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In the matter of,)	Docket No. 09-ALT-1
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2010-2011 Investment Plan for the)	NOTICE OF STAFF WORKSHOP
Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle)	
Technology Program)	
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Staff Workshop for the 2010-2011 Investment Plan (Natural Gas and Propane Vehicles, Fuel Infrastructure, and Biomethane Production)

The California Energy Commission (Energy Commission) staff will conduct a public workshop to obtain specific information and data on natural gas and propane vehicles, fuel infrastructure, and biomethane production which will be used to assist the Energy Commission to develop the *2010-2011 Investment Plan* for the Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Program. Vice Chair James D. Boyd, Presiding Member of the Transportation Committee, and Chairman Karen Douglas, the Associate Member of the Transportation Committee, may be in attendance. Other Commissioners may also attend and participate. The workshop will be held:

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2009

9 a.m.

Long Beach Convention Center
Room 104, Promenade Ballroom - B
300 East Ocean Boulevard
Long Beach, California 90802

Link to map: [<http://www.longbeachcc.com/maps.htm>]
(Wheelchair accessible)

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RECD. <u>8/25/2009</u>

Remote Attendance - Presentations and audio from the meeting will be broadcast via our WebEx web conferencing system. For details on how to participate via WebEx, please see the "Participation through WebEx" section at the end of this notice.

Purpose

This workshop is to obtain information and data on light-, medium-, and heavy-duty natural gas and propane vehicles including technology status, costs, manufacturing, market penetration, market potential, infrastructure, and barriers to commercialization. The information gathered during these workshops will be instrumental in assisting staff

with the development of the *2010-2011 Investment Plan* and used to provide supporting documentation for the Investment Plan funding allocation. This workshop is the second of several public workshops to be held throughout California for technical information input and data on a variety of topics. Separate notices will be posted for future workshops on the Energy Commission's web site and sent to the List Server.

Background

Assembly Bill 118 (Nunez, Chapter 750, Statutes of 2007), created the Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Program. The statute, subsequently amended by AB 109 (Nunez, Chapter 313, Statutes of 2008), authorizes the Energy Commission to develop and deploy alternative and renewable fuels and advanced transportation technologies to help attain the state's climate change policies. The Energy Commission has an annual program budget of approximately \$100 million to support projects that:

- Develop and improve alternative and renewable low-carbon fuels;
- Optimize alternative and renewable fuels for existing and developing engine technologies;
- Produce alternative and renewable low-carbon fuels in California;
- Decrease, on a full fuel cycle basis, the overall impact and carbon footprint of alternative and renewable fuels and increase sustainability;
- Expand fuel infrastructure, fueling stations, and equipment;
- Improve light-, medium-, and heavy-duty vehicle technologies;
- Retrofit medium- and heavy-duty on-road and non-road vehicle fleets;
- Expand infrastructure connected with existing fleets, public transit, and transportation corridors; and
- Establish workforce training programs, conduct public education and promotion, and create technology centers.

The statute requires the Energy Commission to prepare and adopt an Investment Plan that determines the funding priorities and opportunities and describes how program funding will be used to complement other public and private investments. On April 22, 2009, the Energy Commission adopted its first Investment Plan, as required by statute. The adopted Investment Plan contains specific recommendations for expending \$176 million appropriated for the first two years of the Program. The existing Investment Plan is on line at [<http://www.energy.ca.gov/2009publications/CEC-600-2009-008/CEC-600-2009-008-CTF.PDF>]. The statute also requires the Energy Commission to annually update the Investment Plan. Anticipated funding for the 2010-2011 fiscal year is approximately \$100 million. All projects funded by the Energy Commission will be consistent with the priorities established in the *2010-2011 Investment Plan*.

Written Comments

Written comments after the workshop must be submitted by 5 p.m. **September 28, 2009**. Please include the docket number 09-ALT-1 and indicate Propane and Natural Gas

Technical Workshop in the subject line or first paragraph of your comments. Please hand deliver or mail an original to:

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

The Energy Commission encourages comments by electronic mail (e-mail). Please include your name or organization's in the name of the file. Those submitting comments by e-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. Participants may also provide an original and 10 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

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Please direct all news media inquiries 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 Leslie Baroody of the Emerging Fuels and Technologies Office at the Energy Commission at (916) 654-4417 or e-mail at [lbaroody@energy.state.ca.us].

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