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# Minutes

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**Date:** February 1, 2018  
**To:** NCPA Facilities Committee  
**From:** Carrie Pollo  
**Subject:** January 31, 2018 Facilities Committee Meeting Minutes

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1. **Call meeting to order & Roll Call** - The meeting was called to order by Committee Chair Mike Brozo at 9:01 am. A sign-in sheet was passed around. Attending via teleconference and/or on-line presentation were Alan Hanger (Alameda), Mark Sorensen (Biggs), Paul Eckert (Gridley), Terry Crowley (Healdsburg), and Monica Padilla (Palo Alto). Those attending in person are listed on the attached Attendee Sign-in Sheet. Committee Representatives from BART, Port of Oakland, Santa Clara, TID, and Ukiah were absent. A quorum of the Committee was established.

## **PUBLIC FORUM**

No public comment.

2. **Approve minutes from the January 3, 2018 Facilities Committee Meeting and the January 11, 2018 Facilities Committee Special Meeting.** A motion was made by Shannon McCann and seconded by Melissa Price recommending approval of the January 3, 2018 Facilities Committee Meeting minutes, and the January 11, 2018 Facilities Committee Special Meeting minutes. A vote was taken by roll call: YES = Alameda, Biggs, Gridley, Healdsburg, Lodi, Palo Alto, Plumas-Sierra, and Roseville. The motion passed.
3. **CT1 Alameda Outage Update** – CT Staff provided an informational update regarding the CT1 Alameda Unit 1 Outage. Currently the CT1 Alameda Unit 1 is on an outage for the repair of baffle exhaust seals that were damaged. Since the exhaust seals were not able to be replaced without removal of the gas turbine rotor, the outage will continue through February 14, 2018. During removal of the rotor, disassembly of the compressor showed impact damage on Stage 9 and 10. The repair work for this damage will also be included in the scope of work for this unit. This unit is still on schedule to be back online by February 15, 2018.
4. **Approval of NCPA Solar Project Phase 2 Agreement** – Staff presented background information and was seeking a recommendation for approval of the NCPA Solar Project 1 Phase 2 Agreement. The Agreement encompasses site selection, technical/financial

evaluation, and site development for a fleet of solar photovoltaic (PV) plants to be located within participating member territories. The Agreement describes four sub-phases, beginning with site selection and feasibility analysis that will lead to a critical Go/No-Go decision point early in the process. This will enable a participant to withdraw from the project early on should their desired site(s) be deemed unfeasible for whatever reason, while minimizing their investment in the project. Also described is the cost allocation method; participants will be charged costs directly related to their site(s) development plus a percentage of the project's general costs based on a capacity-based GES. The agreement was reviewed during a web meeting for all potential participants January 12. The agreement will be taken to the Commission for approval February 22, and launch date as early as February 23.

Motion: A motion was made by Melissa Price and seconded by Alan Hanger recommending Commission approval of 1) the Second Phase Agreement for the NCPA Solar Project 1; and 2) Authorize the NCPA General Manager to execute the Second Phase Agreement for the Solar Project 1 on behalf of NCPA, including any non-substantive modifications approved by NCPA's General Counsel. A vote was taken by roll call: YES = Alameda, Biggs, Gridley, Healdsburg, Lodi, Palo Alto, Plumas-Sierra, and Roseville. The motion passed.

- 5. Nexant Cost Allocation Model Billing Determinants** – Staff reviewed the Nexant Cost Allocation Model proposed changes, and was seeking a recommendation for Commission approval of the billing determinants that will be used in the FY2019 Nexant Cost Allocation Model.

The proposed changes for the model include: 1) Exclude Internal Final Schedules (IFS) that have not changed from Day Ahead as the IFS are automatically populated each day. Only the subset that are adjusted in real time represent actual work; 2) Exclude Unit Contingent Bilateral Load Uplift Obligation Schedule Counts since these REC transactions are already accounted for in contract counts; and, 3) Count the EDF Real Time Load Following deals as unique deals for each day. Counting the EDF Real Time LF deals as monthly transactions concentrated contract counts and skewed excessive costs towards actual monthly deals that take less work to schedule and track due to monthly nature.

Since a quorum was not established for this item, the committee asked those in attendance if they support recommending Commission approval of the proposed modifications presented at this committee meeting and billing determinants that will be used in the FY2019 Nexant Cost Allocation Model. Those in attendance that support NCPA's recommendation are: Alameda, Gridley, Healdsburg, Lodi, Palo Alto, Plumas-Sierra, and Roseville. A staff report and resolution will be taken to the next Commission Meeting for approval on February 22, 2018.

- 6. New Services Staffing Update** – Staff provided an update with an analysis of the budget, staffing, and the operational impacts associated with the expansion of Power Management services on a fee for service basis. This analysis is being done to report on the agency's ability to support the continued growth of services on a fee basis, and to identify when additional staffing, facilities, and operational modifications will be necessary to support the continued expansion of fee-based services.

The services being provided impact staff in both the Power Management Division and the Administrative Services Division. As a result, impact assessments were performed in both divisions. Positions included in the analysis were in Dispatch and Scheduling, Planning and Pre-Scheduling, and Contracts and Interconnection Affairs, for Power Management, and

Information Services and Settlements for the Administrative Services Division. Operational impacts include office space, where additional staffing needs have been identified, and the NERC/WECC compliance standards, which will most likely change from low impact to a medium impact rating, with the additional services being provided.

This analysis report is 90% complete. Staff will bring a final report to next month's committee meeting. Please contact NCPA staff with any feedback, and support that your utility needs.

## **7. Planning and Operations Update –**

- The TO18 TAC trial is underway in Washington, DC. The trial should be finishing up by the end of the week. Litigation is leading to a better outcome than expected.
- Order 890 – Not much happening with this currently due to the TAC trial. A meeting has been scheduled with PG&E February 26 to discuss a redline version of the planning and tariff process. Southern California Edison (SCE) has made a filing at FERC to modify its planning process, in an attempt to ensure its planning process is compliant with the standards required under Order 890. All affected filed protests. NCPA has asked for consolidation with SCE or a technical conference.
- New Services Update – PCWA scheduling services started January 1. Pioneer Community Energy services will start tomorrow, February 1. Testing has been going on all week, and things have been going well for integration of services. NCPA sent a services contract to East Bay Community Energy for execution. San Jose CCA is still very interested in obtaining services from NCPA. The city is in discussions with their board, which could delay services until 2019. Discussions are currently in progress with South Feather Water & Power for services beginning in 2020 when their PG&E contract expires.
- NCPA has a new 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary logo this year. Celebrations will continue throughout the year for this historic milestone.
- The Geothermal Plant is requesting PG&E send outage requests ahead of time for better planning of their outages.
- The Hydroelectric Project has a current snowpack at 21% of normal, which is a bit higher than during the very dry year of 2014-2015. The current forecast is for a drier than normal year.

**8. Schedule next meeting date** – The next regular Facilities Committee meeting is scheduled for February 28, 2018.




## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 am.



**Northern California Power Agency  
January 31, 2018 Facilities Committee Meeting  
Attendance List**

NCPA Facilities Committee Members are requested to sign, but signature by members of the public is voluntary.

MEMBER	NAME
ALAMEDA	
BART	
BIGGS	
GRIDLEY	
HEALDSBURG	
LODI	
LOMPOC	
PALO ALTO	
PLUMAS-SIERRA REC	
PORT OF OAKLAND	
ROSEVILLE	
SANTA CLARA	
TID	
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