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Comments on Proposition 39 K-12 Guidelines

Dear Members of the California Energy Commission,

I am writing you to express my support of the proposed changes to the Proposition 39 K-12 Guidelines. Our county benefits from a "First Preference†power rate, which is very helpful as we are a small rural county. However, it does create some obstacles for us in utilizing our Proposition 39 funds. I highly support the adoption of an alternative electric rate to be used for calculating energy efficiency measure SIR calculations. This alternative rate would allow the small rural districts and County Office of Education in Calaveras County to access needed funds to improve our sites' energy efficiency, while at the same time assisting the local economy with job creation.

Please allow "First Preference†school districts and county offices to utilize the alternative electric rate of \$.132/kWh when submitting an energy expenditure plan through the Proposition 39 program.

Feel free to contact me if I can answer any other questions of me.

Thank you for considering this most important action.

Kathy Northington, Calaveras County Superintendent of Schools