

IBEW Local Union Number Eleven

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Via Facsimile ONLY, (213)625-7360

Honorable Los Angeles County Board of Supervisor, Third District
Sheila Kuehl
Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Community Choice Aggregation and Good, Green Jobs that Pay Family-Sustaining Wages

Dear Supervisor Kuehl:

On behalf of the over 12,000 members of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 11 I would like to express my support of the South Bay Clean Power (“SBCP”) Business Plan for Community Choice Aggregation (“CCA”).

While IBEW Local 11 will support all cities and counties that share our vision of good, green jobs that pay family-sustaining jobs, we are proud to support SBCP’s goals and objectives for a CCA. These include the following:

1. A Distributed Energy Resources (“DER”) model, which refers to distributed renewable power generation, storage, energy efficiency, demand response and electric vehicle infrastructure with a Los Angeles County-wide build-out of infrastructure to maximize DER potential;
2. A focus on local economic investment, local power generation, local jobs that pay family-sustaining wages, local opportunities that provide pathways to middle-class careers;
3. A partnership with labor – including project labor agreements, community benefit agreements, sustainable workforce agreements, job training, local hiring, and apprenticeship program;
4. The fastest path to 100% renewable power – with a goal of reaching that 10 years after the CCA launches and
5. No use of Category 3 unbundled Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) to achieve 100% renewables goal and

6. A program focus and emphasis on environmental justice in frontline communities where economic, workforce, and health needs are the greatest.

I have read, reviewed and analyzed the SBCP Business Plan and confirm that its primary focus is achieving these common goals and objectives. It does so in transparent manner while optimizing risk management and cost containment.

First, the SBCP Business plan has a clear commitment to DER which commences day one with the release of a comprehensive Request For Proposals ("RFP"). The SBCP Business plan clearly explains why a DER-centric CCA is essential to achieving the local jobs and economic investment. Finally, it shows sequential steps which evidence not only the desire for good green jobs, but more importantly, the road map to achieving same.

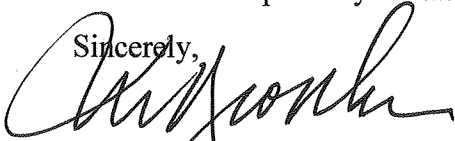
Without this level of commitment to DER as a top priority, neither SBCP, nor any CCA could achieve our stated, mutual goals and objectives. Moreover, this commitment is essential to grid stability, community resiliency and security.

Experience from other CCAs has proven that without an explicitly-stated commitment to DER, and a plain, straightforward plan for executing on that commitment; no region-wide build-out and, consequently, no green job creation can occur.

With the SBCP Business Plan's approach I am excited about the emphasis and potential for the kind of good, local, green jobs that pay family-sustaining wages and provide long-term, middle-class careers. These are the kind of jobs our Net Zero Plus Electrical Training Institute trains apprentices to do, and these are the kind of jobs that will employ thousands of our skilled union members in the coming two decades.

I look forward to working with you and Los Angeles Community Choice Energy to develop these types of mechanisms that facilitate DER and consequently, create jobs that provide a middle-class pathway for *all* of Los Angeles County's residents.

Sincerely,



Marvin Kropke
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