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Development of the California Energy)	NOTICE OF REMOTE-ACCESS EVENT
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Charge (EPIC) Investment Plans 2021-)	RE: EPIC Investment Plan <i>En Banc</i>
2025		Meeting

Notice of Commissioner *En Banc* Meeting

Electric Program Investment Charge 2021-2025 Investment Plan

Friday, October 8, 2021

1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Remote Access Only

The California Energy Commission (CEC) is holding an *en banc* meeting of CEC and California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) Commissioners on the Electric Program Investment Charge 2021-2025 Investment Plan (EPIC 4 Investment Plan). At this meeting, CEC and CPUC Commissioners will share their perspectives and priorities on the proposed funding initiatives in the EPIC 4 Investment Plan. A quorum of Commissioners may participate, but no votes will be taken.

The *en banc* meeting will be held remotely, consistent with Assembly Bill 361 (Rivas, Chapter 165, Statutes of 2021) to improve and enhance public access to state meetings during the COVID-19 pandemic and future emergencies by allowing broader access through teleconferencing options. The public can participate in the *en banc* meeting consistent with the direction provided in this notice. Instructions for remote participation via Zoom and telephone are below. Please note that the CEC aims to begin promptly at the start time indicated and the end time is an estimate based on the proposed agenda. The *en banc* meeting may end sooner or later depending on various factors.

Agenda

CEC Chair David Hochschild, CEC Commissioner Andrew J. McAllister, and CPUC Commissioner Martha Guzman Aceves will make introductory remarks. Staff will provide a snapshot of CEC's past 10 years of research and development (R&D) accomplishments and benefits provided to California through EPIC. This will be followed by an overview of the CEC's proposed strategic initiatives in the *EPIC 4 Investment*

Plan. CEC and CPUC Commissioners will then discuss the proposed initiatives and offer their perspectives and priorities for advancing California’s clean energy policies. The *en banc* meeting will conclude with an opportunity for public comment.

Background

In 2012, the CPUC established EPIC to fill a critical gap in funding for public investments in clean energy research and technology innovation that can provide benefits to electric ratepayers through greater reliability, lower costs, and increased safety. The CPUC selected the CEC and the state’s three largest investor-owned utilities (IOUs) to administer EPIC. Senate Bill 96 (SB 96, Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review, Statutes of 2013) provides additional statutory direction in the CEC’s administration of EPIC. Specifically, SB 96 directs the CEC to award EPIC funds for projects that will benefit electricity ratepayers and lead to technological advancement and breakthroughs to overcome the barriers that prevent achieving the state’s statutory energy goals.

On September 2, 2020, the CPUC renewed EPIC for an additional ten years (January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2030) in Decision 20-08-042 of Rulemaking 19-10-005. In Decision 20-08-042, the CPUC approved the CEC as an EPIC administrator with an annual budget of \$148 million for the first five years and ordered the IOUs to collect funds for the renewed EPIC starting January 1, 2021.

The CPUC’s Decision 20-08-042 requires the CEC to file an investment plan to the CPUC to cover the period of January 1, 2021, to December 31, 2025 (referred to as EPIC 4).

Remote Instructions

The *en banc* meeting may be accessed by clicking the Zoom link below or visiting Zoom at <https://join.zoom.us> and entering the ID and password listed below. If you experience difficulties joining, you may contact Zoom at (888) 799-9666 ext. 2, or the CEC’s Public Advisor’s Office at publicadvisor@energy.ca.gov, or at (916) 654-4489, or toll-free at (800) 822- 6228.

Link to Join the EPIC 4 *en banc* meeting:

<https://energy.zoom.us/j/97693726605?pwd=RG4vM2pSWGpDenluTnhRY1JMZm9VQT09>

Event ID: **976 9372 6605**

Event Password: **EPIC2021**

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Zoom's closed captioning service will be enabled for the *en banc* meeting. Attendees can enable the service by clicking on the "live transcript" icon and then choosing either "show subtitle" or "view full transcript." You can stop the closed captioning service by exiting out of the "live transcript" or selecting the "hide subtitle" icon. Please note that the transcript provided through Zoom's closed captioning will not be precise.

Public Comment

Verbal comments will be accepted at the end of the event. Comments may be limited to three minutes or less per speaker and one person per organization. If participating via Zoom's online platform, use the "raise hand" feature so the facilitator can announce your name and unmute you. If you are participating by telephone, press *9 to "raise your hand" and *6 to mute/unmute.

Written comments must be submitted to the Docket Unit by **October 15, 2021**. Comments, attachments, and associated contact information (including address, phone number, and email address) will become part of the public record of this proceeding, with access available via any internet search engine.

The CEC encourages use of its electronic commenting system. Visit the [e-commenting](https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Ecomment/Ecomment.aspx?docketnumber=20-EPIC-01) page for the EPIC 4 Investment Planning Docket (<https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Ecomment/Ecomment.aspx?docketnumber=20-EPIC-01>). Enter your contact information and a comment title describing the subject of your comment(s). Comments may be included in the "Comment Text" box or attached as a downloadable, searchable document in Microsoft® Word or Adobe® Acrobat®. The maximum file size allowed is 10 MB.

Written comments may be submitted by email. Include docket number **20-EPIC-01** "EPIC 4 Investment Plan *en banc*" in the subject line and email to docket@energy.ca.gov.

If preferred, a paper copy may be sent to:

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Docket No. 20-EPIC-01
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Direct technical subject and event inquiries to Misa Werner at misa.werner@energy.ca.gov or (916) 776-3477.

Availability of Documents

Documents and presentations will be available at the CEC's [EPIC 4 website: www.energy.ca.gov/epic4](http://www.energy.ca.gov/epic4). When new information is posted, an email will be sent to those on the EPIC list serve. To receive these notifications, subscribe at the aforementioned EPIC 4 website. To manage existing subscriptions or sign up for others, visit [CEC List Servers, https://ww2.energy.ca.gov/listservers/index cms.html](https://ww2.energy.ca.gov/listservers/index cms.html).

Dated: September 28, 2021, at Sacramento, California

Original signed by

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Chair, California Energy Commission

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