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To Whom It May Concern:

As a stakeholder and developer of community based solar projects in the Massachusetts S-REC market, Vineyard Power Cooperative Inc., a 501-c-12 non-profit energy cooperative, applauds the Commonwealth's commitment to renewable energy development.

Since the S-Rec I Program began in 2008, our Island community has developed over 7MW of qualified capacity. From this total our community has an ownership stake in 435KW of capacity. This program has certainly stimulated solar growth on the Island of Martha's Vineyard.

After reviewing the Updated Proposed Design of the RPS Solar Carve-Out II, we propose DOER consider a carve out in the market sector for community owned projects, which would award these projects the highest SREC factor.

This higher factor could be qualified based upon the criteria that the project is developed and partially owned by the non-profit energy cooperative. Since non-profits cannot take advantage of the solar tax credits this is a simple qualifier to award the higher SREC factor.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment and we look forward to assisting DOER in defining this potential new S-REC market sector.

Best regards,

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