October 6, 2011

TO: Marin Energy Authority Board

FROM: Jamie Tuckey, Communications Director

RE: Charles F. McGlashan Advocacy Appreciation Award (Agenda Item #5)

Dear Board Members:

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SUMMARY:

On June 2, 2011, your Board established the Charles F. McGlashan Advocacy Award to recognize individuals and organizations who have demonstrated passion, dedication and leadership to promote Marin Clean Energy, as was exemplified by the late Charles McGlashan, former Chair of the Marin Energy Authority.

On September 21, 2011, the MEA Executive Committee voted to nominate and recommend Barbara George, founder of Women’s Energy Matters, as the first recipient of the Charles F. McGlashan Advocacy Award.

Ms. George has been heavily involved with promoting Community Choice Aggregation for several years in both political and community arenas. She has dedicated countless hours to volunteering, educating, and promoting Marin Clean Energy at the California Public Utilities Commission, local Council Chambers, and community events.

Ms. George is a staunch advocate for promoting sustainability, energy efficiency and renewable power here in Marin County. Her support and enthusiasm has earned her a reputation as a powerful and committed advocate for a local clean energy choice.

**Recommendation:** Honor Ms. Barbara George as the first recipient of the Charles. F. McGlashan Advocacy Appreciation Award.