Minutes

To: Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee
From: Robyn Jackson, Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Assistant
Subject: November 28, 2018 Meeting Minutes, NCPA Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee

Item #1 – Opening Remarks & Introductions
Commission Chair Roger Frith, City of Biggs, called the meeting to order at 12:02 pm, followed by introductions of all in attendance. Those in attendance are shown on the attached attendance list.

Item #2 – Approval of Minutes
Motion: A motion was made by Pat Keener, City of Redding, and seconded by Teresa O’Neill, City of Santa Clara, to approve the minutes from the November 28, 2018, regular meeting. All were in favor. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC FORUM
No members of the public were present.

REPORTS/ACTION ITEMS
Item # 3 – NCPA Legislative & Regulatory Affairs Committee 2019 Strategic Plan
Jane Cirrincione provided an overview of the Legislative & Regulatory Affairs team’s strategic planning process and long-term goals. The Strategic Plan establishes priorities and policy objectives for the coming year, and serves as the basis for development of the fiscal year 2020 L&R budget. Sarah Taheri, Scott Tomaszefsky, Regina Rieger and Brent ten Pas reviewed proposed policy trends and work initiatives in the State, Federal, Regulatory, Western and Customer Program arenas. The L&R team also highlighted key accomplishments from 2018 including introduction & passage of a state bill to protect public investment in natural gas facilities during a transition to higher RPS requirements. Lastly, the L&R team outlined savings that benefitted NCPA members as a result of NCPA’s L&R advocacy for 2018, that amount was more than $7.7 million.
During the staff presentations for Item #3, Mark Chandler, Committee Chair, City of Lodi, arrived. Mr. Chandler presided over the meeting for the remainder of the agenda.

A motion was made by Heather Dauler, City of Palo Alto, and seconded by Jerry Serventi, City of Alameda, to approve The NCPA Legislative & Regulatory Affairs Committee 2019 Strategic Plan. All were in favor. The motion passes unanimously.

**Item #4 – State Legislative Report**
Sarah Taheri, State Government Relations and External Affairs Manager, updated members on several legislative issues that NCPA is monitoring. Topics discussed were wildfire liability, grid regionalization, and potential NCPA-sponsored legislation of RPS long-term contracting provisions. Ms. Taheri presented members with an overview of the 2019 State Legislative Calendar.

**Item #5 – Regulatory Affairs Update**
Scott Tomashefsky, Regulatory Affairs Manager, briefed the Committee on key state and federal initiatives including the activities of the California Air Resources Board on the cap-and-trade program post-2020 rulemaking, low carbon fuel standards program. Mr. Tomashefsky also provided updates on the California Energy Commission’s Renewables Portfolio Standard program, development of wildfire mitigation plans, and ongoing updates from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC).

**Item #6 – Western Update**
Regina Rieger, Federal Power Resources Program Manager, highlighted the key issues related to the cost-competitiveness of the Central Valley Project preference power resources and the presidential memorandum promoting the reliable supply and delivery of water in the west. Ms. Rieger reviewed the grand bargain, western power resource working group, and the western and reclamation leadership in transition.

**Item #7 – Federal Legislative Report**
Brent ten Pas, Federal Affairs Manager and Marty Kanner, Kanner & Associates, discussed Congress’ renewed focus on climate change and the Federal Communications Commission’s Order that asserts the Commission has jurisdiction over public power utility poles. They also reviewed the general elections and its political and policy implications for the United States Senate and House of Representatives.

**Item #8 NCPA EM&V Contracts**
Scott Tomashefsky, Regulatory Affairs Manager, requested Commission to approve Three Multi-Task Agreement to provide EM&V and Technical Advisory Service to NCPA, NCPA Members, as well as Members of the Southern California Public Power Authority.
A motion to approve NCPA EM&V Contracts was made by Pat Keener, City of Redding, and seconded by Teresa O’Neill, City of Santa Clara. All were in favor. The motion passed unanimously.

**#9– Energy Efficiency Goal**
Scott Tomashefsky, presented the NCPA Commission to approve a resolution stating the intention of NCPA members to support a California POU (NCPA, SCPPA & LADWP) goal to spend $1 billion across a broad-based range of energy efficiency programs through 2014. A motion to approve Energy Efficiency Goal was made by Roger Frith, City of Biggs, and seconded by Teresa O’Neill, City of Santa Clara. All were in favor. The motion passed unanimously.

**Item #10– Upcoming Events/Other Issues**

Ms. Cirrincione went on to announce that NCPA’s next scheduled meeting of the Committee will be held at NCPA Headquarters, 651 Commerce Drive, Roseville, California 95678 on Wednesday February 20, 2019 at 12:00 pm.

**Item #11 – Other Issues**
None

**ADJOURNMENT**

The Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee meeting moved to adjournment by Chair Mark Chandler, City of Lodi, at 4:20 pm.