

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
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Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors,

Thank you to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors for moving forward to explore the County's Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) options. As a Member of Congress dedicated to fighting climate change, I appreciate and support your efforts.

The Community Choice Aggregation programs in California are one of the most powerful tools the state has to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and to meet climate action plan goals. We have seen the success of the Marin Clean Energy and Sonoma Clean Power CCA's. I am impressed with their ability to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and pollution, add new renewable power to the grid, create local jobs, and invest in renewable energy. Further, CCA gives local communities choice and control over their energy futures. The citizen-led South Bay Clean Power initiative over the past year has exercised impressive leadership as they have worked with the cities of Hermosa Beach, Santa Monica, Manhattan Beach, Redondo Beach, Torrance and Carson to pass resolutions to participate in a CCA feasibility study.

Your ambitious plan to include the 15 cities of the South Bay Cities Council of Governments, as well other surrounding cities has gained powerful momentum over the last 12 months. It is now recognized as the fastest-moving CCA development in the state of California.

Because of the incremental growth nature of CCA programs where a group of core cities launch the program and additional cities then join in when ready, I encourage the Board of Supervisors to consider allowing the South Bay Clean Power cities that have already passed (or are currently reviewing) resolutions to participate in the CCA feasibility study to serve as the pilot cities for a broader countywide program.

I look forward to working with you and supporting L.A. County's ongoing efforts on climate action. Please contact my office whenever I can be helpful.

Sincerely,



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Member of Congress