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California Competes

MEMBERS:

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Dee Dee Myers

Director

**Committee Meeting** 

Governor's Office of Business and Economic

Dee Dee Myers, Chair

Thursday, June 12, 2025, 1:00 p.m.

Emily Desai

Tax Credit Program

Chief Deputy Director

The Committee Meeting was live streamed and open to the

public. Meeting minutes will be available on the <u>GO-Biz</u>

publications website.

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UPDATE: The California Competes Tax Credit Committee APPROVED the following California Competes Tax Credit agreements on

June 12, 2025

1. Le Vecke Corporation

Industry: Beverage Manufacturing Primary Location(s): Jurupa Valley

Employee Net Increase: 224

Aggregate Investment: \$30,000,000

Amount of Tax Credit Awarded: \$11,000,000

Link to Tax Credit Agreement



2. RIS Rx LLC

Industry: Software Development
Primary Location(s): Newport Beach

Employee Net Increase: 453

Aggregate Investment: \$3,967,020 Amount of Tax Credit Awarded: \$10,000,000

Link to Tax Credit Agreement

3. Nextracker LLC

Industry: Solar Product Design and Assembly

Primary Location(s): Fremont

Employee Net Increase: 255

Aggregate Investment: \$32,643,522 Amount of Tax Credit Awarded: \$4,500,000

Link to Tax Credit Agreement

4. A.S. Aerospace, Inc.

Industry: Aerospace Component Manufacturing Primary Location(s): Palmdale and Santa Clarita

Employee Net Increase: 137

Aggregate Investment: \$19,100,000 Amount of Tax Credit Awarded: \$3,000,000

Link to Tax Credit Agreement

5. EVO Power USA, Inc.

Industry: Battery Energy Storage System Assembly

Primary Location(s): Rancho Santa Margarita

Employee Net Increase: 18

Aggregate Investment: \$1,219,310
Amount of Tax Credit Awarded: \$844,000

Link to Tax Credit Agreement



# The California Competes Tax Credit Committee also APPROVED the following recommendations for California Competes Tax Credit recapture:

1. VinFast Dealer San Francisco #1 LLC

Industry: Electric Vehicle Manufacturing Headquarters and Sales

Primary Location(s): Los Angeles, Irvine, Unknown

Amount of Tax Credit Awarded: \$20,500,000 Amount of Tax Credit Recaptured: \$20,500,000

Link to Tax Credit Agreement to be Recaptured

Reason for Credit Recapture:

VinFast Dealer San Francisco #1 LLC has indicated that it will not be carrying out its business as contemplated in its approved California Competes Tax Credit Agreement and has requested the termination of its agreement to allow the credit to be made available to other California businesses.

2. Cue Health, Inc.

Industry: Medical Device Manufacturing

Primary Location(s): San Diego

Amount of Tax Credit Awarded: \$20,000,000 Amount of Tax Credit Recaptured: \$20,000,000

Link to Tax Credit Agreement to be Recaptured

Reason for Credit Recapture:

GO-Biz has determined that Cue Health, Inc. is in material breach of the Agreement. Accordingly, GO-Biz recommends that the CCTC Committee terminate the Agreement between GO-Biz and Cue Health, Inc. and recapture its CCTC.



# 3. Cepheid

Industry: Diagnostic Test Manufacturing

Primary Location(s): Lodi and Santa Clara County

Amount of Tax Credit Awarded: \$20,000,000 Amount of Tax Credit Recaptured: \$11,000,000

Link to Tax Credit Agreement to be Recaptured

Reason for Credit Recapture:

Cepheid's California Competes Tax Credit Agreement expired at the end of its 2024 tax year which was the final year to achieve the milestones and claim any corresponding credit. Any credit not earned by the completion of the agreement must be recaptured in order to be made available to other California businesses.

#### 4. DesertXpress Enterprises LLC

Industry: High Speed Rail Construction & Operation

Primary Location(s): Victorville or Apple Valley

Amount of Tax Credit Awarded: \$10,000,000

Amount of Tax Credit Recaptured: \$10,000,000

Link to Tax Credit Agreement to be Recaptured

Reason for Credit Recapture:

DesertXpress Enterprises LLC's California Competes Tax Credit Agreement expired at the end of its 2024 tax year which was the final year to achieve the milestones and claim any corresponding credit. Any credit not earned by the completion of the agreement must be recaptured in order to be made available to other California businesses.



5. Allogene Therapeutics, Inc.

Industry: Biotechnology Research and Development

Primary Location(s): South San Francisco, Alameda, Fremont, Milpitas, Newark

Amount of Tax Credit Awarded: \$9,000,000

Amount of Tax Credit Recaptured: \$3,000,000

Link to Tax Credit Agreement to be Recaptured

Reason for Credit Recapture:

Allogene Therapeutics, Inc.'s California Competes Tax Credit Agreement expired at the end of its 2022 tax year. Any credit not maintained for three subsequent years after the year in which the milestones are achieved is subject to recapture in order to be made available to other California businesses.

## 6. CTC Global Corporation

Industry: Electricity Conductor Engineering and Manufacturing

Primary Location(s): Irvine and Santa Ana

Amount of Tax Credit Awarded: \$5,000,000

Amount of Tax Credit Recaptured: \$2,500,000

Link to Tax Credit Agreement to be Recaptured

Reason for Credit Recapture:

CTC Global Corporation's California Competes Tax Credit Agreement expired at the end of its 2024 tax year which was the final year to achieve the milestones and claim any corresponding credit. Any credit not earned by the completion of the agreement must be recaptured in order to be made available to other California businesses.



7. Fortress North America, Inc.

Industry: Fire Suppression and Flood Containment Product Manufacturing

Primary Location(s): Rocklin and Unknown

Amount of Tax Credit Awarded: \$2,400,000 Amount of Tax Credit Recaptured: \$2,380,000

Link to Tax Credit Agreement to be Recaptured

Reason for Credit Recapture:

Fortress North America, Inc.'s California Competes Tax Credit Agreement expired at the end of its 2024 tax year which was the final year to achieve the milestones and claim any corresponding credit. Any credit not earned by the completion of the agreement must be recaptured in order to be made available to other California businesses.

8. L3Harris Applied Technologies, Inc. (L3 Applied Technologies, Inc.)

Industry: Defense Contracting
Primary Location(s): San Leandro

Amount of Tax Credit Awarded: \$1,500,000

Amount of Tax Credit Recaptured: \$1,500,000

Link to Tax Credit Agreement to be Recaptured

Reason for Credit Recapture:

L3Harris Applied Technologies, Inc. (L3 Applied Technologies, Inc) has indicated that it will not be carrying out its business as contemplated in its approved California Competes Tax Credit Agreement and has requested the termination of its agreement to allow the credit to be made available to other California businesses.



9. 3DEO, Inc.

Industry: 3D Steel Print Manufacturing
Primary Location(s): Gardena or Torrance

Amount of Tax Credit Awarded: \$800,000 Amount of Tax Credit Recaptured: \$800,000

Link to Tax Credit Agreement to be Recaptured

Reason for Credit Recapture:

3DEO, Inc.'s California Competes Tax Credit Agreement expired at the end of its 2024 tax year which was the final year to achieve the milestones and claim any corresponding credit. Any credit not earned by the completion of the agreement must be recaptured in order to be made available to other California businesses.

10. Precision Medical Products, Inc.

Industry: Medical Device Manufacturing

Primary Location(s): Rocklin and Sacramento

Amount of Tax Credit Awarded: \$950,000 Amount of Tax Credit Recaptured: \$760,000

Link to Tax Credit Agreement to be Recaptured

Reason for Credit Recapture:

Precision Medical Products, Inc. 's California Competes Tax Credit Agreement expired at the end of its 2024 tax year which was the final year to achieve the milestones and claim any corresponding credit. Any credit not earned by the completion of the agreement must be recaptured in order to be made available to other California businesses.



11. PKL Services, Inc.

Industry: Aircraft Maintenance

Primary Location(s): Poway

Amount of Tax Credit Awarded: \$2,500,000

Amount of Tax Credit Recaptured: \$550,000

Link to Tax Credit Agreement to be Recaptured

Reason for Credit Recapture:

PKL Services, Inc.'s California Competes Tax Credit Agreement expired at the end of its 2024 tax year which was the final year to achieve the milestones and claim any corresponding credit. Any credit not earned by the completion of the agreement must be recaptured in order to be made available to other California businesses.

## 12. Vision Fine Foods LLC (2nd Award)

Industry: Production of Packaged Bakery Goods

Primary Location(s): Stockton

Amount of Tax Credit Awarded: \$850,000 Amount of Tax Credit Recaptured: \$350,000

Link to Tax Credit Agreement to be Recaptured

Reason for Credit Recapture:

Vision Fine Foods LLC (2nd Award)'s California Competes Tax Credit Agreement expired at the end of its 2024 tax year which was the final year to achieve the milestones and claim any corresponding credit. Any credit not earned by the completion of the agreement must be recaptured in order to be made available to other California businesses.



# 13. I.P.S. Group, Inc.

Industry: Parking Meter Technology, Design, and Manufacturing

Primary Location(s): San Diego

Amount of Tax Credit Awarded: \$500,000 Amount of Tax Credit Recaptured: \$300,000

Link to Tax Credit Agreement to be Recaptured

Reason for Credit Recapture:

I.P.S. Group, Inc.'s California Competes Tax Credit Agreement expired at the end of its 2020 tax year which was the final year to achieve the milestones and claim any corresponding credit. The Franchise Tax Board has determined that the business did not achieve or maintain some or all of its milestones for years in which it was previously approved to claim the credit. Any credit not earned by the completion of the agreement or not maintained for three subsequent years after the year in which the milestones are achieved must be recaptured in order to be made available to other California businesses.

#### 14. Watsonville Auto Body, Inc.

Industry: Automotive Repair

Primary Location(s): Salinas, Santa Cruz, Monterey, Freedom

Amount of Tax Credit Awarded: \$280,000 Amount of Tax Credit Recaptured: \$280,000

Link to Tax Credit Agreement to be Recaptured

Reason for Credit Recapture:

GO-Biz has determined that Watsonville Auto Body, Inc. is in material breach of the Agreement. Accordingly, GO-Biz recommends that the CCTC Committee terminate the Agreement between GO-Biz and Watsonville Auto Body, Inc. and recapture its CCTC.



#### 15. Worksters, Inc.

Industry: Information and Data Evaluation Services

Primary Location(s): San Diego

Amount of Tax Credit Awarded: \$130,000

Amount of Tax Credit Recaptured: \$130,000

Link to Tax Credit Agreement to be Recaptured

Reason for Credit Recapture:

Worksters, Inc.'s California Competes Tax Credit Agreement expired at the end of its 2024 tax year which was the final year to achieve the milestones and claim any corresponding credit. Any credit not earned by the completion of the agreement must be recaptured in order to be made available to other California businesses.

## 16. Thermal Equipment Corporation

Industry: Autoclave Manufacturing

Primary Location(s): Rancho Dominguez

Amount of Tax Credit Awarded: \$450,000 Amount of Tax Credit Recaptured: \$105,000

Link to Tax Credit Agreement to be Recaptured

Reason for Credit Recapture:

Thermal Equipment Corporation's California Competes Tax Credit Agreement expired at the end of its 2024 tax year which was the final year to achieve the milestones and claim any corresponding credit. Any credit not earned by the completion of the agreement must be recaptured in order to be made available to other California businesses.



# 17. Hodo, Inc.

Industry: Food Manufacturing

Primary Location(s): Sacramento and Oakland

Amount of Tax Credit Awarded: \$400,000 Amount of Tax Credit Recaptured: \$80,000

Link to Tax Credit Agreement to be Recaptured

Reason for Credit Recapture:

Hodo, Inc.'s California Competes Tax Credit Agreement expired at the end of its 2021 tax year. Any credit not maintained for three subsequent years after the year in which the milestones are achieved is subject to recapture in order to be made available to other California businesses.

## 18. Excelsior, Inc. (Excelsior Metals, Inc.)

Industry: Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing

Primary Location(s): Fresno

Amount of Tax Credit Awarded: \$135,000 Amount of Tax Credit Recaptured: \$27,000

Link to Tax Credit Agreement to be Recaptured

Reason for Credit Recapture:

Excelsior, Inc. (Excelsior Metals, Inc.)'s California Competes Tax Credit Agreement expired at the end of its 2021 tax year. Any credit not maintained for three subsequent years after the year in which the milestones are achieved is subject to recapture in order to be made available to other California businesses.



19. Sandwich Video, Inc.

Industry: Online Commercial Production

Primary Location(s): Los Angeles

Amount of Tax Credit Recaptured:

\$20,000 Amount of Tax Credit Awarded: \$4,000

Link to Tax Credit Agreement to be Recaptured

Reason for Credit Recapture:

Sandwich Video, Inc.'s California Competes Tax Credit Agreement expired at the end of its 2019 tax year which was the final year to achieve the milestones and claim any corresponding credit. The Franchise Tax Board has determined that the business did not achieve or maintain some or all of its milestones for years in which it was previously approved to claim the credit. Any credit not earned by the completion of the agreement or not maintained for three subsequent years after the year in which the milestones are achieved must be recaptured in order to be made available to other California businesses.

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# The California Competes Tax Credit Committee also APPROVED the following recommendations for modified California Competes Tax Credit recapture:

1. Wonderstorm, Inc.

Industry: Online Video Game Development

Primary Location(s): El Segundo

Amount of Tax Credit Awarded: \$2,100,000

Previous Amount of Tax Credit Recaptured: \$325,000

Additional Amount of Tax Credit Recaptured: \$1,450,000

Link to Tax Credit Agreement to be Recaptured

Reason for Credit Recapture:

Wonderstorm, Inc.'s California Competes Tax Credit Agreement expired at the end of its 2022 tax year which was the final year to achieve the milestones and claim any corresponding credit. On June 15, 2023, the Committee recaptured \$325,000. Any credit not maintained for three subsequent years after the year in which the milestones are achieved is subject to recapture in order to be made available to other California businesses. Accordingly, GO-Biz recommends that the CCTC Committee recapture \$1,450,000.



2. King Shock Technology, Inc.

Industry: Automotive Parts Manufacturing

Primary Location(s): Garden Grove

Amount of Tax Credit Awarded: \$750,000
Previous Amount of Tax Credit Recaptured: \$320,000
Additional Amount of Tax Credit Recaptured: \$200,000

Link to Tax Credit Agreement to be Recaptured

Reason for Credit Recapture:

King Shock Technology, Inc.'s California Competes Tax Credit Agreement expired at the end of its 2021 tax year which was the final year to achieve the milestones and claim any corresponding credit. On November 16, 2023, the Committee recaptured \$320,000. Any credit not maintained for three subsequent years after the year in which the milestones are achieved is subject to recapture in order to be made available to other California businesses. Accordingly, GO-Biz recommends that the CCTC Committee recapture \$200,000.

3. Enviro Tech Chemical Services, Inc.

Industry: Chemical Manufacturing

Primary Location(s): Modesto

Amount of Tax Credit Awarded: \$400,000
Previous Amount of Tax Credit Recaptured: \$240,000
Additional Amount of Tax Credit Recaptured: \$160,000

Link to Tax Credit Agreement to be Recaptured

Reason for Credit Recapture:

Enviro Tech Chemical Services, Inc.'s California Competes Tax Credit Agreement expired at the end of its 2021 tax year which was the final year to achieve the milestones and claim any corresponding credit. On November 14, 2024, the Committee recaptured \$240,000. Any credit not maintained for three subsequent years after the year in which the milestones are achieved is subject to recapture in order to be made available to other California businesses. Accordingly, GO-Biz recommends that the CCTC Committee recapture \$160,000.



## 4. Hilbers, Inc.

Industry: Commercial and Institutional Building Construction

Primary Location(s): Yuba City

Amount of Tax Credit Awarded: \$120,000
Previous Amount of Tax Credit Recaptured: \$48,000
Additional Amount of Tax Credit Recaptured: \$48,000

Link to Tax Credit Agreement to be Recaptured

Reason for Credit Recapture:

Hilbers, Inc.'s California Competes Tax Credit Agreement expired at the end of its 2020 tax year which was the final year to achieve the milestones and claim any corresponding credit. On November 16, 2023, the Committee recaptured \$48,000. The Franchise Tax Board has determined that the business did not achieve or maintain some or all of its milestones for years in which it was previously approved to claim the credit. Any credit not earned by the completion of the agreement or not maintained for three subsequent years after the year in which the milestones are achieved must be recaptured in order to be made available to other California businesses. Accordingly, GO-Biz recommends that the CCTC Committee recapture the \$48,000.

#### 5. Charlie Marano

Industry: Graphic Design Services Primary Location(s): Sacramento

Amount of Tax Credit Awarded: \$75,000
Previous Amount of Tax Credit Recaptured: \$45,000
Additional Amount of Tax Credit Recaptured: \$15,000

Link to Tax Credit Agreement to be Recaptured

Reason for Credit Recapture:

Charlie Marano's California Competes Tax Credit Agreement expired at the end of its 2021 tax year which was the final year to achieve the milestones and claim any corresponding credit. On November 17, 2022, the Committee recaptured \$45,000. Any credit not maintained for three subsequent years after the year in which the milestones are achieved is subject to recapture in order to be made available to other California businesses. Accordingly, GO-Biz recommends that the CCTC Committee recapture \$15,000.