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The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) has issued its Quarterly Staff Report on California's Renewables Portfolio Standard (RPS), one of the most ambitious in the country, which requires investor-owned utilities, electric service providers, and community choice aggregators to procure 20 percent of their power from renewable sources by 2010. Former Governor Schwarzenegger's Executive Orders S-14-08, issued on November 17, 2008, and S-21-09, issued on September 15, 2009, established a further goal of 33 percent renewable energy by 2020.

The report is available at www.cpuc.ca.gov/renewables under Recent Updates.

Highlights of the report include:

* Collectively, the large investor-owned utilities reported that they served 17.9 percent of their electricity with RPS-eligible generation in 2010, up from 15.4 percent in 2009.

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) served 17.7 percent of its 2010 load with RPS-eligible renewable energy, Southern California Edison (SCE) with 19.4 percent, and San Diego Gas and Electric Company (SDG&E) with 11.9 percent.

* In their September 17, 2010, verified RPS compliance reports to the CPUC, PG&E, SCE, and SDG&E reported no RPS deficits for 2004, 2005, and 2006. The CPUC has not found any utility out of compliance. As a result, no non-compliance penalties have been levied. The CPUC will make compliance determinations for 2007-2010 once the California Energy Commission verifies the load serving entity renewable electricity delivery claims.

* To date, 2,000 megawatts (MW) of new renewable capacity has achieved commercial operation under the RPS program; 300 MW of new renewable capacity has come online in the first quarter of 2011, with an additional 589 MW forecast to come online by the end of the year.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

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