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In the matter of:)	
)	NOTICE OF STAFF WORKSHOP
Renewable Energy and Conservation)	
Planning Grants)	RE: Renewable Energy and
)	Conservation Planning Grants

Notice of Staff Workshop on Renewable Energy and Conservation Planning Grant Solicitation

California Energy Commission staff will conduct a workshop to provide information concerning the Renewable Energy and Conservation Planning Grant (RECPG) solicitation released on January 8, 2014. The workshop will take place on:

January 21, 2014
 1:00 p.m.
 Second Floor Conference Room
 California Energy Commission
 1516 Ninth Street
 Sacramento, CA 95814

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Purpose

The purpose of the staff workshop is to provide an opportunity for qualified counties to ask questions about the RECPG solicitation released on January 8, 2014.

Background

This Energy Commission grant solicitation seeks proposals from qualified counties that did not receive funds under the RECPG grant solicitation released in 2013. This solicitation requests proposals for the development or revision of rules and policies that facilitate the development of eligible renewable energy resources, and their associated electric transmission facilities, and the processing of permits for eligible renewable energy resources. The grant solicitation implements Section 25619 of the Public

Resources Code and offers up to \$2,500,000 in grants to the qualified counties of Fresno, Kern, Kings, Madera, Merced, Riverside, San Diego, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, Stanislaus, and Tulare.

Investments in developing or revising county rules and policies will provide local communities with resources to develop or revise important planning tools that facilitate eligible renewable energy resources development and conservation, and contribute to meeting the state's long-term energy and climate goals. For qualified counties in the Desert Renewable Energy Conservation Plan planning area, or in the planning area of another natural community conservation plan, planning grants provide resources to facilitate eligible renewable energy resources development and ensure the protection of ecosystems through the successful implementation of the Desert Renewable Energy Conservation Plan or other applicable natural community conservation plans.

This program solicitation is the first of two funding opportunities. This solicitation is structured for the 10 counties that have yet to apply for RECPG funding. The second solicitation, planned for release in early February 2014, will provide an opportunity for the five existing program grant recipient counties that were awarded grants under PON-13-403 (March 2013) to compete for additional funding.

Relevant documents can be found on the Energy Commission's website at: www.energy.ca.gov/contracts/

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If you have questions on the subject matter of this meeting, please contact Pablo S. Gutierrez at Pablo.Gutierrez@energy.ca.gov or (916) 654-4663.

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