Hello FIT Coalition Friends,

As many of you know, the FIT Coalition has been working hard to make sure the CAISO’s proposal to eliminate the Small Generator Interconnection Procedure (SGIP) does not seriously hurt the prospects for Wholesale Distributed Generation (WDG).

Our July 19th sign-on letter (www.fitcoalition.com/caiso_signon_letter) was successful in raising the voice of WDG to the highest regulatory levels. We knew we had made a difference when Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Commissioner Spitzer asked us detailed questions about the letter during a FIT Coalition meeting with him in late July.

Also, notably, several CAISO executives traveled to our Palo Alto office last week to discuss our concerns, showing that our collective voice is being taken seriously at the CAISO. Despite these encouraging signs, we feel the CAISO proposal remains significantly flawed and therefore, we will be delivering a second sign-on letter to the CAISO Board of Governors ahead of their Sep 9th meeting. Based on indications from CAISO executives, we anticipate the proposal that will be submitted to the CAISO Board of Governors is effectively the proposal that has already been made public. You can download the new sign-on letter here or by visiting our website.

The second letter intends to convince the CAISO that it would be best to take more time to improve the proposal with detailed input from the WDG community. With your continued support, we have a good chance at getting the changes we want without taking the fight to FERC.

If you did not sign the first letter, please let us know as soon as possible if we can add your name / company / organization to the second letter as a co-signer. If you signed the first letter, because our position is materially the same as before, we will assume your continued support and add your name to this second letter unless we receive a request to remove your name by Tuesday, Sep 7th.

Please respond to sign the letter by emailing action@fitcoalition.com by Tuesday, September 7th. To be added to the second letter, please include the following information:

Name
Title
Company / Organization
Mailing address
Contact phone number
Contact email address

Thank you again for supporting the work of the FIT Coalition. We look forward to continuing to work with you to bring massive amounts of Wholesale Distributed Generation online in the US.

Sincerely,

Craig Lewis, Executive Director
FIT Coalition

Four New Leaders added to the FIT Coalition Board of Advisors:

Josh Becker, General Partner, New Cycle Capital

John Geesman, Former California Energy Commissioner (2002-2008) and Co-Chair of the American Council on Renewable Energy (ACORE)

Dr. Dan Kammen, Distinguished Professor of Energy, University of California, Berkeley

Terry Tamminen, Former Secretary of the California Environmental Protection Agency and Special Advisor to California Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger

See our press release on their addition here.

Select Upcoming Events

September 10, San Diego, CA Energy & Water Sustainability in Southern California. Sponsored by the World Resources Simulation Center. Conference of runs September 7-30 covering a variety of topics. Craig Lewis, Executive Director of the FIT Coalition, presents on WDG FITs - the key solution to scaling cost-effective renewable energy within the next 10 years.

September 14-15, Washington, DC Solar Policy & Economics Forum USA. Sponsored by Green Power Conferences, the forum, the 18th in a Global Solar Series, focuses on the economics behind the development of solar power in the US and how they can be improved through the development of policies, incentives, technology & manufacturing. Craig Lewis, Executive Director of the FIT Coalition, presents on the “Review of US Solar Policy” panel.

September 23, 7:30 a.m. Los Angles, CA Brown to Green: Turning Los Angeles’s Power Infrastructure Green through a Feed-In Tariff. Panel will discuss FITs, distributed generation, and the future of LA’s power infrastructure hosted by the American Institutes of Architects. Craig Lewis, Executive Director of the FIT Coalition, moderates breakfast panel on FITs.

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