



# SUMMARY MINUTES

## ABAG POWER Annual Board of Directors' Meeting 2014

October 30, 2014

Joseph P. Bort MetroCenter

101 Eighth Street, Oakland, CA 94607-4756

### WELCOME

Chairman Richard Sealana 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:

#### Jurisdictions Represented

City of Alameda  
 City of Benicia  
 City of Cupertino  
 City of Fremont  
 City of Gonzales  
 City of Los Altos  
 City of Milpitas  
 City of Oakland  
 City of Orinda  
 City of Pacifica  
 City of Pleasanton  
 City of Richmond  
 City of Salinas  
 City of San Rafael  
 City of Union City  
 County of Napa  
 County of San Mateo  
 County of Santa Clara  
 Golden Gate Bridge & Highway District  
 H.A.R.D.  
 Housing Authority for the City of Alameda  
 RAFC  
 Town of Moraga

#### Representatives

Juelle-Ann Boyer  
 Greg Henry  
 Erin Cooke  
 Mike Sung  
 Carlos Lopez  
 Dave Brees  
 Chris Schroeder  
 Scott Wentworth  
 Tonya Gilmore  
 Jim Reese  
 Ed Heuer  
 Angela Walton  
 Michael Ricker  
 Richard Landis  
 Richard Sealana  
 Steve Lederer  
 Doeg Koenig  
 Brad Vance  
 Jennifer Mennucci  
 Karl Zabel  
 Alan Olds  
 Robert Hoffman  
 Stephanie Hom

#### Others Present

KyotoUSA  
 Carbonomics  
 County of San Mateo  
 City of Union City

Tom Kelly  
 Seth Baruch  
 Andy Jain  
 Mintze Cheng

**Staff Present**

Herbert Pike	ABAG
Jerry Lahr	ABAG POWER
Ryan Jacoby	ABAG POWER
Chanell Gumbs	ABAG
Jennifer Berg	ABAG
Brad Paul	ABAG

**WELCOME & CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS**

Chairman Richard Sealana 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 2013-2014 Executive Committee and the ABAG POWER principal staff.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

**APPROVAL OF SUMMARY MINUTES OF OCTOBER 24, 2013 ANNUAL BOARD MEETING**

Motion was made by Schroeder/S/Lederer/22:0:0/C/ to approve the Summary Minutes of October 24, 2013 ABAG POWER Annual Board of Directors' meeting.

The aye votes were: Brees, Boyer, Cooke, Gilmore, Henry, Heuer, Hoffman, Hom, Landis, Lederer, Lopez, Koenig, Mennucci, Olds, Reese, Ricker, Schroeder, Sealana, Sung, Vance, Walton, Wentworth.

The nay votes were: None.

Abstentions were: None.

**ELECTION OF ABAG POWER OFFICERS FOR PROGRAM YEAR 2014-15**

Motion was made by Boyer/S/Koenig/22:0:0/C/to approve the proposed ABAG POWER Executive Committee for program year 2014-2015, including the election of chair and vice chair as follows:

Julie Bueren, County of Contra Costa  
Stephanie Hom, Town of Moraga  
Alan Olds, Housing Authority of the City of Alameda  
Chris Schroeder, City of Milpitas (Chair)  
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, Boyer, Cooke, Gilmore, Henry, Heuer, Hoffman, Hom, Landis, Lederer, Lopez, Koenig, Mennucci, Olds, Reese, Ricker, Schroeder, Sealana, Sung, Vance, Walton, Wentworth.

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 FY2013-14. 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 \$4.05/Dth, representing an increase of approximately 10% over the prior year. ABAG POWER's annual weighted average price was approximately 0.5% lower than PG&E's similar total rate (G-NR1). Due to the Program's leveled 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**

Chairman Sealana and Lahr provided members with the background and details of the Gas Pipeline Capacity issue facing the program. They 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 cost sharing beginning in 2015. The members were reminded of ABAG POWER's continued involvement in the regulatory process in an attempt to mitigate the stranded costs.

Lahr mentioned that while the goals of ABAG POWER are not solely related to cost savings, the stranded pipeline capacity costs could provide a significant barrier to this objective. The costs to the program in 2013-14 were approximately \$192,000, and are estimated to reach \$310,000/year by 2015 if current regulations remain unchanged.

It was hoped that the current proceeding before the CPUC will result in modifications to the regulations so the program can begin to reduce the expenses associated with the stranded pipeline capacity costs.

### **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

Herbert Pike presented the preliminary financial reports for fiscal year ending June 30, 2014. Auditors were in the process of auditing the financial statements, which will be available by December, 2014.



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**COMMUNITY CHOICE AGGREGATION (CCA)**

Guest speakers Tom Kelly and Seth Baruch informed members of the current status of Marin Clean Energy, Sonoma Clean Power, and other regional CCA efforts.

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

Jennifer Berg, ABAG's Program Manager of BayREN, gave an overview of the BayREN Program.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Sealana 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.