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CaISHAPE Potential Changes, Vector Energy Group

Additional submitted attachment is included below.



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Dear Commissioners and Staff,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide our input on the future of the CalSHAPE programs. Please see our comments below on the questions raised by staff during the workshop on February 15.

Priority Eligibility Changes

We believe that CalSHAPE should still give priority only to schools in underserved communities in Funding Round 2. Some schools may not yet know about this opportunity. In fact, we are aware of a few Districts who submitted applications for Funding Round 1 on the last day because the District had just become aware of the program. We think the program should allow more time for disadvantaged school districts to submit their applications.

However, we do believe that in the interest of fairness, Funding Round 3 should open to all other schools.

Alternatively, having a priority period at the start of each funding round is also a valid and fair option.

Funding Categories with Exhausted Funds

If there is no chance that these funding categories will receive more funding in the future, then the program should not continue to accept applications for those categories. But if new funding may be accumulated in the future for a particular funding category, then the program should continue to accept applications and queue them.

Potential Guidelines Revisions

No clarification needed.

Thank you for all your hard work.

Best Regards,

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