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To the California Energy Commission:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the EPIC 2012-14 Triennial Investment Plan implementation process.

The San Marino Venture Group has followed closely the implementation of this Triennial Investment Plan since its outset in 2012. We are working carefully to engage with the Energy Commission for project involvement through the duration of the three triennial plans.

As an initial effort, SMVG submitted an application for funding of promising technology in the renewable energy/water nexus in early 2014. While we were not successful, the debrief on our submittal was extremely valuable.

The comments of the reviewers were candid, to the point, and addressed issues upon which we can improve in follow-on submittals to the Energy Commission.

We recognize that with the volume of submittals received by the Energy Commission, such debriefs collectively require very significant staff time.

Nevertheless, we believe that the Energy Commission should regard project debriefs as a very important element of the overall EPIC process. Firms which request these debriefs are serious about being successful in the EPIC program, and will likely continually improve their proposals on follow-on EPIC solicitations—I know that we will.

Again, thank you very much for your efforts in the EPIC Program. They will, over the duration of the EPIC Program, certainly help to bring about a new renewable energy future for California while benefitting California ratepayers.

Sincerely,

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