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In the matter of:	)	Docket No. 11-OII-01
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Developing Guidelines for the Clean Energy	)	NOTICE OF STAFF WORKSHOP
Partnership Academies Guidelines	)	
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## Notice of Staff Workshop on Guidelines for the Clean Energy Partnership Academies

California Energy Commission staff will conduct a workshop to present background information and facilitate public input on Senate Bill X1 1 (Steinberg, Chapter 2). SBX1 1 requires the Energy Commission to develop guidelines for clean energy partnership academies administered by the California Department of Education. The workshop will be held:

**JULY 29, 2011**  
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.  
**CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION**  
1516 Ninth Street  
First Floor, Hearing Room A  
Sacramento, California 95814  
(Wheelchair Accessible)

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<b>11-011-01</b>	
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[//www.energy.ca.gov/cleanenergyacademies/](http://www.energy.ca.gov/cleanenergyacademies/).

### Purpose

Background material on the SBX1 1 legislation and an overview of current related programs will be provided at this workshop. Staff will also present an outline of the proposed guidelines and the goals of the Energy Commission in this process.

Workshop participants will have an opportunity to ask questions about this information and make comments and suggestions.

## **Background**

SBX1 1 allocates funding to the Superintendent of Public Instruction (SPI) to implement and administer a grant program to fund clean energy partnership academies in public schools for grades 9-12.

The partnership academies will focus on preparing students for careers in energy and water conservation, renewable energy, pollution reduction, and similar industries. The Energy Commission will develop guidelines to ensure academy programs receiving grant funding from the SPI align with current energy policies and priorities and provide skills and education linked to the needs of the clean energy industries. SBX1 1 requires the SPI to consult with the Energy Commission in reviewing applications for funding of Clean Energy Partnership Academy grants and reviewing ongoing Clean Energy Partnership Academy programs. As part of its obligations under SBX1 1, the SPI will consult with the Energy Commission on 1) the release of grant solicitations for prospective academies, 2) program technical assistance and review of partnership academies, and 3) identifying and analyzing deficiencies in the program and preparing an annual report to the legislature. In addition, the Energy Commission will update the guidelines annually to address needed changes in the program.

Partnership academies were first established by the California Department of Education in the 1980s. An academy is a multi-year program for high school students structured as a school within a school. Partnership academies combine career technical education with academic courses to prepare students for graduation and future employment or schooling. The academies serve primarily at-risk students. The criteria used for student eligibility include irregular attendance, record of underachievement, low motivation or disinterest in the regular academic program, and economic disadvantages. Each curriculum focuses on a career theme, such as health, energy, or information technology, and is coordinated with related academic courses. The career technical focus for an academy is determined by an analysis of the local labor market and fields that have companies willing to support the program. According to the SPI, there are approximately 475 academies currently operating in the state preparing students for a wide variety of careers.

SBX1 1 requires the Energy Commission, in consultation with the SPI, to adopt these guidelines for clean energy partnership academies no later than 60 days after the effective date of the bill. The bill becomes effective 90 days after the close of the 2011-12 First Extraordinary Session (this session is still open). The SPI will issue a request for grant applications after the Energy Commission adopts these guidelines.

## Written Comments

Written comments on the workshop topics must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on August 11, 2011. Please include the docket number 11-OII-01 and indicate Staff Workshop on Guidelines for the Clean Energy Partnership Academies in the subject line or first paragraph of your comments. Please hand deliver or mail an original copy to:

California Energy Commission  
Dockets Office, MS-4  
Re: Docket No. 11-OII-01  
1516 Ninth Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814-5512

The Energy Commission encourages comments by e-mail. Please include your name or organizations 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.

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.

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If you have questions on the technical subject matter of this meeting, please contact Chris Graillat at (916) 653-0378 or [cgrailla@energy.state.ca.us].

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