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I. INTRODUCTION

The California Efficiency + Demand Management Council respectfully moves for party status in Rulemaking (R.) 20-08-022 (Clean Energy Financing). This Motion is filed and served pursuant to Rule 1.4(a)(4) and (b) of the California Rules of Practice and Procedure.

II. DESCRIPTION OF THE COUNCIL (Rule 1.4(b)(1))

The Council is a statewide trade association of non-utility businesses that provide energy efficiency, demand response, and data analytics services and products in California.¹ Our member companies employ many thousands of Californians throughout the state. They include energy efficiency (“EE”), demand response (“DR”), and grid services technology providers, implementation and evaluation experts, energy service companies, engineering and architecture firms, contractors, financing experts, workforce training entities, and manufacturers of EE products and equipment. The Council’s mission is to support appropriate EE and DR policies, programs, and technologies to create sustainable jobs, long-term economic growth, stable and reasonably priced energy infrastructures, and environmental improvement.

The Council is and has been a party to numerous Commission proceedings, including, but not limited to the Energy Efficiency Rolling Portfolio rulemaking (R.13-11-005), the Demand Response Programs proceedings (A.17-01-012, et al.), the Integrated Distributed Energy Resources rulemaking (R.14-10-003), the previous and current Integrated Resource Plan rulemakings (R.16-02-007 and R.20-05-003), and the previous and current Resource Adequacy rulemakings (R.17-09-020 and R.19-11-009).

¹ Additional information about the Council, including the organization’s current membership, Board of Directors, antitrust guidelines and code of ethics for its members, can be found at <http://www.cedmc.org>. The views expressed by the Council are not necessarily those of its individual members.

III. THE COUNCIL’S INTEREST IN THIS PROCEEDING (Rule 1.4(b)(2))

The Council seeks party status at this time to address issues discussed in the Order Instituting Rulemaking (“OIR”) going forward. The Council also supports the proceeding’s commitment to assisting “electricity and natural gas customers with investments in residential and commercial buildings and at industrial and agricultural sites designed to decrease energy use, reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, and/or produce clean energy to support customers’ on-site needs.”² The Council also supports the fact that this “rulemaking is designed specifically to examine options that encourage larger-scale and deeper investments in one or more clean energy resources at customer sites.”³

With respect to the Council’s legal and factual contentions specific to issues currently being raised in R.20-08-002 (Clean Energy Financing), the Council can offer a unique perspective on the issues in scope given our proven knowledge and expertise in the delivery of energy efficiency. The Council can bring to bear a unique industry perspective to this proceeding, through our representation of over 65 member organizations that possess deep expertise in the development, implementation, deployment, and evaluation of energy efficiency and demand management programs. The Council is particularly interested in the advancement of implementing financial strategies for energy efficiency purposes and evaluating, and removing, barriers to deployment of energy efficiency. The Council can bring to bear a unique industry perspective to this proceeding.

IV. REQUESTED RELIEF

For the reasons stated above, the Council moves the Commission to grant the Council party status in R.20-08-022 (Clean Energy Financing) for the purpose of actively participating in this proceeding. The Council further asks that the service list include as a party, and all communications be made to, the following representative for the Council:

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² OIR, at p. 1.

³ *Id.*, at p. 2.

V. CONCLUSION

The Council's participation in this proceeding will not prejudice any party and will not delay the schedule or broaden the scope of the issues in this proceeding, particularly in light of the fact that this proceeding was only filed on August 27, 2020. For the reasons stated above, the Council respectfully requests that the Commission grant this Motion for Party Status.

Dated: October 7, 2020

Respectfully submitted,

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