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**ADDENDUM TO COMMENTS BY CITY OF SAN DIEGO
SUSTAINABLE ENERGY ADVISORY BOARD (SEAB)
PROJECT NAME: San Diego Climate Action Plan
SCH NO.: 2015021053**

Dear Ms. Malone,

The Sustainable Energy Advisory Board (SEAB) for the City of San Diego submitted official comments to the San Diego Climate Action Plan PEIR in a letter dated September 28, 2015.

It was discovered after the filing deadline that this letter inadvertently had omitted an additional comment adopted by the SEAB. The omitted comment (identified as Comment #10) was provided to the public record of the Environment Committee, The City Planning Commission and the City Council at their respective hearings taking action on passage of the Climate Action Plan and certification of the PEIR. It is my understanding that the Planning Commission included this specific item in its action recommending adoption of the CAP and CAP PEIR.

I am writing as Chairman of the SEAB to provide the following comment # 10 and request that you confirm that this letter and the comment has been incorporated in the FINAL PEIR for the City of San Diego Climate Action Plan (CAP).

“ 10. Significant Impacts and Mitigation. The Executive Summary section, Table ES-1 identifies a potential significant impact in “A. Land Use” from installation of large-scale renewable energy projects. The mitigations proposed include siting guidelines. For (H) Water supply, Table ES-1 recommends a Water Supply Assessment to ensure that large scale renewable energy projects do not use excessive amounts of water.

The PEIR should note that the emphasis for renewable energy generation should be on technologies that use little or no water and are smaller scale, distributed systems and/or technologies such as photovoltaic panels located on rooftops, parking lots and other developed structures as the preferred, highest priority strategy to achieve renewable energy goals. This will help avoid the impacts of siting facilities on undeveloped land that may create significant visual and other adverse impacts, including adversely affecting the goal of generating local food sources and providing parks and open space areas. “

Sincerely,



John Bumgarner
Chairman, City of San Diego Sustainable Energy Advisory Board

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