## Electronic Supplementary Information

## The Nature of Excited States in Dipolar Donor/Fullerene Complexes for Organic Solar Cells: Evolution with the Donor Stack Size

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(a) Electron



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 $1DTDCTB/C_{60CC} \quad 2DTDCTB/C_{60CC} \quad 3DTDCTB/C_{60CC} \quad 4DTDCTB/C_{60CC}$ 

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	B3LYP/(6-31G*, 6-31G**, 6-311G**)						
	t <sub>h</sub>	t <sub>e</sub>	t <sub>R</sub>	E <sub>b</sub>			
Ι	79.9, 79.7, 82.9	21.8, 21.2, 21.0	28.3, 29.2, 34.5	-21.2, -21.2, -21.9			
II	28.3, 28.5, 29.7	12.7, 12.9, 15.5	25.8, 25.4, 24.6	-20.1, -20.1, -21.0			
DA <sub>CC</sub>	15.4, 15.4, 16.1	36.3, 36.0, 34.1	15.9, 15.8, 16.4	—			
DA <sub>H</sub>	16.7, 16.7, 16.2	25.2, 25.1, 26.8	40.2, 40.1, 42.5	—			
	tuned- <b>@B97X/(6-31G*, 6-31G**, 6-311G**</b> )						
	t <sub>h</sub>	t <sub>e</sub>	t <sub>R</sub>	E <sub>b</sub>			
Ι	85.6, 85.3, 88.7	19.3, 18.6, 16.6	54.3, 56.0, 65.5	-20.5, -20.6, -22.1			
II	27.9, 28.2, 29.4	4.9, 5.0, 5.5	49.8, 49.1, 49.5	-18.9, -18.9, -21.0			
DA <sub>CC</sub>	16.4, 16.3, 17.6	38.5, 38.2, 37.2	24.8, 24.7, 26.8	—			
DA <sub>H</sub>	17.7, 17.6, 17.5	29.8, 29.7, 32.4	64.9, 64.7, 70.6				

<sup>a</sup> Considering the degeneracy of HOMO and LUMO in  $C_{60}$ , the effective electronic couplings are calculated for  $DA_{CC}$  and  $DA_{H}$ .

**Table S2.** The optimized range-separation parameters ( $\omega$ ) of DTDCTB clusters and nDTDCTB/C<sub>60</sub> complexes.

	1DTDCTB	2DTDCTB	3DTDCTB	4DTDCTB
ω	0.14	0.12	0.10	0.10
	1DTDCTB/C <sub>60</sub>	2DTDCTB/C <sub>60</sub>	3DTDCTB/C <sub>60</sub>	4DTDCTB/C <sub>60</sub>
ω	0.13	0.11	0.10	0.10