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Necessity of a Standing Finance Committee and CFO for MCE

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Good Morning-we realize this letter is late for today's Executive Committee meeting but we'd appreciate it being sent to all Board members when possible. Thank you.

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MCE Board of Directors
1125 Tamalpais Avenue
San Rafael, CA 94901

RE: The Necessity of a Chief Financial Officer and Standing Finance Committee for MCE

Dear MCE Board of Directors,

MCE has a long history of ground-breaking work and just like each of you, countless community, governmental and non-profit individuals and organizations throughout Marin continue to work hard to fight climate change and reduce GHG emissions, particularly through the electrification of homes, buildings and transportation, as well as many other initiatives.

We at 350Marin were very concerned to learn that in these most challenging of financial times, MCE has not had a CFO in place for over a year, nor a Standing Finance Committee to evaluate and guide its course. We are writing to each of you, as Directors of our invaluable CCA, to urge you to move quickly with the hiring of such a key role as CFO, and to support and strengthen the financial responsibilities of MCE with a Standing Finance Committee. Both are standard practices for healthy and vibrant agencies of any kind, let alone CCAs.

We're also aware that the number of community incentive programs offered by MCE are much too limited in availability, scale and scope compared with what many other CCAs are able to provide in California. To better understand why this is the case and how it can be improved requires solid financial data and analysis which clearly a CFO and Finance Committee could provide.

Please vote to move MCE forward on the immediate establishment of a Standing Finance Committee and the timely hiring of a Chief Financial Officer as soon as reasonably possible.

Sincerely,
350Marin Steering Committee Members:
Jody Timms
Patrick Costello
Silke Valentine
Julia Janeway
Bella Bertaud