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Eli,

Just by chance I and several of the City's partners attended a debriefing session with CEC staff for PON 14-301 earlier today. This discussion with CEC staff day-lighted several issues for the City which we would like to add to our previous comments on the EPIC program:

1. Community based PON's. We would encourage the CEC to consider a special category of PON directed at research and implementation projects at the local jurisdictional level. Structured correctly, this would provide direct benefits to ratepayers at the level of government closest to ratepayers.
2. Pre-proposal. Suggest that the CEC consider a pre-proposal process to avoid unnecessary expenditure of limited resources on developing a full proposal if the concept does not fit the PON. This will yield better proposals that are more focused on what the CEC really wants to achieve with any particular PON.
3. Scoring. Include the economic attributes portion of the PON scoring in determining if a proposal should be considered for funding. Based on our most recent experience, we were just short on the first scoring filter but believe we would have excelled in the economic portion of the scoring which may have pushed us past proposals that did get funded. This approach emphasizes the economic viability and business case that certain proposals may excel at.

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding our additional comments and thank you for the opportunity to provide input.

Regards,

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Hello,

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