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I. INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to Rules 1.4(b) and 11.1 of the California Public Utilities Commission's (Commission) Rules of Practice and Procedure, the Solar Energy Industries Association (SEIA) respectfully moves for party status in the above captioned proceeding. This Rulemaking was opened in response to the enactment of legislation (Assembly Bill (AB) 2514 – Skinner, Stats. 2010 – ch. 469) which directed the Commission to determine appropriate targets, if any, for each load-serving entity (LSE) to procure viable and cost-effective energy storage. The Commission views the Rulemaking "as an important opportunity for this Commission to continue its rational implementation of advanced sustainable energy technologies and the integration of intermittent resources in our electricity grid."

II. IDENTITY OF THE SOLAR ENERGY INDUSTRIES ASSOCIATION AND BASIS FOR THE INTERVENTION

SEIA is the national trade association of the United States solar industry. Through advocacy and education, SEIA and its 1000 member companies work to make solar energy a mainstream

Order Instituting Rulemaking, 10-12-007 (December 21, 2010), p.1

² *Id.*

and significant energy source by expanding markets, removing market barriers, strengthening the

industry and educating the public on the benefits of solar energy. SEIA actively represents the

interests of its members in various proceedings before this Commission.

SEIA seeks to intervene as a party in this proceeding to, among other things, address the

issues identified in the June 10, 2103 Assigned Commissioner's Ruling (ACR) in the proceeding.

The ACR sets out, and solicits comment upon, a straw proposal with potential procurement

targets for load-serving entities to procure viable and cost-effective energy storage systems from

among emerging storage technologies, as well as companion policies to encourage the cost-

effective deployment of energy storage.

SEIA, on behalf of its member companies, has a significant interest in the

Commission's continued examination of advanced sustainable energy technologies and the

integration of intermittent resources into the electricity grid. The development of policies and

protocols regarding procurement and integration of intermittent resources, of which solar is one,

could impact potential impact future polices regarding solar procurement and integration.

III. **SERVICE**

For the purpose of receipt of all correspondence, pleadings, orders and notices in this

proceeding, the following Solar Alliance representative should be placed on the service list as a

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IV. CONCLUSION

The Solar Energy Industries Association respectfully requests that the Commission grant this motion for party status.

Respectfully submitted this June 24, 2013, at San Francisco, California.

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