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Staff Workshop on

Actionable Climate Science for the Electricity and Natural Gas Sectors

March 16, 2017 1:00 p.m. First Floor - Arthur Rosenfeld Hearing Room 1516 Ninth Street, Sacramento, CA 95814-5512

(Listed times are general guidelines only)

This staff workshop will provide an opportunity for stakeholders, interested federal, state, local agencies, and the public to participate in the scoping of climate science research for the the Electric Program Investment Charge (EPIC) 2018-2020 Investment Plan and 2016/17 Natural Gas (NG) Research Plan.

Energy Commission staff will provide a perspective on actionable energy-related climate science with examples from current and potential future research initiatives under EPIC and NG Research programs. Invited panelists and public participants will suggest how to enhance the practicality of the proposed research strategy to better inform climate adaptation planning for the energy sector.

Welcome and Introductions (1:00 - 1:10 p.m.)

Executive Director Robert Oglesby will open the workshop and welcome speakers and attendees.

Robert Oglesby, Executive Director, California Energy Commission

Current and Prospective Climate Science Research for Natural Gas System: Methane emissions (1:10 - 1:45 p.m.)

This section will include a brief overview of California Energy Commission's Natural Gas Research program focusing particularly on climate-related challenges for the natural gas system followed by a panel discussion.

Methane Emissions from the Natural Gas System: CEC Research Strategy

Guido Franco, Team Lead for Climate Change and Environmental Research, California Energy Commission

Research Aircraft for Emission Identification and Measurement from Point or Area Sources

Dr. Stephen Conley, Atmospheric Scientist at UC Davis and President of Scientific Aviation

Prospective Field Study Identifying and Quantifying Methane Emissions in Southern Part of San Joaquin Valley

Dr. Katharina Snyder, Research Lead on Environmental Chemistry and Technologies, California Energy Commission

Panel A: Technical Comments and Observations to Make Future Research Efforts More Actionable $(1:45-2:15\ p.m.)$

Timothy O'Connor, Director of Oil & Gas Program, Environmental Defense Fund

Riley Duren, Principal Engineer and Chief Systems Engineer for the Earth Science Directorate, NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory

Dr. Christian Frankenberg, Associate Professor of Environmental Science & Engineering, California Institute of Technology

Public Comments (2:15 – 2:30 p.m.)

Current and Future Climate Science Research for the Electricity System (2:30 – 3:40 p.m.)

This section will give a brief overview of the current energy-related climate science projects in the EPIC program's research portfolio. Energy Commission staff will share draft ideas on how to tackle and resolve climate-related challenges for the electricity sector under the 2018-2020 EPIC Triennial Investment Plan and ensure the portfolio considers impacts and benefits to disadvantaged communities.

Current EPIC Research Portfolio on Energy-Related Climate Change Science and Proposed Strategy for the New EPIC Triennial Investment Plan

Dr. Susan Fischer Wilhelm, Research Lead on Climate Change, California Energy Commission

Potential Grid Disruptions in the Los Angeles Region Due to High Temperatures

Dr. Stephanie Pincetl, Director and Professor-in-Residence, California Center for Sustainable Communities at UCLA

Long-Term Energy Scenarios can be Designed to be Less Vulnerable to Climate Impacts

Dr. Max Wei, Program Manager, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory

Working with IOUs to Identify Climate Vulnerabilities and Adaptation Options

Dr. John Radke, Associate Professor of City & Regional Planning, Landscape Architecture & Environmental Planning and Urban Design, UC Berkeley

Potential Projects for Urban Areas in the San Joaquin Valley; A Holistic Perspective on Energy and Environmental Issues

Guido Franco, Team Lead for Climate Change and Environmental Research, California Energy Commission

Sonya Ziaja, Research Lead on Energy-Water-Climate Nexus, California Energy Commission

Panel B: Technical Comments and Observations to Make Future EPIC Climate Science Research Efforts More Actionable. $(3:40-4:30 \ p.m.)$

Dr. Hilda Blanco, Research Professor and Interim Director of USC Center for Sustainable Cities, University of Southern California

Dr. George Ban Weiss, Assistant Professor for Civil and Environmental Engineering, University of Southern California

Dr. Paula Scalingi, Executive Director, Bay Area Center for Regional Disaster Resilience

Stephanie Wang, J.D., Policy Director, California Housing Partnership Corporation

Laiseng Saechao, Policy and Research Associate, Asian Pacific Environmental Network

Public Comments (4:30 – 4:55 p.m.)

Next Steps and Concluding Remarks (4:55 - 5:00 p.m.)

Laurie ten Hope, Deputy Director, California Energy Commission

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