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**CPUC APPROVES IN-STATE SOLAR PROJECT THAT WILL CONTRIBUTE
TO CALIFORNIA'S 33% RENEWABLES TARGET**

SAN FRANCISCO, July 28, 2011 - The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) today approved a renewable energy contract for San Diego Gas and Electric Company (SDG&E), furthering the state's progress towards its renewable energy goals.

SDG&E received approval of a 25-year power purchase agreement (PPA) with CSolar IV South, LLC for the Imperial Solar Energy South project. The PPA is for a solar photovoltaic facility that will provide 130 megawatts of new renewable capacity and an estimated 306.6 gigawatt-hours of energy annually. The project will be located in Imperial County, Calif. Energy deliveries from the Imperial Solar Energy South project are anticipated to begin in January 2014.

California's Renewables Portfolio Standard (RPS) is the most ambitious in the country, requiring investor-owned utilities, electric service providers, and community choice aggregators to procure 20 percent of their power from renewable sources by 2010. Senate Bill 2 (First Extraordinary Session), signed into law in April 2011, extends the 20 percent renewable energy goal by 2010 to a 33 percent target by December 31, 2020.

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