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In the matter of)	Docket No. 09-OII-1
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American Recovery and Reinvestment)	NOTICE OF STAFF WORKSHOP
Act of 2009)	
)	RE: The Energy Efficiency and
)	Conservation Block Grant (EECBG)
)	Program Application Process
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**Staff Workshop on the Energy Efficiency and Conservation
Block Grant Program Funding
Application Process for Small Cities and Counties
(American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009)**

California Energy Commission (Energy Commission) staff will conduct a workshop for **small cities and counties** to discuss the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Program of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA). The workshop will focus on the funding application process, required information, and review process. The workshop will be held:

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2009
9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION
1516 Ninth Street
First Floor, Hearing Room A
Sacramento, CA
This workshop will be WebEx.
(Wheelchair Accessible)

No Reservation is Necessary.

Purpose

The workshop will inform various stakeholders, specifically small cities and counties, of the Energy Commission's EECBG program funding application process, required information, review process, and the schedule for awarding funds. There will be a Questions and Answers session at the end of the workshop.

A detailed agenda will be provided in advance of the workshop and available online at: [<http://www.energy.ca.gov/stimulus/>].

Background

ARRA will provide \$787 billion nationally in economic investment to stimulate the economy and create jobs for Americans.

The Energy Commission is administering four ARRA funded programs: the State Energy Program (SEP) for \$226 million, the EECBG Program for \$49.6 million, the State Energy Efficient Appliance Rebate Program for \$35 million, and the Electricity Delivering and Energy Reliability, Research, Development and Analysis Program for \$3.6 million.

In addition, DOE will administer over \$37 billion through competitive grants and other financing for energy and climate change related programs. The Energy Commission will work with other state agencies, utilities, and public and private entities to identify ways to leverage these funds for California projects.

The EECBG grant award requires at least 60 percent of the funds (\$29.8 million) to be allocated for specified activities in small cities (population less than 35,000) and small counties (population less than 200,000). This workshop is designed to provide guidance on the application process for the small jurisdictions eligible for the EECBG funds.

If you have not yet signed up for the Energy Commission's list server on the recovery program please do so at: [<http://www.energy.ca.gov/stimulus/>].

Written Comments

Written questions on the workshop topics must be submitted by 5 p.m. on October 20, 2009. Please include the docket number 09-OII-01 and indicate **Energy Block Grant Application Process Workshop** in the subject line or first paragraph of your comments. Please hand deliver or mail an original copy to:

California Energy Commission
Dockets Office, MS-4
Re: Docket No. 09-OII-01
1516 Ninth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814-5512

The Energy Commission **encourages comments by e-mail**. Please include your name or organization's in the name of the file. Those submitting comments by electronic mail should provide them in either Microsoft Word format or as a Portable Document (PDF) to [docket@energy.state.ca.us]. **One paper copy** must also be sent to the Energy Commission's Docket Unit.

If you are attending, please provide **an original and 10 copies** at the beginning of the workshop. All written materials relating to this workshop will be filed with the Dockets Unit and become part of the public record in this proceeding.

Remote Attendance

JOIN THE LIVE WEBINAR ON October 22 at 9 a.m.

How to Access the WebEx Meeting

REGISTRATION

1. To register for this event, go to
<https://energy.webex.com/energy/onstage/g.php?t=a&d=926686895>
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3. Provide your information as requested.
4. You will receive a confirmation email message that contains the details to join the event.

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TELEPHONE ONLY (No Computer Access)

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WebEx audiences will be able to submit questions on areas of interest during the meeting to be addressed by workshop participants via email at [eecbg@energy.state.ca.us]. Please be sure to include “Application Workshop” in the subject line.

Public Participation

The Energy Commission's Public Adviser's Office provides the public assistance in participating in its activities. For information on how to participate in this forum, please contact the Public Adviser's Office at (916) 654-4489 or toll free at (800) 822-6228, by FAX at (916) 654-4493, or by e-mail at [PublicAdviser@energy.state.ca.us]. Please direct all news media inquiries to the Media and Public Communications Office at (916) 654-4989, or by e-mail at [mediaoffice@energy.state.ca.us]. If you have questions on

the technical subject matter of this forum, please contact Stephanie Bailey, Special Projects Office, at (916) 654-4577 or via e-mail at [eecbg@energy.state.ca.us].

If you have a disability and require assistance to participate, please contact Lou Quiroz at (916) 654-5146 at least five days in advance.

Mail Lists: Recovery List Server

Note: California Energy Commission's formal name is State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission.