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Minutes of the August 21st 2018 Meeting of the Disadvantaged Communities Advisory Group

This meeting of the Disadvantaged Communities Advisory Group (DACAG) convened at approximately 10:00 a.m.

DACAG Members Present:

Adriano Martinez

Andres Ramirez

Angela Islas

Jodi Pincus

Phoebe Seaton

Stan Greschner

Stephanie Chen

Tyrone Roderick Williams

Roger Lin

The short summary of the discussion and any action taken on each agenda item is noted in italics.

- Welcome

Chair Williams initiated a moment of silence in memory of member, Waudieur “Woodie” Rucker-Hughes.

- Minutes approval from prior meeting

Minutes being duly moved and seconded were unanimously approved.

- Dissolve Formal Subcommittee

Upon discussion of the need for a formal subcommittee, the motion to dissolve the formal priorities subcommittee was duly moved, seconded and unanimously approved.

- Discussion of priorities of Advisory group

Upon discussion of the substantive scope of agenda items a motion to include an equity framework within the discussion of priorities was duly moved, seconded and unanimously approved. The DACAG discussed what factors to consider when addressing disadvantaged communities. The DACAG also discussed mechanisms for stakeholders to communicate with the DACAG.

- Discussion of procedures or mechanics for commenting on active public agency proceedings and programs

The CEC and CPUC will keep the DACAG timely informed of proceedings that are relevant to the DACAG’s mission and may request DACAG input. The DACAG discussed mechanisms for DACAG approval of members’ proposals to provide input and also discussed mechanisms for providing such input to the CEC and CPUC in a timely manner.

- Discussion of the Environmental and Social Justice Action Plan Draft

The DACAG discussed different considerations, timelines and procedural aspects of the draft plan.

- Discussion of Energy Equity Indicators

CEC staff member Pamela Doughman presented and walked through the Energy Equity Indicators interactive web maps.

- Housekeeping Items (Admin)
 - Discussion with attorney liaisons about Conflict of Interest considerations

CEC staff member Galen Lemei presented on Conflict of Interest law its relevance to the DACAG.

- Reimbursement and per diem updates

CPUC staff member Alice Glasner presented an update on reimbursement and per diem considerations.

- Reminder of annual reporting requirement to Commissions

The DACAG discussed when its annual report should be submitted. CPUC staff member Jason Reiger was tasked with reviewing any relevant legal guidance as to when the annual report is due.

- Advisory Group scheduling

The DACAG discussed the date, frequency and length of future meetings with a focus on how to best move forward with its mission. Members agreed upon the need to schedule monthly meetings in addition to quarterly meetings through the end of the year, and agency liaisons agreed to assist in facilitating this.

- Process for creating future agendas

The DACAG and staff from the CEC and CPUC discussed the logistics and timelines for placing items on future agendas.

- Public Comment

Members of the public offered oral comments to the DACAG.

- Next steps and closing

The meeting adjourned at approximately 4:30 p.m.