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Subject: RE: RA -> Hybrid -> Capacity Markets

Thanks for your e-mail, Marzia.

I look forward to meeting with you to discuss the issues in an accessible, practical way and get you answers to your questions.

Unfortunately, I am out Monday, Oct 1, and Tuesday, Oct 2.

I'll ask Erik Jacobson to arrange a meeting for us.

Todd Strauss

From: Zafar, Marzia [mailto:marzia.zafar@cpuc.ca.gov] Sent: Tuesday, September 25, 2012 02:56 PM To: Strauss, Todd Cc: Cherry, Brian K Subject: RA -> Hybrid -> Capacity Markets

Hi Todd,

We met briefly at today's meeting on capacity markets or whatever we want to call it. As way of background, I'm the Interim Director for Policy & Planning Division at the PUC. I would love to just sit down with you and better understand all the players and all the issues and especially how this proposed hybrid market works and how is it different than a capacity market. I'm actually more of a natural gas person, but am learning the electric side and unfortunately for this discussion my comfort area is understanding smart grid or rather the need to upgrade the distribution system. So, my questions will be very basic and I'd like very simple/real life answers. I don't really have an opinion on whether capacity markets are good or bad, but I really want to understand why the existing structure is not or will not work.

Let me know if you have some time Monday, Oct 1<sup>st</sup> or Tuesday, Oct 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Thanks,

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