



**California Energy Commission
May 8, 2025 Business Meeting
Backup Materials for Vernon Public Utilities' Integrated Resource Plan (IRP)**

The following backup materials for the above-referenced agenda item are available as described below:

1. Proposed Order, attached below.
2. Executive Director Letter to POU, attached below.
3. Staff Report – [Review of Vernon Public Utilities 2023 Integrated Resource Plan](#).

For the complete record, please visit: [Docket 18-IRP-01](#).

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
STATE ENERGY RESOURCES
CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF:

**Vernon Public Utilities 2023
Integrated Resource Plan Filing**

Docket No. 18-IRP-01

**[PROPOSED] ORDER FINDING
COMPLIANCE WITH PUBLIC
UTILITIES CODE SECTION 9621**

I. BACKGROUND

Pursuant to Senate Bill 350 (Stats. 2015, ch. 547), Public Utilities Code (PUC) section 9621 requires publicly owned utilities with an annual electrical demand exceeding 700 gigawatt hours to adopt integrated resource plans (IRPs) at least once every five years and submit them to the California Energy Commission (CEC). The IRPs must contain supporting information sufficient to demonstrate that they meet certain requirements, including greenhouse gas emission reduction targets and renewable energy procurement goals, as set forth in PUC section 9621. Under PUC section 9622, the CEC must review IRPs for consistency with these requirements. On October 4, 2018, the CEC adopted the *Publicly Owned Utility Integrated Resource Plan Submission and Review Guidelines* to govern the submission of IRPs.

II. STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the CEC find the Vernon Public Utilities' 2023 IRP, filed on November 20, 2023, under Docket Number 18-IRP-01, complete and consistent with the requirements of PUC section 9621.

III. ENERGY COMMISSION FINDINGS

- a. On November 20, 2023, Vernon Public Utilities submitted an IRP and supporting documentation to the CEC (the IRP Filing); and
- b. On July 11, 2024, Vernon Public Utilities submitted additional IRP documents upon CEC staff request; and

- c. On August 14, 2024, the CEC notified Vernon Public Utilities that its IRP Filing was complete; and
- d. The complete IRP Filing has been available on the CEC website under Docket Number 18-IRP-01 for public comment for at least 30 days and no public comments were received; and
- e. On January 14, 2025, CEC staff, under the authority of the Executive Director, filed its review on the CEC website under Docket Number 18-IRP-01 (*Review of Vernon Public Utilities' 2023 IRP*, TN No. 261087) determining the IRP Filing to be consistent with the requirements for PUC Section 9621 and this document has been available for public comment for at least 45 days. No public comments were received; and
- f. On January 14, 2025, CEC staff informed Vernon Public Utilities in writing of staff's determination and on April 22, 2025, the Executive Director informed Vernon Public Utilities in writing that the CEC would consider adoption of this determination at the CEC Business Meeting on May 8, 2025; and
- g. The CEC concurs with staff's recommendation that Vernon Public Utilities' IRP Filing is complete and consistent with the requirements of PUC section 9621.

IV. CONCLUSION AND ORDER

The CEC hereby adopts staff's recommendation and orders that Vernon Public Utilities' IRP Filing complies with requirements set forth in Public Utilities Code section 9621.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned Secretariat to the CEC does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the CEC held on May 8, 2025.

AYE:

NAY:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Kristine Banaag
Secretariat



CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION



April 22, 2025

Aziz Danialian
Vernon Public Utilities
4305 S. Santa Fe Ave
Vernon, CA 90058

Dear Aziz Danialian:

As required by Senate Bill 350 (De León, Chapter 547, Statutes of 2015) (SB 350) (in the Public Utilities Code (PUC) Section 9622) the California Energy Commission (CEC) has reviewed the Vernon Public Utilities (VPU) Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) filing, which the CEC received on November 20, 2023. CEC staff informed VPU on August 14, 2024 that the IRP filing was complete, as requested by Chapter 3, Section B.1 of the *Publicly Owned Utilities' Integrated Resource Plan Guidelines (POU IRP Guidelines)*.¹

Based on a detailed review and analysis of the IRP, standardized tables, and other supporting information, I determined, as documented in the *Review of Vernon Public Utilities 2023 Integrated Resource Plan* (January 2025), that VPU's 2023 IRP is consistent with the requirements of PUC Section 9621, and meets California's energy and other policy goals, including:

- Achieving greenhouse gas emission reduction targets commensurate with the electricity sector's percentage of economy wide reductions of 40 percent from 1990 levels by 2030.
- Meeting the Renewables Portfolio Standard of 50 percent by 2030, based on SB 350, and 60 percent by 2030 based on SB 100.
- Ensuring planning goals related to retail rates, reliability, transmission and distribution systems.
- Considering the role of renewable resources, grid efficiencies, energy storage, and distributed resources in meeting peak demand.
- Addressing procurement of energy efficiency and demand response, energy storage, transportation electrification, and portfolio diversification.

The *Review of Vernon Public Utilities 2023 Integrated Resource Plan*, available in Docket No 18-IRP-01, provides the details of CEC staff's review and findings regarding the consistency of VPU's IRP with PUC Section 9621. The CEC

¹ See: [Publicly Owned Utility Integrated Resource Plans \(IRPs\)](http://www.energy.ca.gov/sb350/IRPs/index.html), <http://www.energy.ca.gov/sb350/IRPs/index.html>.

anticipates considering adoption of this determination at the CEC business meeting on May 8, 2025.

If you have any questions regarding this determination, please contact Angela Tanghetti at angela.tanghetti@energy.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'Drew Bohan', with a stylized, flowing script.

Drew Bohan
Executive Director
California Energy Commission