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CPUC ISSUES DRAFT DISTRIBUTED ENERGY RESOURCES ACTION PLAN; SETS WORKSHOP FOR PUBLIC INPUT

SAN FRANCISCO, July 23, 2021 – The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) today issued a [Draft Distributed Energy Resources Action Plan 2.0](#), intended to coordinate development and implementation of policy, and will host a public workshop to discuss the draft and solicit comments.

Distributed energy resources include rooftop solar and other distributed renewable generation resources, energy storage, electric vehicles, time variant and dynamic rates, flexible load management, demand response, and energy efficiency technologies. California leads the nation in the growth of distributed energy resources, which will continue due to groundbreaking policies such as Senate Bill 100, as well as new commitments to increase transportation and building electrification and continued commitment to behind the meter solar generation and storage. Given these trends and the ongoing need for a coordinated strategic vision to guide distributed energy resources policy, the CPUC is updating its 2016 Distributed Energy Resources Action Plan. The Distributed Energy Resources Action Plan 2.0 will serve as a roadmap for CPUC decision-makers, staff, and stakeholders to facilitate forward-thinking policy and maximize ratepayer and societal value in an anticipated high-DER future.

To discuss the plan and obtain feedback, the CPUC will host a workshop on [August 26, 2021](#) at 9 a.m. The most updated information related to workshop will be available prior to the commencement of the workshop at www.cpuc.ca.gov/deractionplan.



Written comments will be accepted and considered before the Draft Distributed Energy Resources Action Plan 2.0 is finalized and put before the CPUC's Commissioners for endorsement. Written comments may be sent to: DERActionPlan@cpuc.ca.gov by September 10, 2021.

For more information, including the Draft Distributed Energy Resources Action Plan 2.0 and the 2016 Distributed Energy Resources Action Plan, please visit www.cpuc.ca.gov/deractionplan.

At least one tribal consultation session will be held to discuss the plan prior to issuance of a final plan. This session will be held in September with additional information to be sent out to all Tribes on the Native American Heritage Commission list of California tribes at least 10 days before the consultation meeting. We encourage Tribal participation at the August 26, 2021, workshop noticed here as well as the Tribal consultation session to be held in September. For more information regarding Tribal consultation or to request a tribal consultation with Commissioner Darcie L. Houck please contact the CPUC Tribal advisor Ken Holbrook at kenneth.holbrook@cpuc.ca.gov and Pouneh Ghaffarian, Chief of Staff for Commissioner Darcie L. Houck at pouneh.ghaffarian@cpuc.ca.gov.

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