

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

Order Instituting Rulemaking Regarding Policies,
Procedures and Rules for the California Solar
Initiative, the Self-Generation Incentive Program
and Other Distributed Generation Issues.

RULEMAKING 12-11-005
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**MOTION OF THE CALIFORNIA CLIMATE AND AGRICULTURE NETWORK
REQUESTING PARTY STATUS**

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In accordance with Rule 1.4(a)(4) of the California Public Utilities Commission (“CPUC”) Rules of Practice and Procedure, the California Climate and Agriculture Network (“CalCAN”) requests it be granted party status in the subject proceeding.

CalCAN is a coalition of sustainable agriculture organizations that advances policy solutions at the nexus of climate change and sustainable agriculture. Our coalition members include farmer-member organizations such as the Community Alliance with Family Farmers, California Certified Organic Farmers and the Ecological Farming Association, representing several thousand farms and ranches in California.

Dependent on weather and the availability of natural resources, California agriculture is uniquely vulnerable to the effects of climate change. But agriculture is also well-positioned to offer unique solutions to climate change, including on-farm renewable energy production and energy and water use efficiency measures that help reduce greenhouse gas emissions and help agriculture adapt.

Our coalition partners’ farmer members include small and mid-scale farm and ranch operators, practicing conservation and organic agriculture. Many of these farmer members produce on-farm renewable energy and participate in the Net Energy Metering (NEM) program. Others are or will soon be evaluating the financial and technical feasibility of producing renewable energy through solar, wind, and bioenergy applications. All of them can benefit from procedures and rules around distributed renewables generation that take into account their unique technical and financial needs as agricultural producers.

CalCAN expects to participate in workshops and hearings if scheduled and to submit comments as necessary.

It is requested that all correspondence, pleadings, notices, orders and other communications concerning this proceeding be addressed as follows:

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Based on the foregoing, CalCAN respectfully requests the Motion to Become a Party be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

CALIFORNIA CLIMATE AND AGRICULTURE NETWORK

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