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ENERGY ECONOMIC STIMULUS NEWS BLAST April 22, 2009 – Earth Day

Transportation Investment Plan Adopted and Cost Share Grant Solicitation Released

Investment Plan Adopted - The California Energy Commission today adopted the state's first transportation Investment Plan. The Alternative and Renewable Fuels and Vehicle Technology Program's Investment Plan allocates \$176 million over the next two years to stimulate green transportation projects and encourage innovation to help meet the state's aggressive climate change policies.

Over the next two years, the Energy Commission will invest \$46 million for electric vehicles, public charging stations, and manufacturing plants; \$40 million for hydrogen fueling stations; \$12 million for advanced ethanol fuel production facilities and E-85 fueling stations; \$43 million for natural gas vehicles, fueling stations and biomethane production facilities; \$6 million for advanced renewable diesel and biodiesel facilities; and \$2 million for propane vehicles. The Investment Plan also directs \$27 million to fund workforce training programs, research, public education and technical assistance programs.

The Investment Plan is available at <http://energy.ca.gov/proceedings/2008-ALT-1/documents/index.html#042209>

Grant Solicitation & Application Released - The Investment Plan recognizes the importance of leveraging existing federal, state and local funding with public and private cost sharing. The Energy Commission's first AB 118 grant solicitation, released April 22, is focused on those who are applying to the federal government under the ARRA for the funding of transportation projects.

The Grant Solicitation – Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Investment Program Third Party Cost Share – is available at: <http://www.energy.ca.gov/contracts/>

Alternative and Renewable Fuel & Vehicles Program (AB 118) and ARRA Funding Workshop April 27, 2009 – Beginning at 9 am Sacramento

The California Energy Commission staff will conduct a workshop for applicants and stakeholders regarding the funding solicitation under the Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Program (AB 118) to projects applying for ARRA funds.

The Investment Plan recognizes the importance of leveraging existing federal, state and local funding with stakeholder investments. The Energy Commission's first solicitation for these AB 118 funds, to be released later this week, is focused on those who are applying to the federal government under the ARRA for funding transportation projects. This provides a unique opportunity to leverage state program funds with federal stimulus funds. The public workshop will discuss the solicitation's objectives, process, timeline and the potential projects that could be funded with AB 118 and ARRA funds.

The workshop will be in Sacramento and Webcast. Agenda will be available soon on line. The Investment Plan is available at <http://energy.ca.gov/proceedings/2008-ALT-1/documents/index.html#042209>

More information regarding the April 27 Staff Workshop including how to attend by WebEx or by phone-in is available at <http://energy.ca.gov/recovery/meetings/index.html>