#### STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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## **Energy Resources Conservation And Development Commission**

In the Matter of: )	Docket: 13-IEP-1B
)	Order No. 12-1212-8b
Preparation of the 2013	December 12, 2012
Integrated Energy Policy Report	

### Order Adopting Forms and Instructions for Submitting Electricity Resource Plans

Pursuant to section 25302 of the Public Resources Code, the California Energy Commission prepares an Integrated Energy Policy Report (*IEPR*) every two years. The purpose of the *IEPR* is to provide "an overview of major energy trends and issues facing the state." As part of the *IEPR* process, the Energy Commission conducts forecasts and assessments of the energy industry in the state and develops energy policy recommendations. (Pub. Resources Code, §§ 25301, 25302) In order to carry out these activities, the Energy Commission is authorized to collect information from energy market participants. (Pub. Resources Code § 25301(a)) In addition, Public Resources Code, sections 25216 and 25216.5 provide broad authority for the Energy Commission to collect data and information "on all forms of energy supply, demand, conservation, public safety, research, and related subjects." Specific regulatory authority for collecting resource plan information is found in Title 20, California Code of Regulations, section 1347.

To facilitate the collection of resource plan information, the Energy Commission routinely develops a set of forms and instructions identifying the specific electricity resource planning and procurement information that must be submitted by certain load-serving entities in California. This information will provide a foundation for recommendations of the 2013 *IEPR*. Resource plans from the investor-owned utilities may simultaneously serve as system resource plans to be considered by the California Public Utilities Commission to align long-term procurement plans with local area reliability needs. Many of these resource plans, individually or collectively, are expected to inform controlled grid studies by the California Independent System Operator or by other regional balancing authorities.

On October 30, 2012, Energy Commission staff held a public workshop to present and solicit comments on a proposed set of Forms and Instructions for Submitting Electricity Resource Plans. This workshop was attended by a variety of stakeholders, including representatives from generators and utilities. The comments and questions submitted by workshop participants were clarifying in nature, indicating that the proposed instructions are generally understood and

accepted. Following the workshop, staff developed a revised set of instructions which include no substantive changes over the original proposal.

After reviewing the staff proposal, we have determined that the attached *Forms* and *Instructions for Submitting Electricity Resource Plans* identify the appropriate information to be provided. Therefore, the Energy Commission hereby adopts the attached Forms and Instructions and directs the identified entities to provide information according to the described schedule.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

The undersigned Secretary to the Commission does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a Resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the California Energy Commission held on December 12, 2012.

AYE: Weisenmiller, Douglas, Peterman, McAllister

NAY: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

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