

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

Order Instituting Rulemaking to Oversee
the Resource Adequacy Program, Consider
Program Refinements, and Establish
Annual Local Procurement Obligations.

Rulemaking 11-10-023
(Filed October 20, 2011)

**MOTION FOR PARTY STATUS OF
THE CONCENTRATING SOLAR POWER ALLIANCE**

Pursuant to Rules 1.4(a)(4) and 11.1 of the California Public Utility Commission's ("Commission") Rules of Practice and Procedure, the Concentrating Solar Power Alliance ("CSPA") respectfully files this motion for party status in the above-captioned docket, R.11-10-023.

The CSPA is a public policy advocacy organization dedicated to bringing increased awareness and visibility to concentrating solar power ("CSP") technology, which is both a sustainable and dispatchable technology. CSP is a unique renewable energy resource that provides clean electric power and a range of operational capabilities that support the continued reliability and operational flexibility of electric power systems. CSPA consists of developers and suppliers who advocate for the increasing acceptance, adoption and implementation of CSP technology and thermal energy storage. Our membership includes many of the world's largest CSP corporations and their supply-chain partners, including Abengoa, BrightSource Energy, Cone Drive Gearing Solutions, Lointeck and Wilson Solarpower. Our objectives include advancing the industry's value proposition, addressing issues of job creation and environmental sustainability, and setting the foundation for future uses of the technology. The nature and

extent of regulations implemented pursuant to this proceeding will directly affect the opportunities available for CSPA's members to participate in California's electricity markets.

This proceeding is evaluating the Commission's Resource Adequacy ("RA") program and, more specifically, RA for distributed generation, flexible capacity and other modifications to the RA program. CSPA and its members commend the Commission for its efforts to enhance the existing RA program in response to the evolving resource mix and operational needs of California's electric power grid.

Comprised of developers and suppliers of CSP, the CSPA has a strong interest in this proceeding. CSPA and its members will be particularly affected by the Commission's development of a flexible procurement mechanism under the RA program and the determination of which resources are eligible for inclusion under this program, as developers and supplies of CSP, an unconventional flexible resource. As a result, CSPA has a direct and substantial interest in this proceeding that cannot be represented by any other party. CSPA's participation in this proceeding will not prejudice any other party, delay the proceeding, or unduly expand its scope.

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For the foregoing reasons, CSPA respectfully requests party status in this proceeding, and is simultaneously filing the attached comments for consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

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