

CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

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In the matter of:)	Docket No. 09-OII-1
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Order Instituting Informational Proceeding)	NOTICE OF BUSINESS MEETING
American Recovery and Reinvestment Act)	RE: Revisions to Program
_____)	Guidelines

Notice to Consider Adoption of Changes to State Energy Program Guidelines

The California Energy Commission will hold a Business Meeting on:

FRIDAY, August 6, 2010
10 a.m.
CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION
1516 Ninth Street
First Floor, Hearing Room A
Sacramento, California
(Wheelchair Accessible)

Note: Audio from this meeting will be broadcast over the Internet using our WebEx Internet Conferencing System. For details on how to access the meeting electronically, please see the meeting agenda that will be posted online at:

www.energy.ca.gov/business_meetings/

The meeting agenda and WebEx log-in instructions will be posted before the meeting date.

As part of an August 6, 2010, Business Meeting, the Energy Commission will consider adopting changes to the *State Energy Program Guidelines (Guidelines)*. These *Guidelines* describe the manner in which the Energy Commission will implement the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) State Energy Program (SEP) for the following five program areas:

1. Financing Program for California Municipalities
2. California Comprehensive Residential Building Retrofit Program
3. Municipal and Commercial Building Targeted Measure Retrofit Program
4. Low Interest Energy Efficiency Financing Program.
5. Clean Energy Business Financing Program

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) allocated the Energy Commission \$226 million in ARRA funding for the SEP. DOE encouraged states to develop SEP strategies that align with the following national goals: increasing jobs, reducing US oil dependency through increases in energy efficiency and the deployment of renewable energy technologies, promoting economic vitality through an increase in “green jobs,” and reducing green house gas emissions. The *Guidelines* establish the eligibility and procedural requirements to qualify for SEP funding in the five program areas. The *Guidelines* were originally adopted by the Energy Commission on September 30, 2009, and were subsequently amended on February 10, 2010.

Staff is recommending changes to the *Guidelines* to allow the use of alternate financing mechanisms in addition to property-assessed clean energy (PACE) financing, under the Financing Program for California Municipalities, and to provide flexibility to ensure that the ARRA SEP funding is obligated before the deadlines associated with this federal grant.

The proposed changes are shown in the proposed **Third Edition** of the *Guidelines*. The draft document is available online at: www.energy.ca.gov/stimulus/documents/

Printed copies of the draft version of the *Guideline* changes may be obtained by contacting:

California Energy Commission
ARRA-SEP
1515 Ninth Street, MS-37
Sacramento, CA 95814
Email: SEP@energy.state.ca.us

Staff recommends that the proposed changes be adopted by the Energy Commission.

Written Comments

Written comments on the proposed changes to the *Guidelines* should be submitted by 5 p.m. on July 30, 2010. Please include the docket number (09-OII-1) and indicate ARRA -SEP in the subject line or first paragraph of your comments. Please hand-deliver or mail an original and 11 paper copies to:

California Energy Commission
Dockets Office, MS-4
Re: Docket No. 09-OII-1
1516 Ninth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814-5512

The Energy Commission encourages comments by e-mail. Please include your name or organization 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 File (PDF) to [\[docket@energy.state.ca.us\]](mailto:docket@energy.state.ca.us). **One paper copy** must also be sent to the Energy Commission’s Docket Office.

All written comments related to the *Guidelines* will be filed with the Dockets Office and become part of the public record in this proceeding.

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Date: July 16, 2010

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