

**Attachment A
Proposed Board Resolution**

**Before the Board of Supervisors in and for the
County of Monterey, State of California**

Resolution No.

Resolution of the Monterey County Board of Supervisors to:)
Supervisors to:)
a. Support and agree to the County of Monterey participating in the Pre-Development and Feasibility Phase of Community Choice Aggregation for the Monterey Bay Region, without financial obligation;)
b. Authorize the Planning Director, or his designated representative, to serve on the Project Development Advisory Committee; and)
c. Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or his designee, to request on the behalf of Monterey County, the Planning Development Advisory Committee, and Planning Development Advisory Committee consultants, energy usage load data from Pacific Gas & Electric Company for use in the feasibility study.)
(REF130023/Community Choice Aggregation Feasibility Study))

WHEREAS, the Monterey County Board of Supervisors passed and adopted Resolution No. 12-049 on February 28, 2012 joining the Monterey Bay Regional Climate Action Compact to coordinate and work collaboratively on independent and regional climate change initiatives; and

WHEREAS, Community Choice Aggregation is a mechanism by which local governments can pool their electrical power loads for residential, commercial, and municipal customers in their jurisdiction to purchase power. Energy transmission, distribution, repair and customer service remain with the incumbent utility;

WHEREAS, Community Choice Aggregation, will be studied to determine if there would be substantial environmental and economic benefits to all residents and businesses in the Monterey Bay Region; and

WHEREAS, in addition to technical and financial feasibility, determination of adequate public support for Community Choice Aggregation will be considered; and

WHEREAS, the cities within Santa Cruz County and County of Santa Cruz have formed a Planning Development Advisory Committee (PDAC), which is charged with investigating and guiding the potential formation of Community Choice Aggregation in Monterey Bay Region, and have invited the County of Monterey to join; and

WHEREAS, the PDAC will be expanded to include of a cross-section of local stakeholders, including local elected officials and at least one staff member from each participating jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, determining the technical and financial feasibility of Community Choice Aggregation requires participating jurisdictions to obtain and analyze load data from Pacific Gas & Electric Co. and to conduct public education and outreach; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Chief Administrative Officer of the County of Monterey to make a formal request to Pacific Gas & Electric Co. for the load data for the area within the County's jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the PDAC is authorized to coordinate the load data request on behalf of participating jurisdictions, consider participation in a feasibility study, and take steps to educate the public; and

WHEREAS, Participating jurisdictions will join the California Chapter of the Local Energy Aggregation Network which will provide access to resources and information related to Community Choice Aggregation; and

WHEREAS, this resolution in no way binds or otherwise obligates participating jurisdictions to participate in Community Choice Aggregation beyond gathering and analyzing information to determine financial and technical feasibility as well as levels of public support for establishing Community Choice Aggregation in the Monterey Bay Region. The County is not obligated to provide funding for the Feasibility Study; and

WHEREAS, the participation in the PDAC by the County has been determined to be Statutorily Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to Section 15262 of the CEQA Guidelines, as an activity involving only feasibility or planning studies.

DECISION

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors does hereby:

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PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 23rd day of April 2013, by the following vote, to-wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

I, Gail T. Borkowski, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey, State of California, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an original order of said Board of Supervisors duly made and entered in the minutes thereof of Minute Book____ for the meeting on _____.

Dated:

Gail T. Borkowski, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Monterey, State of California

By _____
Deputy