



May 4, 2017

Mr. Joe Galliani, Acting Chair  
South Bay Clean Power Advisory Committee

Dear Mr. Galliani,

On behalf of Environment California, I am pleased to offer support for the South Bay Clean Power Draft Business Plan for a Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) Program, dated February 2017. Environment California is a statewide, citizen-funded, environmental advocacy organization, headquartered in Los Angeles, working towards our vision of an economy-wide transition to a 100 percent renewable energy future.

Scientists agree that we must stop burning virtually all fossil fuels before mid-century in order to spare children growing up today from the devastating impacts of climate change. And why should we wait? Why wait for healthier communities with cleaner air and water when we can have them today. Environment California Research & Policy Center's white paper [We Have the Power: 100% Renewable Energy for a Clean, Thriving America](#), reviews seven detailed studies on clean energy systems conducted by academics, government agencies and nonprofit organizations, showing that there are no insurmountable technological or economic barriers to tapping into our vast potential to achieve 100 percent renewable energy. It is no longer a question of whether we will get to 100 percent renewable power, but if it will be fast enough to protect our communities and our environment, and who will lead the way.

As such, we enthusiastically support the South Bay Clean Power's objectives, as detailed in the Business Plan, to achieve 100 percent renewable energy with ten years of launching the CCA program and to do so by increasing energy efficiency, distributed renewable energy generation, energy storage, demand response and electric vehicle infrastructure.

Thank you for your work to enable the South Bay to lead the way to a 100 percent renewable energy future. We look forward to working with you to ensure the success of this program.

Sincerely,

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