



**CALIFORNIA
ENERGY COMMISSION**



June 27, 2025

Tiffany Grigsby
AES Clean Energy
1201 Fannin St., Suite 500
Houston, TX 77002

Dear Tiffany Grigsby:

I am responding to the request by AES Clean Energy for the creation of retroactive renewable energy credits (RECs) in the Western Renewable Energy Generation Information System (WREGIS) for generation produced by the following facility for the months of June, July, August, and September 2024:

- McFarland Solar B, RPS ID: 65151A

California Energy Commission (CEC) staff reviewed AES Clean Energy's request and, based on the information provided, hereby approve the request for the creation of retroactive RECs. With this approval, AES Clean Energy has 90 days from the date of this letter to provide the CEC with an audit report that satisfies the requirements of the *RPS Eligibility Guidebook, Ninth Edition (Revised) (RPS Eligibility Guidebook)*, Chapter 3.A.1.a. The criteria the audit report must meet can be found on pages 26-27 of the *RPS Eligibility Guidebook*.

The *RPS Eligibility Guidebook* specifies that facilities will be assigned an eligibility date based on the submittal of applications within specified deadlines (See *RPS Eligibility Guidebook* at pg. 49-50). Facilities that have RPS eligibility but were not awarded RECs for generation produced during that period may request the CEC, through a Retroactive REC Request (RRR) process, to request that WREGIS create RECs for that period.

The request must be made within 24 months of when the generation was produced or prior to the RPS eligibility date of the generating facility or unit, whichever is earlier, and satisfy the requirements of the RRR process (See *RPS Eligibility Guidebook* at pg. 24-27). AES Clean Energy submitted an RRR for the generation of the McFarland Solar B facility for the vintage months of June, July, August, and September 2024. The *RPS Eligibility Guidebook*, Chapter 3.A.1.a allows the CEC Executive Director to approve the creation of retroactive RECs by WREGIS if certain requirements are met (See *RPS Eligibility Guidebook* at pg. 24-27).

CEC staff has reviewed AES Clean Energy's request, and based on the information provided, finds the request meets the requirements of an RRR and should be granted. In addition to other required information, as stated in the *RPS Eligibility Guidebook*, staff find that AES Clean Energy has provided the following:

- Information and supporting documentation as required by the *RPS Eligibility Guidebook*;
- Rationale as to why the request is necessary;
- Attestations that any retroactive RECs created per the RRR will only be used for California's RPS program; and
- An attestation letter that states an audit report meeting the criteria of the *RPS Eligibility Guidebook* will be completed within 90 days of approval of the RRR.

Following this approval, the CEC will request WREGIS create the retroactive RECs if the audit report satisfies the *RPS Eligibility Guidebook's* criteria referenced above.

If you have further questions, please contact Alex Barker at alex.barker@energy.ca.gov or (916) 903-4653.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'Drew Bohan', with a stylized, flowing script.

Drew Bohan
Executive Director