## Low Income Oversight Board Energy Division Update

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California Public Utilities Commission

## Agenda

- Large IOUs ESA/CARE/FERA program cycle
  - Mid-cycle recommendations and report
  - ESA Working Group
- Categorical Eligibility Programs Advice Letter
- Low Income Needs Assessment

## Large IOUs ESA/CARE/FERA Program Cycle

- Mid-cycle recommendations and report
  - Final report was submitted to Energy Division/CPUC at end of 2023
  - ED Staff is reviewing the report to identify topics for discussion at ESA WG meetings

#### ESA Working Group

- March 21, 2024 Agenda will include discussions on Health, Comfort, and Safety topics, and the Multi-Family program.
- Materials will be available at <a href="https://pda.energydataweb.com">https://pda.energydataweb.com</a>

## **Categorical Eligibility Programs**

#### • Joint IOUs submitted an Advice Letter (AL) on 10/13/2023

- The advice letter proposes updates to the list of categorically eligible programs based on the study final report.
- Protests were filed by the Public Advocates Office (CaIPA), and jointly by The Utility Reform Network (TURN) and Center for Accessible Technology (C4AT); Joint IOUs then submitted a reply to the protests.
- ED Staff has suspended the advice letter through September 2024 to allow more time for review, and is currently meeting with these parties and the IOUs to resolve the proposals.

Final report available here:

https://pda.energydataweb.com/#!/documents/2814/view

## **2025 Low Income Needs Assessment**

#### Current Activity

• IOUs have selected Evergreen Economics as study consultant, who are currently developing the research plan

#### Upcoming Activity

- LINA Subcommittee meeting to review draft research plan on April 12, 2024
- Draft research plan will be posted to PDA and shared with the LIOB

# Thank you!

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