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September 9, 2016

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The Honorable Kelly V. Simmons, Presiding Judge
Marin County Superior Court
P.O. Box 4988
San Rafael, CA 94913

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Mr. Jay Hamilton-Roth, Foreperson
Marin County Civil Grand Jury
3501 Civic Center Drive, Suite 275
San Rafael, CA 94903

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Town of Fairfax

RE: Response to Marin County Civil Grand Jury Report, "2015-2016 Web Transparency Report Card, Bringing Marin County's Local Governments to Light" dated March 10, 2016

Brandt Andersson
City of Lafayette

Kevin Haroff
City of Larkspur

Dear Judge Simmons and Mr. Hamilton-Roth:

Sashi McEntee
City of Mill Valley

This letter constitutes Marin Clean Energy's (MCE's) response to the above-referenced report. MCE's response was prepared by Dawn Weisz, CEO and approved at a duly noticed regular meeting of the MCE Executive Committee on September 7, 2016. Consistent with applicable statutory provisions, MCE responds as follows:

Brad Wagenknecht
County of Napa

Denise Athas
City of Novato

P. Rupert Russell
Town of Ross

FINDINGS:

Ford Greene
Town of San Anselmo

None

Genoveva Calloway
City of San Pablo

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Andrew McCullough
City of San Rafael

R1. Improve web transparency score by updating website and submitting self-audit form.

Ray Withy
City of Sausalito

Implemented. Marin Clean Energy (MCE) completed the online "Web Transparency Audit for JPAs" on December 9, 2015, and has updated its website in accordance with the requirements of Section 53908 of the Government Code.

Emmett O'Donnell
Town of Tiburon

Bob Simmons
City of Walnut Creek

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Additionally, MCE's website provides multiple readily accessible methods whereby the public may contact MCE to request information and public records. The public information email and phone lines are monitored continuously during business hours.

MCE has considered creating an online or downloadable form for Public Records Act (PRA) requests and determined it would not be helpful or appropriate at this time. Given the ease with which the public can already contact MCE and receive a prompt response, use of such a form, even on an optional basis, could create an obstacle to many individuals wishing to request information, thus conflicting with the purpose and intent of the PRA itself.

R2. Compliance with Gov. Code section 53051, Statement of Facts.

Implemented. MCE filed a Statement of Facts in accordance with Section 53051 of the Government Code.

R3. Update website to include annual compensation of elected officials, officers and employees.

1. **Will not be implemented.** MCE has updated its website in compliance with the requirements of Section 53908, and timely submits all required compensation and expenditure information to the State Controller pursuant to Section 53891. Therefore, this recommendation is not warranted and there are no additional measures requiring implementation at this time.

Thank you for the items brought to MCE's attention in the "2015-16 Web Transparency Report Card" and this opportunity to respond.

Sincerely,



Dawn Weisz
CEO