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Re: Regional Grid Operator and Governance

July 7, 2016

Dear Chair Weisenmiller and Commissioners,

The Silicon Valley Leadership Group appreciates the opportunity to provide comments on the proposed regionalization of the Independent System Operator (ISO). The Leadership Group endorses the following principles as the foundation for regionalization of the ISO:

1. California should retain a voice in proportion to its population in ISO governance
2. Each state should retain control over the development and implementation of its energy policies and resource adequacy requirements
3. A regional ISO should facilitate and implement policy directives developed at the state and federal level
4. A regional ISO should treat Distributed Energy Resources (DERs) in a comparable manner to other grid resources by
  - Recognizing the beneficial contributions of DERs to the grid system
  - Providing fair compensation to DERs for the grid services they provide
  - Establishing reasonable and non-discriminatory interconnection and metering practices
5. A regional ISO should promote solutions that minimize curtailment of renewable resources
6. A regional ISO should promote customer choice and options
7. A regional ISO should have transparent processes and decision making that allow for active public engagement

We understand that the development of a governance framework for the transition to a regional ISO is a work in progress, and look forward to continue to work with you on this important and historic endeavor.

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Thank you for your consideration on this issue. If you have any questions on our position, please contact Tim McRae, Sr. Energy Director, at 408-501-7871 or [tmcrae@svlg.org](mailto:tmcrae@svlg.org).

Sincerely,

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CC: Commissioner Douglas, Commissioner Hochschild, Commissioner McAllister and Commissioner Scott