Full Quarterly CAEECC Meeting #42 Summary

Date: Wednesday May 15, 2024 Time: 2:00pm - 5:00pm PT

On May 15, 2024, the California Energy Efficiency Coordinating Committee met for its forty-second quarterly meeting via Zoom. There were over 36 attendees, including representatives from 16 CAEECC Member organizations and one CAEECC Ex-Officio agency as well as over 17 Members of the Public (see <u>Appendix A</u> for a full list of meeting attendees). This meeting was facilitated by Katie Abrams (Birch Road Consulting) and supported by Michelle Vigen Ralston (Ralston), and Suhaila Sikand (Sikand) of Common Spark Consulting, and Susan Rivo (Rivo) of Raab Associates. Additional presenters included CAEECC Co-Chairs Lara Ettenson (NRDC) and Lujuana Medina (SoCaIREN) and Evolving CAEECC Working Group presenters Mr. Charles Reed (Individual), Spencer Lipp (Individual), Amaury Berteaud (AMBAG), Tanisha-Jean Martin (San Diego Urban Sustainability Coalition), Alice Sung (Individual), and Lauren Weston (Acterra).

Supporting meeting materials are available at:

<u>https://www.caeecc.org/5-15-24-full-caeecc-meeting</u>. Relevant materials include the Agenda, the Slide Deck, Evolving CAEECC Working Group (ECWG) Reflections, and NRDC Motion re CAEECC Consensus EE Filing Process Proposal.

Note: this meeting also included Annual 2023 Portfolio Performance Report Reviews by PAs on May 14 and May 15. A separate summary is available at: <u>https://www.caeecc.org/5-14-24-5-15-24-full-caeecc-perf-rev</u>.

Overview

Key Meeting Takeaways:

- Evolving CAEECC Working Group (ECWG) Members presented their reflections
- CAEECC Members, other ECWG Members, and the Public asked clarifying questions on ECWG Member reflections
- A vote to update goals did not pass by CAEECC Members, so goals will remain as is unless/until there is a need to revisit them (i.e. as part of updating the scope at the upcoming Full CAEECC Quarterly Meetings (Q3 and Q4)).
- CAEECC Members voted to do a call for new interim Members over the summer, and to vote at Q3 on possible new interim CAEECC Members.
- Proposed topics for Q3 Full CAEECC Meeting Main Assembly include:
 - Developing CAEECC Purpose and Scope

- Planning for Semi-Annual Portfolio Performance Report Review Sessions
- Compensation Pilot Final Report
- SDREN Update (if applicable)
- Vote on New Interim Member applications
- Review and discuss Program Outreach Indicators Scope of Work

This meeting summary is intended to capture the overarching discussion of ideas, concerns, alternative options for proposals and consensus; it is a high-level summary and not a transcript. For more detailed discussion, please reach out to the <u>Facilitation Team</u>.

Key acronyms used in this document include California Energy Efficiency Coordinating Committee (CAEECC), California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), Energy Division (ED), energy efficiency (EE), working group (WG), disadvantaged communities (DAC) and hard-to-reach (HTR) communities, justice equity diversity and inclusion (JEDI), CPUC's Environmental and Social Justice Action Plan (ESJ Action Plan), Program Administrator (PA), Investor-owned utilities (IOU), Regional Energy Network (REN), community-based organization (CBO), market transformation (MT), Equity Metrics Working Group (EMWG), Market Support Metrics Working Group (MSMWG), Disadvantaged Communities Advisory Group (DACAG), Evolving CAEECC Working Group (ECWG), and Compensation Task Force (Compensation TF).

Introductions and Background

Slides 113 - 119

Abrams presented the meeting objectives, which included:

- 1. Participate in Shareouts by Evolving CAEECC Working Group Members on their reflections and engage in clarifying questions for Full CAEECC Members
- 2. Discuss and seek agreement on a proposal for next steps on CAEECC purpose and scope
- 3. Present CAEECC Membership Process survey results and next steps

To achieve meeting objectives, the facilitation team, in consultation with Co-Chairs and Energy Division, and based on CAEECC Member feedback, developed the following agenda:

- Introduction and Background
- <u>Session 5</u>: Evolving CAEECC Working Group Shareouts
- <u>Session 6</u>: CAEECC Business Items
- <u>Session 7</u>: CAEECC Agenda Wrap Up

Sikand provided general reminders, Zoom etiquette, and meeting logistics. To encourage a space of inclusion and diversity, Sikand reviewed Proposed Meeting Norms (see slides for the full list).

Session 5: Evolving CAEECC Working Group Shareouts

Slides 120 - 159

Sikand provided context for the session, noting that the Evolving CAEECC Working Group (ECWG) was invited to share their reflections on ECWG as well as recommendations on the Working Group's scope verbally. In all, there were six submitted reflections, and verbal Shareouts from the bolded names:

- Group Submission: Aislyn Colgan (Individual), Alice Sung (Individual), Amaury Berteaud (Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments), Charles Reed (Individual), Jan Maes (Nevada County Energy Action Plan Committee), Jason Minsky (ACCESS), Kate Woodford (Center for Accessible Technology), Nicole Milner (Individual), Spencer Lipp (Individual), Sumire Gant (Gateway Cities Council of Governments), and Tanisha-Jean Martin (San Diego Urban Sustainability Coalition)
- Tanisha-Jean Martin (San Diego Urban Sustainability Coalition)
- Alice Sung (Individual)
- Lara Ettenson (NRDC)
- Jenifer Lomeli (Emerald Cities Collaborative)
- Lauren Weston (Acterra)

Each of the Evolving CAEECC WG presenters spoke to their Reflections (view <u>slides</u> and <u>Reflections</u> PDFs). Abrams then facilitated a Q&A session for clarifying questions only - first from CAEECC Members then ECWG Members (Members of the Public were invited to ask clarifying questions via the chat).

Clarifying Questions from CAEECC Members

A number of CAEECC Members expressed appreciation for the presentations and recommendations ECWG Members shared.

A detailed summary of questions and responses are included in Appendix B.

Session 6: CAEECC Business Items

Slides 161 - 174 (skipped Slides 175 - 189 due to a no-majority vote on the proposal)

Membership Survey Results

Abrams presented the results of the Membership Survey that was launched after the Q1 Full CAEECC Quarterly Meeting #41 in March. Via the survey, a quorum and majority of Members elected to revise the "expertise" requirement to "energy efficiency and/or environmental social justice". There was not a majority of support for the other two questions on the membership survey regarding the removal of documented

sponsorship and required onboarding. Co-Chairs and Energy Division discussed whether to move forward with a call for new Members before today's meeting but based on the divided survey results decided to re-raise the topic today.

• A Member of the Public asked for clarification on "documented sponsorship", which a Co-Chair clarified was a letter of support. The Member of the Public then asked what the criteria and process is to obtain a letter of support.

Co-Chair Proposal for Next Steps on CAEECC Scope/Purpose

Abrams passed the facilitation baton over to Co-Chairs Lujuana Medina (SoCalREN) and Lara Ettenson (NRDC), noting that the facilitation team had not reviewed the proposal given it was finalized only a day before the meeting and concurrent with the CAEECC Performance Report Review meetings - thus the proposal was not in accordance with CAEECC groundrules for providing adequate review time for Members and stakeholders.

Co-Chairs presented their proposal to do a process to modify CAEECC's Scope and Purpose prior to implementing any recommendation from the Evolving CAEECC Working Group Reflections.

The proposal included a series of questions for CAEECC Members to vote on; however the first vote, which was a threshold vote about *whether CAEECC should do a process to update its Goals before potentially modifying Scope and Purpose*, did not receive a majority of votes to move forward. Co-Chairs asked full CAEECC Members to respond to the question: Do you agree that updating CAEECC's goals is needed before acting upon scope, which would include ECWG Recommendations? A quorum of CAEECC Members was present; a majority voted "no" or "no change necessary".¹

Abrams summarized that CAEECC will move forward with sending out solicitations for new members and at the next meeting the Facilitation team will distribute the applications for Members to review and vote in accordance with the ground rules. Noted the only change to the membership recruitment process is that eligibility changed from requiring EE expertise to requiring EE and/or ESJ expertise.

Co-Chair Ettenson noted that Members will discuss the process of updating the scope at Q3 and vote on it at Q4. A Member expressed interest in being part of the scope development process if Co-Chairs plan on making a proposal.

¹ During the Co-Chair Proposal, a Member had to leave the meeting early and provided written comments for the following items: "No, I think the second goal could be a potential fit for the recommendations of ECWG. But at the very least another review of goals is needed. I vote for composition option 1." CAEECC members interpreted this as support for a process to look at goals, with the context that changes may not be needed (it was documented as a "No Change" vote.)

Co-Chair Ettenson noted that since CAEECC did not agree to update goals before updating the scope, the Co-Chairs will not present on slides 177-189 as they relate to a process proposal on updating the goals.

A summary of CAEECC Member discussion on Co-Chair proposal is included in <u>Appendix</u> <u>C</u>.

Session 7: Wrap Up

Slides 190 - 196

Prep for Q3 Full CAEECC Meeting

Abrams outlined Proposed CAEECC Topics for the Q3 Meeting on September 18, including CAEECC Purpose and Scope, Planning for Semi-Annual Portfolio Performance Report Review Sessions, SDREN Update (if applicable), and Compensation Pilot Final Report for the Main Assembly; and Non-Energy Benefit Study Process, CalMTA update (if applicable), and CEC update on Equitable Building Decarbonization Program Updates for the Optional Assembly.

• A Member asked if there will be a PowerPoint template required of PAs for the Semi-Annual Portfolio Performance Report Review Sessions, to which a Co-Chaor responded that since the report will be presented at Q4, Members can discuss the template at Q3.

Based on Member feedback, Abrams live-edited the Proposed CAEECC Topics for the Main Assembly by:

- Adding in "Developing" before "CAEECC Purpose and Scope"
- Adding in "Vote on New Interim Member applications"
- Adding in "Review and discuss Program Outreach Indicators Scope of Work"

Meeting Evaluation

Sikand provided a summary of the Evaluation Survey from the 3/14/24 Full Quarterly CAEECC Meeting. In general, participants felt the 3/14/24 meeting was slightly successful. Sikand shared that Rivo will send out an evaluation survey for both the portfolio performance review sessions and the CAEECC meeting agenda, which is due by 5/28/24 (extended due to holiday vacations for many meeting participants).

Abrams shared that she plans to schedule 1:1s to check in with CAEECC Members and any other interested stakeholders over the summer.

A live meeting evaluation was conducted among all participants who noted that the meeting was relatively inclusive and trusting and somewhat effective.

 Do you feel this was an inclusive and trusting environment? (Single Choice) * 15/15 (100%) answered 		2. Do you feel the meeting was effective? (Single Choice) * 15/15 (100%) answered		
Not at all inclusive and trusting	(1/15) 7%	Not at all effective	(0/15) 0%	
Somewhat inclusive and trusting	(7/15) 47%	Somewhat effective	(13/15) 87%	
Very inclusive and trusting	(7/15) 47%	Very effective	(2/15) 13%	

Next Steps

Abrams and Sikand summarized the next steps:

- Meeting summary will be posted by May 28.
- Meeting Evaluation: due 5/28/24 (required for Members and encouraged for everyone else). Facilitators to incorporate feedback in meeting design.
- CAEECC Leads, Alternates, and Ex-officio are required to attend the DEI Sessions this summer: 6/12 and 7/31. A third session this fall will be announced shortly.

Appendix A: Attendees

Organization	Name		
CAEECC Members			
3C-REN	Alejandra Tellez		
BayREN	Jane Elias		
Code Cycle	Dan Suyeyasu		
CSE	Rocky Fernandez		
IREN/WRCOG	Benjamin Druyon		
MCE	Alice Havenar-Daughton		
NRDC	Lara Ettenson		
PG&E	Lisa Hunter		
Redwood Coast Energy Authority	Patricia Terry		
Small Business Utility Advocates	Ted Howard		
SCE	Jessica Lau		
SDG&E	Stacie Risley		
SF Dept of Environment	Lowell Chu		
SoCalGas	Darren Hanway		
SoCalREN	Lujuana Medina		
The Energy Coalition	Laurel Rothschild		
Ex-Officio			
CPUC Energy Division	Ely Jacobsohn		
CPUC Energy Division	Pamela Rittelmeyer		
CPUC Energy Division	Coby Rudolph		
Other Interested Stakeholders			
3C-REN	Erica Helson		
ECWG Member / Acterra	Lauren Weston		
ECWG Member/ AMBAG	Amaury Berteaud		
ECWG Member/ American Eco Services	Nicole Milner		
ECWG Member/ Association of Gateway City Governments	Sumire Gant		
ECWG Member/Individual	Aislyn Colgan		
ECWG Member/SDUSC	Tanisha-Jean Martin		
ECWG Member /Nevada County Energy Action	Jan Maes		
ECWG Member/Lifers Leaving a Legacy	Charles Reed		
ECWG Member/Greenbank Associates	Alice Sung		
Frontier Energy	Nancy Barba		
Frontier Energy	Margaret Marchant		
PG&E	Lindsay Tillisch		
SCE	Marissa Barrera		

San Diego Community Power	Sheena Tran	
Silent Running	James Dodenhoff	
SoCalGas	Carlo Gavina	
SoCalREN	Tessa Charnofsky	
Facilitators		
Birch Road Consulting	Katie Abrams	
Common Spark Consulting	Michelle Vigen Ralston	
Common Spark Consulting	Suhaila Sikand	
Common Spark Consulting	Sooji Yang	
Raab Associates	Susan Rivo	

Appendix B: Questions & Comments from Evolving CAEECC WG Shareouts

Clarifying Questions & Comments from CAEECC Members

- A CAEECC Member asked for clarity on the value that is being provided through the recommendations and shared concern about spending ratepayer money without a clear understanding of the value. Noted that the Commission had made recent efforts and investments in the Equity segment in addition to the equity work the RENs are conducting, and asked whether these recent efforts should be evaluated for efficacy before spending more ratepayer money on these recommendations.
 - An ECWG Member replied that the recommendations are believed to increase cost-effectiveness because having community members at the table would lead to better program design and community buy-in. Shared their experience working in a transportation agency that held a successful participatory budgeting process to address why newly built bike lanes were not being used. Noted that though more money was spent for this process, the bike lanes ended up being used due to the trust and connections built through the process. Welcomed additional conversations offline.
 - An ECWG Member shared that the WG did not focus on existing equity efforts but rather on what CAEECC could do. Noted that the WG effort intended to not just use existing solutions but also think outside the box and listen to community member ideas on how to better serve their communities. Noted that the strength of the community is built through relationships.
 - An ECWG Member agreed with the above responses from other ECWG Members and reminded participants about the original charges for ECWG and CDEI. Shared an example of the power of involving all stakeholders and the lived experiences of those marginalized to impact equitable policies such as the American Disability Act policy which institutionalizes access to disability communities and beyond.
 - An ECWG Member shared that though ECWG was dismantled, members of the WG cared enough about equity to put forward recommendations without having the support of actually working on the policies to make the changes. Noted that members of ECWG would have loved to be included and to build upon the work that they've created.
- A CAEECC Member asked if there is a proposal for the timeline on how long compensation needs to be available and how much.
 - A few ECWG Members noted the lack of diversity in CAEECC and asked for greater opportunities for those who can't afford to be in this space.
- A Member from ED requested more details on the recommendation to have smaller working groups on specialized topics.

- Since the ECWG Member to whom the recommendation belongs to had to leave the meeting early, the Facilitation team reached out to the Member offline to clarify. The ECWG Member shared a response via email: "Because CAEECC is made up of representatives from environmental advocacy groups, labor representatives, consumer advocates, energy efficiency implementers, local governments and state staff, and program administrators there are a lot of voices to be heard. Smaller working group for each subset of membership (advocacy, labor, etc) that takes recommendations from that aroup to a decision making body as a funnel might be an option- There could even be a single rep from each subset of membership that is identified to lead the summarization to the decision making body (or on second thought, make up the decision making body, via election from their subset group). And then the CPUC can take those recommendations and finalize a plan, ideally through a third party mediator. Thinking that this allows for the receipt of feedback in a likeminded audience (rather than competing input from advocacy against industry, as an example) in a period of time that provides a safe space for that feedback."
- An ECWG Member asked if the recommendation came from the ECWG presenter themself or her predecessor who was an ECWG Member but had since left the organization.
 - A CAEECC Member clarified that the recommendation comes from the predecessor of the ECWG presenter.
- A CAEECC Member asked what the difference is between a body like the <u>Environmental Justice Action Committee</u> (EJAC) and the Long-term: 2.2 Creation of an independent Equity Advisory Board (EAB).
 - CAEECC and ECWG Members clarified that EJAC is a CARB body, created as part of AB 32.
 - Ralston noted that a similar body providing equity oversight for CEC and CPUC is the Disadvantaged Communities Advisory Group (<u>DACAG</u>).
 - An ECWG Member commented that Recommendation 3 suggests CAEECC to engage with DACAG more closely (and ECWG Members have had conversations with DACAG already). Noted that Recommendation 2.2 is a long-term recommendation because the short term recommendation is to create an internal working group within market rate energy efficiency programs to see what can be achieved within CAEECC with an evolved scope and purpose. Noted the long-term recommendation is to create a new body if there is a need or send CAEECC representatives to existing bodies such as Low Income Oversight Board (LIOB), DACAG, and EJAC.
- A CAEECC Member asked whether the ECWG objectives can be accomplished in the existing equity-focused bodies where these larger bodies might have more breadth of equity issues covered.
 - An ECWG Member replied that because there has not been the same level of focus on equity in the energy efficiency space as there have been in

other spaces in which these bodies reside, there is a need to have an internal body that has these conversations within the energy efficiency sphere.

- A CAEECC Member asked whether an additional recommendation could be considered to have equity-focused members join more specific, topic-focused venues to move the needle.
 - An ECWG Member replied that there's a lot of work to be done at the program level and each person is engaged with a number of efforts to move the needle forward.
- A CAEECC Member asked about what worked well with the Compensation Pilot, in reference to it being hopefully continued.
 - A number of ECWG Members spoke to the many benefits of compensation such as the ability to participate and take the time the work deserved, the opportunity to connect with people from different backgrounds and build community, the space to learn from one another and about the unjust nature of energy efficiency, the space to provide rich feedback and recommendations, the ability to intercede in decision-making spaces and help build trust with community members, and the accountability and prioritization of people's tasks to commit to the work.
 - An ECWG Member added that it is important to frame the issue of compensation in terms of the fundamental way for CAEECC membership to reflect a diverse representation of Communities of Concern. Noted that for CAEECC to center equity, it needs more community voices at the table, which requires compensation for participation.
 - A CAEECC Member noted that there will be a report on the Pilot with a place for individuals to capture these types of comments.

Clarifying Questions & Comments from ECWG Members

- An ECWG Member asked what the proportion of the budget is to the Equity segment, what has been expended, and what proportion of the Equity budget is benefiting communities of concern with the total public funds as the denominator.
 - An ECWG Member commented that the RENs/CCAs expenditures in 2023 were 14% of the total expenditures, and that the 14% spent for RENs was converted to 5% of the 2023 kWh savings and 1.2% of the 2023 therms savings.
- An ECWG Member commented that the policy recommendations were categorized as short-term because the WG felt that those recommendations may be able to be implemented through existing regulatory efforts, such as the DEER resolution which occurs every two years but is currently being written by CPUC staff to be released in August or September. Noted that while this resolution traditionally focused on deemed measures, not all the topics are deemed related, such as E-4952 set the NTG values for NMEC which is unrelated to deemed.

An ECWG Member commented that a good approach is to ask with each decision, consideration, or issue at hand: (1) who decides, (2) who benefits, and (3) who pays. Noted that in the energy sector, the "grid" should not be considered the "people" or the "public."

Appendix C: Co-Chair Proposal Questions and Discussion

- A CAEECC Member asked if there is a threshold question on whether the goals need to be updated at all as the question posed to CAEECC Members seems to presume that CAEECC will update their scope and goal.
 - Co-Chairs replied that they believe goals need to be updated to be aligned with what the State and the Commission have set forth as their objective in serving people with equitable and affordable access to energy. Clarified that they are asking <u>if</u> CAEECC were to update its scope, would CAEECC Members agree with the Co-Chairs' proposal to update goals first?
- A Member of the Public commented that the revision of CAEECC's goals, scope, and purpose was what the ECWG was working on when the Facilitation team decided we needed to "shift" to individual recommendations. Expressed disappointment that Communities of Concern were initially at the table for this discussion but because of how events unfolded, members from these communities are now not able to be compensated to be at the table to contribute an equity perspective to the goals of CAEECC. Another Member of the Public agreed and asked what Members of ED think.
- A Member of the Public asked if $\frac{3}{4}$ majority is needed to pass something, how did $\frac{2}{3}$ majority on a previous slide pass.
 - Abrams replied that the details can be found in CAEECC groundrules.
- A CAEECC Member asked for clarification on what the direction is on the scope and what is being considered on the scope.
 - Co-Chairs replied that they consider scope to be CAEECC's work plan and do not believe that the current goals allow enough room to consider the ECWG recommendations in the scope. Noted that there is nothing being considered for the scope at this time and shared that they plan to talk more about it once an agreement has been reached about goals.
- A CAEECC Member asked whether the goals in discussion were the ones posted on the CAEEEC website, which a Co-Chair replied that they are.

Co-Chairs then moved full CAEECC Members to a vote. In the spirit of transparency, Co-Chairs called on CAEECC members one-by-one and asked the Facilitation team to record votes in a spreadsheet shared on screen (and reproduced below). Note it is the Facilitation team's practice to first provide ample discussion opportunities, then either ask for a raise of hands in favor of a proposal - or a raise of hands on who cannot support a proposal - to help alleviate the bias that can occur when calling on members one at a time.

A Member requested adding a third option "No Change" to indicate that no changes to the current processes need to be made at this time. As shown below, a majority was not reached.

	Voting for CAEECC Note, ex-officio are not CAEECC voting members		Question: Should CAEECC address Goals Before CAEECC Scope		
Present?			Yes	No	No Change
у	3C-REN	Erica for Alejandra			x
у	BayREN	Jane Elias	x		
n	CEDMC	Joe Desmond			
у	CodeCycle	Dan Suyeyasu			x
у	CSE	Rocky Fernandez			
у	I-REN	Benjamin Druyon			x
n	LGSEC	Demian Hardman-Saldana			
у	MCE	Alice Havenar-Daughton	x		
у	NRDC	Lara Ettenson	x		
у	PG&E	Lisa Hunter			x
у	RCEA/RuralREN	Patricia Terry for Stephen Ku		x	
у	SBUA	Ted Howard	x		
у	SCE	Jessica Lau			x
у	SDG&E	Stacie Atkinson-Risley			x
у	SF Department of the Environr	Lowell Chu	x		
n	SJVCEO	Courtney Kalashian			
n	SMW Local 104	Randy Young			
у	SoCalGas	Carlo for Darren Hanway	x		
у	SoCalREN	Lujuana Medina	x		
у	The Energy Coalition	Laurel Rothschild	x		
Do we h	nave a Quarum?	TOTAL #	8	1	6
80%		Total %	53%	7%	40%

- Some CAEECC Members indicated they supported adding "equity" but that wasn't what they were being asked to vote on. Meanwhile some CAEECC Members who voted "no" or "no change" shared that they had a preference to address the scope first or that the current goals are broad enough already.
- A Member of the Public asked if those who believe equity or the ESJ Action Plan should be explicitly mentioned in the four or more goals would vote "yes", and noted the exclusionary language of the goals.
 - A Member asked for suggestions on including ECWG language to the goals.
 - A Member of the Public noted that ECWG did have some draft goals, scope, and purpose that were worked on prior to the "shift" as well as some thoughts drafted afterwards, but they are incomplete. Expressed confusion as to why the question of changing goals is on the agenda when this was assigned to ECWG.
- A Co-Chair shared that though a majority was not reached, CAEECC is still required to do scope before the end of the year and will do so based on existing goals. Noted that CAEECC can always update the goals if CAEECC finds that necessary as they develop the scope.
- A Member from ED asked if the vote would change if the question was about inserting the word "equity" in the goals.
 - A few CAEECC Members replied their vote would change, while other CAEECC Members noted that just adding the word "equity" may not be impactful.

- A Co-Chair commented that adding electrification would also be a priority.
- A CAEECC Member commented that an overhaul of goals should involve the ALJ and a Ruling.
- A Member of the Public asked how this decision or vote can be made with the current membership.
- Co-Chairs shared that they prepared a proposal (on slides 175-6) for discussing CAEECC goals before the full CAEECC Q3 meeting in case the majority of CAEECC Members voted in favor of addressing goals before scope. Asked for thoughts on bringing in new members ahead of the Q3 meeting.
 - A Member asked how many more new members can CAEECC accommodate, to which a Co-Chair responded that CAEECC has room for 5 more members but deferred to the Facilitation team on practicality. Noted the issue of not knowing how to design membership without knowing the scope, and noted that the current membership (which is predominantly PAs) may not be a representative group to address an updated scope for 2025. Suggested that new members could be onboarded for Q3 voting opportunities.
 - A Member asked if there are any other scope items that CAEECC will focus on later this year.
 - A Co-Chair replied that the scope is the same thing as CAEECC's workplan, which is updated every year, and clarified that the Co-Chairs were proposing to discuss and seek agreement on how to update the scope at Q3, draft a proposal for what CAEECC scope should be for 2025, and then adopt the updated scope at Q4 to be filed in the Advice Letter in January for Commission direction. Abrams added that the scope can be incrementally adjusted throughout the year, such as the prospectus of the forthcoming working group on program outreach indicators that requires CAEECC's review.
 - A Member commented that ratepayer advocates, such as Cal Advocates, should get more involved too, and noted the issue of time commitment in addition to the compensation issue.
- Co-Chairs shared that since the Compensation Pilot has sunsetted with the wrapup of the ECWG, Co-Chairs are interested in looking for opportunities outside of CPUC to compensate new voices in CAEECC, noting that CPUC funding (i.e., intervenor compensation) is restrictive. Suggested as a near-term solution, to look for grants to fund coalitions and work with better-resourced nonprofits to provide light-lift work while PAs engage in heavy-lift work. Shared that Co-Chairs will try to identify some grants.
 - Members of the Public emphasized the importance of compensation for every recommendation made by the ECWG, and asked if PAs could identify any "unused funds" from 2023 and 2024.
 - A Member of the Public highlighted an ECWG recommendation to keep the current configuration of voices at the table for consistency and advised

against bringing in a new group of people to continue ECWG's work without learning the lessons of the issues with the ECWG process.

 Co-Chairs and Abrams discussed clarifications for whether a vote is required to open up applications for new CAEECC Members, and clarified that a vote is not required to open up applications but a vote is required to vote on potential new members, sponsorship is still required and onboarding is still voluntary, and ESJ expertise has been voted to be added as an eligible expertise.

Co-Chairs then moved full CAEECC Members to vote "yes" or "no" to the question: Do you agree with soliciting new CAEECC members for inclusion in Q3? The Facilitation team collected the votes on the spreadsheet shared below.

	Voting for CAEECC		Question: Do you agree with the soliciting new CAEECC Members for inclusion in Q3?		
Present?	Note, ex-officio are not CAEECC votir	ng members	Yes	No	
у	3C-REN	Erica for Alejandra	x		
у	BayREN	Jane Elias	x		
n	CEDMC	Joe Desmond			
у	CodeCycle	Dan Suyeyasu	x		
у	CSE	Rocky Fernandez			
у	I-REN	Benjamin Druyon	x		
n	LGSEC	Demian Hardman-Saldana			
у	MCE	Alice Havenar-Daughton	x		
у	NRDC	Lara Ettenson	x		
у	PG&E	Lisa Hunter		x	
у	RCEA/RuralREN	Patricia Terry for Stephen Ku	x		
у	SBUA	Ted Howard	x		
у	SCE	Jessica Lau	x		
у	SDG&E	Stacie Atkinson-Risley		x	
у	SF Department of the Environr	Lowell Chu	x		
n	SJVCEO	Courtney Kalashian			
n	SMW Local 104	Randy Young			
у	SoCalGas	Carlo for Darren Hanway	x		
у	SoCalREN	Lujuana Medina	x		
y	The Energy Coalition	Laurel Rothschild	x		

- A Member suggested Q4 instead of Q3 so that CAEECC Members can see the strategy and details of what the process would look like. Cautioned the abruptness of this process.
 - Co-Chairs responded that Q3 was proposed so that there may be a more representative group to vote on the scope at Q3/Q4, and shared that recruiting for new members happened every year or two years and that Co-Chairs are not proposing any changes to the recruitment process. Reiterated that this is an interim proposal since there is no current scope and there may be impending changes with the Public Advocates Office (PAO) petition.

 $\circ~$ A Member responded to the last point as another reason not to rush the process.