

MCE Board Update - August 2026

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Key Updates

- **Legislative Update:** Both of CalCCA's sponsored bills were heard earlier this month in their second house Appropriations Committees. Unfortunately, SB 1138, which would have saved customers more than \$100 million every year in excess resource adequacy costs, did not advance. However, AB 1761, on PCIA data transparency, was voted out of the Senate last week and has been sent to the Governor's desk for signature or veto.
- **Power Resources Workshops:** Thank you to everyone who joined our power resources workshop series. We are preparing to share major feedback and themes along with necessary data analysis at coming Board meetings. A survey has been distributed to the public, and we hope Board members will also consider sharing any feedback. [Take the survey](#). The survey will close on September 4.
- **MCE Governance Assessment:** Leading Resources has completed most interviews with board members, staff, and external stakeholders. Initial findings are expected at the September Board meeting, followed by a facilitated conversation on recommendations and next steps at the October Board meeting.
- **Marin Civil Grand Jury Report:** A draft response was brought to the Board on August 20, 2026. After extended discussion, minor changes were requested and the final response unanimously approved.
- **CEO Search:** The committee has established criteria for selecting a search firm and a timeline anticipating active search beginning in late September 2026.

Organizational Updates

- **MCE EV Programs Updates:** MCE has funded 320 charging ports across 39 properties this year, making EV charging more convenient for communities, public agencies, workplaces, and multifamily properties. MCE has also [reopened the EV Instant Rebate](#), offering income-qualified customers up to \$3,500 off a new EV or plug-in hybrid, or \$2,000 off a pre-owned model.
- **Call for Projects - EV Charging Site Host:** MCE's Charged by Public Power program is seeking EV Charging Site Hosts. Submissions are due by Friday, September 4, 2026 at 5 p.m. PST. [View the full solicitation here](#).

- **Community Benefit Funds:** MCE's Community Benefits Funding has disbursed more than \$1.3 million since 2025. The funds support workforce training, environmental stewardship, education, energy equity, resilience, and small-scale renewable energy projects, including housing upgrades, food recovery, rooftop solar, and community-led planning in San Rafael's Canal District. Full details are in the August Board packet.
- **Community Power Coalition Meeting:** At the July 29 meeting, 50 participants from 28 organizations shared ways MCE can better reach communities through trusted local partners, Spanish-language outreach, and messages tied to health, safety, comfort, and affordability. Our next meeting is scheduled for September 30, but we are most excited about our annual Symposium in November. More information will be shared about that soon.

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