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Letter of Support for Indian Energy Viejas LDES Grant

Additional submitted attachment is included below.

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California Energy Commission
715 P Street
Sacramento, CA 95814
Delivered via email

Chairman Hochschild, Vice Chairman Gupta, and Commissioners,

I am writing you today to voice our support for the Viejas Enterprise Microgrid project and the grant award to Indian Energy.

In 2014, our team at Rams Hill in Borrego Springs, California, undertook to move toward a more grid secure and cost predictable model for our properties in California. Starting in San Diego County with our Rams Hill property, we looked for subject matter experts with unique skill sets to help us accomplish this corporate goal via renewable microgrids. Through this effort we began to work with the Indian Energy team. The result was the solar 12kV microgrid that we and members of the Indian Energy team still operate today at Rams Hill.

Currently, members of the Indian Energy team are involved in the operations of our microgrid as we prepare to make that system 100% renewable based on long duration energy storage coming out of the Rapid Integration & Commercialization Unit (RICU) at MCAS Miramar. This is a major goal for us. The technologies and technical solutions coming from this award will be of great benefit to us and to those who follow after us.

With real estate investments throughout California, I watch with great interest the work of your commission. We are eager to utilize the technical derivatives within our own portfolio to support the State's resiliency and climate adaptation goals. This will benefit our properties, our customers, and the California community at large.

We are enthusiastic in our support for this project and the Indian Energy team. We recommend that you make the award on October 12th. It will be a big step forward with this proven and capable team.

Sincerely,

