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Honorable Mike Bonin
Honorable Paul Koretz
200 N. Spring St.
Los Angeles

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Submitted in ESC-85 Committee
Council File No: 18-0247
Item No.: 12
Deputy: Adam R. Lid

Re: Council Motion 18-0247 - Direct LADWP to model a 100% renewables scenario in 2018 IRP

Dear Honorable Councilmembers Bonin and Koretz,

On behalf of # organizations, we submit these comments in support of Motion 18-0247, which requests the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power to model a 100% renewable energy scenario in the 2018 Integrated Resource Plan (IRP).

As your motion noted, the 2018 IRP will serve as an important strategic planning document that charts out projects and programs by LADWP for the next 20 years. This year's IRP process will be open to the public. We share the goals of encouraging transparency and accountability between the largest public utility in the country and its customers. This is especially valuable as LADWP is currently engaged in a study on how the utility can adopt 100% renewable energy, but this study won't be completed until 2020 and doesn't provide pathways for public engagement.

Given the large scope of a 100% renewable energy future and the impacts renewable energy will have to clean our air, improve the health of our communities and will require investments and support from ratepayers, we need to use the 2018 IRP as an opportunity to begin this public discussion.

We also support the 100% renewable energy scenario in the IRP to exclude biomass, biogas and nuclear energy from the model. These fuels are indeed controversial and do less to support human health, a safe climate and environment than true clean energy alternatives like wind, solar, geothermal and existing hydro.

We look forward to a speedy passage of this motion through the Energy, Climate Change and Environmental Justice Committee and finally through the full Council.

Sincerely,

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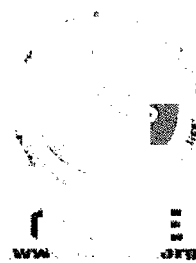
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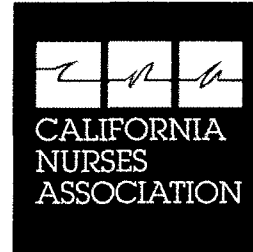
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