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### MOTION FOR PARTY STATUS OF RESOURCE INNOVATIONS

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#### I. Introduction

Resource Innovations respectfully moves for party status in this proceeding in accordance with Section 1.4 of the California Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") Rules of Practice and Procedure.

## II. Interest in this Proceeding

Commission Rule 1.4(b) states that a person seeking party status by motion shall:

(1) Fully disclose the persons or entities in the proceeding; and (2) state the factual and legal contentions that the person intends to make and show that the contentions will be reasonably pertinent to the issues presented.

In accordance with Rule 1.4(b), Resource Innovations submits the following:

**A.** Resource Innovations is a women-owned, community-focused environmental consultancy working to transform the model of resource efficiency and create sustainable impacts that benefit all of us. We have a vision to empower everyone, particularly the most vulnerable, with equal access to clean and sustainable energy and water.

Resource Innovations founder and CEO, Lauren Casentini, has been active in California energy efficiency work for decades, and her most recent company, Resource Innovations, is building on that foundation to seek energy efficiency work within California's Rolling Portfolio framework.

**B.** Resource Innovations has expertise to provide in Phase III of R.13-11-005, particularly in the area of Market Transformation (MT): The CEO was involved in the early development of MT efforts in California; an advisor, Margie Gardner, was the founding Executive Director of the Northwest Energy Efficiency Alliance (NEEA), an organization dedicated solely to market transformation since its inception in 1996; and Resource Innovations is currently leading efforts in the Midwest to create a region-wide market transformation collaborative.

Resource Innovations seeks party status to become a signatory to the market transformation joint party proposal being developed and to comment on further rulings forthcoming from the Commission. Resource Innovations has been an active participant in the CAEECC's MT working group, has attended all meetings (except the first organizing meeting), and helped co-lead one of the working group's subcommittees. Resource Innovations also attended the CPUC's workshops on MT. Resource Innovations has interests in ensuring that a solid framework for developing and implementing market transformation initiatives in California is adopted. Specifically, Resource Innovations wants to ensure market transformation initiatives have the ability to deliver significant value to California in support of its energy efficiency and carbon goals, and that market transformation has a clear, functional process in which such initiatives can be developed.

#### III. Notice

If this motion is granted, service of notices, orders, and other correspondence in this proceeding should be directed to Margie Gardner at the address set forth below:

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#### IV. Conclusion

Resource Innovations participation in this proceeding will not prejudice any party and will not delay the schedule or broaden the scope of the issues in the proceeding. For the reasons stated above, Resource Innovations respectfully requests that the CPUC grant this Motion for Party Status filing.

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Respectfully submitted,

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