

# MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PUBLIC POWER AUTHORITY

A special meeting of the Board of Directors was held on **January 30, 2025**, at Southern California Public Power Authority, 1160 Nicole Court, Glendora, CA 91740.

The meeting was called to order at **10:00 AM** by the Board President, Tikan Singh. Daniel Garcia, Executive Director, went through the emergency safety protocols for the in-person meeting participants. Mr. Singh went through the web conference protocol. Ms. Salpi Ortiz took attendance.

The following Board Members (B) or Alternates (A) were present:

**Anaheim:** Janis Lehman (A) (via teleconference)

Azusa: Tikan Singh (B)
Banning: Jim Steffens (B)
Burbank: Mandip Samra (B)
Cerritos: Sergio Huizar (A)
Colton: Charles Berry (B)

Glendale: Manny Robledo (B) (via teleconference)

IID: Sabrina Barber (A) (via teleconference)

**LADWP**: Ashkan Nassiri (A) (via teleconference)

Pasadena: Kelly Nguyen (A)
Riverside: Scott Lesch (A)
Vernon: Todd Dusenberry (B)

The Special meeting was also conducted by teleconference from:

Los Angeles Department of Water & Power 400 Ridge Club Dr, Room 4508 Stateline, NV 89449 Anaheim Public Utilities 201 S. Anaheim Blvd, Suite 1101 Anaheim, CA 92805 Glendale Water & Power 141 N Glendale Ave Glendale, CA 91206

# Imperial Irrigation District

1653 W. Main Street Conference Room C El Centro, CA 92243

1. NOTICE/AGENDA AND OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD Mr. Singh noted that the meeting was noticed and posted as required under the Brown Act. Mr. Singh invited comments from the public. There were no public comments.

#### 2. BOARD OFFICER ELECTIONS

A. Consideration of motion to delay Election/Appointment of Officers to February 20, 2025, Board of Directors Meeting

**Moved by**: Todd Dusenberry, *Vernon Public Utilities* **Seconded**: Janis Lehman, *Anaheim Public Utilities* 

Ms. Ortiz took a Roll Call vote:

	Yes	No	Present, Not Voting	Absent
Anaheim	X			
Azusa	X			
Banning	X			
Burbank	X			
Cerritos	X			
Colton	X			
Glendale	X			
IID			X	
LADWP	X			
Pasadena	X			
Riverside	X			
Vernon	X			

# 3. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

# A. Working Group Update

Mr. Garcia provided an update on the Mutual Aid Working Group and introduced John Quan, Principal Utility Analyst, who presented a report on mutual aid efforts in response to the recent California fires. Board Members shared their utilities' experiences during and following the emergency event and expressed their appreciation to other SCPPA Member agencies for their support and assistance during the event.

Mr. Garcia informed the Board that Aileen would be reaching out to Members for cost-of-living adjustment data to begin preparations for SCPPA's FY 2025-26 Budget. He also announced the promotion of Natalie Seitzman from Policy Analyst to Government Affairs Manager. Mr. Garcia mentioned that SCPPA is seeking comments on its draft Request for Proposals for Renewable and Storage Projects (RFPs) and requested comments as soon as possible so the

RFPs can be released. Lastly, Mr. Garcia shared that SCPPA will host a Working Group Open House on March 19, 2025, and encouraged Members to attend.

# **B.** New Working Group on Procurements

Mr. Garcia announced that he will be forming a new working group on Procurements. Board Members expressed support for the new working group and discussed possible areas of need.

#### 4. CONSENT CALENDAR

# A. Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting

Regular Meeting Minutes: December 19, 2024

#### B. Receive and File:

- 1. Finance Committee Meeting Minutes: December 2, 2024
- 2. Monthly Investment Report: November 2024
- 3. FY 24-25 First Quarter Financial Report
- 4. SCPPA A&G Budget Comparison Report: November 2024
- 5. FY 24-25 Q1 Budget-to-Actual Variance Report
- 6. CY 2023 Q3 Renewables Operating Report
- 7. Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station Status Report: November 2024
- 8. Magnolia Power Project Operations Report: December 2024
- 9. Federal Legislative Report: December 2024

# C. Resolution 2025-001

Approve Master Professional Services Agreement with NAES Corporation

# **D.** Resolution 2025-002

Approve Fourth Addendum to the Consulting Agreement with Haas Petroleum Engineering Services, Inc. to Develop Natural Gas Reserve Reports for SCPPA's Interest in the Natural Gas Project (Texas Subproject – Barnett Shale)

# **E. Resolution 2025-003**

Approve Gas Reserves Reservoir Engineering Engagement Agreement with Netherland Sewell & Associates, Inc. to Develop Natural Gas Reserve Reports for SCPPA's Interest in the Natural Gas Project (Wyoming Subproject - Pinedale)

Moved by: Jim Steffens, Banning Electric Utility

Seconded: Ashkan Nassiri, Los Angeles Department of Water & Power

#### Ms. Ortiz took a Roll Call vote:

	Yes	No	Present, Not Voting	Absent
Anaheim	X			
Azusa	X			
Banning	X			
Burbank	X			

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Cerritos	X		
Colton	X		
Glendale	X		
IID	X		
LADWP	X		
Pasadena	X		
Riverside	X		
Vernon	X		

#### 5. CHIEF FINANCIAL & ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REPORT

#### **A.** Resolution 2025-004

Initial Authorizing Resolution -- Renewable Energy Prepayment: (1) Authorizing the Preparation of all Documents Necessary or Appropriate to Sell and Issue 2025 Renewable Energy Prepayment Bonds, the Proceeds of which will be used to finance Prepayments for the Purchase of Supplies of Renewable Energy and (2) Authorizing Officers of the Authority to do all things deemed necessary or appropriate in connection therewith

Aileen Ma, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer, presented Resolution 2025-004 to the Board for consideration and approval.

**Moved by**: Todd Dusenberry, *Vernon Public Utilities* **Seconded**: Kelly Nguyen, *Pasadena Water & Power* 

#### Ms. Ortiz took a Roll Call vote:

	Yes	No	Present, Not Voting	Absent
Anaheim	X			
Azusa	X			
Banning	X			
Burbank	X			
Cerritos	X			
Colton	X			
Glendale	X			
IID	X			
LADWP	X			

Pasadena	X		
Riverside	X		
Vernon	X		

### 6. ASSET MANAGEMENT REPORT

# A. FY Q1 Budget-to-Actual Variance Report

Mr. Charles Guss, Senior Asset Manager, presented the FY Q1 Budget-to-Actual Variance Report.

# B. New Nuclear Presentation by Arizona Public Service

Mr. Guss introduced Mr. Jonathan Sontoni from Arizona Public Service, who gave a presentation on New Nuclear and addressed questions from the Board of Directors.

#### 7. PROJECT DEVELOPMENT REPORT

#### A. Resolution 2025-005

Approval of a Power Purchase Agreement and an Option Agreement with Milford Solar Phase II, LLC for the Milford Solar Phase II Project, a Power Sales Agreement with each of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, Burbank, and Glendale, and an Agency Agreement with Los Angeles Department of Water and Power; and finding such action exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act

Mr. Quan presented Resolution 2025-005 to the Board for consideration and approval.

Moved by: Mandip Samra, Burbank Water & Power

Seconded: Ashkan Nassiri, Los Angeles Department of Water & Power

#### Ms. Ortiz took a Roll Call vote:

	Yes	No	Present, Not Voting	Absent
Anaheim			X	
Azusa	X			
Banning	X			
Burbank	X			
Cerritos	X			
Colton	X			
Glendale	X			
IID	X			
LADWP	X			

Pasadena	X		
Riverside	X		
Vernon	X		

#### 8. GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS REPORT

# A. Federal issues update

Mr. De Bernardo provided an overview of various federal Executive Orders adopted by President Trump, including an Executive Order on "Unleashing American Energy.". Mr. Chris Kearney from the Ferguson group provided additional information and answered questions from the Board.

- B. State legislative update, including Governor Newsom's proposed state budget Mr. De Bernardo presented a state legislative, update including on Governor Newsom's proposed 25-26 state budget.
- C. Update on Capitol Day (February 3rd) and APPA Federal Rally/SCPPA Fly-In (February 24-26)

Mr. De Bernardo provided an update on upcoming advocacy events, including Capitol Day on February 3, 2025, and the APPA Federal Rally/SCPPA Fly-in from February 23-27, 2025.

Mr. Singh called a 10-minute recess at 12:05 p.m. The Board re-convened at 12:15 p.m.

#### 9. CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Singh announced the Closed Session agenda. The Board entered closed session at 12:15 p.m. to discuss item 9a and 9b.

- A. Conference with Legal Counsel Potential Litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of California Government Code Section 54956.9 (One potential case)
- B. Conference with Legal Counsel Existing Litigation: James Eric Taylor v. Imperial Irrigation District and Southern California Public Power Authority, Imperial County Superior Court Case No. ECU003914

#### 10. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

The Board reconvened into open session at 12:58 p.m. Christine Godinez, General Counsel, noted that there were no items to report out of closed session.

#### 11.ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Singh adjourned the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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**Executive Director**