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Sent: 6/4/2012 10:30:49 AM
To: Allen, Meredith (/O=PG&E/OU=Corporate/cn=Recipients/cn=MEAe)
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Subject: Fw: Obtaining a strong support letter from SCE and PG&E comparable to SDG&E's for the UCSD Forecasting proposal to DOE

Hi Meredith,

UCSD is competing in a \$9 million DOE solicitation related to improving the accuracy of solar forecasting. UCSD has already won two grants from the CSI RD&D program to fund its work in this area, and the DOE grant would enable UCSD to build substantially on the previously funded research. UCSD hopes that PG&E and SCE will join SDG&E in writing a letter of support for the grant. Pres. Peevey is a big booster of this project and would appreciate PG&E's assistance. The DOE proposal is due June 29th, and UCSD would like to have the letters on file as soon as possible. See the attached files for more info, and please let me know if PG&E will be able to provide a support letter in the next 2 to 3 weeks.

Thanks

From: Washom, Byron [mailto:bwashom@ucsd.edu]
Sent: Friday, June 01, 2012 4:47 AM
To: Murtishaw, Scott
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Subject: Obtaining a strong support letter from SCE and PG&E comparable to SDG&E's for the UCSD Forecasting proposal to DOE

Scott,

I enjoyed meeting you last Friday, and we sincerely appreciate President Peevey's support for our forthcoming proposal to DOE to improve the accuracy of solar forecasting. I will be sending you a series of emails that will individually deal with the action items from our meeting on May 25th. This first email addresses the need to obtain a strong letter of support from SCE and PG&E that is commensurate with that offered on May 26th by SDG&E

(attached).

The SDG&E is exceptional in that it is very detailed and supportive. The most powerful statement was, “To date, existing solar forecast providers have not been able to provide forecast at an accuracy level that was acceptable to SDG&E, especially given the anticipated significant solar build-out in the region. We are confident that the UC San Diego team has the expertise to develop technology – from sky imagery to numerical weather prediction and forecast engines – that will result in forecasts that exceed our desired forecast specification.”

Professors Jan Kleissl and Carlos Coimbra, cc'd on this email, would be the appropriate points of contacts for representatives of SCE and PG&E to discuss UCSD's proposal to DOE. Also attached is an updated two page background document on the team, historical funding record, strategy for the DOE proposal, and the growing composition of the Advisory Council. (see attached)

The proposal is due to DOE on June 29th.

Regards,

Byron Washom

Director of Strategic Energy Initiatives