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**EnergySage comments on solar plus storage commercial requirement**

*Additional submitted attachment is included below.*



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Mr. J. Andrew McAllister, Ph.D.  
Commissioner  
California Energy Commission  
1516 Ninth Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Docket Unit, MS-4  
Submitted electronically to Docket 21-BSTD-01:

***RE: Docket No. 21-BSTD-01 – Comments on the requirement for solar plus storage on new commercial buildings***

Dear Commissioner McAllister,  
EnergySage appreciates the opportunity to offer comments on the development of the 2022 Building Energy Efficiency Standards. EnergySage provides educational resources and tools to renters, homeowners and business-owners researching solar, as well as options for those researchers to take the next step and explore custom quotes from local installers for their home or business through our online comparison platform, or to compare their community solar options online if they'd prefer off-site solar. We are the most visited website in the industry, with over a million Californians coming to EnergySage for solar information in 2020 alone.

EnergySage is writing to express strong support for the solar and storage requirement for new commercial buildings. Solar and storage are the essential building blocks required to meet California's clean energy and emission reduction targets. Commercial buildings are an ideal venue to site these resources to both avoid greenfield development, as well as to meet demand for electricity exactly where it exists.

At EnergySage, we've seen strong, sustained interest in solar from commercial properties in California, with thousands of businesses having already registered to receive solar quotes through our platform. Installing solar and storage is a great way for businesses to both improve their own operational efficiency and bottom line, as well as to support jobs in their local economy. The solar plus storage requirement for commercial buildings would amplify this effect, providing certainty for solar installers and savings for businesses throughout the state.

Once the requirement goes into effect, EnergySage is prepared and ready to do our part to ensure that the demand for solar and storage on commercial buildings is met. Our commercial team is ready to educate solar shoppers, answering any questions they have about their options or the process, and we would be thrilled to assist commercial solar shoppers to receive multiple competing quotes from local installers throughout the state.

Thank you for taking our comments into consideration.

Sincerely,

Vikram Aggarwal  
CEO & founder  
EnergySage, Inc.