



SUMMARY MINUTES

**ABAG POWER Executive Committee
Regular Meeting 2015-06
December 16, 2015**

ABAG's Conference Room B
101 8th Street, Oakland, CA 94607

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Due to the absence of both the Chair (Julie Bueren) and Vice Chair (Chris Schroeder), the Committee agreed to have Richard Sealana chair the meeting.

Richard Sealana opened the meeting with introductions at 12:10 PM.

<u>Committee Representatives</u>	<u>Jurisdiction/Agency</u>
Dave Brees	City of Los Altos
Tonya Gilmore	City of Orinda
Richard Sealana	City of Union City
Angela Walton	City of Richmond
<u>Members Absent</u>	
Chris Schroeder (Vice Chair)	City of Milpitas
Julie Bueren (Chair)	County of Contra Costa
<u>Staff Present</u>	
Jerry Lahr	ABAG POWER
Ryan Jacoby	ABAG POWER
Ken Moy	ABAG
Jenny Berg	ABAG
<u>Guests Present</u>	
Brad Vance	County of Santa Clara

PUBLIC COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Committee acknowledged and welcomed Brad Vance, a Utilities Analyst representing the County of Santa Clara, a gas pool member.



APPROVAL OF SUMMARY MINUTES OF AUGUST 19, 2015.

Motion was made by Walton/S/Sealana/C/3:0:1 to approve the Summary Minutes of August 19, 2015 Executive Committee meeting.

The aye votes were: Gilmore, Sealana, Walton.

The nay votes were: None.

Abstentions were: Brees.

Absentees were: Bueren, Schroeder.

REPORT ON NATURAL GAS PROGRAM

Monthly Summary of Operations FY 2015-16

Lahr provided members with the Monthly Summary of Operations reports for FY15-16; members were updated on the percentage savings comparisons with PG&E. Lahr noted that financial statements for October, 2015 indicated a cumulative savings figure of -13.6% including the CTA Unrecovered Pipelines Capacity costs. The program's 'Rate Comparisons excluding Pipeline Capacity Costs' calculation displayed a cumulative savings through October, 2015 of -10.1%.

Gas Hedge Chart

Lahr provided information on the various current long-term gas purchases (contracts which are greater than one month in length). Lahr recommended the purchase of a fixed-price gas contract following the expiration of the current package in March, 2016. Securing a fixed-price gas purchase contract offers the program a greater degree of price stability while also capitalizing on comparatively low gas prices.

Adhering to Lahr's recommendation, motion was made by Brees/S/Walton/C/4:0:0 to authorize a fixed price six-month gas purchase contract beginning April 1, 2016.

The aye votes were: Brees, Gilmore, Sealana, Walton.

The nay votes were: None.

Abstentions were: None.

Absentees were: Bueren, Schroeder.

Market Price Chart

Lahr provided information on gas prices.

Historic Stranded Capacity Costs

Lahr provided a list of invoices received from PG&E for the CTA Unrecovered Pipelines Capacity costs. To date the program has paid a total of \$486,373 for these costs starting from April, 2012 (costs for FY 2015-16: \$54,363).



Lahr informed the Committee that a Proposed Decision had been released in PG&E's A.13-06-011, indicating continued allocation of the full portion of these costs to ABAG POWER for the foreseeable future.

Program Trends Chart

Lahr presented a comparison of the program's total usage and number of accounts throughout a ten-year period, highlighting the program's recent decline in usage.

2014-15 NATURAL GAS PROGRAM TRUE-UP

Gas True-up Summary FY 2014-15

Staff reviewed the FY 2014-15 true-up calculation, highlighting each component of the calculation and elaborating on several portions of the process.

2015-16 BUDGET UPDATE

ABAG POWER Income Statement – October 2015

Lahr presented the status of the current fiscal year's budget.

Budget to Actual Graph

Staff reviewed actual gas usage and costs as compared to the 2014-15 budget, and it was recommended and agreed that no changes were needed to be made to the budget at this time.

WATER EFFICIENCY FINANCE LEGISLATION

Lahr presented a summary of draft water efficiency legislation that would allow Joint Powers Authorities (JPAs) to raise funds to finance water and energy efficiency measures on residential and commercial properties.

Motion was made by Gilmore/S/Walton/C/4:0:0 to endorse the concept of a regionally implemented, voluntary program to deliver water and energy savings measures to customers that would be repaid through a surcharge on participating water agency bills, and to support the draft legislation.

The aye votes were: Brees, Gilmore, Sealana, Walton.

The nay votes were: None.

Abstentions were: None.

Absentees were: Bueren, Schroeder.

**2016 MEETING SCHEDULE**

Motion was made by Sealana/S/Walton/C/4:0:0 to accept the 2016 Executive Committee meeting schedule as proposed.

The aye votes were: Brees, Gilmore, Sealana, Walton.

The nay votes were: None.

Abstentions were: None.

Absentees were: Bueren, Schroeder.

CLOSED SESSION

Conference with Legal Counsel—Existing Litigation, Govt. C. §54956.9(d):

1. Application of Pacific Gas & Electric Company to Set New Core Interstate Pipeline Capacity Planning Range (A.13-06-011)
2. Application of Pacific Gas & Electric Company Proposing Cost of Service and Rates for Gas Transmission and Storage Services for the Period 2015-2017 (A.13-12-012)

The Chairman announced that no reportable action was taken in closed session.

ADJOURNMENT

Sealana adjourned the meeting at 2:05 PM.

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*Example of a motion – *[Member No. 1/S/Member No. 2/roll call vote/C/8:0:0]* means Member No.1 motions, seconded by Member No.2, after roll call vote, motion carries, 8 = “yes” votes, 0 = “no” votes and 0 = abstention.