#### CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION 1516 Ninth Street Sacramento, California 95814

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IN THE MATTER OF:

*California Energy Commission Grant Audit Guidance*  Commission Staff Workshop RE: Common Energy Commission Grant Audit Findings; Standard Accounting Procedures and Record Keeping to Avoid Audit Findings

# NOTICE OF COMMISSION STAFF WORKSHOP

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The California Energy Commission's (Energy Commission) Chief Auditor will conduct a workshop to provide an overview of common Energy Commission grant audit findings and best practices for standard accounting procedures and record-keeping to avoid audit findings.

#### FEBRUARY 7, 2019 10:00 AM

#### Warren-Alquist State Energy Building 1516 Ninth Street 1st Floor, Art Rosenfeld Hearing Room Sacramento, California 95814 (Wheelchair Accessible)

Remote access is available by computer or phone via WebEx™ (Instructions below.)

### Agenda

Welcome and Workshop Overview

Role of the Audits, Investigations, and Program Review Office

**Common Grant Audit Findings** 

Best Practices for Procedures and Record-Keeping

Resources

Questions



# Background

The Audits, Investigations, and Program Review (AIPR) Office conducts audits of Energy Commission grant recipients to ensure the expenditures claimed for the grant and as match are allowable, supported, and incurred within the approved time period, and to verify the products and deliverables detailed in the grant agreement's scope of work are completed as required.

If a grant recipient is audited and the audit generates audit findings, the Energy Commission will request specific actions of the recipient to resolve the findings, which could include repayment of funds. This workshop will provide information on common audit findings found among Energy Commission grants and will provide recommendations for accounting and record-keeping practices that recipients can put in place to minimize or avoid audit findings.

### **Public Comment**

**Oral comments**. The Commission will accept oral comments during the workshop. Comments may be limited to three minutes per speaker and one speaker per organization. Any comments will become part of the public record.

**Written comments**. Written comments must be submitted by email to Lisa Negri at <u>lisa.negri@energy.ca.gov</u> by 5:00 p.m. on February 15, 2019. Written comments will also be accepted at the workshop; however, the Energy Commission may not have time to review them before the conclusion of the meeting.

Written and oral comments, attachments, and associated contact information (e.g. address, phone number, email address) become part of the viewable public record. This information may also become available via any Internet search engine.

If preferred, a paper copy may be sent to:

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Questions on the subject matter of this meeting, should be directed to Lisa Negri at <u>lisa.negri@energy.ca.gov</u> or (916) 653-2645.

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