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# Meeting Minutes

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**To:** Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee  
**From:** Robyn Jackson, Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Assistant  
**Subject:** April 28, 2021 Meeting Minutes, NCPA Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee

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## ***Item #1 – Opening Remarks & Introductions***

NCPA Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee Chair Mark Chandler, City of Lodi, called the meeting to order at 12:04 pm. A quorum was present. Introductions were made. Those in attendance are shown on the attached attendance list.

## **PUBLIC FORUM**

No members of the public were present.

## **REPORTS/ACTION ITEMS**

### ***Item #2 – Approval of Minutes***

Motion: A motion was made by Pauline Roccucci, City of Roseville, and seconded by Jerry Serventi, City of Alameda, to approve the minutes from the February 24, 2021 Legislative & Regulatory Affairs Committee Meeting, and Minutes from L&R Committee Special Meetings held on March 11, 2021, April 6, 2021 and April 20, 2021. *A majority carried the motion on a roll call vote. San Francisco BART, Port of Oakland, Lake Shasta and Truckee Donner were absent.*

### ***Item #3 – Customer Programs***

Emily Lemei, Customer Programs Manager & Regulatory Affairs, provided an overview of the upcoming equity requirements for the Low Carbon Fuel Standard residential credits, discussed the details of the California Air Resources Board's proposal for an Advanced Clean Fleets regulation, and updated the Committee on recent contracting activities in support of the customer programs working groups.

**Item #4 – Amendment to Multi-task Consulting Services Agreement with ADM Associates, Inc.**

Emily Lemei, Customer Programs Manager & Regulatory Affairs, presented background information and requested a Committee recommendation for Commission approval of a First Amendment to the three-year Multi-Task Consulting Services Agreement with ADM Associates, Inc., for evaluation, measurement, and verification and technical advisory services, extending the agreement expiration date from December 13, 2021, to December 13, 2023.

Motion: A motion was made by Jerry Serventi, City of Alameda, and seconded by Jenelle Osborne, City of Lompoc, recommending Commission approval authorizing the General Manager or his designee to enter into a First Amendment to the Multi-Task Consulting Services Agreement with ADM Associates, Inc., with any non-substantial changes recommended and approved by the NCPA General Counsel, extending the term of the contract for two years, for use by NCPA, NCPA Members, SCPPA, or SCPPA Members. *A majority carried the motion on a roll call vote. San Francisco BART, Shasta Lake, and Truckee Donner were absent.*

**Item #5 – First Amendment to Multi-task Consulting Services Agreement with Cadmus Group LLC**

Emily Lemei, Customer Programs Manager & Regulatory Affairs, presented background information and requested a Committee recommendation for Commission approval of a First Amendment to the three-year Multi-Task Consulting Services Agreement with Cadmus Group LLC for evaluation, measurement, and verification and technical advisory services, extending the agreement expiration date from January 22, 2022, to January 22, 2024.

Motion: A motion was made by Sudhanshu Jain, City of Santa Clara, and seconded by Heather Dauler, City of Palo Alto, recommending Commission approval authorizing the General Manager or his designee to enter into a First Amendment to the Multi-Task Consulting Services Agreement with Cadmus Group LLC, with any non-substantial changes recommended and approved by the NCPA General Counsel, extending the term of the contract for two years, for use by NCPA, NCPA Members, SCPPA, or SCPPA Members. *A majority carried the motion on a roll call vote. San Francisco BART, Shasta Lake, and Truckee Donner were absent.*

**Item #6 – First Amendment to Multi-task Consulting Services Agreement with Energy & Resource Solutions n/k/a/ DNV Energy Services USA Inc.**

Emily Lemei, Customer Programs Manager & Regulatory Affairs, presented background information and requested a Committee recommendation for Commission approval of a First Amendment to the three-year Multi-Task Consulting Services Agreement with Energy & Resource Solutions for evaluation, measurement, and verification and technical advisory services, extending the agreement expiration date from November 28, 2021, to November 28, 2023, and to change the vendor name to DNV Energy Services USA, Inc.

Motion: A motion was made by Sudhanshu Jain, City of Santa Clara, and seconded by Pauline Roccucci, City of Roseville, recommending Commission approval authorizing the General Manager or his designee to enter into a First Amendment to the Multi-Task Consulting Services Agreement with DNV Energy Services USA Inc., with any non-substantial changes recommended and approved by the NCPA General Counsel, changing the vendor name and extending the term of the contract for two years, for use by NCPA, NCPA Members, SCPPA, or SCPPA Members. *A majority carried the motion on a roll call vote. San Francisco BART, and Truckee Donner were absent.*

### **Item #7 – Member Programs**

Jack Lincoln, NCPA's Federal Affairs and Member Programs Manager, provided an update on upcoming member events planned for Fall 2021, including NCPA's Annual Conference and the NCPA/NWPPA Federal Policy Conference.

### **Item #8 – First Amendment to Multi-task Consulting Services Agreement with Association Management Solutions**

Jack Lincoln, NCPA's Federal Affairs and Member Programs Manager, presented background information and requested a Committee recommendation for Commission approval of a First Amendment to the three-year Multi-Task Consulting Services Agreement with Association Management Solutions, LLC for event planning for NCPA, NCPA Members, SCPPA and SCPPA Members, extending the agreement expiration date from June 11, 2021, to December 10, 2021.

Motion: A motion was made by Sudhanshu Jain, City of Santa Clara, and seconded by Jerry Serventi, City of Alameda, recommending Commission approval authorizing the General Manager or his designee to enter into a First Amendment to the Multi-Task Consulting Services Agreement with Association Management Solutions, LLC, with any non-substantial changes recommended and approved by the NCPA General Counsel, extending the term of the contract for six months, for use by NCPA, NCPA Members, SCPPA, or SCPPA Members. *A majority carried the motion on a roll call vote. San Francisco BART, Port of Oakland, and Truckee Donner were absent.*

### **Item #9 – Federal Affairs**

Jack Lincoln, NCPA's Federal Affairs and Member Programs Manager, and Marty Kanner, Kanner & Associates, gave an overview of the federal legislative items of interest specifically as it relates to climate change, clean energy, and infrastructure proposals. Major developments on federal legislative initiatives include pursuing avenues to support federal investment in clean energy infrastructure, specifically targeting hydrogen production, as well as the advancement of federal hydropower relicensing efforts through the "Uncommon Dialogue." In addition, the group discussed securing comparable incentives in any clean energy tax proposals moving forward such as the GREEN Act and Clean Energy for America Act. They also provided an overview of NCPA's upcoming in-person events including the Annual Conference and Federal Policy Conference with the caveat that given the ongoing COVID-19 restrictions, the planning situation remains fluid and evolving.

### **Item #10 – Federal Power Program**

Regina Rieger, NCPA's Federal Power Resource Program Manager, briefed members on the balancing challenges facing the Central Valley Project (CVP) and reduced base resource generation due to continued dry conditions, which are trending towards the third driest year on record. Drought is the largest factor contributing to reduced CVP base resource availability this year, but another factor is power bypass operations currently underway at Shasta Dam. Warm water bypass operations at Shasta Dam were approved by the Bureau of Reclamation in mid-April and are designed to release warm water now to preserve cold water for endangered winter-run Chinook Salmon later this summer. While challenges remain, actions taken now may avoid disruptions later this summer when power is in peak demand, prices are higher and fast ramping hydropower may be needed for reliability.

***Item #11 – State Legislative Affairs***

Sarah Taheri, NCPA's State Government Relations & External Affairs Manager, and Gregg Cook, Principal, Government Affairs Consulting, updated Committee members on high-priority legislation of interest to the Agency. Bills were discussed related to renewable energy and zero-carbon resources, GHG emissions reduction targets, broadband, transportation electrification, methane emissions at natural gas power plants, and NCPA's efforts to secure legislation that addresses a technical fix to reporting deadlines in the Power Source Disclosure Program. Ms. Taheri also provided an update on the status of the state budget, noting a significant surplus and highlighting publicly owned utility efforts to obtain funding to support utility arrearages associated with the COVID-19 pandemic.

***Item #12 – Regulatory Affairs***

Scott Tomashefsky, NCPA's Regulatory Affairs Manager, briefed the Committee about ongoing developments at the CEC, including the Integrated Energy Policy Report and Load Management Standards proceedings, Power Source Disclosure requirements, and potential R&D funding opportunities. He also provided a recap of activities happening with the Wildfire Safety Advisory Board and the CPUC. Mr. Tomashefsky informed the Committee about the slate of technical conferences being held at FERC, ending the discussion with a review of the reports required of NCPA members by the CEC and CARB through the end of June.

***Item #13 – Other Issues***

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee meeting was adjourned by Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee Chair Mark Chandler, City of Lodi, at 2:40 pm.

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 Legislative & Regulatory Affairs Committee Meeting and Teleconference  
 April 28, 2021  
 COMMITTEE MEMBER  
 Attendance List**

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

<b>MEMBER</b>	<b>SIGNATURE</b>
<b>1 – ALAMEDA</b>	Jerry Serventi
<b>2 – BIGGS</b>	James “Bo” Sheppard
<b>3 – GRIDLEY</b>	Catalina Sanchez
<b>4 – HEALDSBURG</b>	David Hagele
<b>5 – LODI</b>	Mark Chandler
<b>6 – LOMPOC</b>	Jenelle Osborne
<b>7 - PALO ALTO</b>	Heather Dauler
<b>8 - PLUMAS-SIERRA REC</b>	Corby Erwin
<b>9 - PORT OF OAKLAND</b>	Jared Carpenter
<b>10 – REDDING</b>	Patrick Keener
<b>11 – ROSEVILLE</b>	Pauline Roccucci
<b>12 – SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT</b>	
<b>13 – SANTA CLARA</b>	Kathy Watanabe
<b>14 – SHASTA LAKE</b>	James Takehara
<b>15 – TRUCKEE DONNER</b>	
<b>16 – UKIAH</b>	Mel Grandi

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<b>SIGNATURE</b>	<b>AFFILIATION</b>
Nico Procos	Alameda
Mike Farr	Gridley
Elisa Arteaga	Gridley
Dan Howard	Gridley
Terry Crowley	Healdsburg
Melissa Price	Lodi
Debra Llyod	Palo Alto
Leslie Bryan	Redding
Chris Romero	Roseville
Amber Blixt	Roseville
David Siao	Roseville
Sudhanshu "Suds" Jain	Santa Clara
Kathleen Hughes	Santa Clara
Ann Hatcher	Santa Clara
Basil Wong	Santa Clara
Gregg Cook	Government Affairs Consulting
Marty Kanner	Kanner and Associates
Randy Howard	NCPA
Jane Cirrincione	NCPA
Scott Tomashefsky	NCPA
Regina Rieger	NCPA
Sarah Taheri	NCPA
Emily Lemei	NCPA
Jack Lincoln	NCPA
Robyn Jackson	NCPA

Monty Hanks	NCPA
Joel Ledesma	NCPA
Jane Luckhardt	NCPA
Vela Wann	NCPA