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NOTICE OF MEETINGS

On **Tuesday, September 27, 2011**, the Little Hoover Commission will conduct a public hearing on energy governance in California. The hearing will begin at 9 a.m. in Room 437 of the State Capitol in Sacramento.

The Little Hoover Commission is reviewing the state's coordination of energy-related activities. This study will include an organizational evaluation of entities that share authority over energy policy, permitting and regulation. The Commission will examine previous consolidation efforts and assess how the state's energy-related organizations are working together to achieve state goals and facilitate local efforts to improve the generation and delivery of power to consumers.

At the September 27, 2011 hearing, the Commission will hear an overview of the current governance landscape from a former chairman of the California Energy Commission who today is senior vice president, government affairs and communications, for BrightSource Energy. Next, the Commission will hear about collaboration efforts from the executive director of the California Public Utilities Commission. Following that witness, a Stanford University professor will update the Commission on market deregulation, then the senior advisor to the Governor for renewable energy facilities will discuss the Renewable Energy Action Team. Finally, the director of planning and community development for Kern County will testify about state-local coordination.

There will be an opportunity for public comment at the end of the hearing. The Commission also encourages written comments.

Immediately following the hearing, the Commission will hold a business meeting in the Legislative Counsel Conference Room in the lower level of 925 L Street in Sacramento.

On **Monday, September 26, 2011**, the Energy Governance Subcommittee of the Little Hoover Commission will hold a briefing by the Attorney General's Office on the status of post-energy crisis litigation. The meeting will begin at 3:30 p.m. in the Legislative Counsel Conference Room.

All public notices for meetings are on the Commission's Web site, www.lhc.ca.gov. If you need reasonable accommodation due to a disability, please contact Stuart Drown at (916) 445-2125 or littlehoover@lhc.ca.gov by Tuesday, September 20, 2011.



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**Public Hearing on Energy Governance
Tuesday, September 27, 2011
State Capitol, Room 437
Sacramento**

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Public Hearing: 9 a.m.

Overview of Current Landscape and Authority

1. Joseph Desmond, Former Chairman, California Energy Commission; Senior Vice President, Government Affairs and Communications, BrightSource Energy

Collaboration Efforts

3. Paul Clanon, Executive Director, California Public Utilities Commission

Governance and Market Deregulation

4. Frank Wolak, Professor and Director, Program on Energy and Sustainable Development, Stanford University

Case Study: Renewable Energy Action Team

5. Michael Picker, Senior Advisor to the Governor for Renewable Energy Facilities, Governor's Office

Local Coordination

5. Lorelei H. Oviatt, Director, Planning and Community Development Department, Kern County

**Business Meeting
Tuesday, September 27, 2011
Legislative Counsel Conference Room
Lower Level
925 L Street
Sacramento**

(The Commission will consider agenda items I-VIII at approximately 12:30 p.m. The precise time will vary depending upon the testimony of witnesses and will be determined at the discretion of the chair.)

- I. Business Meeting Minutes from August 25, 2011
- II. Draft Report – Regulatory Reform
- III. Draft Letter – Corrections Oversight
- IV. Draft Letter – Information Technology
- V. Schedule/Project Selection
- VI. Subcommittee Reports
- VII. Implementation Activity
- VIII. Reports from Bureau of State Audits