January 10, 2022

By Hand delivery and Email
Ms. Lora W. Johnson, CMG
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In Re: RESOLUTION AND ORDER ESTABLISHING A DOCKET AND OPENING A
RULEMAKING PROCEEDING TO ESTABLISH RULES FOR COMMUNITY SOLAR PROJECTS
DOCKET NO. UD-18-03

Dear Ms. Johnson,

Please find 350 New Orleans' Comments in the above mentioned docket pursuant to the amended comment period initiated with Certified Resolution R-21-472 (Comment Period to Amend Community Solar Rules). Please file the attached communication in the record of the proceeding in accordance with current procedures. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

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Andy Kowalczyk, 350 New Orleans
Before the Council of the City of New Orleans

Re: Comments in Support of Alliance for Affordable Energy’s Motion to Amend the Community Solar Rules requesting to amend Section II of the Community Solar Rules

350 New Orleans (350 NO) appreciates this opportunity to provide the following comments on the Alliance for Affordable Energy’s (AAE) Motion dated December 8, 2021.

350 NO supports AAE’s motion to amend the rules to modify the current definition for ‘Low Income Customer’ in the existing New Orleans City Council (the Council) approved Community Solar Rules to include "Customer(s) whose gross annual household income is at or below 60 percent of Area Median Income for the year of subscription or who is certified as eligible for any federal, state, or local assistance program that limits participation to households whose income is at or below 60 percent of Area Median Income."

350 NO supports this motion and urges that the Council approve this motion which will create a better framework for a Community Solar Program that is appropriately inclusive of subscribers that do not have the means or home ownership status to invest in their own rooftop solar systems, but prefer the option for its affordability or environmental characteristics. This motion also aligns incentives for developers of community solar qualified facilities in the future, to invest in a program that is not a boutique service, but instead caters to a wider market that provides stronger market signals.

Submitted respectfully,

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Andy Kowalczyk
350 New Orleans
I hereby certify that I have this 10th day of January, 2022, served the foregoing correspondence upon all other known parties of this proceeding by electronic mail.

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