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**SDCTA Requests Data from the City of San Diego**

Haney Hong, President and CEO of the San Diego County Taxpayers Association, released the following statement today:

“The San Diego County Taxpayers Association supports San Diego’s Climate Action plan and the ambitious goals it set for our city. Community Choice Aggregation is one concept the City is exploring to reach the 100% renewable energy target.

There are still many questions that need to be answered to ensure the City puts forth a proposal that actually accomplishes our collective goals. Last week, the Taxpayers Association released a process for evaluating and endorsing climate action policies, and we informed elected leaders around the region of our new evaluation process. A cornerstone of this evaluation is transparency. We recently sent a letter to Mayor Kevin Faulconer and Council President Cole requesting staff release their assumptions and modeling strategies for the draft feasibility study, so the public can accurately assess its findings. We believe that if the City plans to utilize the feasibility study in any future proposal, taxpayers should be able to see their methodologies and trust that costs and benefits have been quantified in a generally accepted and academically sound manner.”

**ABOUT**

*The San Diego County Taxpayers Association (@sdcta) is a non-profit, non-partisan organization, dedicated to promoting accountable, cost-effective and efficient government and opposing unnecessary new taxes and fees. Founded in 1945, SDCTA has spent the past 70 years saving the region’s taxpayers millions of dollars, as well as generating information to help educate the public.*