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Treasurer Lockyer Announces New Executive Director for California Alternative Energy and Advanced Transportation **Financing Authority (CAEATFA)**

SACRAMENTO – State Treasurer Bill Lockyer today announced the California Alternative Energy and Advanced Transportation Financing Authority (CAEATFA) has chosen Saùl Gòmez to be its new executive director.

"I am pleased Saul Gomez will lead the Authority in its critical work financing projects that promote a clean environment, energy efficiency and green jobs," said Lockyer, who serves as chairman of CAEATFA. "His background and leadership skills will help him move the Authority forward."

Gòmez, 35, who has extensive experience in energy efficiency programs, will begin his duties as executive director on January 1, 2013.

"I look forward to helping the board fulfill its mission of financing clean energy projects and manufacturing in California," said Gòmez.

Since 2011, Gòmez has worked at the California Energy Commission, as primary advisor to Commissioner Carla Peterman. Between 2009 and 2011, he served as public affairs director for the Center for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Technologies. From 2002 to 2008, he served in a variety of positions in the Legislature, including legislative director for former Democratic state Sen. Dean Florez of Bakersfield and former Democratic Assemblyman Simon Salinas of Hollister.

CAEATFA provides financing for facilities needed to develop and commercialize advanced transportation and alternative energy technologies that reduce air pollution, conserve energy and promote economic development and green energy jobs.

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