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Meeting Minutes

To: Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee
From: Robyn Jackson, Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Assistant
Subject: February 23, 2022 Meeting Minutes, NCPA Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee

Item #1 – Opening Remarks & Introductions

NCPA Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee Vice Chair Mark Chandler, City of Lodi, called the meeting to order at 12:02 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 Jerry Serventi, City of Alameda, and seconded by James “Bo” Sheppard, City of Biggs, to approve the minutes from the December 1, 2021 regular meeting, and the minutes from the Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee special meeting held on February 16, 2022. *A majority carried the motion on a roll call vote. San Francisco BART, Gridley, Palo Alto, Plumas-Sierra, Port of Oakland, Shasta Lake and Truckee-Donner were absent.*

Item #3 Budget Workshop

Jane Cirrincione, AGM Legislative & Regulatory Affairs, presented background information and requested a recommendation for Commission approval of the Legislative and Regulatory Affairs FY 2023 budget. Ms. Cirrincione provided an overview of the budget planning process for the FY2023 Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Budget. She reported that the \$1.41 million operating budget includes 62% for State and Federal Advocacy, 12% for Western Programs, 15% for Customer Programs, 6% dues for key coalitions, and 5% for miscellaneous expenses. The breakdown of the \$1.41 million operating budget does not include \$510,347 in pass-through costs. Ms. Cirrincione reported that the net change in the FY2023 L&R baseline budget is \$127,325, or a 9.9% increase, over the FY2022 budget related primarily to NCPA's new Grant

Writing Assistance and Grant Tracking Services, and an increase in LCFS Support Services and State Advocacy.

Motion: A motion was made by Pat Keener, City of Redding, and seconded by Jerry Serventi, City of Alameda, recommending Commission approval of the Legislative and Regulatory Affairs programs' FY2023 proposed budget. *A majority carried the motion on a roll call vote. San Francisco BART, Gridley, Palo Alto, Plumas-Sierra, Port of Oakland, Shasta Lake and Truckee-Donner were absent.*

Item #4 Multi-Task Consulting Services Agreement with Government Affairs Consulting
Jane Cirrincione, AGM Legislative & Regulatory Affairs, presented background information and requested a recommendation for Commission approval of a Multi-Task Consulting Services Agreement with Government Affairs Consulting for state legislative consulting services which shall not exceed \$990,000 over five years for use by NCPA.

Motion: A motion was made by Kathy Watanabe, City of Santa Clara, and seconded by Cindy Sauers, City of Ukiah, recommending Commission approval authorizing the General Manager or his designee to enter into a Multi-Task Consulting Services Agreement with Government Affairs Consulting for state legislative consulting services for an amount not exceed \$990,000 over five years, for use by NCPA. *A majority carried the motion on a roll call vote. San Francisco BART, Gridley, Palo Alto, Plumas Sierra, Port of Oakland, Shasta Lake and Truckee Donner were absent.*

Item #5 Multi-Task Consulting Services Agreement with Kanner and Associates, LLC
Jane Cirrincione, AGM Legislative & Regulatory Affairs, presented background information and requested a recommendation for Commission approval of a Multi-Task Consulting Services Agreement with Kanner and Associates, LLC to provide federal legislative and regulatory advocacy, which shall not exceed \$930,000 over three years for use by NCPA.

Motion: A motion was made by Pauline Roccucci, City of Roseville, and seconded by Jenelle Osborne, City of Lompoc, recommending Commission approval authorizing the General Manager or his designee to enter into a Multi-Task Consulting Services Agreement with Kanner and Associates, LLC for federal and legislative and regulatory advocacy services for in amount not exceed \$930,000 over three years, for use by NCPA. *A majority carried the motion on a roll call vote. San Francisco BART, Gridley, Palo Alto, Plumas-Sierra, Port of Oakland, Shasta Lake and Truckee-Donner were absent.*

Item #6 Federal Affairs

Jack Lincoln, Federal Affairs and Member Programs Manager provided an overview of the political landscape in Washington, D.C., highlighting the impasse over one of President Biden's signature pieces of legislation, the Build Back Better (BBB) Act. However, he explained that the inability to pass the BBB Act has created the possibility for a standalone energy package that could include clean energy incentives—an NCPA priority issue. Mr. Lincoln outlined key energy policy efforts including: advancing tax incentives for energy storage including NCPA's hydrogen project, aligning future state/federal climate programs, efforts to advance federal hydropower relicensing, possible funding for green hydrogen development, NCPA's sediment removal project, electric vehicle charging infrastructure, and electric utility grid hardening to prevent wildfires.

Item #7 Federal Power Program

Regina Rieger, Federal Power Resources Program Manager, provided an updated on the Central Valley Project Hydropower CVP cost and resource. She reported that the third-year of drought conditions is reducing base resource availability and pushing up the effective unit rate. Ms. Rieger outlined efforts agencies are undertaking to review the CVP operations under the Endangered Species Act (BiOps), work being done by the State Water Resource Control Board to finalize Bay Delta Water Quality Control Plan (flow requirements on San Joaquin and Sacramento river systems), prospects for Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill funding, the potential for grants for updates to CVP projects, and inflation challenges.

Item #8 Customer Programs

Emily Lemei, provided an update on the implementation of new equity spending requirements for the Low Carbon Fuel Standard (LCFS) and next steps for the Advanced Clean Fleets regulation—and shared joint utility efforts to plan for and support a regional charging network. Ms. Lemei also provided an update on activities related to identifying funding opportunities, including the availability of contracts for grant writing assistance. Ms. Lemei concluded with a reminder that the annual energy efficiency report is due to the California Energy Commission by March 15.

Item #9 Regulatory Affairs

Scott Tomashefsky, NCPA's Regulatory Affairs Manager, began the update by reviewing the current status of the state's cap-and-trade program followed by an overview of key policy areas being addressed at the California Energy Commission, the California Air Resources Board, the California Public Utilities Commission, the Wildfire Safety Advisory Board, and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. He ended the discussion with a summary of the CPUC's most recent Net Energy Metering Proposal, as well as CAISO's recently released 20-Year Transmission Outlook.

Item # 10 State Legislative Affairs

Gregg Cook, Principal, Government Affairs Consulting, provided an update on state legislative priorities. He addressed the Governor's 2022-23 budget proposals outlined in the Blue Print for California, noting the Governor is proposing to add \$6.1 billion over five years to last year's \$3.9 billion for zero electric vehicle (ZEV) program acceleration and an additional \$2 billion to address clean energy priorities. Legislative proposals are being developed, but not yet introduced, to focus on electricity reliability and resource adequacy, transmission issues, offshore wind, electrification, and wildfire program implementation/administration.

Item #10 – Other Issues

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee meeting was moved to adjournment by Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee Vice Chair Mark Chandler, City of Lodi, at 2:04 pm.

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COMMITTEE MEMBER
Attendance List**

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

MEMBER	SIGNATURE
1 - ALAMEDA	Jerry Serventi
2 - BIGGS	Bo Sheppard
3 - GRIDLEY	
4 - HEALDSBURG	Dave Hagele
5 - LODI	Mark Chandler
6 - LOMPOC	Jenelle Osborne
7 - PALO ALTO	
8 - PLUMAS-SIERRA REC	
9 - PORT OF OAKLAND	Jared Carpenter
10 - REDDING	Patrick Keener
11 - ROSEVILLE	Pauline Roccucci
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Alan Harbottle	Alameda
Robert Oberta	Alameda
Terry Crowley	Healdsburg
Jeff Berkheimer	Lodi
Melissa Price	Lodi
Amber Blixt	Roseville
Kathleen Hughes	Santa Clara
Basil Wong	Santa Clara
Gregg Cook	Government Affairs Consulting
Randy Howard	NCPA
Jane Cirrincione	NCPA
Scott Tomashefsky	NCPA
Emily Lemei	NCPA
Jack Lincoln	NCPA
Regina Rieger	NCPA
Robyn Jackson	NCPA
Randy Bowersox	NCPA
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Special Meeting Minutes

To: Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee
From: Robyn Jackson, Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Assistant
Subject: February 7, 2022 Special Meeting Minutes, NCPA Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee

Item #1 – Opening Remarks & Introductions

NCPA Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee Chair Greg Scharff, City of Palo Alto, called the special meeting to order at 2:00 pm. 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 NCPA Capitol Day meeting with staff advisor to the Wildfire Safety Advisory Board (WSAB), Office of Energy Safety, California Resources Agency.

Tim Tutt, WSAB discussed POU wildfire mitigation plan advisory opinions and next steps. Following the discussion, Mr. Tutt responded to the NCPA Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee members' questions related to: climate change; state budget funding for wildfire mitigation; legacy wired, infrastructure and the role of the WSAB.

ADJOURNMENT

The Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee's special meeting was moved to adjournment by Chair Greg Scharff, City of Palo Alto at 2:36 pm.

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1 – ALAMEDA	Jerry Serventi
2 - BIGGS	Bo Sheppard
3 - GRIDLEY	
4 - HEALDSBURG	David Hagele
5 - LODI	Jeff Berkheimer
6 - LOMPOC	Jenelle Osborne
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Robert Oberta	Alameda
Mark Sorensen	Biggs
Terry Crowley	Healdsburg
Jeff Berkheimer	Lodi
CJ Berry	Lompoc
Heather Dauler	Palo Alto
Lena Perkins	Palo Alto
Jason Harston	Plumas Sierra
Corby Erwin	Plumas Sierra
Bill Newberg	Plumas Sierra
Leslie Bryan	Redding
David Siao	Roseville
Kathy Watanabe	Santa Clara
Kathleen Hughes	Santa Clara
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Ann Hatcher	Santa Clara
Manuel Pineda	Santa Clara
Gregg Cook	Government Affairs Consulting
Susie Berlin	Law Office of Susie Berlin
Randy Howard	NCPA
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Monty Hanks	NCPA
Mike Whitney	NCPA
Tim Tutt	Wildfire Safety Advisory Board



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NCPA Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee Chair Greg Scharff, City of Palo Alto, called the special meeting to order at 3:00 pm. 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 NCPA Capitol Day meeting with staff of the California Energy Commission Fuels and Transportation Division

Hannon Rasool, CEC Fuels and Transportation Division discussed CEC transportation-related programs. Following the discussion, Mr. Rasool responded to the NCPA Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee members' questions related to: rate design; the state's goals for zero-emission technologies and infrastructure; hydrogen; smart meters, vehicle-to-grid integration, and the evolving landscape for charging infrastructure.

ADJOURNMENT

The Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee's special meeting was moved to adjournment by Chair Greg Scharff, City of Palo Alto at 3:32 pm.

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1 – ALAMEDA	Jerry Serventi
2 - BIGGS	Bo Sheppard
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CJ Berry	Lompoc
Jason Harston	Plumas Sierra
Corby Erwin	Plumas Sierra
Bill Newberg	Plumas Sierra
Leslie Bryan	Redding
Mark Wolinski	Roseville
David Bradford	Roseville
Kathy Watanabe	Santa Clara
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Hannon Rasool	CEC – Fuels & Transportation Division



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NCPA Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee Chair Greg Scharff, City of Palo Alto, called the special meeting to order at 4:01 pm and turned the meeting over to NCPA Commissioner Jerry Serventi, City of Alameda. 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 NCPA Capitol Day meeting with California Air Resources Board Staff Representatives

Mark Sippola, Manager, Allowance Allocation and Emission Leakage, CARB and Rachel Gold, Lead, Voluntary Renewable Electricity Programs, CARB. NCPA member systems shared how they are using their auction proceeds. Mr. Sippola and Ms. Gold discussed the future of cap-and-trade in light of the 2022 Scoping plan update. Following the discussion, they answered questions from NCPA Legislative and Regulatory Affairs members on the following topics: tracking wildfire emissions for health; Governor Newsom's 80-20 order, and the expansion of biomass plans.

ADJOURNMENT

The Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee's special meeting was moved to adjournment by NCPA Commissioner Jerry Serventi, City of Alameda at 4:58 pm.

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Mark Sippola	CARB Staff
Rachel Gold	CARB Staff
Michael Turgeon	CARB Staff
Jason Gray	CARB Staff