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Senate Bill 350 (SB 350) (de León, Chapter 547, Statutes of 2015) amends section 9621 of the Public Utilities Code to require specified publicly owned utilities (POUs) to adopt integrated resource plans (IRPs) by January 1, 2019, submit them to the California Energy Commission, and update them at least once every five years thereafter.

IRPs are electricity system planning documents intended to ensure that POUs lay out the resource needs, policy goals, physical and operational constraints, and general priorities or proposed resource choices of an electric utility, including customer-side preferred resources. These plans will provide a framework to evaluate how utilities have chosen to align with greenhouse gas emission reduction targets as well as energy and other policy goals outlined in SB 350.

Vernon Public Utilities (Vernon) submitted its IRP filing to the Energy Commission on January 10, 2019. Staff reviewed Vernon's IRP filing for consistency with the requirements of public utilities code section 9621. Based on staff's review, the Executive Director filed a determination on May 13, 2019, finding Vernon's IRP filing consistent with the requirements of SB 350. The Energy Commission plans to bring the determination to the August 2019 Business Meeting for adoption.

Public Comment

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The Executive Director's determination is available online at https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=18-IRP-01.

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