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Re: Docket No. 12-IEP-1A
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Re: 2012 Integrated Energy Policy Report Update:t

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2012 Integrated Energy Policy Report
Update

In my opinion the latest version of the 2012 IEP does not meet the needs of California citizens who want reliable, less expensive electricity.. If one reads the document carefully it presents the problems that AB32 creates but then offers nothing to solve those problems. Again and again the document points out the unsolved problems associated with trying to carry out the provisions of AB32. The PG&E comments support my thesis that the IEP requires major upgrading.

As I have commented previously it is time for the CEC to take a serious look at the problems facing California with respect to generation of electricity in the state. It starts with the disastrous policy of considering new generation plants as undesirable despite the fact that the state must meet the ever increasing demand because its population is always increasing. New demand is being met currently by building new fossil-gas fired plants because there is no way to meet the demand with the currently favored “renewable energy” plants. AB 32 made the mistake of mandating a select group of “renewable energy” plants despite the fact that the selected energy sources simply cannot do the job as we read in the agonizing in the IEP.

It all comes down to the state policy of restricting nuclear energy. If the state truly wants to meaningfully reduce the amount of undesirable gas produced by fossil generating plants it has no choice but to promote nuclear energy as the only energy source capable of replacing fossil plants.. It means that enough nuclear plants must be built so that shutdown of a plant can be covered by another plant. Solar and wind are not reliable and must always be backed up. Nuclear plants are reliable but enough must be built so that intentional and unintentional shutdowns can be handled.

The time has come for a completely new IEP instead of a rehash of the previous documents. The CEC should do what is right instead of blindly accepting the wrong and disastrous precepts of the legislature and governor.

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