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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Order Instituting Rulemaking to Create a Consistent Regulatory Framework for the Guidance, Planning, and Evaluation of Integrated Distributed Energy Resources.

Rulemaking 14-10-003
(Filed October 2, 2014)

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING
REQUESTING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

On February 28, 2017, the Natural Resources Defense Council, Sierra Club, The Solar Energy Industry Association, and the California Energy Efficiency Industry Council (jointly, the Motioning Parties) filed a Motion requesting the Commission to review and modify the three-prong fuel substitution test (Test). The Motioning Parties explain that the Commission should better align the Test with California's climate policies, clarify the conditions under which the Test should pass, and provide detailed guidance on how projects or programs using the Test will be assessed using the Commission's cost-effectiveness tests. The Motioning Parties contend that, while the Test could be reviewed in the energy efficiency proceeding (Rulemaking (R.) 13-11-005), the integrated distributed energy resources proceeding is an appropriate venue because the scope of the proceeding includes unifying the cost-effectiveness methodologies.

Furthermore, the Motioning Parties assert that R.13-11-005 has an extremely full agenda for 2017 and may not be able to address this issue in a timely fashion.

In light of the Motioning Parties request that the issue of reviewing the Test be performed in this proceeding in lieu of the energy efficiency proceeding,

