks comments, questions, and suggestions on the proposed forms and instructions. The staff-proposed set of forms and instructions for collecting data and analyses relating to electricity demand and resource plans are posted at [http://www.energy.ca.gov/2009_energypolicy/index.html]. Please note that there are separate sets of forms and instructions for the demand forecast and for resource plans.

Background

To develop energy policies that conserve resources, protect the environment, ensure energy reliability, enhance the state's economy, and protect public health and safety, the Energy Commission is directed by Public Resources Code Section 25301 to regularly assess all aspects of energy demand and supply. These assessments are the foundation for analysis and policy recommendations to the Governor, Legislature, and other agencies. To carry out these assessments, "the Commission may require submission of demand forecasts, resource plans, market assessments, and related outlooks from electric and natural gas utilities, transportation fuel and technology suppliers, and other market participants." (Public Resources Code Section 25301(a).)

The Energy Commission is preparing to undertake assessments for the 2009 IEPR. The adopted demand forecast, or range of forecasts, will provide a foundation for the analysis and recommendations in the 2009 IEPR, including resource assessment and analysis of progress towards energy efficiency, demand response and renewable energy goals. Energy Commission forecasts are used in the California Public Utilities Commission procurement and resource adequacy proceedings, as well as in transmission planning studies. Energy Commission demand and supply assessments are used in the California Gas Report.

Workshop Participation and Comments

Staff is seeking the active participation of utilities and other interested parties in this workshop and encourages interested parties to present their views either orally at the

workshop or through written comments. Staff will take oral comments immediately following the staff presentation at the workshop.

Comments are encouraged before the workshop; final written comments should be submitted no later than 5:00 p.m. on November 14, 2008. Comments submitted prior to the workshop will be used to facilitate the discussion. Please include the appropriate docket number in the subject line or first paragraph of your comments. For resource plan comments, include "**Docket #09-IEP-1B Supply**." For demand forecast comments, include "**Docket #09-IEP-1B Supply**." For demand forecast 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 File (PDF) to [docket@energy.state.ca.us]. **One paper copy** must also be sent to the Energy Commission's Docket Unit at the address shown below.

Parties may also submit comments in hard copy. Please hand deliver or mail an original to the appropriate address below.

Resource Plan Forms:

California Energy Commission Dockets Office, MS-4 Re: Docket No. 09-IEP-1B 1516 Ninth Street Sacramento, CA 95814-5512

Demand Forecast Forms:

California Energy Commission Dockets Office, MS-4 Re: Docket No. 09-IEP-1C 1516 Ninth Street Sacramento, CA 95814-5512

Participants also may provide an original at the beginning of the workshop. All written materials relating to this workshop will be filed with the Dockets Unit and become part of the public record in this proceeding.

Public Participation

The Energy Commission's Public Adviser, Elena Miller, 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 [publicadviser@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.

The service list for the 2009 IEPR and associated key topic proceedings is handled electronically. Notices and documents for these proceedings are posted to the Energy Commission website at [http://www.energy.ca.gov/2009_energypolicy/index.html]. When new information is posted, an e-mail 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].

Please direct all news media inquiries to the Media Office at (916) 654-4989, or by e-mail at [mediaoffice@energy.state.ca.us]. Technical questions demand forecast forms be directed to Chris Kavalec at [ckavalec@energy.state.ca.us] or (916) 654-5184. Technical questions on resource plan forms should be directed to Jim Woodward at [iwoodwar@energy.state.ca.us] or (916) 654-5180. Questions regarding the IEPR should be directed to Suzanne Korosec, Assistant Director for Policy Development, at (916) 654-4516 or by e-mail at [skorosec@energy.state.ca.us].

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