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**Subject:** Letter re CCA from IBEW 569 & Sierra Club

Good Morning Mayor Hall and Members of the City Council City of Carlsbad:

Please find attached a letter of concern from the Sierra Club and International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 569 regarding your proposed participation in a Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) program.

We look forward to working with the City Council and its participating cities in creating a CCA program that prioritizes the development of local renewable resources, brings high-quality union career opportunities to the San Diego region, and builds a healthier and more resilient community for residents and businesses.

Sincerely,

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**RE: Community Choice Aggregation**

The Sierra Club and International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 569 have been working in partnership to push the San Diego region to develop the best Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) program bound by strong economic and environmental values.

With the right programs and policies in place, CCAs can be an opportunity to take local control of a community's energy procurement, re-invest the revenue generated from our electricity bills back into the community, and spur local union workforce opportunities through the development of local renewable resources. There is strong public support for these values, and comments from numerous elected leaders from other cities have reflected those values.

Unfortunately, we are concerned that the Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) lacks many details that we think should be incorporated to ensure that the CCA starts off on the right track. We are concerned on its allowance of unbundled renewable energy credits, a lack of workforce standards, vague Strategic Plan language lacking specifics around equity, labor standards, community benefits, local projects and public review, and the absence of a Community Advisory Committee that would allow the public to have a role in the CCA's decision-making process. Additionally, some of the language suggests flexibility to use the revenue from the program on things that are not relevant to the CCA as long as it is a "ratepayer benefit". The City Council and other participating cities must move quickly to address these concerns in order to ensure a program that is on the right path to realizing the promise of community benefits and creating local clean energy careers where workers earn good, middle-class wages and benefits and have a voice through collective bargaining.

We look forward to working with the City Council and its participating cities in creating a CCA program that prioritizes the development of local renewable resources, brings high-quality union career opportunities to the San Diego region, and builds a healthier and more resilient community for residents and businesses.

Sincerely,

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