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CPUC APPROVES PILOT PROGRAM TO IMPROVE ENERGY EFFICIENCY FOR REGULATED WATER UTILITIES

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FRANCISCO, April 8, 2010 - The California Public

Utilities Commission (CPUC) today approved pilot programs to improve energy efficiency of water pumping and distribution at CPUC-regulated water utilities.

The

decision approves \$3.4 million to fund pilot “operational energy efficiency programs” to demonstrate potential improvements in wire-to-water operational efficiency when the appropriate combination of induction motors, pumps, variable frequency drives, and control systems are operated at their optimal efficiency levels.

Today’s

decision sets a timeline for project evaluation, measurement, and verification to be completed by September 2011, in order to incorporate results into planning for the next round of utility efficiency portfolios.

“I expect that these pilots will demonstrate that significant energy savings are possible from efficiency upgrades at the water companies. But most important is that the water utilities and the energy

utilities are now working closely together in a cooperative manner,” said Commissioner John A. Bohn.

The proposal
voted on is available at
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