

**Valley Clean Energy June 10, 2021 Board Meeting – written public comment on Consent Item 10 -
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My role as a CAC member representing Woodland is to remain sensitive to the needs of my community. Nowhere is this role more important than with the climate legacy we leave for the next generation.

This morning I received some important advice from a member of that generation, who is about to graduate from Woodland High School. Here is what she said:

"Choices are very important. It is important to make the correct choices in life that not only make you happy, but are good for you and the people around you. Always stay true to your personal values and take time when making an important choice. Remember to stay true to yourself -- always."

The policy strategy being reluctantly recommended by the CAC to address FY2021/2022 PCIA and RA cost impacts represents an extremely difficult decision for all of us, because it involves a compromise with the core values which motivated us to support community choice energy -- clean electricity, product choice, and greenhouse gas emission reductions.

That compromise has become necessary to protect the viability of VCE for the long term. Yet this recommendation by the CAC was made subject to some essential conditions: for the 2022 year an initial RPS target of 20 percent, with quarterly updates on the status of long-term contracts, RPS progress, and budget, with the intent of increasing this target up to 42 percent if feasible.

These conditions are vital if we are to remain true to our values as an organization.

-- Mark Aulman