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Scott Wetch Letter to CEC re Community Shared Solar

Additional submitted attachment is included below.



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Honorable Members
California Energy Commission
1516 9th Street
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SUBJECT: Community Shared Solar System (SMUD). Docket 2019-BTSD-08. SUPPORT

Dear Commissioners:

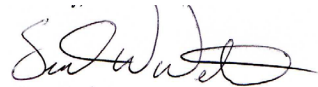
On behalf of the California State Association of Electrical Workers and the Coalition of California Utility Employees, I am writing to support this application submitted by the Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD).

We support allowing community solar programs to include participation in utility scale solar projects as they are more cost effective and can provide greater benefits to homeowners. Utility scale solar projects provide benefits beyond rooftop solar, including reducing the risk of lost generation from maintenance and performance issues and costing less per kW.

Utility scale solar projects provide for high quality jobs and excellent career opportunities in the construction industry. This also provides developers with additional options in designing their projects to maximize the housing units, produce renewable energy and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

We strongly support the adoption of SMUD's revised application for a Community Shared Solar System. Please contact me at (916) 446-3413 if there are any questions.

Sincerely,



Scott Wetch