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NOTICE OF REMOTE-ACCESS
WORKSHOP

RE: EPIC Administrative Costs

Notice of Joint Agency Workshop
Electric Program Investment Charge Administrative Costs
January 12, 2022
9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Remote Access Only

The California Energy Commission (CEC), Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E), Southern California Edison (SCE), and San Diego Gas and Electric Company (SDG&E) will host a workshop to discuss a framework for defining and consistently tracking administrative costs associated with the Electric Program Investment Charge (EPIC). EPIC has invested approximately \$160 million annually in new technology breakthroughs to transform the electricity sector to meet California's energy and climate policy goals and bring increased benefits to electric ratepayers of the state's three largest investor-owned utilities (IOUs) – PG&E, SCE, and SDG&E.

This is a staff workshop; a quorum of commissioners from the CEC, California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) may participate, but no votes will be taken. The workshop will be held remotely, consistent with Assembly Bill 361 (Rivas, Chapter 165, Statutes of 2021) to improve and enhance public access to state agency meetings during the COVID-19 pandemic by allowing broader access through teleconferencing options. The public can participate in the workshop consistent with the direction provided below.

Please note that the CEC aims to begin promptly at the start time posted and the end time is an estimate based on the agenda proposed. The workshop may end sooner or later than the posted end time depending on various factors.

Agenda

For this workshop, each EPIC administrator will describe their budgetary approach for conducting specific activities as part of their EPIC administration. Existing and proposed administrative line-item activities and their definitions will be discussed. Here is the workshop agenda:

- Welcome, introduction, and background
- Administrators' presentation including high-level overview of the similarities and differences of CEC and IOU EPIC program models
- Discussion with stakeholders and CPUC staff on EPIC administrators' proposed administrative cost categories
- Additional public comment

Background and Workshop Objective

Pursuant to CPUC Decision D.21-11-028 Ordering Paragraph 16:

EPIC Administrators shall host a joint public workshop no later than 60 days after the issuance of this decision to propose an appropriate detailed line-item list of EPIC administrative costs that all Administrators may rely on. EPIC Administrators shall consult Energy Division on the agenda for the workshop and should provide the presentation to Energy Division and other parties in advance of the workshop. Ten days after the workshop, PG&E shall file a joint Tier 2 Advice Letter proposing a list of eligible administrative budget line items with clear associated definitions. The Advice Letter also shall identify and describe areas in which EPIC administrators could not come to consensus. Once the Advice Letter is approved, EPIC Administrators should use only these line items to describe and justify administrative expenses in their investment plans.

Per D.21-11-028, the goal of the detailed line-item list of EPIC administrative costs is to provide enhanced transparency about administrative costs and oversight for the cost and cost allocation of administrative activities. The workshop is an opportunity for administrators to have a dialogue with the CPUC's Energy Division and other stakeholders on defining the appropriate EPIC administrative cost details to comply with the CPUC's order.

Remote Attendance Instructions

The workshop may be accessed by clicking the Microsoft Teams link below. After you register, you will immediately receive an email from noreply@teams.registration.microsoft.com. Please click on the Join Event button in that email to join the workshop and be sure to check your Spam folder if the email does not arrive in your inbox. If you experience difficulties joining, please visit <https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/office/join-a-meeting-in-teams-1613bb53-f3fa-431e-85a9-d6a91e3468c9> or contact the Public Advisor at publicadvisor@energy.ca.gov or by phone at (916) 957-7910.

Link to Workshop:

[EPIC Administrator Workshop Registration Link](https://tinyurl.com/35r7x4d4) (<https://tinyurl.com/35r7x4d4>)

Use the “raise hand feature” located on the upper-right area of the screen to indicate you want to speak and an event facilitator will indicate when your line is open and ready for you to make a comment or ask a question.

To Participate by Telephone (audio only), dial (415) 906-0873 or (213) 279-1466. When prompted, enter the ID: **323 261 224#**. To enter the comment queue, dial *5 to “raise your hand” and *6 to mute/unmute your phone line when called on.

Public Comment

Oral comments will be accepted at the end of the workshop. Comments may be limited to three minutes or less per speaker and one person per organization. If participating via the Teams online platform, use the “raise hand” feature so the moderator can announce your name and unmute you. For phone-only participants, dial *5 to “raise your hand” and *6 to mute/unmute your phone line when called on.

Written comments must be submitted to the Docket Unit by 5:00 p.m. on **January 19, 2022**. Written and oral 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 page at <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 and EPIC Administrative Costs in the subject line and email to docket@energy.ca.gov.

A paper copy may be sent to:

California Energy Commission
Docket Unit, MS-4
Docket No. 20-EPIC-01
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Public Advisor and Other CEC Contacts

The CEC’s Public Advisor provides the public with assistance in participating in CEC proceedings. For information about how to participate in this workshop or to request interpreting services or other reasonable accommodations and modifications, reach out via email at publicadvisor@energy.ca.gov or by phone at (916) 957-7910. Requests for interpreting services, reasonable accommodations and modifications should be made as soon as possible but at least five days in advance of the workshop. The CEC will work diligently to meet all requests based on the availability of the service or resource requested.

Direct media inquiries to mediaoffice@energy.ca.gov or (916) 812-1112.

Direct workshop inquiries to Anthony Ng at anthony.ng@energy.ca.gov or (916) 776-0801.

Availability of Documents

Documents and presentations for this meeting will be available at [Docket 20-EPIC-01](#), at <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=20-EPIC-01>.

Dated: December 29, 2021, at Sacramento, California

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