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Today's Agenda – covers May 2026

- **CEDMC Announcements** | *Kira Kimick*
- **Board Activities** | Kira Kimick, Melanie Gillette
- **May Policy Summary** | *Melanie Gillette*
- **June Policy Opportunities** | *Melanie Gillette*
- **Empower DSM Coalition** | *Chris Burmester*
- **Legislative Update** | *Erin Niemela and Tiffany Phan, Niemela Pappas & Associates, CEDMC Lobbyists*
- **Q&A**

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CEDMC Announcements

Hawaii PUC Market Potential Study RFP

The Hawaii Public Utilities Commission (Commission) has just issued a request for proposals to select a contractor to provide independent evaluation, measurement, and verification services for the Public Benefits Fee Programs, prepare a statewide market potential study, and other programs/activities as directed by the Commission. Interested parties may obtain additional information at the Commission website here.

RFP submission deadline is July 10th

AESP California Chapter Event

- **NorCal Switch**
- **June 17 , 6:00 PM–8:30 PM PDT**
- **The Greenlining Institute, Oakland, CA**
- **Learn more and register**

Switch is a high-energy, fast-paced, and informative forum designed to unite the California energy community. It's an evening where you can learn, laugh, and network with fellow industry enthusiasts.

Presenters have 5 min. to deliver their message, accompanied by 20 slides – 15 seconds each! This concise and engaging format is back by popular demand!

Induction Cooking MTI Implementation Pre-Bid Webinar

- **June 8, 9:30 – 10:30 am PDT**
- **Learn more and register**

CalMTA is seeking qualified contractors to implement a scope of work identified for market deployment of the Induction Cooking Market Transformation Initiative (MTI) Plan. The Induction Cooking MTI is designed to accelerate adoption of 120V induction cooktops and ranges in California's kitchens to provide a high-quality cooking experience with the added health and safety benefits afforded by induction technology.

Board Activities - May

May Board Activities – Events Committee

- Agenda planning underway for Industry Training and Fall Conference
- Please send session ideas to admin@cedmc.org!

May Board Activities – Policy Committee

- Met with Energy Division staff on May 15 to discuss CEDMC's May 1 Response to the EE Business Plan Applications and tee up areas of future interest.
  - Coby Rudolph, Eli Jacobson and Jessie Levine from ED
- Provided feedback on comments filed in May
  - May 1 Response to EE BPAs
  - May 21 Reply Comments DR Bridge Funding
  - June 1 Response to SDG&E/PAO Settlement Agreement on SDG&E Application to withdraw from Regional EE
- Participated in biweekly Empower DSM Coalition calls
- Provided feedback on Legislation, Support Letters

May Board Activities – SPARC

Board has contacted all member companies via a call or email for an overall check in and a reminder about member benefits.

We will send a Member Survey for thoughts on CEDMC services and new organizational changes.

An email will go to each KEY member to update their organization's employee list.

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Policy Update

Upcoming Events

- June 10: CEC/EPRI Electrification Summit
  - Time: 8 AM - 5:30 PM
  - In-person only at California Natural Resources Agency
    - 715 P Street, Sacramento
  - Space is limited, so register early
  - Agenda available on event page
- June 19: Prehearing Conference A.26-03-009 et. al.
  - Time: 1:30 PM
  - Webex
  - Webinar number: 2480 745 4382
  - Webinar password: 2026
  - Additional information in ALJ Ruling
  - Objective: Discuss scope and schedule of proceeding
  - ***PHC Statements permitted - by June 8, 2026***

May Policy Activities (1)

- A.26-03-009 EE Business Plan Applications
  - CEDMC filed Response May 1. Key Themes:
    - Preserve and fully deploy cost effective EE resources
    - Prioritize load-shaping EE and IDSM strategies
    - Support electrification and flexible demand-side resources
    - Maintain existing third-party framework and 60% outsourcing requirement
    - Modernize cost-effectiveness and NTG methodologies
    - Streamline custom project review and implementation process
    - Use targeted EE investments to support affordability and grid reliability

May Policy Activities (2)

A.26-03-009 EE Business Plan Applications

- CEDMC reviewed Program Administrator Replies May 18
- Supportive Responses
  - MCE and Rising Sun supported CEDMC's core theme that strategic EE and demand management investments can reduce long-term customer costs and serve affordability goals.
  - MCE aligned with CEDMC on load shaping and demand flexibility
  - MCE and Rising Sun aligned with CEDMC on EE portfolios being viewed as affordability tools rather than simply program expenditures
  - Rising Sun aligned with CEDMC on unique value of equity-focused EE
  - SD REN and PCE both referenced support for CEDMC's affordability argument

May Policy Activities (3)

A.26-03-009 EE Business Plan Applications

- Rebuttal Responses from PG&E, SCE and SDG&E
  - SDG&E rejects CEDMC's argument that EE underspending creates long-term affordability risks; SDG&E frames underspending as normal outcome of prudent portfolio management
  - PG&E briefly responded to CEDMC's proposal to apply loading-order principles to EE spending. Basically, argues T&D valuation outside scope of proceeding interpretations (PG&E)
  - SCE strongly rejects CEDMC arguments on EE budget reductions, affordability impacts, "underspending" claims, loading order and Third-party framework reforms. Very strong pushback.

May Policy Activities (4)

- R.25-09-004 Enhance Demand Response
  - CEDMC filed Reply Comments May 21 to respond to proposed modifications to the Emergency Load Reduction Program during the bridge years
    - Primary determination for bridge period should be continued funding of DR programs and extension of ELRP
      - SCE didn't propose modification to ELRP - doesn't want delays in bridge funding decision - CEDMC supports
    - CEDMC supports maintaining specific subgroups of ELRP
      - PG&E, SCE, Olivine, VGIC support extending ELRP subgroups A.4 (VPP) and A.5 (Vehicle-Grid Integration)
      - CEDMC supports these recommendations, if modifications are needed

May Policy Activities (5)

- R.25-09-004 Enhance Demand Response (continued)
- It is reasonable to expect ELRP to demonstrate cost-effectiveness
  - PAO recommends not extending ELRP unless cost-effectiveness required
  - UCAN/TURN also want ELRP subject to TRC/PAC
  - Olivine recommends transitioning ELRP from pilot into more permanent DR framework by 2030-2034 cycle, with a formal pilot sunset date end of 2029
  - CEDMC supports Olivine's rationale and proposed timeline
- It is unreasonable to decrease incentive levels/eliminate minimum dispatch hours for ELRP
  - PAO, PG&E, SDG&E recommend reducing or eliminating minimum dispatch hours, limiting dispatch strictly to CAISO-declared emergencies.
    - PAO argues minimum dispatch hours function as aggregator subsidies
  - PG&E/PAO want incentives decreased to $1/kWh
  - CEDMC strongly disagreed with both positions and explained how these work together to roughly approximate capacity revenue (like RA payments) capacity payments.
    - minimum dispatch hours may not be best way to approximate a capacity construct, but eliminating them without fundamental changing the program design would be counterproductive

May Policy Activities (6)

- R.25-09-004 Enhance Demand Response (continued)
  - May 27: CEDMC filed Joint Case Management Statement (matrix of stipulations) to include in PG&E's 6/11 Joint Filing to CPUC to determine what issues remain unresolved and may require hearings
    - June 3 Meet and Confer – PG&E walked through stipulation positions

May Policy Activities (7)

- A.25-04-014 (SDG&E Withdrawal from EE):
  - Reviewed Settlement Agreement (SDG&E/PAO)
  - Met with SDREN for discussions on the Agreement/proceeding to date
  - Filed CEDMC response on June 1
    - Settlement Agreement mischaracterizes Cost-Effectiveness claims
    - Settlement Agreement fails to quantify costs or demonstrate net benefits
    - Settlement Agreement ignores cost of program disruption
    - There is no showing that alternatives were considered
    - Settlement Agreement introduces uncertainty and inefficiency that are incompatible with the Commission's affordability objectives

May Policy Activities (8)

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R. 22-11-013 (DER Cost Effectiveness/Data Access)

- Avoided Cost Calculator (ACC) to evaluate EE and DR

Staff Proposal Issue	CEDMC Position	Key Consideration
Maintain distinct electric/gas GHG values	**Support**	Reflects sector-specific abatement costs
Apply single GHG value across sectors	**Oppose**	May understate electrification benefits
Remove GHG rebalancing component	**Oppose**	Could weaken portfolio/decarbonization treatment
Cap GHG value at societal cost of carbon	**Oppose**	May suppress legitimate avoided-cost values
Integrated generation/GHG calculation refinements	**Support**	Subject to review of supporting workpapers
Require stronger workpapers/model transparency	**Support**	Improves testing and confidence in ACC updates

June Filing Opportunities

CPUC

June 1: Comments on SDG&E Settlement Motion (A.25-04-014)

June 16: Reply Comments on SDG&E settlement motion (R.25-04-014)

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Legislative Update

Empower DSM Activities May

Legislative Update

- CEDMC Priority Bill List - May2026
- Sacramento legislative briefings/Lunch & Learn
- Legislative Priorities and Actions
- Budget Priorities and Actions

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Discussion and Questions

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Thank You!

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