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

WORKSHOP

RE: Interconnection of Renewable
Development in California

Lead Commissioner Workshop on Interconnection of Renewable Development in California

The California Energy Commission Lead Commissioner on the Integrated Energy Policy Report (IEPR) will conduct a workshop to gather input on issues related to interconnecting both renewable utility-scale and distributed generation in California. Commissioner Carla Peterman oversees the *2012 Integrated Energy Policy Report Update*. Other Commissioners may attend the workshop. Other agency representatives may also attend and participate.

MONDAY, MAY 14, 2012

Beginning at 9 a.m.

CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

1516 Ninth Street

First Floor, Hearing Room A

Sacramento, California

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Agenda

The purpose of this workshop is to seek input from experts, stakeholders, and the general public on issues related to interconnecting renewable projects to the distribution and transmission systems. The workshop will address:

- Resource scenarios for the California Independent System Operator's 2012-2013 Transmission Plan.
- Transmission level interconnection processes.
- Distribution level interconnection updates.
- Near term approaches, tools, and methods to address interconnection challenges.

This workshop will provide information needed to implement the following overarching strategy to address barriers to renewable development that was identified in the Energy Commission's *Renewable Power in California: Status and Issues* report:

Develop a strategy that minimizes interconnection costs and time, and also minimizes integration costs and requirements at the distribution level (such as use of remote telemetry and other smart grid technologies) and the transmission level (such as improved forecasting, the development of an energy imbalance market, and procurement of dispatchable renewable generation), and that strives for cost reductions and improvements to integration technologies, including storage, demand response, and the best use of the state's existing natural gas-fired power plant fleet.

The Lead Commissioner will consider input from this workshop together with other information from the *2012 IEPR Update* proceeding to develop specific strategies and action items to promote renewable development in the highest priority areas within California.

Background

Governor Brown's Clean Energy Jobs Plan directed the Energy Commission to develop a plan to expedite permitting of the highest priority renewable generation and transmission projects. As part of the 2011 Integrated Energy Policy Report, the Energy Commission prepared the Renewable Power in California: Status and Issues report which discussed challenges to renewable development and current efforts to address those challenges.

The report identified five high-level strategies to address challenges to renewable development. These strategies, including the strategy that is the subject of this workshop, are the foundation for a more comprehensive renewable strategic plan that is being developed under the *2012 Integrated Energy Policy Report Update* proceeding.

Public Comment

Oral Comments. The IEPR Lead Commissioner will accept oral comments during the workshop. Comments may be limited to three minutes per speaker. Any comments will become part of the public record in this proceeding.

Written Comments. Written comments should be submitted to the Dockets Unit by **May 21, 2012**. Written comments will also be accepted at the workshop; however, the Energy Commission may not have time to review them before the conclusion of the workshop. All written comments will become part of the public record of this proceeding. Additionally, written comments may be posted to the Energy Commission's website.

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www.energy.ca.gov/2012_energypolicy/index.html

Date: April 27, 2012

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