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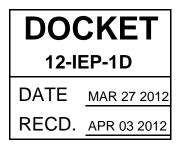
Preparation of the 2012 Integrated Energy Policy Report Update (2012 IEPR Update) Docket No. 12-IEP-1D

WORKSHOP RE: Benefits of Renewable Energy

Lead Commissioner Workshop on Evaluating and Capturing Benefits of Renewable Energy for California

The California Energy Commission Lead Commissioner on the Integrated Energy Policy Report (IEPR) will conduct a workshop to gather input on public benefits of renewable energy that may not be accurately quantified or sufficiently considered in renewable energy procurement and other energy policies. Commissioner Carla Peterman will oversee the *2012 Integrated Energy Policy Report Update.* Other Commissioners may attend the workshop. Other agency representatives may also attend and participate.

THURSDAY, APRIL 12, 2012 Beginning at 9 a.m. CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION 1516 Ninth Street First Floor, Hearing Room A Sacramento, California (Wheelchair Accessible)



Remote Attendance and Availability of Documents

Internet Webcast – Presentations and audio from the meeting will be broadcast via our WebEx Web meeting service. For details on how to participate via WebEx, please see the "Remote Attendance" section toward the end of this notice.

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Purpose

The purpose of this workshop is to seek input from experts, stakeholders, and the general public on evaluating and capturing the benefits of renewable energy for California. The workshop will discuss recent assessments of public benefits of different types of renewable energy. The workshop will also discuss whether these benefits are sufficiently considered in renewable procurement programs or other related programs, and new ideas to better capture benefits of renewable energy for California.

The focus for this workshop is health and environmental benefits. Economic benefits will be included, but employment impacts will be discussed in more detail at a later workshop.

The lead commissioner will consider input from this workshop together with other information from the 2012 IEPR proceeding to develop strategies for quantifying and capturing additional public benefits for California in renewable procurement programs or other related programs.

Background

This workshop is the first step in implementing the following overarching strategy recommended in *Renewable Power in California: Status and Issues* (CEC-150-2011-002-LCF, 2011) to guide California as it works to achieve its renewable energy goals: "Evaluate the cost of renewable energy projects beyond technology costs – including costs associated with integration, permitting, and interconnection – and their impact on retail electricity rates. This evaluation shall be coupled with a value assessment that could potentially lead to monetizing the various system and non-energy benefits attributable to renewable resources and technologies, particularly those benefits that enhance grid stability and reduce environmental and public health costs." (p. 18-19).

Public Comment

Written comments are accepted in advance of the workshop and should be submitted by **April 19, 2012.** Please include the docket number 12-IEP-1D and indicate "Evaluating and Capturing the Benefits of Renewable Energy for California" in the subject line or first paragraph of your comments.

All filings in the IEPR proceeding may now be done electronically. Please do not submit paper copies for filing in addition to an electronic version. Please send your comments in either Microsoft Word format or in Portable Document Format (PDF) to [docket@energy.ca.gov] and copy the technical lead staff at [kmoore@energy.ca.gov] or send them on a Compact Disc to:

California Energy Commission Dockets Office, MS-4 Re: Docket No. 12-IEP-1D 1516 Ninth Street Sacramento, CA 95814-5512 Please include your name or organization's in the name of the file. Signatures may be indicated on electronic copies by embedding a scanned signature graphic, "Original signed by" or similar words, or a scanned copy of the signature page may be appended to the electronic file.

A hard copy may also be submitted to the Dockets Office during the workshop comment window. All written materials relating to this workshop will be filed with the Dockets Office and become part of the public record in this proceeding.

Oral comments are accepted during the workshop and are limited to three minutes per person. Any oral comments will also become part of the public record in this proceeding.

Public Participation

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If you have questions on the technical subject matter of this meeting, please call Katie Moore, Associate Energy Specialist at (916) 651-3746 or by e-mail at [kmoore@energy.ca.gov]. For general questions regarding the IEPR proceeding, please contact Lynette Green, IEPR project manager, at (916) 653-2728 or by e-mail at [Lynette.Green@energy.ca.gov].

The service list for the 2012 IEPR Update is handled electronically. Notices and documents for this proceeding are posted to the Energy Commission website at [www.energy.ca.gov/2012_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 [www.energy.ca.gov/listservers/index.html].

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Date: March 27, 2012

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