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BY
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19. In the joint February 23, 2015 Advice Letter on the WE&T Program Implementation Plan Addendum (PG&E Advice 3567-G/4592-E; SDG&E Advice 3179-E; SCE Advice 3179-E; SoCalGas Advice 4765-G), the IOUs stated that they would meet with WE&T stakeholders in 2016 to present their plans for the remaining UC-Berkeley Don Vial Center Workforce Guidance Plan recommendations summarized in Appendix 1 of the Advice Letter.⁸

- a. Was a plan for the remaining UC-Berkeley Don Vial Center Workforce Guidance Plan recommendations ever presented to stakeholders?
- b. If yes, please provide a copy of this plan and identify the stakeholders who were invited to the presentation.

⁸ Advice Letter at p. 10

SDG&E Response:

- a. Was a plan for the remaining UC-Berkeley Don Vial Center (DVC) Workforce Guidance Plan recommendations ever presented to stakeholders?

Please refer to Attachment 1 of the joint Advice Letter and the column “IOU Proposal” which indicates the disposition of the DVC recommendations:

- (1) Partial Adoption
- (2) Current Activity/Initiate 2015
- (3) Explore in 2016+
- (4) Require Regulatory Guidance

The IOUs focus their response on items (3) and (4). With respect to recommendations in (3), the Statewide WE&T team hosted a Stakeholder Engagement Forum in September 2015 and additional SEF/Subcommittee meetings in March and May of 2016. Additionally, to the extent that discussions/comments were raised at the various California Energy Efficiency Coordinating Committee (CAEECC) meetings, the WE&T Subcommittee Co-Chair, Brandi Turner, responded to WE&T DVC topics. Specifically, Ms. Turner addressed the issues/discussions with the perspective of their relevance to the planning and preparation of the Program Business Plans.

For item (4) the CPUC disposition letter that approved the joint Advice Letter recognized that some of the comments to the joint Advice Letter would “require higher level policy consideration that are not within the

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purview of the Energy Division. . . . Specifically, these issues may be raised in Phase 3 of the current energy efficiency proceeding which will deal directly with program implementation policies.”¹

The IOUs also note that since the publication of the DVC report, new laws have been passed that impact the workforce with respect to working in energy efficiency programs. For example, as stated in the response to Q18, SB1414 provides for the California Energy Commission to develop regulations regarding the installation of central air conditioning and heat pumps. SB 350, Sec. 25943(a)(3), directs the CEC to “adopt, implement, and enforce a responsible contractor policy for use across all ratepayer-funded energy efficiency programs that involve installation or maintenance, or both installation and maintenance, by building contractors to ensure that retrofits meet high-quality performance standards and reduce energy savings lost or foregone due to poor-quality workmanship.” Other examples from SB 350 are Sec. 25943(c)(7) regarding the use of not-for-profit and community-based organizations in disadvantaged communities; and Sec. 25943(c)(8) workforce development and job training in residential disadvantaged communities. This is not an exhaustive list of legislation that impacts workforce requirements as they pertain to EE program implementation. The IOUs will be participating at the CEC, and at the PUC as applicable, in the development of these regulations.

Lastly, throughout the Business Plans, the IOUs have discussed how they will continue to engage in stakeholder discussions (CAEECC, PRGs, CEC/PUC workshops) in development of workforce requirements in program solicitations as necessary. SDG&E’s Business Plan is available at <http://www.sdge.com/regulatory-filing/20456/sdge-energy-efficiency-rolling-portfolio-business-plan>.

¹ June 18, 2015 Energy Division Disposition on Above-Referenced Advice Letters, at 2. The Disposition Letter is available at [https://sps.sdge.com/wg/cp/Policy%20%20Strategy/EE%20Rolling%20Portfolio%20Business%20Plan%20\(A.17-01-014\)/Data%20Requests/CEE/DR-01/AL%20SDGE2705-E.pdf](https://sps.sdge.com/wg/cp/Policy%20%20Strategy/EE%20Rolling%20Portfolio%20Business%20Plan%20(A.17-01-014)/Data%20Requests/CEE/DR-01/AL%20SDGE2705-E.pdf).