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In the matter of,

*2015 Integrated Energy Policy Report
(2015 IEPR)*

) Docket No. 15-IEPR-03
) and 15-IEPR-04
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) NOTICE OF WORKSHOP
) RE: Draft AB 1257 Natural Gas Act
) Report and the Revised Natural Gas
) Modeling Results and Natural Gas
) Outlook

Notice of Lead Commissioner Workshop on the Draft *AB 1257 Natural Gas Act Report* and the Revised Natural Gas Outlook

As part of the *2015 Integrated Energy Policy Report (2015 IEPR)*, the California Energy Commission's Lead Commissioner for electricity and natural gas will conduct a two-part workshop to (1) discuss the Energy Commission's *Draft AB 1257 Natural Gas Act Report: Strategies to Maximize the Benefits Obtained from Natural Gas as an Energy Source*, pursuant to Assembly Bill 1257 (Bocanegra, Chapter 749, Statutes of 2013), and (2) discuss the revised natural gas modeling results and natural gas outlook.

Commissioner Andrew McAllister is the Lead Commissioner for the *2015 IEPR* and Chair Robert B. Weisenmiller is the Lead Commissioner for electricity and natural gas. Other Commissioners at the Energy Commission and the California Public Utilities Commission may also attend and participate in the workshop.

Monday, September 21, 2015

10:00 a.m.

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First Floor, Art Rosenfeld Hearing Room

Sacramento, California

(Wheelchair Accessible)

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Background

AB 1257 requires the Energy Commission to “evaluate the incremental beneficial and adverse economic cost and environmental impacts of proposed strategies, including lifecycle greenhouse gas emissions from production, transportation, and use of natural gas, based on authoritative, peer-reviewed, and science-based analysis or in consultation with the State Air Resources Board.” The report will help inform policy makers and decisions regarding future state policies and research and development funding. Information on AB 1257 legislation can be found at:

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201320140AB1257&search_keywords=

The second part of the workshop will address the revised natural gas modeling results and outlook. As required by Senate Bill 1389 (Bowen, Chapter 568, Statutes of 2002), the Energy Commission conducts “assessments and forecasts of all aspects of energy industry supply, production, transportation, delivery and distribution, demand and prices.” The Energy Commission uses these assessments and forecasts to provide an analytic foundation for developing energy policies that conserve resources, protect the environment, ensure energy reliability, enhance the state's economy, and protect public health and safety. Public Resources Code Sections 25302(a) and (b) direct the Energy Commission to adopt an *IEPR* every odd-numbered year and in even-numbered years issue an update to raise energy issues that have emerged since the previous proceeding.

On May 21, 2015, Energy Commission staff presented the preliminary natural gas issues, common cases, and natural gas end-use demand. Following the May 21 workshop, Energy Commission staff developed a revised set of forecasts that incorporate stakeholder input and direction from the Energy Commission Chair and *IEPR* Lead Commissioner.

Agenda

The first topic of this workshop is the *Draft AB 1257 Natural Gas Act Report* which will be available by separate notice prior to the workshop. Energy Commission staff is developing the report to explore the strategies and options for using natural gas, including biogas, to realize its environmental and societal benefits pursuant to AB 1257. The report also addresses strategies for improving the efficiency of natural gas use, as well as the potential role for natural gas in zero net energy buildings. Staff will present the report and request stakeholder feedback at the workshop and in written comments following the workshop.

The second topic is the revised 2015 *IEPR* common cases forecast results from the North American Market Gas Trade Model (NAMGas) and the revised natural gas outlook. Staff will present their analysis at the workshop and request stakeholder feedback.

Public Comment

Oral Comments: Staff will accept oral comments during the workshop. Public 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 **4:00 p.m. on October 1, 2015**. All written comments will become part of the public record of this proceeding.

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If you have questions on the technical subject matter of this meeting, please contact Rachel MacDonald at (916) 654-4862 or by e-mail at Rachel.MacDonald@energy.ca.gov regarding the draft *AB 1257 Natural Gas Act Report*, or Anthony Dixon at (916) 654-4882 or by e-mail at Anthony.Dixon@energy.ca.gov regarding the revised natural gas modeling results or outlook. For general questions regarding the *IEPR* proceeding, please contact Raquel Kravitz, *IEPR* Project Manager, at (916) 651-8836 or by e-mail at Raquel.Kravitz@energy.ca.gov.

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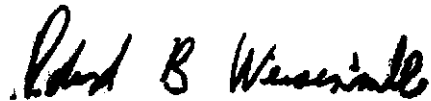
Availability of Documents

Documents and presentations for this meeting will be available online at:
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Date: September 9, 2015



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