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TAC reform and support for local clean energy investment

To Whom It May Concern:

I am commenting on the 2019 IEPR. The way Transmission Access Charges are set must be changed. As it stands now, energy generated on the distribution grid and customers who use it are unfairly charged based on a formula that benefits investor-owned corporations. This market distortion makes it more expensive for clean power alliances and is a disincentive to development and to the resilience that microgrids can provide.

Utilities and their customers should pay for only the power that comes onto the distribution grid through a substation from the transmission system.

By pricing in the cost of transmission for remotely generated energy correctly, our reform will result in utilities buying the energy that is truly most cost-effective for customers. By aligning pricing with reality, this reform will correct the existing market distortion that has led to explosive growth in transmission spending and depressed the development of clean local energy.

Thank you
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