

# SUMMARY MINUTES

ABAG POWER Annual Board of Directors' Meeting 2015

October 29, 2015 Joseph P. Bort MetroCenter 101 Eighth Street, Oakland, CA 94607-4756

#### WELCOME

Chairman Christopher Schroeder opened the meeting of the ABAG POWER Board of Directors with introductions at 10:35 a.m.

The agencies having a representative at this meeting were as follows:

#### **Representatives**

#### Agencies Represented

Robert Haun City of Alameda City of Fremont Mike Sung Harold Wolgamott City of Gonzales Alex Khojikian City of Half Moon Bay Dave Brees City of Los Altos Peter Voramentsanti City of Millbrae Chris Schroeder City of Milpitas Scott Wentworth City of Oakland City of Orinda Tonya Gilmore Angela Walton City of Richmond Jay Walter City of San Carlos **Richard Sealana** City of Union City County of Contra Costa Julie Bueren Jason Campbell County of Napa County of San Mateo Doeg Koenig Jennifer Mennucci Golden Gate Bridge & Highway District Karl Zabel Hayward Area Recreation District **Robert Hoffman** Regional Administration Facility Corp. Vallejo Sanitation and Flood Control District Johnson Ho

#### Staff & Guests Present

Dave Jones	DMJ Gas Marketing Consultants
Susan Wise	Sunrun
Caroline Judy	Alameda County General Services Agency
Jerry Lahr	ABAG POWER
Ryan Jacoby	ABAG POWER
Brad Paul	ABAG
Charles Adams	ABAG
Jennifer Berg	ABAG
Kenneth Moy	ABAG



## WELCOME & CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS

Chairman Schroeder welcomed the board members and provided a brief history and a general overview of the ABAG POWER program. He introduced and extended a special acknowledgment to the 2014-2015 Executive Committee and the ABAG POWER principal staff.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

## APPROVAL OF SUMMARY MINUTES OF OCTOBER 30, 2014 ANNUAL BOARD MEETING

Motion was made by Sealana/S/Haun/18:0:0/C/ to approve the Summary Minutes of October 30, 2014 ABAG POWER Annual Board of Directors' meeting.

The aye votes were: Brees, Bueren, Campbell, Gilmore, Haun, Ho, Hoffman, Khojikian, Koenig, Mennucci, Schroeder, Sealana, Sung, Voramentsanti, Walter, Walton, Wentworth, Wolgamott.

The nay votes were: None.

Abstentions were: None.

#### **ELECTION OF ABAG POWER OFFICERS FOR PROGRAM YEAR 2015-16**

Motion was made by Bueren/S/Wentworth/18:0:0/C/to approve the proposed ABAG POWER Executive Committee for program year 2015-2016, including the election of chair and vice chair as follows:

Julie Bueren, County of Contra Costa (Chair) Chris Schroeder, City of Milpitas Richard Sealana, City of Union City (Vice Chair) Daniel Smith, City of Pleasanton Angela Walton, City of Richmond Tonya Gilmore, City of Orinda

The aye votes were: Brees, Bueren, Campbell, Gilmore, Haun, Ho, Hoffman, Khojikian, Koenig, Mennucci, Schroeder, Sealana, Sung, Voramentsanti, Walter, Walton, Wentworth, Wolgamott.

The nay votes were: None.

Abstentions were: None.

## STAFF REPORT AND REVIEW OF NATURAL GAS PROGRAM

Lahr provided an in-depth report on the operations of the Natural Gas Program for FY 2014-15. He provided a review of the program and discussed the program goals, long-term program achievements and gas purchasing strategies.



ABAG POWER's blend of long-term and short-term gas purchases resulted in a weighted average cost of gas for the year of \$3.83/Dth, representing a decrease of approximately 5% when compared to the prior year. ABAG POWER's annual weighted average price was approximately 3.3% higher than PG&E's similar total rate (G-NR1). Due to the Program's levelized billing structure and long-term purchasing strategy, ABAG POWER's monthly rates were more stable than PG&E's rates throughout the year.

## NATURAL GAS PIPELINE CAPACITY ISSUE

Lahr provided members with the background and details of the Gas Pipeline Capacity issue facing the program. He explained the previous California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) rulings, the 2002 Gas Accord decisions, and the approval by the Commission of the phase-in of full PG&E pipeline capacity cost sharing beginning in April, 2015.

Lahr mentioned that while the goals of ABAG POWER are not solely related to cost savings, the stranded pipeline capacity costs are providing a significant barrier to this objective. The costs to the program in 2014-15 were approximately \$170,000 and are expected to increase during FY 2015-16. Lahr reminded members of ABAG POWER's continued involvement in the regulatory process in an attempt to mitigate the stranded costs.

## FINANCIAL REVIEW

Charles Adams, ABAG's Interim Finance Director, presented the preliminary financial reports for fiscal year ending June 30, 2015. Auditors were in the process of auditing the financial statements, which will be available by December, 2015.

## A SUCCESS STORY: LOCAL SOLAR PROCUREMENT

Guest speaker Caroline Judy (Acting Director, Alameda County GSA) discussed public agencies' challenges and benefits of renewable energy adoption and collaborative procurement. She highlighted the Regional Renewable Energy Procurement Project (R-REP) and provided resources for replicating the collaborative procurement model.

## **ROOFTOP SOLAR IN CALIFORNIA**

Sunrun's Kim Sanders (Senior Manager, Public Policy) briefly described California's historic renewable energy leadership through the California Solar Initiative, AB 327, and SB 350. She described current efforts associated with the "Net Energy Metering 2.0" regulatory proceeding, which seeks rate reform for residential solar.

## SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA REGIONAL ENERGY NETWORK (BAYREN)

BayREN's Program Manager, Jennifer Berg, provided an overview of the program portfolio and accomplishments to date.



## ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Schroeder adjourned the meeting at 12:55 p.m.

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\*Example of a motion – [Member No. 1/S/Member No. 2/O/Member No. 3/roll call vote/C/8:0:0] means Member No.1 motions, seconded by Member No.2, Opposed by Member No. 3, after roll call vote, motion carries, 8 = "yes" votes, 0 = "no" votes and 0 = abstentions.