

VALLEY CLEAN ENERGY ALLIANCE**Staff Report – Item 9**

TO: Board of Directors

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SUBJECT: Community Advisory Committee September 22, 2022 Meeting Summary

DATE: October 13, 2022

This report summarizes the Community Advisory Committee's meeting held via Zoom webinar on Thursday, September 22, 2022.

- A. Received 2022 Update of VCE's Integrated Resource Plan (IRP).** Staff provided a highlights of the draft 2022 update of VCE's IRP which is to be filed by November 1, 2022. VCE's IRP consultants from EQ Research (Keyes & Fox) and First Principles Advisory were present to answer questions. Staff sought input from the CAC on the draft updates prior to it being presented to the Board at their October 13, 2022 meeting for approval. Numerous questions and comments were provided on: local based energy supply, economies of scale, modeling used, bias of utility scale generation, transmission and distribution loss, VCE's portfolio, incremental impacts on the load, resource adequacy (RA) capacity, impacts of VCE's carbon neutral study on emissions, and demand response. Staff will incorporate the CAC's feedback into the staff report to the Board.
- B. Introduction of Rate Adjustment System Concept and provided input.** Staff provided an introduction and review of a Rate Adjustment System (RAS) concept. Questions were asked about how often the system would be used, thresholds, adjustment time, relationship of this concept on pricing, and budget effects. The RAS concept was favorably received by the CAC.
- C. Received progress update on VCE's 3-Year Programs Plan and 2023 program concepts.** Staff provided an update on the numerous programs that are currently in effect and reviewed possible 2023 programs. The CAC would like to see the funding opportunities of the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) incorporated into the 2023 programs concepts.