



**CALIFORNIA
ENERGY COMMISSION**



**California Energy Commission
March 12, 2026 Business Meeting
Backup Materials for Ocean Charter School**

The following backup materials for the above-referenced agenda item are available in this PDF packet as listed below:

1. Proposed Resolution
2. Loan Request Form
3. Scope of Work

CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION
PROPOSED RESOLUTION: Ocean Charter School
RESOLUTION NO: 26-0312-XX

RESOLVED, that the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (CEC) adopts the staff CEQA findings contained in the Agreement or Amendment Request Form (as applicable); and

RESOLVED, that the CEC approves Agreement 001-25-RLF with Ocean Charter School in Los Angeles City and County for an \$849,700 Kindergarten through Twelfth Grade Energy Efficiency Program (KTEP) loan at zero-percent interest. The loan will finance a rooftop mounted 269.7 kilowatt photovoltaic system on the school buildings and demand recirculation controllers on the domestic hot water system. The project is estimated to provide annual electric savings of 292,610 kilowatt hours, natural gas savings of 125 therms, save \$57,357 in utility costs per year, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 61.6 metric tons. KTEP is funded by a federal Energy Efficiency Revolving Loan award, and all loan award funding is contingent upon receipt of funds from the U.S. Department of Energy; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Director or their designee shall execute the same on behalf of the CEC.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of March 2026, by the following vote:

AYE:

NAY:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned Secretariat to the CEC does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly approved and adopted by affirmative vote of the CEC at a meeting held on March 12, 2026.

Kim Todd
Secretariat



LOAN REQUEST FORM (LRF)

A. New Agreement Number

IMPORTANT: New Agreement # to be completed by Contracts, Grants, and Loans Office.

New Agreement Number: 001-25-RLF

B. Division Information

1. Division Name: Reliability, Renewable Energy and Decarbonization Incentives
2. Agreement Manager: Danuta Drozdowicz
3. MS-23
4. Phone Number: (916) 805-7436

C. Recipient's Information

1. Recipient's Legal Name: Ocean Charter School
2. Federal ID Number: 02-0612690

D. Title of Project

Title of project: Ocean Charter School Rooftop Solar

E. Term and Amount

1. Start Date: 3/12/2026
2. End Date: 3/12/2027
3. Amount: \$849,700

F. Business Meeting Information

1. Are the ARFVTP agreements \$75K and under delegated to Executive Director? No
2. The Proposed Business Meeting Date: 3/12/2026
3. Consent or Discussion? Discussion
4. Business Meeting Presenter Name: Danuta Drozdowicz
5. Time Needed for Business Meeting: 5 minutes.
6. The email subscription topic is: Energy Efficiency Financing, Energy Efficiency Topics, Decarbonization Topics, Solar Energy Topics

Agenda Item Subject and Description:

Ocean Charter School: Proposed resolution approving agreement 001-25-RLF with Ocean Charter School in Los Angeles City and County for an \$849,700 Kindergarten through Twelfth Grade Energy Efficiency Program (KTEP) loan at zero-percent interest, and adopting staff's recommendation that this action is exempt from CEQA. The loan will finance a rooftop mounted 269.7 kW photovoltaic (PV) system on the school buildings, and demand recirculation controllers on the domestic hot water system. The project is estimated to provide annual electric savings of 292,610 kWh and 125 therms of natural gas, which will save \$57,357 in utility costs per year, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 61.6 metric tons. KTEP is funded by a federal Energy Efficiency Revolving Loan award and all loan award funding is contingent upon receipt of funds from the U.S. Department of Energy. (KTEP funding) Contact: Danuta Drozdowicz

G. California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Compliance

1. Is Agreement considered a "Project" under CEQA?
Yes



If yes, skip to question 2.

If no, complete the following (PRC 21065 and 14 CCR 15378) and explain why Agreement is not considered a "Project":

Agreement will not cause direct physical change in the environment or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment because: If agreement is considered a Project under CEQA skip to question 2.

2. If Agreement is considered a "Project" under CEQA answer the following questions.

a) Agreement **IS** exempt?

Yes

Statutory Exemption?

Yes

If yes, list PRC and/or CCR section number(s) and separate each with a comma. If no, enter "None" and go to the next question.

PRC section number: 21080.35

CCR section number: None

Categorical Exemption?

Yes

If yes, list CCR section number(s) and separate each with a comma. If no, enter "None" and go to the next question.

CCR section number: Cal. Code Regs, tit. 14, §§ 15301, 15303

Common Sense Exemption? 14 CCR 15061 (b) (3)

No

If yes, explain reason why Agreement is exempt under the above section. If no, enter "Not applicable" and go to the next section.

This project involves the installation of rooftop solar PV systems at two existing buildings and the installation of demand recirculation controllers for the domestic hot water system. The rooftop solar PV systems and associated equipment, such as electrical conduits and controls, will be located on the same parcel, will not occupy more than 500 square feet of ground surface at the sites, and the location of the associated equipment will not contain plants protected by the Native Plant Protection Act. The associated equipment will not require any of the permits listed in Public Resources Code section 21080.35 (d).

This project is therefore statutorily exempt from CEQA under Public Resources Code section 21080.35 which applies to the installation of solar energy systems on rooftops.

This project is categorically exempt from environmental review pursuant to CEQA Section 15301 as the project involves only minor alterations to existing facilities.

The recirculation controllers will be installed on equipment within an existing building and are exempt as per section 15303 which provides a categorical exemption for the construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures, installation of small new equipment, and allows for minor modifications without significant environmental impact.



The project will not impact an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern where designated, precisely mapped, and officially adopted pursuant to law by federal, state, or local agencies; does not involve any cumulative impacts of successive projects of the same type in the same place that might be considered significant; does not involve unusual circumstances that might have a significant effect on the environment; will not result in damage to scenic resources within a highway officially designated as a state scenic highway; the project site is not included on any list compiled pursuant to Government Code section 65962.5; and the project will not cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource. Therefore, none of the exceptions to categorical exemptions listed in CEQA Guidelines section 15300.2 apply to this project and this project will not have a significant effect on the environment.

b) Agreement **IS NOT** exempt.

IMPORTANT: consult with the legal office to determine next steps.

No

If yes, answer yes or no to all that applies. If no, list all as “no” and “None” as “yes”.

Additional Documents	Applies
Initial Study	No
Negative Declaration	No
Mitigated Negative Declaration	No
Environmental Impact Report	No
Statement of Overriding Considerations	No
None	Yes

H. Subcontractors

List all Subcontractors listed in the Budget (s) (major and minor). Insert additional rows if needed. If no subcontractors to report, enter “No subcontractors to report” and “0” to funds. **Delete** any unused rows from the table

Subcontractor Legal Company Name	Budget
Tenco Solar	\$ 718,000

I. Key Partners

List all key partner(s). Insert additional rows if needed. If no key partners to report, enter “No key partners to report.” **Delete** any unused rows from the table.

Key Partner Legal Company Name
No key partners to report

J. Budget Information

Include all budget information. Insert additional rows if needed. If no budget information to report, enter “N/A” for “Not Applicable” and “0” to Amount. **Delete** any unused rows from the table.



Funding Source	Funding Year of Appropriation	Budget List Number	Amount
KTEP		524.102	\$849,700

TOTAL Amount: \$849,700

R&D Program Area:

Explanation for "Other" selection

Reimbursement Contract #:

Federal Agreement #:

K. Recipient's Contact Information

1. Recipient's Administrator/Officer

Name: Kristy Mack-Fett, Executive Director

Address: Ocean Charter School, 12870 Panama Street

City, State, Zip: Los Angeles, CA 90066

Phone: (310) 827-5511

E-Mail: mskristy@oceancs.org

2. Recipient's Project Manager

Name: Tim Garlick

Address: Ocean Charter School, 12870 Panama Street

City, State, Zip: Los Angeles, CA 90066

Phone: (323) 475-8462

E-Mail: facilitymanagement@oceancs.org

L. Miscellaneous Agreement Information

Annual Energy Bill Savings: \$57,357

Number of Repay Periods: Leave Blank if Repay is Based on Energy Savings

M. Selection Process Used

There are three types of selection process. List the one used for this GRF.

Selection Process	Additional Information
Competitive Solicitation #	N/A
First Come First Served Solicitation #	PON-24-002
Other	N/A



N. Attached Items

1. List all items that should be attached to this LRF by entering “Yes” or “No”.

Item Number	Item Name	Attached
1	Loan Application	Yes
2	Budget Detail	Yes
3	CEC 105, Questionnaire for Identifying Conflicts	Yes
4	Recipient Resolution	Yes
5	CEQA Documentation	Yes

Approved By

Individuals who approve this form must enter their full name and approval date in the MS Word version.

Agreement Manager: Danuta Drozdowicz

Approval Date: 1/21/2026

Office Manager: Yu Hou

Approval Date: 1/29/2026

Deputy Director: Jennifer Nelson

Approval Date: 1/29/2026

EXHIBIT A-1
BUDGET DETAIL/PROJECT COST AND SAVINGS

This Loan is made to the Ocean Charter School (“Borrower”, also “Subrecipient”) for an energy savings Loan Project. The Loan Project consists of the energy efficiency measures listed in Table 1 below to be installed at the Ocean Charter School facility, which is one building, located in the City of Los Angeles, CA.

The Table below summarizes the estimated Loan Project cost(s), saving(s) and simple payback(s) for the Loan Project.

TABLE 1: Summary of Project Cost and Savings

Energy Efficiency Measures	Estimated Total Project Cost	Energy Commission Loan	Estimated Annual Energy Cost Savings	Simple Payback* (Years)
269.7 kW Solar PV System Domestic Hot Water Recirculation Controllers	\$849,700	\$849,700	\$57,357	14.8
TOTALS:	\$849,700	\$849,700	\$57,357	14.8

*The simple payback is based on the Loan amount.

The Borrower shall implement each measure listed in Table 1.

If the Borrower does not complete one or more of the measures or deviates from the quantities and specifications listed in Table 1, the Commission Agreement Manager will calculate the maximum Loan amount supported by the Loan Project. The Loan amount will be determined by the lesser of: 1) multiplying the annual energy cost savings by 15.0 years; 2) total Loan Project costs; or 3) approved Loan amount.

The Borrower shall notify the Commission Agreement Manager in writing if Borrower expects any information in Table 1 to change. Energy Commission staff will advise Borrower of the procedure to approve any changes. Written documentation is required for any changes to the information included in this Attachment.

If the Borrower has received disbursements exceeding the maximum Loan amount supported by the Loan Project, the Borrower shall refund the difference to the Energy Commission within 30 days of notification.