

Backup Material for Item #2: 2020 IEPR Update, Volume II (20-IEPR-01)

Below is link to Volume II of the *2020 Integrated Energy Policy Report Update*:

- [*Proposed Final 2020 Integrated Energy Policy Report Update, Volume II: The Role of Microgrids in California's Clean and Resilient Energy Future, Lessons Learned From the California Energy Commission's Research*](#)

The report is also available at <https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/reports/integrated-energy-policy-report/2020-integrated-energy-policy-report-update>

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA
ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION
AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

Docket No. 20-IEPR-01

In the Matter of:

*THE 2020 INTEGRATED ENERGY
POLICY REPORT UPDATE (2020 IEPR)*

*Adoption of the 2020 Integrated
Energy Policy Report Update*

WHEREAS, the Warren-Alquist Act requires the California Energy Commission in odd-numbered years to "conduct assessments and forecasts of all aspects of energy industry supply, production, transportation, delivery and distribution, demand, and prices" and to "use these assessments and forecasts to develop and evaluate energy policies and programs that conserve resources, protect the environment, ensure energy reliability, enhance the state's economy, and protect public health and safety" (Public Resources Code § 25301, subd. (a)); and to update these assessments and forecasts in even-numbered years (Public Resources Code § 25302, subd. (c)); and

WHEREAS, on February 24, 2020, the Lead Commissioner issued a Scoping Order for the *2020 Integrated Energy Policy Report Update* stating that the *2020 Integrated Energy Policy Report Update* would consist of three volumes consisting of (1) a report on transportation trends, challenges, and opportunities; (2) an update to the demand forecast; and (3) an assessment of microgrids; and

WHEREAS, 12 public workshops were held between May 2020 and December 2020 to solicit input from stakeholders on these topics, including one two-day workshop on microgrids; and

WHEREAS, on March 8, 2021, the Lead Commissioner published the draft *2020 IEPR Update, Volume II: The Role of Microgrids in California's Clean and Resilient Energy Future, Lessons Learned from the CEC's Research* for public review and comment, and, after considering all comments received, published the proposed final version on March 29, 2021, along with a Notice of Intent to Adopt at this regularly scheduled business meeting; and

WHEREAS, the draft 2020 IEPR Update, Volume I on transportation and Volume III on the demand forecast were adopted at the March 17, 2021, Business Meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Energy Commission has considered the application of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to the adoption of the *2020 Integrated Energy Policy Report Update, Volume II*, and concluded that the adoption of these reports is not a “project” under CEQA, but in the event that adoption was determined to be a project, that it would nonetheless be exempt from CEQA requirements pursuant to the “common sense” exemption (CEQA Guidelines, § 15061, subd. (b)(3)).

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Energy Commission hereby accepts, approves, and adopts the Final *2020 Integrated Energy Policy Report Update, Volume II: The Role of Microgrids in California’s Clean and Resilient Energy Future, Lessons Learned from the CEC’s Research* incorporating any changes presented and adopted today along with any non-substantive changes such as typographical corrections, and directs Energy Commission staff to make the document accessible to state, local, and federal entities, the public, and the Legislature.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned Secretariat to the Energy Commission does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an order duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the Energy Commission held on April 14, 2021.

AYE:

NAY:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Patricia Carlos
Secretariat
California Energy Commission

Dated: April 14, 2021