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In accordance with the provisions of Rule 1.4 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the California Public Utilities Commission ("Commission"), the California Energy Storage Alliance ("CESA")¹ respectfully moves for party status in this proceeding.

I. <u>DESCRIPTION OF CESA.</u>

CESA is a membership-based advocacy group committed to advancing the role of energy storage in the electric power sector through policy, education, outreach, and research. CESA's

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membership includes technology manufacturers, project developers, systems integrators, consulting and legal firms, and other clean tech industry leaders. CESA strongly supports California's policies focused on enabling conservation and efficiency on the customer side of the utility meter, and decreasing reliance on fossil-based generation to reduce overall greenhouse gas emissions.

II. CESA'S INTEREST IN THIS PROCEEDING.

CESA supports the Commission's intent in opening this rulemaking proceeding to examine whether current residential rate structures continue to support underlying statewide-energy goals, result in equitable treatment across customers and customer classes, and "facilitate development of technologies that enable customers to better manage their usage and bills" (OIR, p. 2). CESA is familiar with the record developed in this proceeding to date, and participated in the technical workshops that were held at the Commission on July 30 and July 31. CESA moves for a ruling granting party status at this time in order to prepare and serve opening testimony, currently due on September 15, 2014.

CESA's testimony will relate directly to the substantial impact that policy outcomes determined in this proceeding will have on its membership in accelerating use of energy storage technology in furtherance of well recognized synergies between rate design development and energy storage technology deployment California.

CESA's testimony, and its active participation in cross examination of witnesses, propounding data requests, briefing, and comments as appropriate, will inform the Commission's record in this proceeding by assuring full appreciation of the important role that energy storage will play in helping to facilitate successful implementation of forward thinking rate design policies.

III. NOTICES.

Service of notices, orders, and other communications and correspondence in this proceeding should be directed to CESA's counsel at the address set forth below:

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IV. CONCLUSION.

CESA's participation in this proceeding will not prejudice any party, and will not delay the schedule, duplicate participation by any other party, or broaden the scope of the issues in the proceeding. For the reasons stated above, CESA respectfully moves for a ruling granting this motion for party status.

Respectfully submitted,

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