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DATE: August 23, 2017

TO: Honorable Mayor Kevin L. Faulconer

FROM: Councilmember Chris Cate

SUBJECT: Data Pertaining to Draft Community Choice Aggregate (CCA) Feasibility Study

On July 12, 2017, the Draft CCA Feasibility Study prepared by Willdan Financial Services and EnerNex was publicly released. According to the City website, public comment is due by November 15, 2017.

On page 46 of the study, there is a reference to "a user-friendly, Microsoft Excel-based spreadsheet" that was used for the development of the Cost of Service model. I am formally requesting a copy of that spreadsheet/model.

As you may be aware, the City and previous consultants have made cost of service modeling spreadsheets available to stakeholders. For example, this was done in 2013 during the City of San Diego's water/wastewater rate increase proposal process.

Also, I note page 74 of the study includes information showing the potential loss to taxpayers of \$2.774 billion under one scenario analysis.

As we recently experienced with the San Diego Association of Governments, assumption errors can result in multi-billion dollar miscalculations and projections. As such, it would be helpful to be able to review the modeling methodology to better understand the pros and cons of this complex issue.

As we evaluate how to best address the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions responsibly, it is important that there be transparency in the process of obtaining all the pertinent facts and data.