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President Batier Commissioner Rechtschaffen Commissioner Guzman-Aceves Commissioner Shiroma Commissioner Randolph California Public Utilities Commission 505 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, California

RE: MCE Proposed Self-Generation Incentive Program Equity Marketing, Education, and Outreach Plan

Dear President Batjer and Commissioners,

The Marin Conservation League supports MCE's Self-Generation Incentive Program (SGIP) Equity Marketing, Education & Outreach (ME&O) Plan.

The Marin Conservation League has been preserving, protecting, and enhancing the natural assets of Marin County for over eighty-five years, and presently includes in its areas of focus mitigating climate change, and thus, support for MCE and its mandate. We share with MCE a commitment to helping vulnerable community members gain access to cleaner and more resilient energy options. We believe that it's now more important than ever, in the aftermath of California's devastating wildfires, to expand access to solar-battery backup systems to those at greatest risk.

We believe that MCE with its four-county service area can accelerate SGIP participation and are willing and ready to collaborate with MCE on local community engagement activities.

MCE's proposed SGIP Equity ME&O Plan is just the kind of program we've been looking for. It outlines specific outreach strategies that could be implemented immediately to support and accelerate underserved communities' access to SGIP equity incentives, substantially increasing the adoption of battery storage, bringing economic and workforce opportunities to our most disadvantaged communities, and reducing the need to operate conventional gas-powered facilities in these communities with their accompanying air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions.

Marin Conservation league looks forward to working with MCE and other stakeholders to implement a strong SGIP Equity ME&O plan in 2020.

Sincerely,

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