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Meeting Minutes

To: Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee
From: Robyn Jackson, Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Assistant
Subject: August 25, 2021 Meeting Minutes, NCPA Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee

Item #1 – Opening Remarks & Introductions

NCPA Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee Chair Mark Chandler, City of Lodi, called the meeting to order at 12:06 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 Suds Jain, City of Santa Clara, and seconded by Pauline Roccucci, City of Roseville, to approve the minutes from the Legislative & Regulatory Affairs Committee Special Meetings held on July 27, 2021 and August 10, 2021. *A majority carried the motion on a roll call vote. San Francisco BART, Gridley, Port of Oakland, Lake Shasta and Ukiah were absent.*

Item #3 – Multi-task Consulting Services Agreement with Dee’s Design Box, LLC

Emily Lemei, Customer Programs Manager & Regulatory Affairs, presented background information and requested a Committee recommendation for Commission approval of a five-year Multi-Task Consulting Services Agreement with Dee’s Design Box, LLC for graphic design services for a not-to-exceed amount of \$250,000, for use by NCPA, NCPA Members, SCPPA, and SCPPA Members. Work completed by this consultant will be processed and billed to the individual utility system as a pass-through charge under NCPA’s Support Services Agreement.

Motion: A motion was made by Suds Jain, City of Santa Clara and seconded by Pat Keener, City of Redding, recommending Commission approval authorizing the General Manager or his designee to enter into the Multi-Task Consulting Services Agreement with Dee’s Design Box,

LLC for graphic design services for a not-to exceed amount of \$250,000, for use by NCPA, NCPA Members, SCPPA, and SCPPA Members. *A majority carried the motion on a roll call vote. San Francisco BART, Gridley, Shasta Lake, and Ukiah were absent.*

Item #4 – Multi-task Consulting Services Agreement with Background Stories, Co.

Emily Lemei, Customer Programs Manager & Regulatory Affairs, presented background information and requested a Committee recommendation for Commission approval of a five-year Multi-Task Consulting Services Agreement with Background Stories, Co. for graphic design services for a not-to-exceed amount of \$250,000, for use by NCPA, NCPA Members, SCPPA, and SCPPA Members. Work completed by this consultant will be processed and billed to the individual utility system as a pass-through charge under NCPA's Support Services Agreement.

Motion: A motion was made by Suds 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 the Multi-Task Consulting Services Agreement with Background Stories, Co. for graphic design services for a not-to exceed amount of \$250,000, for use by NCPA, NCPA Members, SCPPA, and SCPPA Members. *A majority carried the motion on a roll call vote. San Francisco BART, Gridley, Shasta Lake, and Ukiah were absent.*

Item #5 – Multi-task Consulting Services Agreement with Pat Davis Design Group, Inc.

Emily Lemei, Customer Programs Manager & Regulatory Affairs, presented background information and requested a Committee recommendation for Commission approval of a five-year Multi-Task Consulting Services Agreement with Pat Davis Design Group, Inc. for graphic design services for a not-to-exceed amount of \$250,000, for use by NCPA, NCPA Members, SCPPA, and SCPPA Members. Work completed by this consultant will be processed and billed to the individual utility system as a pass-through charge under NCPA's Support Services Agreement.

Motion: A motion was made by Suds Jain, City of Santa Clara and seconded by David Hagele, City of Healdsburg, recommending Commission approval authorizing the General Manager or his designee to enter into the Multi-Task Consulting Services Agreement with Pat Davis Design Group, Inc. for graphic design services for a not-to exceed amount of \$250,000, for use by NCPA, NCPA Members, SCPPA, and SCPPA Members. *A majority carried the motion on a roll call vote. San Francisco BART, Gridley, Shasta Lake, and Ukiah were absent.*

Item #6 – Federal Affairs

Jack Lincoln, NCPA's Federal Affairs and Member Programs Manager, and Marty Kanner, Kanner and Associates provided an overview of the current political landscape in Washington D.C., highlighting recent action on the budget resolution and bipartisan infrastructure package that is at the forefront of the legislative agenda this year. They went into detail explaining key energy provisions included in each legislative vehicle and estimated a timeline for consideration in both the House and Senate and the potential political pitfalls both bills may encounter given the narrow majorities in both chambers.

Item #7 – Federal Power Program

Regina Rieger, Federal Power Program Manager, provided updates on the challenges facing the Central Valley Project (CVP) including reductions to CVP base resource due to the drought. August 24 was National Hydropower Day and a short video produced by the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation highlighting the benefits of hydropower was streamed for the Committee. She briefed the Committee on the rescission of a Department of Interior CVPIA

completion memo, upcoming rates, and reported that Tracey LeBeau was selected by Secretary of Energy Jennifer Granholm as Western's Administrator and CEO.

Item #8 – State Legislative Affairs

Sarah Taheri, NCPA's State Government Relations and External Affairs Manager, and Gregg Cook, Principle of Government Affairs Consulting, provided an update on state legislation. Discussion included an overview of the remaining deadlines for the 2021 state legislative session, information on the utility arrearage payment program established in the budget, the latest from Governor Newsom's office regarding addressing energy supply shortages, and brief updates on other legislation of interest to the agency and members.

Item #9 – Regulatory Affairs

Scott Tomashefsky, NCPA's Regulatory Affairs Manager, briefed the Committee about ongoing developments at the CEC, including the creation of an expedited process to build emergency power generation in response to Governor Newsom's July 30, 2021 energy emergency proclamation. Mr. Tomashefsky provided updates on additional activities at the CEC, including the Integrated Energy Policy Report proceeding and the recent approval of building standards. Mr. Tomashefsky also informed the Committee about the status of the CARB Scoping Plan proceeding, CPUC oversight related to PG&E, and concluded with a federal update on issues impacting FERC and NERC.

Item #10 – Customer Programs

Emily Lemei, Customer Programs Manager & Regulatory Affairs, provided an overview of the upcoming equity requirements for Low Carbon Fuel Standard (LCFS) residential credits and working group efforts to develop new equity programs, and shared joint utility efforts to prepare for EV charging needs for medium-duty and heavy-duty trucks and fleets. Ms. Lemei additionally summarized a recent California Public Utilities Commission decision to establish a new metric for energy efficiency and electrification programs, and discussed recent contracting activities in support of Member's customer programs' needs.

Item #11 – Member Programs

Jack Lincoln, NCPA's Federal Affairs and Member Programs Manager, provided the Committee with a run-through of our upcoming member events including the Annual Conference, Federal Policy Conference, and Legislative Staff Tour. Mr. Lincoln encouraged members to register for the upcoming events, and also explained in great detail the COVID-19 precautions we will be taking to ensure the health and safety of all attendees.

Item #12 – 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 2:38 pm.

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 August 25, 2021
 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	James "Bo" Sheppard
3 - GRIDLEY	
4 - HEALDSBURG	David Hagele
5 - LODI	Mark Chandler
6 - LOMPOC	Jenelle Osborne
7 - PALO ALTO	Heather Dauler
8 - PLUMAS-SIERRA REC	Corby Erwin
9 - PORT OF OAKLAND	Jared Carpenter
10 - REDDING	Pat Keener
11 - ROSEVILLE	Pauline Roccucci
12 – SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT	
13 – SANTA CLARA	Sudhanshu Jain
14 – SHASTA LAKE	James Takehara
15 – TRUCKEE DONNER	Steven Poncelet
16 - UKIAH	

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SIGNATURE	AFFILIATION
Torsten Glidden	Alameda
Johnstone Kipyator	Alameda
Melissa Price	Lodi
Emily Compton	Plumas-Sierra
Leslie Bryan	Redding
Amber Blixt	Roseville
Kathy Watanabe	Santa Clara
Kathleen Hughes	Santa Clara
Basil Wong	Santa Clara
Arielle Romero Cox	Santa Clara
Gregg Cook	Government Affairs Consulting
Marty Kanner	Kanner and Associates
Randy Howard	NCPA
Jane Cirrincione	NCPA
Scott Tomashefsky	NCPA
Sarah Taheri	NCPA
Emily Lemei	NCPA
Jack Lincoln	NCPA
Regina Rieger	NCPA
Robyn Jackson	NCPA
Jane Luckhardt	NCPA
Mike Whitney	NCPA