

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
California Energy Commission

Minutes of the September 15, 2010, Energy Commission Business Meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 by Chairman Karen Douglas. The Pledge of Allegiance was lead by Chairman Douglas.

Present:

Karen Douglas, Chairman
Jeffrey D. Byron, Commissioner

Robert B. Weisenmiller, Commissioner
Anthony Eggert, Commissioner

Four Energy Commission employees received Superior Accomplishment Awards that were presented by Executive Director Melissa Jones. The honorees were Larry Rillera, Deborah Godfrey, John Butler and John Sugar.

1. SOLAR POWER, INC. Possible approval of Agreement 001-10-CEB for a \$5 million loan to Solar Power, Inc. to purchase equipment to manufacture photovoltaic solar panels at Solar Power's future McClellan, California factory. The factory will have a capacity of 50 megawatts per year and is expected to be completed by January 2011. The project will create or retain an estimated 698 full-time equivalent jobs. (ARRA funding.) Contact: Larry Rillera. (5 minutes)

Commissioner Byron moved and Commissioner Eggert seconded approval of Agreement 001-10-CEB. The vote was unanimous. (4-0)

2. QUANTUM FUEL SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGIES WORLDWIDE, INC. Possible approval of Agreement 005-10-CEB for a loan of \$4,356,500 to Quantum Fuel Systems Technologies Worldwide, Inc. to purchase equipment to expand the manufacture of photovoltaic solar modules at Quantum's Irvine, CA manufacturing facility. The project will expand capacity by 45 megawatts, and is expected to be completed in January 2011. The project will create or retain an estimated 94 full-time equivalent jobs. (ARRA funding.) Contact: Marcia Smith. (5 minutes)

Commissioner Eggert moved and Commissioner Weisenmiller seconded approval of Agreement 005-10-CEB. The vote was unanimous. (4-0)

3. MORGAN SOLAR, INC. Possible approval of Agreement 008-10-CEB for a loan of \$3,305,000 to Morgan Solar, Inc. to purchase equipment to expand the manufacture of concentrated photovoltaic solar panels at Morgan Solar's Chula Vista, CA manufacturing facility. The project will expand capacity by 10 megawatts and is expected to be completed November 2011. The project will create or retain an estimated 105 full-time equivalent jobs. (ARRA funding.) Contact: Marcia Smith. (5 minutes)

Commissioner Byron moved and Commissioner Eggert seconded approval of Agreement 008-10-CEB. The vote was unanimous. (4-0)

4. SOLARIA CORPORATION. Possible approval of Agreement 009-10-CEB for a loan of \$753,891 to Solaria Corporation to purchase equipment to expand the manufacture of photovoltaic solar panels at Solaria's Fremont, CA manufacturing facility. The project will expand capacity by 6 megawatts, and is expected to be completed October 2010. The project will create or retain an estimated 79 full-time equivalent jobs. (ARRA funding.) Contact: Marcia Smith. (5 minutes)

Commissioner Byron moved and Commissioner Eggert seconded approval of Agreement 009-10-CEB. The vote was unanimous. (4-0)

5. **BLYTHE SOLAR POWER PROJECT** (Docket No. 09-AFC-6). Possible adoption of the Presiding Member's Proposed Decision on the Blythe Solar Power Project, and Errata. The Blythe Solar Power Project is a concentrated solar thermal electric generating facility with four adjacent, independent solar plants of 250 megawatt (MW) nominal capacity each for a total capacity of 1,000 MW nominal. It will be located approximately two miles north of U.S. Interstate-10 and eight miles west of the City of Blythe in an unincorporated area of Riverside County, California. Contact: Raoul Renaud. (35 minutes)

Commissioner Weisenmiller moved and Commissioner Byron seconded adoption of the proposed decision and errata, with corrections as noted today. The vote was unanimous. (4-0)

6. **Minutes:** Possible approval of the minutes of the September 8, 2010, Business Meeting.

Commissioner Weisenmiller moved and Commissioner Eggert seconded approval of the Minutes. The vote was 3-0-1. Commissioner Byron abstained.

7. **Commission Committee Presentations and Discussion:**

Commissioner Weisenmiller commented on gas pipeline safety issues in light of the recent explosion in San Bruno.

8. **Chief Counsel's Report:** Chief Counsel Michael Levy requested a closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 11126(e) to discuss *California Communities Against Toxics et al v. South Coast Air Quality Management District* (Los Angeles County Superior Court, BS124624); and *Western Riverside Council of Governments v. Department of General Services* (Riverside County Superior Court RIC10005849); and to determine whether circumstances exist that warrant the initiation of litigation.
9. **Executive Director's Report:** None.
10. **Public Adviser's Report:** None.
11. **Public Comment:**
12. **Internal Organization and Policy.** None.

Appearances:

Mr. Scott Galati, Galati Blek, LLP

Ms. Alice Harron, Solar Millennium

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned to a closed session.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRIET KALLEMEYN
Secretary to the Commission