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In the matter of:)

) Docket No. 09-OII-1

Order Instituting Informational Proceeding)
American Recovery and Reinvestment Act)) NOTICE OF BUSINESS MEETING
) RE: Revisions to EECBG Program
) Guidelines**DOCKET**

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Possible Adoption of Changes to Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program Guidelines

At the California Energy Commission's regularly scheduled January 12, 2012 Business Meeting, changes to the *Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program Guidelines* (Guidelines) will be considered for adoption. These *Guidelines* describe how the Energy Commission will implement the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Program.

The regularly scheduled Business Meeting will be held on:

THURSDAY, January 12, 2012
10 a.m.
CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION
1516 Ninth Street
First Floor, Hearing Room A
Sacramento, California
(Wheelchair Accessible)

Note: Audio from this meeting will be broadcast over the Internet using our WebEx Internet Conferencing System. For details on how to access the meeting electronically, please see the meeting agenda that will be posted online at:

www.energy.ca.gov/business_meetings/

The meeting agenda and WebEx log-in instructions will be posted before the meeting date.

The U.S. Department of Energy allocated the Energy Commission \$49.6 million in ARRA funding for the EECBG Program to assist eligible entities in creating and implementing strategies to: (1) reduce fossil fuel emissions in a manner that is environmentally sustainable and, to the maximum extent practicable, maximizes benefits for local and

regional communities; (2) reduce the total energy use of eligible entities; and (3) improve energy efficiency in the building, transportation, and other appropriate sectors. The *Guidelines* establish eligibility and procedural requirements to qualify for EECBG funding. The Energy Commission originally adopted the Guidelines on September 16, 2009, and then amended them on October 7, 2009, August 6, 2010, and October 28, 2010.

At the direction of the Energy Commission's Lead ARRA Commissioner, changes are being proposed to the *Guidelines* to award remaining EECBG funding through other grant programs, e.g. subsequent phases of the EECBG. Award of a formula-based EECBG grant will not affect eligibility to apply for remaining EECBG funding under any such grant programs, which are considered independent funding opportunities. The proposed changes to the Guidelines are available online at: [\[http://www.energy.ca.gov/recovery/blockgrant.html\]](http://www.energy.ca.gov/recovery/blockgrant.html).

Printed copies of the draft version of the *Guidelines* changes may be obtained by contacting:

California Energy Commission
EECBG Program
1516 Ninth Street, MS-23
Sacramento, CA 95814
E-mail: EECBG@energy.state.ca.us

Written Comments

Written comments on the proposed changes to the *Guidelines* should be submitted by 5 p.m. on January 11, 2012. Please include the docket number (09-OII-1) and indicate EECBG Program in the subject line or first paragraph of your comments. Please hand-deliver or mail the comments to:

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

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 File (PDF) to [\[docket@energy.state.ca.us\]](mailto:docket@energy.state.ca.us).

All written comments related to the *Guidelines* will be filed with the Dockets Office 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 would like information on how to participate in this forum, please contact the 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 of the Business Meeting.

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 these guidelines, please contact [EECBG@energy.state.ca.us].

Notices and documents for this proceeding are posted to the Energy Commission website at [www.energy.ca.gov/stimulus/documents]. When new information is posted, an e-mail will be sent to those on the recovery e-mail list server. We encourage those who are interested in receiving updates and notices to sign up for the List Server at [www.energy.ca.gov/recovery].

Date: December 27, 2011

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA
ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION
AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

KAREN DOUGLAS
ARRA Lead Commissioner

Date Mailed: December 27, 2011
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Note: California Energy Commission's formal name is State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission.