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**Re: DE 16-576, Development of New Alternative Net Metering Tariffs and/or
Other Regulatory Mechanisms and Tariffs for Customer-Generators
Request for Extension of Deadline to File Value of DER Study Scope Final Report**

Dear Ms. Howland:

Under Order No. 26,029 (June 23, 2017) at 61-62, Commission Staff is required to file a "final report containing the proposed value of DER study scope and timeline ... within eight months from the date of this Order for review and approval by the Commission prior to engaging the study consultant." The applicable deadline for that filing originally was February 23, 2018, but was extended until April 24, 2018 by secretarial letter issued on February 23, 2018.

Due to the need to analyze extensive comments received from a significant number of parties, as well as the limited availability of key Staff personnel, Staff believes that a further extension of two weeks to make the required final report filing is warranted.

Staff therefore respectfully requests that the Commission further extend the deadline for filing the final report containing the proposed value of DER study scope and timeline, until May 8, 2018.

I hereby certify that a copy of this letter will be served electronically on the parties on the service list at the same time it is filed with the Commission.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David K. Wiesner".

David K. Wiesner
Staff Attorney

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