



SUMMARY MINUTES

ABAG Power Executive Committee

Teleconference Meeting 2000-04

April 19, 2000

Metro Center 101 8th Street, Oakland CA 94607

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Michael Garvey opened the meeting at 12:11 p.m. with the introduction of Gerald L. Lahr (“Jerry”). Jerry is the new manager for the ABAG POWER Pool Program:

Committee Representatives Present

Michael Garvey

Wayne Green

Kathy Brown

Robert Fugle

Alan Nadritch

Mark Lewis

Ken Blackman

Jurisdictions

City of San Carlos

City of Salinas

County of Contra Costa

Golden Gate Bridge District

City of Benicia

City of Union City

City of Santa Rosa

Committee Representatives Absent

John Lisenko

Ross Hubbard

Jurisdictions

City of Foster City

Town of Moraga

Staff Present

Jerry Lahr

Dave Finigan

Christine Cleary

Joseph Chan

Kathy Mendoza

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PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

REPORT ON ELECTRIC AND RENEWABLE PROGRAMS

Jerry Lahr reviewed the electric energy purchase for April 2000. Electric energy was purchased by NCPA an approximate 1% savings occurred. We also applied for the January renewable rebate of \$255,948.97 to the State Energy Commission. We have received the renewable rebate check of \$90,970.84 for December 1999. Jerry discussed the idea of entering into a fixed price energy contract for a portion of the Pool’s energy requirements for the third quarter (Jul. – Sep.). The energy price and



amount would be based on a recommendation from NCPA, and the decision would likely be made in the next two to three weeks. The Committee had no objections to this process.

UPDATE ON REPROGRAMMING AND REPLACEMENT OF CELLNET INTERVAL METERS BY TELDATA SOLUTIONS

Dave Finigan reviewed the progress of the reprogramming and replacement of CellNet interval meters by Teldata Solutions. He indicated that new meters to replace the CellNet radio frequency meters have been ordered and are expected to be installed in May. There have been significant problems associated with the reprogramming of the CellNet telephone based meters that are being worked out on a meter by meter basis.

AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH PG&E FOR ELECTRIC PROGRAM BILLING SERVICES

Dave Finigan reviewed the RFP process that took place some time ago to replace APS as the electric pools billing agent. At the time, Staff decided that PG&E looked like the best candidate out of the responses received, however after a more detailed look at the expected contract with PG&E it became apparent that there were significant differences between the services we now provide to our members through APS and the services we would receive through PG&E. Dave Finigan checked with APS to find out if they would be willing to continue with ABAG POWER indefinitely providing ABAG POWER paid APS the same rate PG&E would have received (\$3.25/account). APS agreed and staff recommended that we continue to use APS as our billing agent and enter into a two-year contract. Motion was made by Lewis/S/Green/C/.

AUTHORIZATION TO FORWARD RENEWABLE ENERGY REBATE CHECKS FOR THE MAY THROUGH OCTOBER 1999 PERIOD TO THE FOUR AGENCIES WITHDRAWING FROM THE ELECTRIC PROGRAM

Dave Finigan presented the issue of the four agencies that withdrew from the electric program. After being informed by the state Energy Commission that the renewable energy rebate needs to be distributed back to agencies based upon their use of renewable energy and considering these funds cannot go into general program revenue motion was made by Nadritch/S/Fugle/C/ that rebate checks covering the period of May through October 1999 be forwarded to these four agencies who withdrew from the program.

STATUS REPORT ON THE NATURAL GAS PROGRAM

Dave Finigan reviewed the April natural gas purchase indicating that the projected rate for ABAG POWER's gas program supply was 5.34% below the general PG&E rate.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS AS OF DECEMBER 1999

Joseph Chan reviewed the December 1999 financial reports. Overall, we are happy to report that ABAG POWER realized a surplus at mid-year in both the electricity and natural gas programs. We are expecting FY 1999-2000 to be a good year in terms of savings for members as we have started distributing green energy rebates in February 2000. Motion was made by Blackman/S/Brown/C/ to accept the December 1999 financial reports as presented.



APPROVAL OF 2000 ABAG POWER MEETING SCHEDULE

The Committee accepted schedule of the Executive Committee meetings for July through December 2000.

PROGRAM ADVISOR'S REPORT AND NEW MEMBERSHIP ACTIVITIES

Dave Finigan reported that ABAG POWER is number two on the list of candidates for the City of Oakland account. The City of Oakland wants to go 100% green. Finigan presented the electric program to officials at the City of San Jose and this is a promising account.

ADJOURN

12:37 p.m.