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## **Emerging Renewables Program Small Wind Incentives Study**

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The Emerging Renewables Program (ERP) provides rebate incentives to customers toward purchasing qualifying small wind turbines and fuel cells. Since the program's start the number of small wind systems installed annually has fluctuated, and program activity has been less than expected. In 2008, the Energy Commission directed KEMA to assess the ERP incentive program, analyze the small wind market infrastructure economics, and identify market barriers in California.

KEMA reviewed industry reports, analyzed several surveys that were conducted by Energy Commission staff, and reviewed the current *ERP Guidebook* to assess California's existing market infrastructure.

This report presents KEMA's analysis of the ERP incentive program and the small wind market infrastructure in California as well as its recommendations for changes to the *ERP Guidebook*.

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