## <u>Decision Item</u> 2018 Membership Proposal for U.S. DOE and U.S. EPA December 6, 2017 Executive Board Meeting

## **BACKGROUND:**

U.S. DOE and U.S. EPA have been longstanding active CaFCP Executive members. Each has provided significant value and contributions to CaFCP and fuel cell vehicle and hydrogen infrastructure development and commercialization in California, as well as more broadly across the United States.

Both U.S. DOE and U.S. EPA wish to stay engaged with CaFCP in 2018, providing advice, insights and connectivity between California and federal activities. However, both agencies are unable to pay membership dues as in previous years. CaFCP's updated operating protocols allow the executive board to invite U.S. DOE and U.S. EPA to become nonpaying Full members, under the scholarship program. The proposal can be reviewed and/or renewed by the executive board in the future.

## **IMPACT:**

As nonpaying Full members U.S. DOE and U.S. EPA will continue actively engaging and participating within CaFCP and adding their valuable voice and insights to steering team and working group meetings. Under this proposal neither agency will have member voting rights.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Invite U.S. DOE and U.S. EPA as nonpaying advisory Full members of CaFCP for 2018.