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To: California Energy Commission
From: Frank Brandt private citizen
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Re: Comments on the Draft Staff Report "Achieving Cost-Effective Energy Efficiency for California 2011-2020" (Docket number 11-IEP-1F)

I, Frank Brandt a private citizen wish to comment on the State legislature's effort to reduce greenhouse gas production by so called "energy efficiency' techniques. The energy advisors to the legislature have promoted this concept to the legislature and they have accepted it as a principle way to reduce GHG production. Unfortunately it is an expensive way to accomplish this goal which is a real burden to the ratepayer. As the city of Palo Alto states in its comments the cost of EE has progressed from 2 cents a Kwh to 6 cents and is rising. I submit as a rate payer that a better way must be developed to reduce GHG production. EE may appeal to the NRDC but they are ignoring the poor ratepayers.

This is an appeal to the CEC to stop spinning its wheels, conducting workshops, writing long reports all to promote the legislature's expensive energy schemes. The time has come for the CEC to use its talents and give proper guidance to the legislature on energy policy. The ratepayer must be considered in all energy legislation.

The state policy of trying to reduce electrical consumption while population is increasing is non productive. The state policy of not increasing state generation capacity of reliable 24/7 electricity is not tenable. As long as the state has to allow more fossil plants to be built to meet the ever increased demand, the goal of reducing GHG production will never be met.

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