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Minutes - Draft

Date: February 13, 2017
To: Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee
From: Carrie Pollo, Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Administrative Assistant
Subject: January 30, 2017 Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee Special Meeting
Minutes

Item # 1 – Opening Remarks and Introductions

NCPA Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee Chair Gary Plass, Council Member, City of Healdsburg, welcomed everyone to Capitol Day and NCPA's member briefing, and called the meeting to order at 8:00 am followed by introductions of all in attendance. Those in attendance are shown on the attached attendance list.

PUBLIC FORUM

No members of the public were present.

OPEN SESSION

REPORTS / ACTION ITEMS (8:10 – 10:00 am)

Item # 2 – Overview of Capitol Day Program/Events

Randy Howard, NCPA General Manager, welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming to NCPA's Capitol Day 2017. He highlighted the six priority issues that will be the focus of the day's meetings, including cap and trade, rooftop solar, CAISO regionalization, the protection of NCPA generation resources, workforce development, and energy storage.

Jane Cirrincione, AGM, Legislative and Regulatory Affairs, provided an overview of the schedule of events for the day, starting with the breakfast briefing, the scheduled legislative

meetings, and ending with a dinner with legislators at the end of the day. Ms. Cirrincione outlined plans for the day's events, and informed everyone that Room #125 in the State Capitol had been reserved for NCPA members to meet with staff from the Legislature and the Governor's office throughout the afternoon. Speakers for the day included, Saul Gomez,

Energy Policy Advisor, Governor Jerry Brown's Office; John Kennedy, Natural Resources Consultant, Assembly Republican Caucus; Gabrielle Zeps, Energy Advisor and Marie Liu, Natural Resources Advisor, from Assembly Speaker Rendon's Office, and; Lawrence Lingbloom, Chief Consultant with the Assembly Natural Resources Committee. Ms. Cirrincione also noted there would be a California Air Resources Board Meeting at 4:30 pm.

Item # 3 – State Policy Issues Briefing

Mario De Bernardo, State Government Relations Representative for NCPA, briefed the committee on the six key issues NCPA is highlighting for Capitol Day: cap and trade, rooftop solar, CAISO regionalization, NCPA's power plants, workforce development, and energy storage.

Regarding Cap and Trade, Mr. De Bernardo described how authorizing the program past 2020 will be a priority for the Legislature this year. He explained that NCPA supports cap and trade continuing with key provisions that maintain the free allowance program, incentivize transportation electrification, and reform the integrated resources plan requirements for POUs and rural electric cooperatives.

Regarding rooftop solar, Mr. De Bernardo highlighted NCPA's rooftop solar principles, the challenges with the current Net Energy Metering (NEM) program, why the state of New York is moving away from NEM, consumer protection issues, and supporting state funding for low income and environmental justice communities.

With regard to CAISO regionalization, Mr. De Bernardo explained that the momentum to introduce legislation has substantially slowed down. However, there is concern that the issue could materialize in a bill at the end of session, which NCPA would oppose unless unresolved issues—such as transmission access charges and stranded investments—are addressed.

With regard to NCPA power plants, Mr. De Bernardo highlighted their environmental benefits as well as challenges created by wildfires, regionalization, and PUC transmission rate design.

With regard to workforce development, Mr. De Bernardo discussed the challenges public power faces as employees retire, and technology and services drastically change. He explained NCPA's own efforts to address the issue, and expressed NCPA's support for state policies that provide additional resource and focus on workforce development in the electricity sector.

With regard to energy storage, Mr. De Bernardo explained NCPA and Southern California Public Power Association's partnership in evaluating 2020 targets. NCPA is opposed to prescriptive energy storage mandates and supports state funding for research and development that helps energy storage become a more viable option for utilities.

Item # 4 – Review of Legislative Meetings

Gregg Cook, Government Affairs Consulting, gave a brief explanation and walk-through of the topics to be covered in various legislative meetings throughout the day, including a brief background on each legislator and their role on key issues of importance to NCPA.

Item # 5 – Insights from the Senate pro Tem’s Office

Randy Howard introduced guest speaker, Kip Lipper, Chief Policy Advisor on Energy and Environment with the Office of Senate President pro Tem Kevin de León. His comments focused on CAISO regionalization, and the implications of new committee changes in the Legislature.

ADJOURNMENT

Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee Chair Gary Plass gave closing remarks, and adjourned the meeting at 9:45 am.

**Northern California Power Agency
Legislative & Regulatory Affairs Committee Special Meeting
January 30, 2017 - Attendee List**

| # | NAME | AFFILIATION |
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| 1 | Caroly P. Pass | Napa County |
| 2 | Janey Cirrincione | NCPA |
| 3 | SCOTT TOMASHEFSKY | NCPA |
| 4 | LIZ KIRKLEY | Lodi |
| 5 | Adam Brucker | Lodi |
| 6 | GARY DAVIDSON | Gridley |
| 7 | PAUL ECKERT | GRIDLEY |
| 8 | Corby Erwin | PSREC |
| 9 | Jessica Nelson | PSREC |
| 10 | ROBERT BINDON | PSREC |
| 11 | Roger Frith | Biggs |
| 12 | Basil Wong | Port |
| 13 | Diego Gonzalez | Port of Oakland |
| 14 | Brent ten Pas | NCPA |
| 15 | BARRY LESKA | ALAMEDA |
| 16 | Teresa O'Neill | Santa Clara - SUP |
| 17 | John Ronkema | Santa Clara - SUP |
| 18 | Joyce Kimeer | Santa Clara - SUP |
| 19 | Steve Schwabauer | Lodi |
| 20 | Bob Lutz | Lompoc |
| 21 | Randy Howard | NCPA |
| 22 | Mario DeBernardo | NCPA |
| 23 | Carmie Pollo | NCPA |
| 24 | Barry Moline | CMUA |
| 25 | TERRY CRAWLEY | HEALDSBURG |
| 26 | David Hoagland | Healdsburg |

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| 27 | Ed Shikada | City of Palo Alto |
| 28 | Debbie Lloyd | Palo Alto |
| 29 | Heather Dauler | Palo Alto |
| 30 | Ann McCormick | Alameda |
| 31 | John Allard | Roseville |
| 32 | Scott Alward | Roseville |
| 33 | Michelle Bertolino | Roseville |
| 34 | Chris Romero | Roseville |
| 35 | Todd White | Roseville |
| 36 | Susan Bidan | Roseville |
| 37 | Shawn Matchin | Roseville |
| 38 | Marks Wolinski | Roseville |
| 39 | Bonnie Gore | Roseville |
| 40 | Elizabeth Hadley | Reclading |
| 41 | Leslie Bryan | Reclading |
| 42 | Steven Poncelet | Truckee Donner RD |
| 43 | Jonathan Changus | NCRA |
| 44 | Gregg Cook | Government Affairs |
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