



**California Energy Commission
May 13, 2026 Business Meeting**

**Backup Materials for The Association of Women in Water, Energy and
Environment, Inc.**

The following backup materials for the above-referenced agenda item are available in this PDF packet as listed below:

1. Proposed Resolution
2. CEQA Memorandum

CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION
PROPOSED RESOLUTION: THE ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN IN WATER, ENERGY
AND ENVIRONMENT, INC. (AWWEE)
RESOLUTION NO: 26-0513-

RESOLVED, that the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (CEC) adopts the staff California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) findings contained in the April 29, 2026, memorandum on this topic, finding the following categorical exemptions apply to this purchase order: (1) 14 CCR 15322, Educational or Training Programs Involving No Physical Changes; and (2) 14 CCR 15323, Normal Operations of Facilities for Public Gatherings; and

RESOLVED, that the CEC approves a purchase order with The Association of Women in Water, Energy and Environment, Inc. (AWWEE) for \$1,500 to co-sponsor AWWEE's 2026 Annual Conference to be held in Monterey taking place in Fall 2026, and including use of the CEC logo in co-sponsorship advertisements; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Director or their designee shall execute the same on behalf of the CEC.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 13th day of May 2026, by the following vote:

AYE:

NAY:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

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 approved and adopted by the affirmative vote of the CEC at a meeting held on May 13, 2026.

Kim Todd
Secretariat



MEMORANDUM

TO: Chair Hochschild
Vice Chair Gunda
Commissioners Gallardo, McAllister, and Skinner

FROM: Aric Codog, Attorney
Chief Counsel's Office
California Energy Commission

SUBJECT: Proposed California Environmental Quality Act Compliance

DATE: April 29, 2026

At the May 13, 2026, Energy Commission (CEC) Business Meeting, staff from the CEC's Energy Research and Development Division plan to propose a co-sponsorship of The Association of Women in Water, Energy and Environment, Inc.'s (AWWEE) 2026 in-person conference taking place in the Fall of 2026 in Monterey.

For purposes of complying with the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA," Public Resources Code § 21000 et seq.), I recommend the CEC find the Co-sponsorship categorically exempt under CEQA. The Co-sponsorship will provide important member support of this annual conference and will include a registration pass for one staff for the conference events. The events shall be accessed in person at existing facilities under normal operations for which the facilities were designed. These events will not result in any physical alterations to the facilities in question, or, at most, only cause minor changes to the interiors of these facilities. For all of these reasons, the Membership is categorically exempt under CEQA per Title 14, California Code of Regulations, section 15322 for Educational or Training Programs Involving No Physical Changes, and section 15323 for Normal Operations of Facilities for Public Gatherings.