

Minutes of the October 31, 2007, California Energy Commission Business Meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 by Chairman Jackalyne Pfannenstiel. The Pledge of Allegiance was lead by Chairman Pfannenstiel.

Present:

Jackalyne Pfannenstiel, Chairman

James D. Boyd, Vice Chair

John L. Geesman, Commissioner

Jeffrey D. Byron, Commissioner

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. NATIONAL RENEWABLE ENERGY LABORATORY. Possible approval of Contract 500-07-015 for \$10,000 with U. S. Department of Energy, National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) to co-sponsor the 20th NREL Venture Growth Forum, November 6-8, 2007 in Denver, Colorado. (ERPA funding.) Contact: Pramod Kulkarni.
 - b. BEHAVIOR, ENERGY AND CLIMATE CHANGE RESEARCH CONFERENCE. Possible approval of \$4,995.00, staff time and use of the Energy Commission's name for the American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy's Behavior, Energy and Climate Change Research Conference in Sacramento November 7-9, 2007. (PIER electricity funding.) Contact: Brad Meister
 - c. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY. Possible approval of Contract 500-07-016 for \$12,500 with Texas A&M University, Energy Systems Laboratory to co-sponsor the International Conference for Enhanced Building Operations (ICEBO) 2007, November 1-2, 2007 in San Francisco. ICEBO is an annual international event dedicated to enhancing the performance of buildings through increased energy efficiency and reduced environmental impacts. (ERPA funding.) Contact: Norm Bourassa.

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

2. CARLSBAD ENERGY CENTER. (07-AFC-6). Contact: James Reede. (10 minutes)
 - a. Possible adoption of the Executive Director's data adequacy recommendation for the Carlsbad Energy Center.

Commissioner Geesman moved and Commissioner Boyd seconded adoption of the Executive Director's recommendation that the AFC be found to contain adequate data. The vote was unanimous. (4-0)

- b. Possible appointment of a siting committee for the Carlsbad Energy Center.

Chairman Pfannenstiel appointed Commissioner Boyd presiding member and Commissioner Geesman second member of the committee for the project. Commissioner Byron moved and Commissioner Pfannenstiel seconded approval of the appointment. The vote was unanimous. (4-0)

3. IVANPAH SOLAR ELECTRIC GENERATING SYSTEM (07-AFC-5). Contact: Jack Caswell. (10 minutes)

- a. Possible approval of the Executive Director's data adequacy recommendation for Solar Partners I, II, IV, and VIII, LLC Application for Certification of the Ivanpah Solar Electric Generating System.

Commissioner Geesman moved and Commissioner Byron seconded approval of the Executive Director's recommendation that the AFC be found to contain adequate data. The vote was unanimous. (4-0)

- b. Possible appointment of a siting committee for the Ivanpah Solar Electric Generating System project.

Chairman Pfannenstiel appointed Commissioner Byron presiding member and Commissioner Boyd second member of the committee for the project. Commissioner Geesman moved and Commissioner Pfannenstiel seconded approval of the appointment. The vote was unanimous. (4-0)

4. WESTERN GOVERNORS' ASSOCIATION. Possible approval of Contract RMB150-07-005 with the Western Governors' Association (WGA) to receive \$204,003 from WGA to support California's preparation for federal nuclear waste shipments to the Waste Isolation Pilot Project in New Mexico. (Reimbursement contract funding.) Contact: Barbara Byron. (10 minutes)

5. GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES. Possible approval of Contract 150-07-007R for \$177,303 with the Governor's Office of Emergency Services (OES) to fund state emergency response preparation for federal nuclear waste shipments in California to the Waste Isolation Pilot Project in New Mexico. (Reimbursement contract funding.) Contact: Barbara Byron. (5 minutes)

Commissioner Boyd moved and Commissioner Geesman seconded approval of Contract RMB 150-07-005 and Contract 150-07-007R. The vote was unanimous. (4-0)

6. STATE PLAN TO INCREASE THE USE OF ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION FUELS. Possible adoption of the *State Plan to Increase the Use of Alternative Transportation Fuels* in California in response to Assembly Bill 1007 (Pavley, Chapter 371, Statutes of 2005). This report describes actions and conditions needed to increase the use of alternative fuels to reduce petroleum use, curb greenhouse gases, and increase California biofuels production. Contact: Tim Olson. (60 minutes)

Commissioner Boyd moved and Commissioner Byron seconded approval of the Plan. The vote was unanimous. (4-0)

7. RENEWABLE ENERGY PROGRAM ANNUAL REPORT. Possible approval of the Renewable Energy Program *2007 Annual Report to the Legislature* and its associated *Appendix*. The *2007 Annual Report* must be submitted by November 1 and reports on the results of the Renewable Energy Program's activities and status of funding for the period of July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007. The *Appendix* contains detailed project descriptions, statistics, and financial data. Contact: Madeleine Meade. (10 minutes)

Commissioner Geesman moved and Commissioner Boyd seconded approval of the report. The vote was 3-0-1. Commissioner Byron abstained.

8. Minutes
Approval of the October 10, 2007, Business Meeting Minutes.

Commissioner Boyd moved and Commissioner Byron seconded approval of the October 10 Minutes. The vote was 3-0-1. Commissioner Geesman abstained.

9. Commission Committee Presentations/Discussion – None
10. Chief Counsel's Report – Chief Counsel Bill Chamberlain gave the report.
11. Executive Director's Report – None
12. Legislative Director's Report – Legislative Director Mike Smith gave the report.
13. Public Adviser's Report – None
14. Public Comment – None

Respectfully submitted,

HARRIET KALLEMEYN
Secretary to the Commission

Appearances

Mr. John McKinney, Stoel Rives, LLP
Mr. Tim Memig, NRG
Ms. Alicia Torre, BrightSource Energy
Ms. Barbara Fry, California Air Resources Board
Mr. Michael Eaves, Natural Gas Vehicle Coalition
Mr. Todd Campbell, Clean Energy Fuels
Mr. Paul Wuebben, South Coast Air Quality Management District
Mr. Joe Sparano, Western States Petroleum Association
Ms. Jamie Knapp, JKnapp Communications
Ms. Catherine Dunwoody, California Fuel Cell Partnership