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California Energy Commission
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Re: Docket 18-IEPR-04. MCE's Comments on IEPR Commissioner Workshop on the 2018 California Energy Demand Forecast Update

Marin Clean Energy ("MCE") is California's first operational Community Choice Aggregation ("CCA") program. It began serving retail generation customers on May 7, 2010. Since that time, MCE has significantly expanded and currently serves over 470,000 customer accounts in the counties of Marin and Napa, the cities of Richmond, San Pablo, El Cerrito, Benicia, Walnut Creek, Lafayette, and unincorporated Contra Costa County; the cities of Concord, Martinez, Oakley, Pinole, Pittsburg, and San Ramon, and the towns of Danville and Moraga. MCE submits these comments to respond to a few ideas and concerns that were raised at the Integrated Energy Policy Report ("IEPR") Commissioner Workshop, held at the California Energy Commission ("CEC") on December 6, 2018. In short, MCE supports increasing the accessibility of CCA rate and other regulatory information, and also supports the idea of having a future workshop to discuss how to best effectuate collection of data related to rates and other electricity products from CCA programs.

MCE understands that with the increasing number of CCA programs across California, it is becoming an increasing challenge to locate and access rate and other information from the various CCA programs. MCE appreciates that CEC staff and Commissioners understand that CCA programs and their rates are governed by locally elected officials. However, MCE also realizes that the increase in number of CCA programs, and therefore number of entities responsible for making decisions regarding rate changes, creates a challenge for centralized information collection. Therefore, MCE expresses its desire to collaborate with the CEC in order to improve the ease of access to CCA rate and other pertinent information.

MCE understands that Senate Bill X1-2, which was signed into law in 2011, directed the CEC to post information with the date, time, and location of any public meeting which would consider a publicly owned utility's ("POUs") renewable energy resources procurement plan, as well as post any documents made available to the public and considered at a noticed public meeting. MCE brings up Senate Bill X1-2 because MCE would be willing to provide this type of information (i.e. meeting times, locations, and important documents with rate changes, etc.) to the CEC on a voluntary basis so that the CEC could collect information in order to make it publicly available on a one-click basis. MCE understands that this is a proven approach for

effectuating one click access to otherwise disparate, though public, information. However, MCE is open to exploring other ideas and possible means of making CCA rate and other regulatory information more easily accessible for the CEC, as well as the public and any third parties who may wish to access this information. On that point, MCE supports having a workshop in 2019 regarding gathering information from CCA programs.

MCE thanks the CEC for consideration of these comments.

Respectfully submitted,

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