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PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
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DATE: January 20, 2009

SUBJECT: California Solar Initiative Program Evaluations

FROM: Merideth Sterkel, California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC)

Dear California Solar Initiative (CSI) Program Participant:

Thank you very much for participating in the California Solar Initiative by installing solar on your home or business facility. The California Solar Initiative is overseen by the California Public Utilities Commission and administered in your area by PG&E, SCE or CCSE depending on your location. You were selected for this survey because you received a rebate, perhaps with the assistance of your solar contractor, for the installation of your solar installation under the California Solar Initiative.

The California Public Utilities Commission is currently employing independent program evaluators to review installations of solar systems and energy efficiency measures by California Solar Initiative program participants. This evaluation process is important to understand the impact of the solar program and to help us refine the program in future years.

For this evaluation, the California Public Utilities Commission has retained Itron, Inc, as well as their subcontractor, KEMA, Inc., to conduct telephone and on-site inspections of solar installations. This letter serves to authenticate their request for information and the on-site inspection. Itron and/or KEMA have contacted you because during our phone survey of program participants, you indicated an interest in having your facility included in the on-site inspections.

Thank you for agreeing to participate in the evaluation effort. By providing useful information about solar installation and energy efficiency efforts you will help both the electric utilities and the State of California better understand the achievements of the solar rebate program. This site inspection will not change your rebate or incentive payment. This site inspection is only for purposes of our program understanding only.

Should you have further questions about the evaluation process, please contact me using the contact information provided below.

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