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Peninsula Clean Energy (PCE) submits this prehearing conference (PHC) Statement pursuant to the Administrative Law Judge’s (ALJ) May 14, 2026 Ruling Setting Prehearing Conference¹ and Rule 7.2 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

PCE is a community choice aggregator (CCA) that provides electric generation service to over 790,000 people across San Mateo County and the City of Los Banos. PCE was formed in 2016 for the express purpose of providing electric generation service that meets the unique needs and reflects the specific values of the communities it serves. PCE provides affordable, clean electricity, advances renewable energy development, and invests in local programs that reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and benefit the communities it serves.² In the decade since PCE launched, its customers have saved over \$225 million and over 1 million metric tons of CO₂e, equivalent to over 140 million gallons of gasoline use.

¹ Application (A.) 26-03-009 et al., Administrative Law Judge’s Ruling Setting Prehearing Conference at Ordering Paragraph 3 (May 14, 2026).

² Peninsula Clean Energy, “Mission.” Available at: <https://www.peninsulacleanenergy.com/aboutus/>.

On March 16, 2026, PCE filed an Application for approval of its inaugural energy efficiency (EE) portfolio plan and business plan. California Public Utilities Code § 381.1(a)-(d) allows CCAs to apply to administer cost-effective EE programs (commonly known as the “ATA” framework). While ATA CCAs are closely connected to communities they serve and are therefore well-positioned to deliver innovative programs tailored to those communities’ needs, the ATA framework “allows CCAs to access energy efficiency funds from, and provide energy efficiency programs to, both their customers *and* other utilities’ customers.”³ CCAs—like PCE—that apply to administer an EE portfolio are subject to rigorous cost-effectiveness, budgetary discipline, evaluation and oversight requirements set forth in a long line of Commission decisions beginning with Decision (D.) 14-01-033. Those requirements mirror the cost-effectiveness, budgetary discipline, evaluation and oversight requirements applicable to investor-owned utility (IOU) portfolio administrators (PAs).

PCE’s inaugural EE portfolio consists of eight new programs across the Resource Acquisition, Market Support, and Equity segments, described in detail in its testimony supporting its Application.⁴ Through its proposed portfolio, PCE will improve energy affordability for both participants and non-participants, address local decarbonization needs, complement existing EE and demand side offerings, and accelerate the State’s progress towards its climate goals.

PCE looks forward to working with the parties over the course of this consolidated proceeding. PCE’s positions on the categorization, scope, and schedule for this proceeding are described in its Application,⁵ Response,⁶ and Reply.⁷ PCE will elaborate on those positions as necessary at the prehearing conference.

³ D.14-01-033 at 5 (emphasis in original).

⁴ See A.26-03-021, PCE Exhibit 1-3 (PCE Testimony in support of its Application).

⁵ A.26-03-021, Application of Peninsula Clean Energy for Approval of 2028-2031 Energy Efficiency Portfolio Plan and 2028-2035 Business Plan (Mar. 16, 2026).

⁶ A.26-03-009 et al., Response of Peninsula Clean Energy to 2028-2031 Energy Efficiency Portfolio Plan and 2028-2035 Business Plan Applications (May 1, 2026).

⁷ A.26-03-009 et al., Reply to Protests and Responses of Peninsula Clean Energy (May 18, 2026).

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