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CPUC AND CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION TO HOLD WORKSHOP ON BUILDING DECARBONIZATION

SAN FRANCISCO, March 29, 2019 - The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) and the California Energy Commission will hold a workshop in Los Angeles to develop a shared understanding of key policy issues related to building decarbonization, learn from actions taken by local agencies, and consider possible approaches for implementing the programs required by Senate Bill (SB) 1477. The CPUC and California Energy Commission welcome attendance at this public workshop.

WHAT:

Building Decarbonization Workshop

WHEN:

April 8, 2019, 9:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.

WHERE:

- La Kretz Innovation Center Auditorium, Los Angeles Clean Tech Incubator, 525 S. Hewitt St., Los Angeles, California 90013
- WebEx:
<https://energy.webex.com/energy/onstage/g.php?MTID=ec494bc64d130005b37e00f8ac428ad0e>,
event number: 926 852 886, event password: meeting@930
- Listen-only phone line: 866-469-3239, passcode: 926 852 886

BACKGROUND:

In September 2018, two bills were signed into law related to reducing greenhouse gas emissions from buildings, SB 1477 (Stern) and Assembly Bill (AB) 3232 (Friedman). SB 1477 calls on the



CPUC to develop, in consultation with the California Energy Commission, two programs (BUILD and TECH) aimed at reducing greenhouse gas emissions associated with buildings. AB 3232 calls on the California Energy Commission to, by 2021, develop an assessment of the feasibility of reducing the greenhouse gas emissions of California's buildings 40 percent below 1990 levels by 2030, working in consultation with the CPUC and other state agencies.

In January 2019, the CPUC instituted a new proceeding on building decarbonization. The proposed scope of the proceeding (called a Rulemaking) includes: 1) implementing SB 1477; 2) potential pilot programs to address new construction in areas damaged by wildfires; 3) coordinating CPUC policies with Title 24 Building Energy Efficiency Standards and Title 20 Appliance Efficiency Standards developed at the California Energy Commission; and 4) establishing a building decarbonization policy framework. This workshop is intended to continue the process of developing and refining a shared understanding of the opportunities for decarbonizing buildings as state agencies turn their focus to implementing SB 1477 and AB 3232 in order to achieve the state's climate policy goals.

While a quorum of Commissioners and/or their staff may attend, no official action will be taken.

Documents related to the CPUC's proceeding are available at:
https://apps.cpuc.ca.gov/apex/f?p=401:56:0::NO:RP,57,RIR:P5_PROCEEDING_SELECT:R1901011.

Written comments on the proceeding may be submitted to: CPUC Public Advisor, 505 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco, CA 94102, or via email to public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov. Please refer to proceeding number R.19-01-011 on any written or email correspondence about this proceeding. All public comments received are provided to the CPUC's Commissioners and the Administrative Law Judge assigned to the case.

If specialized accommodations are needed to attend, such as non-English or sign language interpreters, please contact the CPUC's Public Advisor's Office at public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov or toll free at 866-849-8390 at least five business days in advance of the event.

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