



# **Item 4: Information Item - ARPA-E Partnership and MOU**

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# A Decade of Collaboration

- CEC and ARPA-E signed a Memo of Understanding (MOU) in June 2013.
- The MOU provided a framework for the agencies to collaborate.
- Goal to maximize investments in cutting-edge energy technologies.



Former CEC Chair Dr. Robert Weisenmiller and former ARPA-E Director Cheryl Martin at the first coordination meeting. Source: CEC.



# Coordination Activities

## Annual Events and Meetings

- Annual Coordination Meeting
- EPIC Symposium
- ARPA-e Energy Innovation Summit

## Technical Advisory Committees

- ARPA-e Program Reviews
- CEC Project Advisory Committees

## Co-Funding

- Cost Share
- Follow-on Funding (CEC BRIDGE)



Former ARPA-E representatives Dr. David Danielson and Dr. James Zahler speaking at the 2019 EPIC Symposium. Source: CEC.



# The Impact

- **35+ companies** received funding and support from both CEC and ARPA-E.
- Total CEC and ARPA-E funding over **\$170 million**.
- These companies have raised over **\$1.8 billion** in private investment.
- Currently employ over **1,000 people**.





# Recent Updates

- Held a Regional Innovation Showcase on January 18-19, 2023
- Renewed the MOU in March 2023.
- Collaborate on opportunities to advance technologies in key topic areas.
- Coordinate on events to showcase technologies.



Representatives from ARPA-E, CEC, and Cleantech San Diego at the Regional Innovation Showcase at San Diego State on January 19, 2023. Source: CEC



# Thank You