NCPA Third Phase Agreement and Power Purchase Agreement with sPower – Antelope Solar Expansion Project 1b

NCPA Facilities Committee
February 1, 2017
Purpose

- NCPA staff seeks a recommendation from the NCPA Facilities Committee to the NCPA Commission to adopt and approve the following:
  - Third Phase Agreement for Renewable Energy Power Purchase Agreement with Antelope Expansion 1b, LLC; and
  - Power Purchase Agreement between Antelope Expansion 1b, LLC and NCPA
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Changes to PPA since Jan 2017 FC Meeting

- Added City of Healdsburg (2 MW)
  - Changes Facility capacity from 15 MW to 17 MW
  - Several monetary values based on project capacity (examples below)
    - Seller’s Performance Security during construction & commercial operation
    - Seller’s contribution to Scheduling Coordination costs
    - Hours of economic curtailment with no payment to Seller
      - Based on product of project capacity and 50 hours (850 MWh)

- Clarifying edits from additional legal review
Changes to Third Phase since Jan 2017 FC Meeting

- Language to coordination on purchase option
  - NCPA to provide 9 month notice before each option date
  - Participating members indicate their interest in NCPA requesting purchase price (appraised value)
    - NCPA cannot execute option without unanimous approval from Participating members
  - Failure to issue notices does not constitute default

- Use of Participant Security Deposit
  - First use security from non-paying member before using other Participating Members’ security deposit.

- Step Up provision for Project Participants to cover a non-paying Members’ portion of costs of this project
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- Changes since Facilities Committee meeting in January 2017
- CEQA
Antelope Solar Expansion Phase 1B is a CEQA Project

- City of Lancaster is the lead agency
  - Nov 2016: Issued a Mitigated negative declaration based on initial study
  - Jan 2017: Voted 6-1 to issue Conditional Use Permits to sPower supporting the development of solar PV in the Antelope Valley
- Link to City of Lancaster Initial Study
- NCPA will be a Responsible Party
  - NCPA Commission will need to issue a finding based on the City of Lancaster’s study at the time it approves the PPA
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- The PPA between NCPA & sPower delivers RPS-eligible energy for 20 years at $39/MWh
- Includes energy, local Resource Adequacy capacity, Renewable Energy Credits, and all other environmental attributes
- Several protections afforded to Buyer
  - Construction, market price risk, forecasting error
- Includes options to buy the facility and add energy storage capability
- NCPA Third Phase mitigates cross-member risk to NCPA Members not party to this project
Request of the Facilities Committee

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Please refer to the Power Point presentation from the January 4, 2017 Facilities Committee for supplemental materials.