

VALLEY CLEAN ENERGY ALLIANCE**Staff Report – Item 10**

TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Alisa Lembke, Board Clerk / Administrative Analyst

SUBJECT: Summary of Community Advisory Committee (CAC) November 21, 2024 meeting

DATE: December 12, 2024

This report summarizes the Community Advisory Committee’s meeting held in person and via Zoom webinar on Thursday, November 21, 2024.

- A. Discussed and sought recommendation on GHG-free allocations from large hydro and nuclear resources.** VCE Staff Gordon Samuel reviewed the history of VCE’s acceptance of PG&E offerings of carbon free hydro allocations, but not nuclear allocations. He reviewed regulatory changes that prompted staff to reassess staff’s recommendation to accept nuclear GHG-free allocations. The CAC and Staff discussed: VCE’s Power Content Label; customer perception of nuclear; monetary impacts; and risks. The CAC recommended that the Board accept both the large hydro and nuclear GHG-free attributes and authorize VCE’s Executive Officer to enter into agreements with PG&E to accept the allocations (6-2-0).
- B. Received preliminary 2025 Operating Budget and customer rates update.** VCE Staff Edward Burnham presented an overview of the draft 2025 Operating Budget, key factors influencing the 2025 budget and customer rates, and highlights of proposed updates to VCE’s Reserve and Dividend policies. The CAC and Staff discussed: Power Charge Indifference Adjustment (PCIA) costs; possible customer rate discounts; revenue investment; long term fixed costs, modifications to VCE’s Reserve and Dividend policies; investment credit rating; affordability; and, customer outreach and retainment of Customers. This was an informational item.