



Staff Workshop on the EPIC Grant Solicitation Process

California Energy Commission staff will conduct a workshop to share information and answer questions about the Electric Program Investment Charge (EPIC) grant solicitation process. Attendance at this workshop will provide potential applicants with useful information for completing grant application packages, but is not required to participate in EPIC solicitations.

TUESDAY, JULY 29, 2014

Beginning at 1:00 p.m.

City of Gardena

City Council Chambers

1700 West 162nd Street

City of Gardena, CA 90247

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Purpose

The purpose of this staff workshop is to assist potential applicants in understanding how to find and apply for EPIC grant funding opportunities from the California Energy Commission, and to serve as a forum for questions and answers relating to the general EPIC grant solicitation process.

Energy Commission staff will provide an explanation of the following:

- 1) the EPIC program and current solicitations;
- 2) requirements for potential applicants;
- 3) the solicitation timeline and application process;
- 4) the evaluation process, including scoring criteria and potential hurdles;
- 5) the agreement development process for funding awardees; and
- 6) general tips for application development.

Participation in this workshop is encouraged, but not required for application to any EPIC grant solicitations. This is the same material being presented at a workshop in San Jose on July 9, 2014, as well as those previously presented in Sacramento on June 17, 2014, and in Fresno on June 30, 2014.

Background

On May 24, 2012, the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) established the purposes and governance for the EPIC Program in Decision 12-05-037 for Rulemaking 11-10-003. In this decision, the CPUC designated the Energy Commission as one of four administrators of the program, each charged with administering a portion of EPIC funding. The funding administered by the Energy Commission will support applied research and development, technology demonstration and deployment, and market facilitation for clean energy technologies and approaches, for the benefit of ratepayers of Pacific Gas and Electric Company, San Diego Gas & Electric Company, and Southern California Edison Company. Funding will be awarded in accordance with CPUC-approved EPIC Triennial Investment Plans and legislative directives.

Public Comment

Staff will accept oral comments and questions during the workshop. Comments may be limited to three minutes per speaker. Any comments may become part of the public record in this proceeding.

Additionally, written comments and questions received by August 15 will be posted to the Energy Commission's website for the workshop. Please note that written and oral comments, attachments, and associated contact information (e.g., address, phone, and email) become part of the viewable public record. This information may become available via internet search engines.

The Energy Commission encourages comments by email. Please include your name and any organization name. Comments should be in a downloadable, searchable format such as Microsoft® Word (.doc) or Adobe® Acrobat® (.pdf). Indicate the title of the workshop in the subject line. Send comments to:

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If you prefer, you may send a paper copy of your comments to:

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If you have questions on the subject matter of this meeting, please contact Michael Sokol at Michael.Sokol@Energy.ca.gov or (916) 327-1416.

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Availability of Documents

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