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Honorable Commissioners and CEC Renewable Energy Program Staff:

The Distributed Wind Energy Association (DWEA) fully supports the proposed revisions to the Eleventh Edition of the Emerging Renewables Guidebook.

The extension of the \$3/W rebate level for 10 kW and under wind turbines for an additional 60 days will extend the deadline into the 2nd quarter of 2012, which is historically when sales begin picking up each year. The 1st quarter has typically been the slowest of the year. The extra time will also allow the retail infrastructure more opportunity to recover from the devastating losses suffered from the extended shutdown of the program due the DyoCore situation.

The removal of the 25% manufacturer and retailer total rebate limitation will, we believe, increase customer choice and, perhaps, allow greater opportunity for future cost reductions stemming from economies of volume production and implementation.

We thank the Commission for providing this opportunity to comment on the proposed revisions.

If you have any questions concerning our comments, please feel free to contact me at mbergey@bergey.com or 405-364-4212 or Justin Malan, DWEA's California Representative at justinmalan@gmail.com or 916-956-3302.

Respectfully submitted,

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