Dear Commissioners:

As California hosts the Global Climate Action Summit we ask that you consider the many ways local governments are contributing to clean energy advancement in California. Public, transparent community choice aggregation (CCA) programs born in cities and counties across our state face uncertainty as you decide on the fairness and accuracy of the Power Charge Indifference Adjustment (PCIA), an “exit fee” charged to CCA customers.

We support the Proposed Decision that is before you as it is built on a clear record of facts, and accounts for allowable costs. This proposal supports equitable energy cost allocation, and will enable CCAs to continue to pursue more aggressive renewable energy goals and implement innovative energy programs in our communities.

By contrast, the Alternate Proposed Decision would significantly and unfairly increase exit fees charged by big corporate utilities and threaten current and future community choice energy programs -- the very programs that are helping the state exceed its 2030 RPS targets approximately ten years in advance.”

Our cities and counties are among the more than 160 communities across California that have chosen to participate in CCA programs to meet climate action goals, provide residents and businesses with more energy options, ensure local transparency and accountability, and drive new in-state economic development. CCAs are reliably serving more than 8 million customers with clean, affordable electricity, and can continue to thrive with a fair cost allocation decision.

The alternate proposal would roll back clean energy efforts by our communities, hit low-income customers the hardest, and reward big corporate utilities for mismanaging their energy portfolios.

Local governments are key to achieving the state’s climate change goals, including the new mandate that California obtain all its electricity from clean sources by 2045. As the Global Climate Action Summit puts California in the spotlight, we urge you to support the great momentum and local climate leadership we bring to the state.