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The Alliance for Solar Choice (“TASC”) hereby moves to become a party in the above-captioned proceeding under Rule 1.4 of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure.

I. TASC’s Interest in the Proceeding

TASC advocates for maintaining successful distributed solar generation (“DSG”) policies throughout the United States. Member companies represent the majority of the nation’s rooftop solar market and include SolarCity, Sunrun, Sungevity, Verengo Solar, REC Solar, and Solar Universe. These companies are responsible for tens of thousands of residential, school and commercial solar installations in the State of California and have brought thousands of jobs and many tens of millions of dollars of investment to California’s cities and towns.

TASC was formed on the belief that consumers should have the option to switch to onsite solar power for at least a portion of their energy supply. The rooftop solar market in California, which advances important state policy goals, has been driven by Californians’ desire to assert control over their electric bills. TASC believes this trend should be encouraged. Accordingly, TASC is committed to defending successful DSG policies, like retail net energy metering (“NEM”), that provide fair credit to residents, businesses, schools, and public agencies when their DSG systems export power to the local utility grid.

This proceeding directly impacts TASC members' core business models. The existing NEM tariff has been in place during a period of unprecedented growth in the solar industry and governs the investments made by tens of thousands of members' customers. As an organization comprised of providers of residential solar services, TASC is directly impacted by the nature and duration of any rules protecting customers who took service under the NEM tariff. TASC has a strong interest in this proceeding.

II. The Factual and Legal Contentions TASC Intends to Make in This Proceeding are Pertinent to the Issues Already Presented.

The November 27, 2013 Assigned Commissioner's Ruling in this proceeding requested comments on the implementation of a NEM transition period. TASC requests party status so that it may provide input to any provisions addressing the grandfathering of the existing NEM tariff, which is vital to members' business models, and to any other issues that affect TASC's interests in this proceeding. TASC expects to positively contribute to the record based on its members' extensive experience as participants in Commission-approved programs targeting residential customers, including NEM and the California Solar Initiative. TASC accepts the record established thus far in Rulemaking 12-11-005, and its participation will not prejudice any party, delay the schedule or broaden the scope of the proceeding.

III. Service List

TASC respectfully requests that the Commission list Tim Lindl as its representative in this matter, with the following information:

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It further requests that the Commission list the following representatives as Information

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IV. Conclusion

The Commission should grant TASC status as a party in this proceeding with all of the rights attached thereto.

Respectfully submitted,



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