



December 10, 2014

Ms. Laura Peters
Department of Water Resources
2014 Water-Energy Grant Program
Sacramento, California

Dear Ms. Peters

Southern California Edison is pleased to express its support and commitment of collaboration for the Irvine Ranch Water District's (IRWD) 2014 Water-Energy Grant Program application entitled "The Joint Water and Energy Residential Direct Install Program".

This Program is designed to produce water, energy and greenhouse gas (GHG) savings and provide an innovative partnership between the water and energy local utilities that will also generate long term cost-effective benefits to the customers in the local area. By adding a water savings component to the existing SCE Multifamily Energy Efficiency Rebate Program, customers will receive the additional benefits of direct, meaningful, and assured cost savings for their water and energy usage, in a collaborative and sustained manner as a result of this proposed water-energy partnership.

SCE's current energy saving solutions as delivered through its demand side management (DSM) portfolios are focused on achieving direct electrical energy and GHG savings through cost-effective DSM measures. In the water sector, the customer adoption and implementation of those measures is often a separate effort that does not include energy savings. Water and energy are inextricably linked, and this Program is an excellent example of the type of water-energy utility partnerships that are supported by the California Public Utilities Commission, the State Water Resources Control Board, and the Governor's Office.

For these reasons above and to support the goals of the California's Department of water Resources 2014 Water-Energy Grant Program, SCE is committed to working with the IRWD on this new water-energy program to promote the benefits of the water-energy nexus that will ultimately encourage and support water savings and realize the energy and GHG savings associated with direct and embedded energy savings for IRWD and SCE's customers.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark S. Martinez".

Mark S. Martinez
Senior Policy Manager, Water-Energy Programs
Southern California Edison