REGULAR MEETING of the Finance Committee of the
Clean Power Alliance of Southern California

Wednesday, August 22, 2018
11:00 a.m.

555 W. 5th Street
1st Floor, WeWork Room 1A
Los Angeles, CA 90013

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1400 Highland Ave., Manhattan Beach, CA 90266
I. WELCOME & ROLL CALL

II. PUBLIC COMMENT
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III. REGULAR AGENDA

1. Approve Minutes from July 25, 2018 Finance Committee Meeting
2. Financial Policy #1 – Credit Card Policy and Procedures
3. July 2018 to December 2019 Financial Outlook, including SCE payment trends, energy market price trends, and SCE rate scenarios

IV. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

V. ADJOURN

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REGULAR MEETING of the Finance Committee of the Clean Power Alliance of Southern California
Wednesday, July 25, 2018, 11:00 a.m.

555 W. 5th Street, 35th Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90013

MINUTES

I. WELCOME & ROLL CALL
Committee Chair Julian Gold called the meeting to order. Board Secretary Jacquelyn Betha, conducted roll call.

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II. PUBLIC COMMENT
There were no public comments.

III. REGULAR AGENDA
1. **Approved Minutes from June 27, 2018 Finance Committee Meeting**

   Executive Director Ted Bardacke noted a change to the minutes to reflect Committee Member Trembley’s request that payments and transactions be made available at CPA’s offices for review by Committee Members.

   Motion: Beverly Hills, Committee Chair Julian Gold. Second: Camarillo, Committee Member Tony Trembley. Vote: Item 1, as amended, was approved by a roll call vote with one abstention (Manhattan Beach, Committee Member Amy Howorth).

2. **Received Cash Flow Update**

   Executive Director Ted Bardacke gave a summary of where CPA is expected by the close of July 2018. CPA projected to have $5.4 million in cash, but CPA’s cash flow is about $1.25 million ahead of that projection, which provides a cushion for some of the current volatility in the energy market. Matthew Langer, CPA Chief Operating Officer, provided an update on the impacts the recent heatwave as well as some natural gas restraints, had on the market. CPA was well prepared for these fluctuations through its hedging strategy and experienced minimal exposure during the sudden escalated pricing.

3. **Discussed Treasurer Position for Clean Power Alliance**

   Executive Director Ted Bardacke reported that CPA has a need to appoint a Treasurer, and introduced Rachelle Anema from the County of Los Angeles Auditor/Controller, which is currently filling that role. CPA is in the process of hiring a Manager of Finance & Risk Management, who could serve as the Treasurer, similar to the way the CPA Executive Assistant serves as the Board Secretary. Oversight will continue to be provided by the County of Los Angeles through the transition, but given the volume of transactions at CPA, an in-house person could serve this role for CPA.
The Committee discussed the role of the Manager of Finance, and whether it would be similar to a Chief Financial Officer. The Committee also discussed whether a staff level Treasurer would provide independent advice to the Board on financial matters. The Committee expressed the importance of having a qualified person who can carry out the desired responsibilities for CPA in relation to the Executive Director, Finance Committee, and Board of Directors. Ms. Anema reported that Maher Accountancy does not want to serve the Treasury role due to the conflict with the services it currently providing CPA. It was determined that CPA staff would incorporate changes recommended by Committee Members to the job description related to desired qualifications and years of experience. It was also determined that Chair Gold and Committee Member Tony Trembley would be invited to participate in the interview process for the hiring of the Manager of Finance.

IV. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS
Chair Gold suggested moving the time back for the Energy Committee Meeting, which begins immediately after this meeting, to provide additional preparation time since the Finance Committee Meeting sometimes runs longer than scheduled.

V. ADJOURN
Chair Gold adjourned the meeting.
Energy Market Trends and Financial Impacts

August 22, 2018 – Finance Committee
Background and agenda

- As the Board approaches 2019 rate setting in November, a number of trends are relevant to consider

- These trends impact the two key areas of uncertainty that were discussed at the August Board meeting:
  - SCE’s 2019 rates
  - CPA’s 2019 energy costs

- This presentation covers the following topics:
  - Update on revenue collection from SCE
  - Review recent energy market trends and drivers
  - Sensitivity analysis on changes to energy prices and SCE rates
Collections from SCE are improving

- Our experience to date with SCE shows slow and inconsistent collections near enrollment periods, but improvement after a couple months

- CPA expects to see the same trend with recent Phase 2 enrollments and similarly with 2019 enrollments

- CPA will incorporate collection trends as it updates its financial forecasts
Market energy prices are up significantly this summer

- Forward markets suggest prices will remain elevated into 2019 and beyond
- Key drivers for increased volatility and higher prices include:
  - Retirement of gas-fired generation
  - Natural gas delivery constraints
  - Unusually hot weather
Gas-fired generation retirement impacts

- Gas retirements are far outpacing additions in recent years
- Additional renewable energy capacity is significant, but currently lacks flexibility to meet grid needs in the evening hours
Natural gas constraints are causing price volatility

- Aliso Canyon limitations and pipeline restrictions have driven extreme volatility and generally higher gas prices
- Natural gas prices and power prices are linked
- High heat events have also been a factor
The markets are showing increasing prices through 2020

- Forward energy prices have risen significantly since May, particularly for summer pricing.

- This indicates that market participants believe many of the factors driving higher prices in 2018 will persist.
Implications of market volatility

- CPA is well insulated from market volatility for remainder of the year
  - Per the Risk Management Policy, CPA hedges most of its load in advance (greater than 90%), so we face very little exposure to the daily markets

- SCE faces greater risk in the current environment
  - SCE has a practice of maintaining some market exposure in their portfolio (currently around 40%), so their bundled customers bear the full cost of higher market prices
  - They also benefit when prices are lower than expected
Sensitivity analysis

- Increased prices and market volatility make SCE rate decreases less likely in 2019 and could lead to rate increases

- At the same time, higher energy prices will impact CPA’s financials

- The sensitivity analysis considers a range of impacts for these variables
CPA Current Financial Projections

*Based on third-party validated financial model, dated July 2018*

**Quarterly Change in Net Position ($M)**

- Q3'18: $-40
- Q4'18: $-20
- Q1'19: $0
- Q2'19: $20
- Q3'19: $40
- Q4'19: $60

**Ending Cash Position ($M)**

- Q3'18: $0
- Q4'18: $10
- Q1'19: $20
- Q2'19: $30
- Q3'19: $40
- Q4'19: $60

- **Base**
Energy price sensitivities

The following sensitivities consider the impact of changing energy prices on CPA’s 2019 cash flow and net position.
SCE rate sensitivities

CPA plans to set its 2019 relative to SCE rates; the following sensitivities consider the impact of potential SCE rate changes in 2019.

Quarterly Change in Net Position ($M)

Ending Cash ($M)
Rate and price sensitivities

Since energy prices will impact costs and revenues, these sensitivities illustrate the combined impact of increased energy prices (10%) and various SCE rate levels.