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**Application for Confidential Designation for Energy Efficiency Program Data
Collection from Non-Utility PACE Programs
Docket No. 22-DATA-01**

Dear Jason Fransua:

The California Energy Commission (CEC) has received Renew Financial Group's (applicant) application for confidential designation, docketed September 8, 2025 (TN 265906). The application requests confidential designation for the following record:

- CEC PACE Form 1312 submitted by Renew Financial Group, a PACE program administrator

The applicant seeks confidential designation of customer data, which includes customer address, customer APN, energy savings, and electricity savings. The applicant seeks confidential information for the entire form and for an indefinite period of time.

Confidentiality Claims

A properly filed application for confidentiality shall be granted under California Code of Regulations, title 20, section 2505(a)(3)(A), "if the applicant makes a reasonable claim that the Public Records Act or other provision of law authorizes the Commission to keep the record confidential."

Financial Code section 22688 prohibits financial institutions and PACE program administrators from disclosing nonpublic personal information of the consumer to whom the nonpublic personal information related. Additionally, California Government Code section 7922.000 provides that an agency may withhold information from disclosure where the public interest served by nondisclosure clearly outweighs the public interest of disclosure.

Discussion

The submitted data sets contain sensitive customer identification and energy consumption information. This information is protected from public disclosure under Financial Code section 22688, and the public interest served by not disclosing this information also clearly outweighs the public interest served by disclosure. (Gov. Code, § 7922.000.)

Executive Director's Determination

The applicant has made a reasonable claim that the portions of the records identified above, which contain information on customer energy consumption, can be maintained as confidential indefinitely.

Be advised that persons may petition to inspect or copy records that have been designated as confidential, the executive director may disclose, or release records previously designated as confidential in certain circumstances, and the CEC may hold a hearing to determine the confidentiality of its records on its own motion or on a motion by CEC staff. The procedures and criteria for disclosing or releasing, filing, reviewing, and acting upon such petitions or motions are set forth in the California Code of Regulations, title 20, sections 2506 through 2508.

If you have questions, please email confidentialityapplication@energy.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'Drew Bohan', written in a cursive style.

Drew Bohan
Executive Director