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**Subject:** Re: Clean Energy Alliance Long-Term Renewable Energy Solicitation  
**Attachments:** IBEW569-Sierra Club CEA Letter Long-Term Renewables June2020 (1).pdf

Attached is the aforementioned letter sent on June 1st.

And to clarify, **PLEASE READ AT THE MEETING** for Item 2: Clean Energy Alliance Long-Term Renewable Energy Solicitation the following public comments:

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# SIERRA CLUB



June 1, 2020

Clean Energy Alliance  
*Via Email*

## **Re: Long-Term Renewable Procurement Recommendations**

Dear Chair Schumacher and CEA Board Members:

Congratulations on the exciting progress of Clean Energy Alliance (CEA). As you begin to craft the Long-Term Renewable Procurement Request for Proposals (RFP) document and plan the solicitation process, we urge you to incorporate the following to help ensure proposals align with CEA priorities and community values:

1. **Align the Solicitation with CEA Inclusive and Sustainable Workforce Policy:** Prior to releasing a Long-Term Renewable Procurement solicitation document, we recommend finalizing the Inclusive and Sustainable Workforce Policy and ensure the language in the solicitation aligns with this policy. The Inclusive and Sustainable Workforce Policy should be included as an Attachment to any solicitation/RFP package so project respondents can plan their project execution, delivery and workforce needs accordingly.
2. **Develop CEA Bid Evaluation Scoring Criteria and Incorporate into the Solicitation Process:** Bid evaluation scoring criteria will send a signal to the market about the types of projects CEA would like to see proposed. For example, criteria can incentivize projects that are local, sited responsibly and create good, middle-class jobs and skilled training opportunities. Similar to the workforce policy, a Bid Evaluation Scoring Criteria policy needs to be finalized and adopted prior to releasing a solicitation so it can be incorporated into the RFP package and the solicitation process. We recommend a Bid Evaluation Scoring Criteria framework similar to those used by Clean Power Alliance and East Bay Community Energy (see attachments).
3. **Solicit Category 1 Resources:** CEA has discussed an interest in prioritizing Category 1 resources. We strongly support this approach as the best avenue to maximize greenhouse gas reductions and job creation and recommend releasing the solicitation as a Request for Proposals for California Renewable Energy. Here is sample language:

*“For the purposes of the RFP, renewable energy generation facilities mean any energy sources that meet the standards required under the California Energy Commission’s definitions to be an eligible Portfolio Content Category 1 Eligible Renewable Resource (“PCC1”). CEA will only consider purchasing power from projects that are physically located within the geographic boundaries of California and must have arrangements to deliver the power to the CAISO grid.”*

Thank you in advance for your consideration. We believe these recommendations will be valuable components of the Long-Term Renewable Procurement solicitation process to help ensure the kinds of projects and outcomes desired by the community and CEA ratepayers.

Sincerely,

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MyGen Team Carlsbad  
**Sierra Club**

Jeremy Abrams  
Business Manager  
**IBEW Local 569**

CC: Barbara Boswell, Interim CEO

Attachments: Clean Power Alliance Bid Evaluation Criteria  
East Bay Administrative Procurement Policy