

DATE: November 15, 2017

TO: All Interested Parties

SUBJECT: **Notice of Public Workshop to discuss Greenhouse Gas Emission Standards for the Fuel Cell Net Energy Metering Program administered by the California Public Utilities Commission**

California Air Resources Board (CARB/Board) staff invite you to participate in a public workshop to discuss the development of greenhouse gas (GHG) emission standards for fuel cell “customer-generators” participating in the California Public Utilities Commission’s (CPUC) Fuel Cell Net Energy Metering (NEM) Program. CARB staff is developing a regulation to establish GHG emission standards for the program to meet its responsibilities under Assembly Bill 1637 (Low, Stats. 2016, ch. 658).

AB 1637 directs CARB to establish a schedule of annual GHG emission standards for the Fuel Cell NEM program in consultation with the California Energy Commission (CEC). CARB is further directed to update the schedule of standards every three years.

The emission standards are to ensure that participating fuel cell resources reduce GHG emissions relative to the displaced electrical grid resources, including any renewable resources, and account for both procurement and operation of the electrical grid. Staff will use the information gathered at this workshop and throughout the rulemaking process to develop a proposed regulation and supporting rulemaking documents.

The public workshop will be held at the time and location shown below:

Date: November 28, 2017
Time: 2:00 PM
Location: Coastal Hearing Room
Cal/EPA Building
1001 I Street, 2nd Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814
Directions: <http://www.calepa.ca.gov/EPABldg/location.htm>

Website and Meeting Materials

The workshop will be webcast for those unable to attend in person. The webcast can be accessed on the day of the workshop at: <https://video.calepa.ca.gov/>. During the workshop, the webcast audience may submit questions and comments using the following e-mail address: coastalm@calepa.ca.gov.

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An agenda and other materials for the workshop will be posted prior to the workshop on CARB's Fuel Cell Net Energy Metering, Greenhouse Gas Emission Standard webpage, at <https://www.arb.ca.gov/energy/nem/nem.htm>.

If you require special accommodation for the workshop or need this document in an alternate format (e.g. Braille, large print) or another language, please contact Keith Roderick, Air Resources Engineer, at (916) 327-7838 or via e-mail at keith.roderick@arb.ca.gov as soon as possible, but no later than 5 business days before the workshop. TTY/TDD/Speech to Speech users may dial 711 for the California Relay Service.

We welcome and appreciate your participation in this public workshop. If you have any questions regarding this workshop or the regulatory amendment process, please contact Keith Roderick, Air Resources Engineer, at (916) 327-7838, or by e-mail at keith.roderick@arb.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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