PENINSULA CLEAN ENERGY’S ECO100 NOW GREEN-E CERTIFIED

San Mateo County, 14 of its Cities, and Facebook All Receiving 100% Renewable Electricity

REDWOOD CITY, CA February 28, 2018 – As of 2018 Peninsula Clean Energy’s (PCE’s) ECO100 option is now certified by Green-e Energy, the leading renewable energy certification and verification program in North America administered by the nonprofit Center for Resource Solutions (CRS). Fourteen cities, the County of San Mateo, and the social media company Facebook have chosen to power their operations with PCE’s 100% renewable electricity product, which is available to all San Mateo County residents and businesses.

“Green-e is the national gold standard for voluntary green power purchasing,” stated County Supervisor Dave Pine, who represents San Mateo County on the board of Peninsula Clean Energy. “With Green-e certification, ECO100 purchasers now have an extra level of confidence that they are buying certified renewable energy from new generation facilities.”

Peninsula Clean Energy is the official electricity provider for residential and business customers in all twenty cities and the unincorporated areas of San Mateo County. PCE was launched in 2016 by the County and its twenty cities to meet local environmental goals by offering cleaner energy at lower rates. PCE customers have a choice of two options: ECOplus and ECO100. ECOplus contains at least 50% renewable electricity, and is priced at 5% less than PG&E’s generation rates. PCE’s Green-e Energy certified ECO100 option is 100% renewable and 100% greenhouse gas free with energy from wind and solar.

Cities, towns, agencies, and businesses in San Mateo County that have chosen ECO100 to meet environmental goals include Atherton, Belmont, Brisbane, Burlingame, Colma, Foster City, Hillsborough, Menlo Park, Millbrae, Portola Valley, Redwood City, San Carlos, San Mateo, Woodside, SamTrans, Caltrain, the San Mateo County Harbor District, and the County of San Mateo as well as Facebook’s Menlo Park corporate headquarters. In addition, the Town Council of Portola Valley voted to enroll all its residences and business automatically in ECO100. See PCE’s ECO100 Business Directory for additional participating businesses.

“By supporting clean wind and solar from California, PCE customers are helping transition us away from fossil fuels and drive new renewable generation throughout the state,” said Jennifer Martin, Executive Director of Center for Resource Solutions, which runs the Green-e Energy program. Green-e provides the highest standard of consumer protection by certifying superior renewable energy options, ensuring accuracy of environmental claims, and verifying that individuals and businesses get the correct quantity and type of renewable energy they paid for.

“By using Green-e certified renewable energy, businesses can earn LEED points, and can report zero emissions from electricity to help meet their environmental goals,” added Jan Pepper, CEO of Peninsula Clean Energy.
Residents and business in San Mateo County can choose ECO100 for their account at Peninsula Clean Energy's website https://www.peninsulacleanenergy.com/opt-up, or by calling customer service at 866-966-0110.

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**About Peninsula Clean Energy**
Peninsula Clean Energy (PCE) is San Mateo County's official electricity provider. PCE is a public, locally controlled community choice energy program that provides all electric customers in San Mateo County the choice of having electricity supplied from clean, renewable sources at competitive rates. PCE, formed in March 2016, is a joint powers authority made up of the County of San Mateo and all 20 cities in the County. PCE serves approximately 290,000 accounts.
www.peninsulacleanenergy.com

**About Green-e and Center for Resource Solutions**
A program of the nonprofit Center for Resource Solutions, Green-e is the leading independent consumer protection program for the sale of renewable energy and greenhouse gas reductions in the retail market. Green-e offers certification and verification services through Green-e Energy, a renewable energy certification program; Green-e Climate, a greenhouse gas emission reduction certification program; and Green-e Marketplace, a program that provides forward-thinking organizations a simple, nationally recognized logo they can use to communicate their renewable energy and climate commitment to their customers and stakeholders. To learn more about Green-e Certified products and programs available in all 50 states and Canada, visit www.green-e.org.

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