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Chair California Energy Commission Robert Weisenmiller

Dear Chair California Energy Commission Weisenmiller,

I support the petition submitted on June 5, 2013 by the Sierra Club, American Lung Association in California and others requesting that the CEC perform a societal cost-benefit evaluation of California's Net Energy Metering Program.

Rooftop solar power generates huge benefits for Californians. Thanks to policies like net metering, schools are saving money, the air is cleaner, and tens of thousands of Californians have gone back to work.

Rooftop solar power can play a major role in reducing the need for dirty natural gas plants, and is an important way for individuals to fight climate change.

These and other societal benefits should be quantified for consideration by policymakers. In the absence of a comprehensive analysis like the one proposed to the CEC, it will be hard to have a fair debate about the best way to increase the use of rooftop solar power.

Please grant the petition and perform the societal cost-benefit study requested by the petitioners.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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