

Written Public Comment received ahead of the January 17, 2023 Community Advisory Committee Meeting

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With the advent of NEM3.0, where utilities are going to cut the Value of exported output of rooftop solar by 75%, will EBCE bring back the alternative of true electrical value of the actual cost of the electricity as billed for those customers with rooftop solar after April 14, 2023, and that must be on PG&E NEM 3.0, either as new customers or when their 20 years on the old plan ends? PG&E is profit orientated, but EBCE is a non-profit and promotes renewable energy. Any value under 10 cents per kilo watt hour would kill additional rooftop solar in the Bay Area because no one would want to lose money owning a rooftop solar system.

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We appreciate EBCE moving forward to ensure the financial incentive for the Resilient Municipal Critical Facilities Program is accessed by municipalities. The CPUC's decision to scale back Net Energy Metering or what we refer to as local solar incentives was counter to the need to produce more local, reliable and truly clean energy. This is why we urged EBCE and the community to oppose Gavin Newsom's CPUC's net energy meter 3.0 proposal that scales back local solar growth in the middle of a climate crisis in California. We agree that EBCE and the cities should apply before the deadline to ensure the benefit under net energy metering 2.0.

In 2021 several community based organizations along with East Bay Clean Power Alliance advocated for EBCE to provide microgrids for community based organizations. In 2022 we asked EBCE to apply for funding under the Transformative Climate Communities grant to fund these community based microgrids. The Chair of EBCE asked that EBCE staff follow up on this grant and there has been no communication from EBCE since then. We need the cooperation of EBCE moving forward so that our most vulnerable communities have access to resilient energy.

It is upsetting that our community groups will no longer stand to benefit from microgrids financially. Moving into 2023 and the current outages related to extreme weather such as the current storms; shows how critical it is for our community based organizations and their members to have access to microgrids. We still stand to benefit from keeping the power on during planned power shut offs and other unforeseen crises. We hope you share this urgency for our needs as you have for the cities you represent.

Clean Power to the People

Jessica Tovar, East Bay Clean Power Alliance"