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The Honorable Steven B. Larsen Chairman Maryland Public Service Commission William Donald Schafer Tower 6 St. Paul Street. Baltimore. MD 21202 FILED
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Re: Maryland's Solar Renewable Energy Credit Program

Dear Chairman Larsen:

We are writing to strongly endorse Clean Power Markets (CPM) to serve as an Administrator of Maryland's solar renewable energy credits (SREC) tracking program.

As the major solar energy stakeholders who are working to create a robust solar energy industry for Maryland, we foresee the need for the Commission, as part of its regulatory responsibilities, to support an electronic SREC tracking platform. The tracking system must be user-friendly for all generators, especially small ones (< 10kw); and its operations must be comprehensive, transparent and credible.

CPM has demonstrated its capability to serve as the single clearing house in New Jersey for reporting, SREC certification and issuance, and also provides training for small generators. CPM also provides a forum for brokers, aggregators, and electricity suppliers to participate.

The State of Pennsylvania has also chosen to use CPM's tracking platform. Our sister chapter, the Mid-Atlantic Solar Energy Industries Association (MSEIA) has also written to you in support of CPM.

We believe that CPM is eminently qualified to serve the needs of Maryland's SREC program. In fact, it is the only entity that currently provides this range of capabilities so crucial to the success of the Solar Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard in Maryland.

Sincerely,

Peter Lowenthal Executive Director FUII Dist.