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Pursuant to Rule 8. 4 of the Commission' s Rules of Practice and Procedure, the Marin Energy Authority ("MEA") hereby gives notice of the following ex pa rte communication. The communication occurred on Tuesday, August 6, 2013 at approximately 1:45 P.M. at the offices of the California Public Utilities Commission. The communication was oral and the meeting lasted approximately twenty minutes.

Shalini Swaroo p, Regulatory Counsel, MEA, initiated the communication with Michael Colvin, Advisor to Commissioner Ferron. Also present for MEA was Beckie Menten, Energy Efficiency Coordinator for MEA.

Ms. Swaroop and Ms. Menten discussed MEA's concerns about institutional inequity promulgated through a discriminatory Energy Savings Performance Incentive ("ESPI") that rewards Investor Owned Utilities ("IOUs") and their shareholders while failing to incentivize local government entities or their constituent s. MEA noted that these funds could be returned to the constituent customers of the CCA through expanded community programs. MEA also stated that CCAs deserve to be rewarded for meeting and exceeding targets similarly to the IOUs.

Ms. Menten stated that b ecause Community Choice Aggregators ("CCAs") operate only with the revenue associated with their services and have no guaranteed rate of return, the added benefit of the ESPI mechanism could have a significant impact on a CCA's operating budget for it Energy Efficiency ("EE") programs. For example, ESPI funds could contribute to planning costs or program design costs that can not be supplied through an application to administer EE programs.

Respectfully submitted,

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