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Accessing Private Capital Markets

Leveraging CEC (and other State) Funding

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Financing EV Charging Infrastructure in California

2020 Integrated Energy Policy Report Update Proceeding



2019-2020 Investment Plan Update

Clean Transportation Program Second Revised Lead Commissioner Report 8/28/2019

What is the funding gap?

Money Chasing Projects

ESG Investors Looking for Green Investments

Impediments/Opportunities?



Target	240,000	10,000
Funding Gap	78,000	3,600
Demand* ~ 4,000 MW	~ 3,500	~ 500
Investment* ~ \$4,000 million	~ \$ 3,500	~ \$ 500

* Order of magnitude estimates



"Business as Usual"



Distribution Infrastructure

Grid Constraint Removal

<u>Make Ready</u> <u>via Poles/Wires</u>

Traditional Issues

- Rate payer impact
- Long Planning Cycle
- Capex uncertainty
- Unpredictable timelines
- Front of meter upgrades

Traditional Funding via

- Grants
- IOU cost recovery
- Local Government Budgets
- On balance sheet





Impediments - Private Infrastructure Financing

- Interconnection essential part of Infrastructure
- Interconnection uncertainty
- Early stage investment too risky
- Who owns upgraded interconnection assets?
- Money for making ready?
- Access to LCFS unclear

500 kW



"Non-wire" Solution for Interconnection Upgrades

On-site, Behind the meter

Potentially supplied by one single developer





New Business Model



Distribution Infrastructure

Constraint Removal - not needed Non - wire Solution Behind the meter

Issues de-risked

- No Rate payer impact
- Shorter development cycle
- Capex confidence \circ
- Normal permitting
- Behind the meter upgrades

Funding via

- Infrastructure asset owners
- Infrastructure as service
- Early stage capital providers
- CA Infrastructure banks





Opportunity - Private Infrastructure financing

- Measurable pre-construction risk
- No/minimal impact from utility
- Standardized Transactions
- Cashflows independent of charger uptake
- Potential Tax leverage

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- Monetize LCFS
- Equipment performance guarantees



Transaction

Business Model Based on Distributed Solar Business

^{at} Commercial & Industrial (C&I) Facilities



<u>Typical Values</u> CEC equity \$2.50 Developer equity \$2.50 Sale Price at NTP \$10 Asset Value \$100

CEC funding leverage up to 40 X

- CEC's capital Pari Passu with developer equity
- CEC exit typically in 12 months
- 100% profit reinvested



* NTP – Notice to Proceed; construction start



Recommendations

- Directory of Project/Investment Opportunities Dynamic Data base
- Investment/Information Memo Priorities, plans
- Road Shows Communicate needs, priorities – outreach to financial markets
- Pilot Project Test out concepts

