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Supervisor Veerkamp recommending the Board authorize the Chair to sign a letter of support to Net Metering at the California Public Utilities Commission.

"More rooftop solar creates local jobs, reduces the burden of energy costs on our economy, and builds a cleaner energy future for all Californians. Solar power is taking hold across our state, from coastal metropolises to agricultural and industrial hubs in the Central Valley, bringing significant benefits to California. The solar industry employed over 54,000 Californians in 2014, a 16 percent increase from the year before. California's rooftop solar market would not be where it is today without net metering, a simple and fair policy that provides a one to one credit on a customer bill for any power exported to the grid, and exempts small local projects from fees designed for larger generating facilities. Over the next 30 years, California schools and government entities that have already installed net metered rooftop solar will save more than \$2.5 billion in electricity costs."