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The Honorable Kevin de León  
Senator, State of California  
State Capitol, Room 205  
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**RE: San Diego Proposition 39 Implementation**

Dear Senator de León:

I am pleased to share with you the excellent progress and achievements being made with regard to implementation of the Clean Energy Jobs Act across San Diego County.

In June 2013, before Proposition 39 Guidelines had been finalized by the CEC, SDG&E recognized the potential benefits of having the 42 school districts and 101 charter schools across San Diego County collaborate and share best practices to identify and implement high-impact energy efficiency and clean energy projects.

Having successfully led similar regional collaborations on the Clean Renewable Energy Bonds Grant Program and a San Diego Region Street Light Working Group, Cleantech San Diego was approached by SDG&E to be the lead partner in the San Diego Regional K-12 Schools Sustainability Strategy Collaborative (K-12 SSSC).

Since its launch 18 months ago, K-12 SSSC has provided a forum for San Diego LEA's to work together, rather than in isolation, to identify and secure approvals for Prop 39 Energy Expenditure Plans (EEP). The focus of this collaborative has been to streamline preparation of the EEPs and share best practices in energy conservation to accelerate energy and cost reduction goals while stimulating job creation.

We are pleased to report that as of the end of 2014, the San Diego region leads all counties across the state with a total of 23 approved EEPs that have received \$15.3 million in Prop 39 grant allocations. Moreover, these grants are now being applied to a broad variety of deep retrofits at 62 schools sites that will deliver 8 million kWh in annual energy savings, \$1.6 million in annual cost savings, and 2.2 MW in demand reduction, while creating six full-time LEA employment positions and 87 direct job-years of project work.

The San Diego region is clearly achieving all of the intended benefits of the Clean Energy Jobs Act. In fact, we expect accelerated performance in 2015 as our K-12 SSSC shares best practices that will enable the remaining local LEA's to get their first EEPs approved, and others to "piggyback" off competitive procurements that have been conducted by the early-movers. We will also work closely with SDG&E to launch a Zero Net Energy pilot with K-12 schools in 2015 and expand the K-12 Schools Energy Conservation Competition. Finally, we will investigate best practices in data analytics and the use of dashboards as a means to monitor energy usage in real time and ensure that any equipment malfunctions are found and fixed immediately so as not to compromise energy and demand savings.

Marcia Smith and Dian Grueneich view San Diego's regional collaborative as one of the state's best practices in Prop 39 implementation. I invite you join us at any one of our monthly meetings as your schedule permits.

Thanks for all that you have done to create and support these opportunities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jason Anderson".

Jason Anderson  
President  
Cleantech San Diego