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Dear California Energy Commission,

Energize Schools submits the following Proposition 39 Draft Guidelines recommendations for your consideration.

To ensure an equitable distribution of Proposition 39 funds:

- “Early Adopter” LEAs that have already made significant energy efficiency investments should be allowed to use Proposition 39 funds for energy conservation initiatives and behavior change programs that include student engagement

To maximize energy savings for all LEAs:

- We recommend that Proposition 39 funds are allowed for the launch and support of energy conservation initiatives and behavior change programs that include student engagement across all LEAs
- And support K-12 project-based energy education, including student-conducted energy audits

We recommend the following additions to changes made to the SIR:

- Inclusion of 0% On Bill Financing to the “Added Leveraged Funding” that can be deducted from the Project Installation Cost

About Energize Schools

Energize Schools is a holistic energy efficiency, conservation, and energy education services program for K-12 schools. Energize Schools is to make it easy and affordable for schools to invest in Energy Efficiency retrofits while engaging students in energy conservation, education, and leadership. The non-profit partnership of Strategic Energy Innovations (SEI), Bay Area Climate Collaborative, PECEI, and Ecology Action (the Team) is a network of non-profit efficiency experts with combined delivery capabilities to help school districts holistically approach energy management – from the board room to the boiler room to the classroom – delivering deep savings while engaging students in hands-on energy workforce education & training. The partnership ensures school districts can maximize the state’s 5-year, \$2.5 billion Proposition 39 investment, and provide support beyond the reach of those resources.

