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RE: Request for Information Contractor Training for Inflation Reduction Act Residential Energy Rebate Programs

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) appreciates the opportunity to respond to the California Energy Commission's (CEC Request for Information on Contractor Training for Inflation Reduction Act Residential Energy Rebate Programs.

Through PG&E's Energy Training Centers, the Workforce Education & Training program offers no-cost resources including training in energy efficiency, electrification and decarbonization. The target audience includes contractors, architects, engineers, building maintenance professionals, HVAC technicians and others. All of California's incumbent workers and jobseekers can access educational resources including in-person classes as well as online webinars and on-demand classes. The catalog of classes includes training on the benefits of electrification and advanced electric technology such as pump water heating, induction cooking and heat pump space heating and cooling¹. PG&E's Energy Centers also support several relevant contractor certifications though no-cost exam preparation courses and reduced-cost certification exams.

At this time, PG&E Workforce Education & Training is not leveraging IRA Contractor Training funds but may collaborate with other training organizations using these funds. In addition, PG&E administers the statewide Career and Workforce Readiness program which is implemented by a third party to provide technical training, job placement and wraparound services to disadvantaged workers across all four of California's IOU territories².

PG&E appreciates the opportunity to respond to this RFI. Please reach out to me if you have any questions.

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¹ For more information please visit http://www.pge.com/energyclasses

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