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Pacific Gas and Electric ("PG&E") Issues Its 2009 Renewable Portfolio Standard Solicitation

On June 29, 2009, PG&E issued its 2009 Renewables Portfolio Standard ("RPS") Solicitation ("Solicitation") for procurement of an additional 1-2% (800-1600 GWh per year) of its customers' electricity needs from eligible renewable energy resources ("ERRs"). The optimal offers from Solicitation participants ("Participants") will be those with the best combination of market value, viability, and contribution to the criteria specified in the Solicitation. To participate in PG&E's Solicitation, the Participant's project must employ one or more ERRs as a generation source. (The California Energy Commission is responsible for certifying ERRs and verifying a Project's compliance with the RPS Program; therefore, if a party interested in this Solicitation has not already done so, it should begin the process of establishing certification of an existing generation facility or precertification of a facility that is not yet on-line.) For its Solicitation, PG&E will consider all timely offers from either existing or new generating facilities using one or more of the following renewable resources or fuels:

- Biodiesel
- Biomass
- Conduit hydroelectric
- Digester gas
- Fuel cells using renewable fuels
- Geothermal
- Hydroelectric incremental generation from efficiency improvements
- Landfill gas
- Municipal solid waste
- Ocean wave, ocean thermal, and tidal current
- Photovoltaic
- Small hydroelectric (30 megawatts or less)
- Solar thermal electric
- Wind

Solicitation issued: June 29, 2009

Non-Binding Notice of Intent to Bid and RSVP Due: July 17, 2009

Pre-Bid General Conference:

July 21, 2009, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Imperial Valley Pre-Bid Conference: July 21, 2009, 3:00-4:30 p.m. PG&E Headquarters, 245 Market Street.

Bids Due: August 24, 2009

San Francisco

Key Information:

Click here to view the PG&E Renewables
Portfolio Standard
Solicitation

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The Solicitation provides for two procurement mechanisms: (1) power

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purchase agreements and (2) utility ownership. A Participant may submit offers for either or both types of mechanisms, including offers representing a combination of the two, such as a joint development/ownership project and a power purchase agreement. PG&E anticipates entering into agreements for deliveries commencing in 2009 or beyond, with earlier deliveries preferred over later deliveries. Participants may offer delivery terms as short as one month and as long as 10, 15, 20 or 25 years, or any term that is mutually agreeable and approved by the California Public Utilities Commission.

If you are interested in receiving a copy of the PG&E Solicitation or have questions regarding this or other opportunities, please contact Patrick Perry, Emily Murray or Kaylynn Kim. We are land use attorneys at Allen Matkins Leck Gamble Mallory & Natsis LLP, a California law firm with seven offices statewide, including Los Angeles. Our practice includes assisting renewable energy clients with all aspects of their business, from siting and permitting, to compliance and litigation. To that end, we think your company may be interested in this renewable energy opportunity. We would be happy to tell you more about our renewable energy practice and expertise.

Sincerely yours,

Patrick Perry, Emily Murray and Kaylynn Kim

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