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STATE OF CALIFORNIA

**STATE ENERGY RESOURCES
CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

**RESOLUTION RE: REVISIONS TO THE GUIDELINES FOR CALIFORNIA'S SOLAR
ELECTRIC INCENTIVE PROGRAMS (SENATE BILL 1), SEVENTH EDITION**

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 1 (Murray, Statutes of 2006, Chapter 132) (SB 1), as codified in Public Resources Code sections 25780 - 25784 directs the Energy Commission to adopt guidelines to establish eligibility criteria, conditions for incentives, and rating standards for ratepayer-funded solar energy incentive programs, including incentive programs administered by the Energy Commission, the California Public Utilities Commission, and local publicly owned electric utilities; and

WHEREAS, on December 19, 2007, in accordance with Public Resources Code Sections 25780 - 25784, the Energy Commission adopted guidelines entitled, *Guidelines for California's Solar Electric Incentive Programs Pursuant to Senate Bill 1* (SB 1 Guidelines), which were most recently revised in 2018; and

WHEREAS, the SB 1 Guidelines require photovoltaic module equipment to be tested by accredited third-party test laboratories; and

WHEREAS, Energy Commission staff, with input from Chair David Hochschild and renewables lead Commissioner Karen Douglas, has proposed revisions to the SB 1 Guidelines due to changes to International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) third-party laboratory accreditation standards IEC 61215 and IEC 61646 as described in the Notice to Consider Adoption of Revisions to the Guidelines for California's Solar Electric Incentive Programs (Senate Bill 1), Seventh Edition docketed and distributed for public comment on June 28, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Energy Commission's legal office has considered the application of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to the adoption of the proposed revisions to the SB 1 Guidelines and concluded that the adoption is exempt from CEQA, because: (1) it is a continuing administrative activity related to general policy and procedure making which is not considered a "project" subject to CEQA under California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15378(b)(2); and (2) if it is considered a project, then it falls under the "common sense exemption" in California Code of Regulations,

Title 14, Section 15061(b)(3) because there is no possibility it may have a significant effect on the environment.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Energy Commission has considered staff's proposed revisions to the SB 1 Guidelines and finds that its adoption is exempt from CEQA for the reasons stated by the legal office; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Energy Commission hereby adopts the revisions to the SB 1 Guidelines, *Guidelines for California's Solar Electric Incentive Programs (Senate Bill 1), Seventh Edition*, and authorizes the Executive Director, or his designee, to implement the revisions to the SB 1 Guidelines on the Energy Commission's behalf.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned Secretariat to the Commission does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a Resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the California Energy Commission held on July 15, 2019.

AYE: Hochschild, Scott, Douglas, McAllister, Monahan

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None



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Secretariat