



Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
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We write in support of Supervisor Kuehl's and Supervisor Knabe's recommendation in Item 7 of the September 27, 2016 Board of Supervisors Agenda, which lays out next steps for educating local cities about Los Angeles Community Choice Energy (LACCE) and for negotiating a Joint Powers Authority (JPA) document for LACCE based on best practices.

The Renewables 100 Policy Institute is a non-profit founded in 2007 with the mission to study and advance the global transition to 100% renewable energy across sectors in ways that are most efficient, ecological, and that economically benefit the most people. We are proud to be a member of the South Bay Clean Power Working Group and have endorsed the goals and objectives of this multi-city initiative that began in 2014 and became the catalyst for what is now known as the LACCE program.

Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) programs are an effective tool for local governments to accelerate high targets of up to 100% renewable electricity and to aggressively reduce greenhouse gas emissions. By allowing local communities to make electricity procurement choices and to retain and manage sales profits, CCAs also provide opportunities for communities to ensure local economic benefits accompany their transition to clean forms of energy.

Cities and counties up and down the state have been successfully running or are in the process of creating CCAs, and examples like Marin County, Sonoma County, and Lancaster are showing that CCAs are not only popular, but also are enabling local governments to offer more green power for lower rates than competing investor owned utilities. Los Angeles County should demonstrate its leadership and commitment to climate protection and renewable energy advancement by becoming the largest county in the state – and the nation – to adopt a CCA and put more clean power choices and profits in the hands of the people.

Regards,

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