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Marin County Board of Supervisors 3501 Civic Center Drive San Rafael, CA 94903

Via Email c/o Kristin Drumm: kdrumm@marincounty.org

Re: Resubmittal of Local Coastal Program (LCP) ---- Land Use Plan Amendments (LUPA) and Implementation Program Amendments (IPA) to California Coastal Commission.

Dear Marin County Board of Supervisors,

We, the members of the West Marin Sonoma Coastal Advocates (WMSCA), thank you for the opportunity to comment on the current permutation of the Marin County Local Coastal Program Amendment (LCPA). We have personally or collectively attended and testified at each and every Local Coastal Program (LCP) public workshop, Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors hearing.

Next, we want to thank the Marin County Community Development Agency staff for retaining the exclusion of Wind Energy Conversion Systems as "agricultural accessory structures" in the Marin County Coastal Zone.

In addition, we request that policies C-EN-4 Renewable Energy Resource Priority, C-EN-4.a Study Renewable Energy Resource Potential, C-EN-4.b Consider Policy to Allow the Creation of Local-Serving Renewable Energy Systems, C-EN-5 Energy Production Facility Impacts and C-EN-6 Energy and Industrial Development (Marin County LCP, Amendment 1, Built Environment, Energy [EN], Page 87) be deleted.

These policies were not included as presented in any of the previous hearings. Consequently, there was no public review and discussion. The language contained in this program supports the federal prohibition of the development offshore and onshore of wind facilities and oil or gas explorations adjacent to the Gulf of the Farallones and Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuaries bordering the Marin County Coastal Zone.

C-EN-6 supports the federal restriction and states that such development will not be permitted under the LCPA. However, C-EN-6 also includes the following exemption: "The development of alternative energy sources such as solar or wind energy shall be exempted from this policy." There is no definition of the size or scale of wind turbines or numbers per acre, just that renewable energy is exempt.

We again reiterate our opposition to the inclusion of policies C-EN-4, C-EN-4.a, C-EN-4.b, C-EN-5 and C-EN-6 and request that they be deleted from LCP Amendment 1 of this document and that public hearings be conducted to review and discuss the appropriateness of allowing industrial-scale wind and solar development in the Marin County Coastal Zone.

Respectfully submitted,

WMSCA

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