

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

Business Meeting Minutes

of

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The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Pfannenstiel at 10:05 a.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice Chair Pfannenstiel.

Joseph Desmond	Absent
Jackalyne Pfannenstiel	Present
Arthur Rosenfeld	Present
James D. Boyd	Present
John L. Geesman	Present

Vice Chair Pfannenstiel said a few words regarding the passing of Senator Alquist this past week. She spoke of him as one of the key people who not only envisioned the Energy Commission, but was a staunch supporter throughout the years. Our thoughts are with his family at this time.

Commissioner Boyd spoke about the passing of Mr. Lloyd Forrest who was the first Executive Director of the Energy Commission. Mr. Forrest lost his long-fought battle with cancer.

Vice Chair Pfannenstiel also noted that this would be the last meeting of the Energy Commission's Secretariat, Betty McCann, who is retiring and whose last day is tomorrow..

1. CONSENT CALENDAR. (Items on the Consent Calendar will be taken up and voted on as a group. A Commissioner may request that an item be moved and discussed later in the meeting).
 - a. DEL MONTE FOODS. Possible approval of a no-cost, sixteen-month time extension (June 30, 2007) to Work Authorization MR-009 with Del Monte Foods under Contract 500-02-004. This project will optimize energy use in the can cooking/cooling process. (PIER funded)

Commissioner Rosenfeld moved and Commissioner Geesman seconded approval of the Consent Calendar. The vote was unanimous. (4-0)

2. COLLABORATIVE FOR HIGH PERFORMANCE SCHOOLS. Possible approval of a \$31,000 grant to the Collaborative for High Performance Schools to administer an incentive program that will cover the cost difference between a high performance portable classroom and a standard portable unit. (USDOE funded)

Commissioner Rosenfeld moved and Commissioner Geesman seconded approval of a grant to the Collaborative for High Performance Schools. The vote was 3-0-1 with Vice Chair Pfannenstiel recusing herself. (3-0-1)

3. STRATEGIC ENERGY INNOVATIONS (SEI). Possible approval of Contract 400-05-017 for \$31,778 to Strategic Energy Innovations to continue as the Rebuild America representative in the Bay area and Central Valley. SEI will also market, coordinate and facilitate two meetings for the Rebuild America Multifamily Consortium. (USDOE funded)

Commissioner Rosenfeld moved and Commissioner Geesman seconded approval of Contract 400-05-017. The vote was unanimous. (4-0)

4. CITY OF LOS ANGELES. Possible approval of a \$2,950,604 loan to the City of Los Angeles to convert a portion of the city's light fixtures from incandescent lamps to induction lamps. This project is estimated to save the city approximately \$301,082 annually in reduced energy costs and have a simple payback of approximately 9.8 years. (ECAA and/or bond funded)

Commissioner Rosenfeld moved and Commissioner Geesman seconded approval of a loan to the city of Los Angeles. The vote was unanimous. (4-0)

5. EVERGREEN UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT. Possible approval of a \$623,380 loan to the Evergreen Union School District to install a 158 kW photovoltaic system and energy efficient light projects. This project is estimated to save the district approximately \$63,749 annually and has a simple payback of approximately 9.8 years. (ECAA and/or bond funded)

Commissioner Rosenfeld moved and Commissioner Boyd seconded approval of a loan to the Evergreen Union School District. The vote was unanimous. (4-0)

6. TRUSTEES OF THE CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY- SAN DIEGO. Possible approval of Contract 500-05-032 for \$2,416,897 to the Trustees of the California State University – San Diego to solicit, initiate and manage research grants for the Public Interest Energy Research Program - Buildings Program area. (PIER funded)

Commissioner Rosenfeld moved and Commissioner Geesman seconded approval of Contract 500-05-032. The vote was unanimous. (4-0)

7. SDV-SCC, INC. Possible approval of Contract 600-05-008 for \$34,436 to SDV-SCC, Inc. to provide a Clean Cities Regional Peer Exchange meeting to discuss transportation project funding. This meeting is for the U. S. Department of Energy - Western Regional Office staff with the Regional Clean Cities coordinators. (USDOE funded)

Commissioner Boyd moved and Commissioner Geesman seconded approval of Contract 600-05-008. The vote was unanimous. (4-0)

8. UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, DAVIS (UCD). Possible approval of Contract 600-05-007 for \$99,426 to UCD to study and evaluate the willingness of consumers to purchase more fuel efficient but more expensive light-duty vehicles. (SEP funded)

This item was moved to the April 12, 2006 Business Meeting.

9. NILAND GAS TURBINE PLANT – SMALL POWER PLANT EXEMPTION (SPPE) 06-SPPE-1. Possible Committee assignment for the proposed 93-Megawatt Niland Gas Turbine Plant – SPPE. This facility would be owned and operated by the Imperial Irrigation District and located northeast of Niland, California.

Commissioner Geesman moved and Commissioner Pfannenstiel seconded approval of Commissioner Boyd as presiding member and Chairman Desmond as the second member of the Committee for the Niland Gas Turbine Plant SPPE. The vote was unanimous. (4-0)

10. PALOMAR ENERGY CENTER. Possible approval of a petition allowing the Palomar Energy Center to use the City of Escondido's backup raw water supply on an emergency basis. The raw water will be used for cooling tower makeup, landscape irrigation and all other non potable uses when recycled water is unavailable. (Docket No. 01-AFC-24C)

This item has been moved to the April 12, 2006 Business Meeting.

11. Minutes

Commissioner Rosenfeld moved and Commissioner Geesman seconded approval of the March 15, 2006, Business Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Boyd abstained as he was not at the March 15, 2006 Business Meeting. (3-0-1)

12. Commission Committee Presentations/Discussion

A discussion by the Commissioners regarding Committee Oversight matters may be held.

NATURAL GAS COMMITTEE. The Natural Gas Committee has asked Global Insight Inc. to provide a briefing on their study *The Impacts of Natural Gas Prices on the California Economy*, contracted by Pacific Gas and Electric, Sempra Utilities and Southern California Edison. The study highlights how continuing high natural gas prices would affect California households and businesses during the next decade. The complete report is available at www.globalinsight.com/calgas

Mr. Phillip Hopkins with Global Insight presented a briefing on the Natural Gas Committee study on The Impacts of Natural Gas Prices on the California Economy. This was information only.

13. Chief Counsel's Report

No report was given.

14. Executive Director's Report

Executive Director B.B. Blevins expounded on the passing of Senator Alquist as a great defender of the Energy Commission and how in one moment in time Senator Alquist literally saved the Energy Commission.

15. Legislative Director's Report

No report was given.

16. Public Adviser's Report

No report was given.

17. Public Comment

No comments were received.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

BETTY A. McCANN
Secretariat to the Commission