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In the matter of:)	Docket No. 09-IEP-1D
Preparation of the 2009 Integrated Energy Policy Report (2009 IEPR))))	NOTICE OF JOINT COMMITTEE WORKSHOP

Notice of Joint Integrated Energy Policy Report and Siting Committee Workshop on Transmission Planning Information and Policy Actions

The California Energy Commission's (Energy Commission) Integrated Energy Policy Report (IEPR) Committee and the Siting Committee will conduct a joint workshop to describe the development steps for the 2009 Strategic Transmission Investment Plan (2009 STIP), discuss relevant transmission information from a variety of sources, including the responses received from the Commission's Forms and Instructions for Submitting Electric Transmission-Related Data, and solicit feedback on actions needed to overcome barriers to renewable transmission projects and corridor development. Commissioner Jeffrey D. Byron is the Presiding Member of both the IEPR Committee and the Siting Committee. Vice Chair James D. Boyd is the Associate Member of the IEPR Committee. Chairman Karen Douglas is the Associate Member of the Siting Committee. Other Commissioners may attend and participate in this workshop. In addition, Commissioners and staff from the California Public Utilities Commission may attend and participate. The workshop will be held:

MONDAY, MAY 4, 2009

9:30 a.m.
CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION
1516 Ninth Street
First Floor, Hearing Room A
Sacramento, California
(Wheelchair Accessible)

Remote Attendance

Webcast - Presentations and audio from this meeting will be broadcast over the Internet through Windows Media. For details, please go to: [www.energy.ca.gov/webcast/].

Conference Call - To participate in the meeting by phone, please call (888) 566-5914 by 9:30 a.m. Passcode: IEPR Call Leader: Lynette Green

Purpose

This workshop will contribute to the development of the Energy Commission's 2009 STIP. The workshop will consist of two main sessions. In the morning session, staff will describe the development steps for the 2009 STIP. This will be followed by presentations on relevant transmission information from a variety of sources, including the responses received from the Commission's Forms and Instructions for Submitting Electric Transmission-related Data. Using a roundtable panel discussion format, the afternoon session will focus on critical transmission policy actions needed to overcome barriers to renewable transmission projects and corridor development.

Background

As part of the 2009 Integrated Energy Policy Report (IEPR) and 2009 STIP effort on January 14, 2009, the Energy Commission adopted Forms and Instructions for Submitting Electric Transmission-related Data¹. These forms require all electric transmission system owners to submit information on planned transmission projects as well as their transmission corridor needs. Responses were due on March 16, 2009.

The May 4, 2009 Joint IEPR and Siting Committee workshop is the first of several Committee-level workshops that responds to the IEPR Committee's January 9, 2009, Committee Scoping Order for the 2009 IEPR², which directs the 2009 STIP to address the following topics:

- Identify and evaluate regulatory or policy changes that will reduce barriers to transmission projects, including joint investor-owned and publicly owned utility projects.
- 2. Identify specific near-term transmission projects that will ensure reliability, relieve congestion, provide increased access to renewable generation, and meet future growth. This will include a discussion of system improvements needed to reduce local capacity requirements for fossil-fuel generation.
- 3. Discuss federal and state corridor designation efforts to identify potential transmission corridors in advance of need to streamline future permitting of transmission lines needed to access top priority renewable resource zones.
- 4. Discuss current transmission-related research and development and future efforts needed to help resolve transmission barriers, including the use of smart grid technologies.

¹ These forms are available at the following link: http://www.energy.ca.gov/2008publications/CEC-100-2008-012/CEC-100-2008-012-CMF.PDF.

² See: January 9, 2009, Committee Scoping Order for the 2009 Integrated Energy Policy Report, p. 5, available at: http://www.energy.ca.gov/2009_energypolicy/notices/2009-01-09_SCOPING_ORDER.PDF.

Written Comments

Written comments on the workshop topics must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on May 15, 2009. Please include the docket number 09-IEP-1D and indicate "2009 IEPR – Transmission" in the subject line or first paragraph of your comments. Please hand deliver or mail an original to:

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

The Energy Commission encourages comments by e-mail. Please include your name or the organization's 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 Dockets Unit.

Participants may also provide an original copy and ten copies 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's Office provides the public assistance in participating in Energy Commission activities. If you want information on how to participate in this forum, please contact Elena Miller, Public Adviser, 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.

Please direct all news media inquiries to the Media and Public Communications Office at (916) 654-4989, or by e-mail at [mediaoffice@energy.state.ca.us]. If you have questions on the technical subject matter of this forum, please call Judy Grau, Senior Mechanical Engineer, at (916) 653-1610 or by email at [jgrau@energy.state.ca.us]. For general questions regarding the IEPR proceeding, please contact Lynette Esternon-Green; IEPR Project Manager, by phone at (916) 653-2728 or by e-mail at [lesterno@energy.state.ca.us].

The service list for the 2009 IEPR is handled electronically. Notices and documents for this proceeding 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]

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