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**CPUC HOSTS THOUGHT LEADERS SESSION ON
REVITALIZING THE CLEAN ENERGY ECONOMY**

SAN FRANCISCO, February 22, 2012 -- The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) today announced that the next topic in its ongoing Thought Leaders Speaker Series will be: Revitalizing the Clean Energy Economy.

WHEN: March 8, 2012, 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

WHERE: CPUC Auditorium, 505 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco; also available in real time and archived via video webcast at: www.californiaadmin.com/cpuc.shtml

WHO: **Moderator:**
- Eric Wesoff, Senior Analyst, GTM Research

Panelists:

- Nathaniel Bullard, Director of Content, Bloomberg New Energy Finance
- Efren Carrillo, Supervisor, 5th District, Sonoma County
- Brad Copithorne, Energy and Financial Policy Specialist, Environmental Defense Fund
- Nancy E. Pfund, Founder and Managing Partner, DBL Investors

WHY: Just a few years ago, the U.S. appeared to have the ability and the will to become a global leader in the transition to a clean energy economy, with California at the forefront. However, various political and economic events may have slowed that momentum. This panel discussion will identify new potential government policies and private sector strategies in California for reducing greenhouse gas emissions to 1990 levels by 2020.

To register for this event (not required, but appreciated) and for more information on Thought Leaders, including archived video webcasts of prior speakers, please visit:

www.cpuc.ca.gov/thoughtleaders.

The CPUC hosts the Thought Leaders Speaker Series to stimulate thought and discussion of some of the most pressing challenges facing California utility regulators and the private sector industries impacted by state policies. Leading experts from around the world take center stage to offer their expertise and vision in areas such as communications, energy, water, transportation, the environment, green jobs, and more.

Although a quorum of Commissioners may be in attendance, no CPUC action will be taken at this event.

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