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Board of Directors, San Diego Community Power
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Subject: Letter of Support for the Adoption of the Net Billing Tariff (NBT)

Dear San Diego Community Power Board of Directors,

I am writing on behalf of Vote Solar, a non-profit policy advocacy organization with the mission of making solar more accessible and affordable across the United States, to express our support for San Diego Community Power's (SDCP) adoption of the Net Billing Tariff (NBT) plus Generation Adders as the next evolution in incentives for customers who generate their own clean power for the following reasons:

NBT incentivizes battery storage adoption and enhances grid reliability: NBT encourages the use of battery storage alongside clean power generation, thereby boosting grid reliability during peak demand and allowing customers to reduce their bills by storing excess energy for later use.

NBT benefits all SDCP customers: The transition from the Net Energy Metering (NEM) program to NBT is equitable and beneficial for all customers regardless of whether a customer produces renewable energy. Customers who contribute to the grid receive credits similar to wholesale electricity prices. This transition is expected to result in millions of dollars of savings, which will be passed on to all customers through rate reductions and clean energy initiatives.

NBT promotes residential solar and storage growth: SDCP's NBT program offers generation payment adders to support all customers who select to install on-site generation energy. This \$.0075 "adder" above base rates for every kilowatt-hour sent to the grid by a customer and the \$0.11 adder for low-income customers enrolled in the California Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE) and/or Family Electric Rate Assistance Program (FERA) programs reduces the standard payback period and creates equal payback period for all residential customers.

We applaud SDCP's commitment to go above and beyond in its support of the local generation industry and encourage this policy change with its focus on grid reliability and a clear commitment to equity for all customers.

Sincerely,

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