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MARIN CLEAN ENERGY NAMED GREEN BUSINESS OF THE YEAR BY SAN RAFAEL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

San Rafael, CA – The San Rafael Chamber of Commerce named Marin Clean Energy (MCE) the 2015 Joe Garbarino Green Business of the Year at the annual “State of the City” dinner event held on March 19.

The mission of MCE, California’s first Community Choice program, is to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by providing renewable energy at stable and affordable rates, paired with energy efficiency programs, as an alternative to Pacific Gas and Electric. MCE, based in downtown San Rafael, offers 50-100% renewable power at lower rates and saved customers a combined \$6 million in 2014. Since its service start in 2010, MCE customers have reduced greenhouse gas emissions by 59,421 tons, the equivalent of eliminating the carbon emissions from 12,500 cars for one year.

The Joe Garbarino Green Business of the Year Award highlights a Green Chamber member who has demonstrated extraordinary efforts to embed sustainability principles into their business operations, mission and values. This award is presented at the State of the City dinner with approximately 500 attendees, where large and small businesses of the year are also recognized.

Dawn Weisz, CEO of MCE thanked the San Rafael Chamber of Commerce saying, “We’re honored to accept this award and our strong achievements wouldn’t be possible without the support of our community and partnerships with local businesses like the San Rafael Airport, Strategic Energy Innovations, and hundreds of businesses who choose Deep Green 100% renewable energy.”

MCE is esteemed to be in the company of its fellow nominees, recognized for their exceptional environmental practices, which include: Agricultural Institute of Marin, Batteries Plus Bulbs, City of San Rafael, EO Products, Green River Financial Services, Lotus Cuisine of India, The Marin Center/Marin County Fair, Smart Receivables, SolEd Benefit Corp., and St. Vincent de Paul Society. MCE thanks all of the community partners and supports their work in protecting the environment.

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About MCE: MCE is a not-for-profit, community-based electricity provider that gives customers the choice of having 50% to 100% of their electricity supplied from clean, renewable sources such as solar, wind, bioenergy, geothermal and hydroelectric at competitive rates. By choosing MCE, customers help support new in-state and local renewable energy generation. For more information about MCE, visit www.mceCleanEnergy.org or call 1 (888) 632-3674.