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Mr. Paul Clanon Executive Director California Public Utilities Commission 505 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102

SUBJECT: Joint Request in accordance with CPUC Rule 16.6 by the California Solar Initiative Program Administrators to Exclude General Market from the Quarterly Public Forum in Q3 2014

Dear Mr. Clanon:

In accordance with Rule 16.6 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E), on behalf of the Center for Sustainable Energy (CSE), and Southern California Edison Company (SCE), hereby submits this request to exclude the General Market portion from the California Solar Initiative (CSI) Quarterly Public Forum in Q3 2014 and resume holding the joint Quarterly Public Forums in Q4 2014.

Ordering Paragraph 15 of California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) Decision (D.) 06-08-028 directs the General Market California Solar Initiative (CSI) Program Administrators (PAs) to "convene the first meeting of the CSI Program Forum in the first quarter of 2007, to provide the opportunity for CSI stakeholders to discuss proposed revisions to the CSI Handbook ... [and to] arrange and facilitate future meetings no less than quarterly...".<sup>2</sup> In addition, Ordering Paragraph 13(d) of CPUC D.10-01-022 requires the California Solar Initiative-Thermal (CSI-Thermal) PAs to "[j]ointly host quarterly forums, in coordination with forums in the general market California Solar Initiative program, to obtain input from the public and interested parties on the program status".<sup>3</sup> The CSI-Thermal Program Administrators will hold a Q3 Public Forum on September 15, 2014.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The General Market CSI PAs are CSE, PG&E and SCE.

D.06-08-028, Opinion Adopting Performance-Based Incentives, an Administrative Structure, and Other Phase One Program Elements for the California Solar Initiative, August 24, 2006, pages 123-124.

D.10-01-022, Decision Establishing the California Solar Initiative Thermal Program to Provide Solar Water Heating Incentives, January 21, 2010, page 87.

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The PAs reiterate their strong commitment to the CSI Public Forum, which provides a setting for open communication among all CSI stakeholders, including customers, contractors, and the solar industry. However, the PAs believe that the most cost-effective use of administrative funds is to exclude General Market CSI from the Public Forum agenda until Q4 2014, when more program information and updates of emerging CSI issues may be available to share with stakeholders.

The PAs respectfully request that the CPUC grant their request to exclude General Market from the agenda in the Q3 2014 CSI Public Forum.

Sincerely,

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