

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

Order Instituting Rulemaking to Integrate and Refine Procurement Policies and Consider Long-Term Procurement Plans.	Rulemaking 12-03-014 (Filed March 22, 2012)
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**MOTION FOR PARTY STATUS OF
THE NATURE CONSERVANCY**

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In accordance with Rule 1.4 (b) of the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the California Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”), the Nature Conservancy submits this motion for Party status in R. 12-03-014, the Commission’s Rulemaking to Integrate and Refine Procurement Policies and Consider Long -Term Procurement Plans . On November 25, 2013, the Commission’s staff circulated a Public Workshop Notice in this proceeding. The Notice informs parties of a workshop to be held on December 18 , 2013, and of an opportunity for formal comment that will follow the workshop. The Workshop Notice directs entities that would like to become a formal party to the rulemaking to file a Motion for Party Status with the Commission’s Docket Office. This Motion is filed in accordance with the directive described above.

The Nature Conservancy is a non-profit membership organization that works to conserve the lands and waters on which all life depends. We are an international conservation organization operating in all 50 states and in 33 countries with over one million members. Within California we have over 84,000 members who support our science -based approaches to developing conservation solutions that benefit people and nature. In particular, TNC has used our scientific and land-use planning expertise in our work on state and federal renewable energy planning processes, including the Desert Renewable Energy Conservation Plan. We have a longstanding interest in minimizing impacts to biodiversity and ecosystems from the renewable energy services that a healthy California economy requires.

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