



# MEETING of the Executive Committee of the Clean Power Alliance of Southern California

Wednesday, September 15, 2021

1:30 p.m.

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Each speaker is customarily limited to two (2) minutes (in whole minute increments) per agenda item with a cumulative total of five (5) minutes to be allocated between the General Public Comment, the entire Consent Agenda, or individual items in the Regular Agenda. Please refer to Clean Power Alliance [Policy No. 8 – Public Comments](#) for more information.

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## CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

## GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

## CONSENT AGENDA

1. [Approve Minutes from August 18, 2021 Executive Committee Meeting](#)

## REGULAR AGENDA

2. [Oral Update from the Executive Director on CPA Operations](#)
3. [Review Draft Agenda for October 7, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting](#)

## COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

## ADJOURN – NEXT MEETING OCTOBER 20, 2021

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**MINUTES**

MEETING of the Executive Committee of the  
Clean Power Alliance of Southern California  
Wednesday, August 18, 2021, 1:30 p.m.

*The Executive Committee conducted this meeting in accordance with California Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-29-20 and COVID-19 pandemic protocols.*

**CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

Chair Diana Mahmud called the meeting to order at 1:34 p.m. and Clerk of the Board, Gabriela Monzon, conducted roll call.

<b>Roll Call</b>			
<b>Agoura Hills</b>	Deborah Klein Lopez	Committee Member	Remote
<b>Beverly Hills</b>	Julian Gold	Committee Member	Remote
<b>Camarillo</b>	Susan Santangelo	Committee Member	Remote
<b>Los Angeles County</b>	Gary Gero	Alternate Committee Member	Remote
<b>Rolling Hills Estates</b>	Steve Zuckerman	Committee Member	Remote
<b>Sierra Madre</b>	Robert Parkhurst	Committee Member	Absent
<b>South Pasadena</b>	Diana Mahmud	Chair	Remote
<b>Ventura County</b>	Linda Parks	Vice Chair	Remote
<b>West Hollywood</b>	Lindsey Horvath	Committee Member	Absent

All items are unanimously approved unless otherwise stated.

**GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approve Minutes from June 16, 2021, Executive Committee Meeting

**Motion:** Committee Member Gold, Beverly Hills  
**Second:** Committee Member Zuckerman, Rolling Hills Estates  
**Vote:** Item 1 was approved by a roll call vote.

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

### **2. Oral Update from the Executive Director on CPA Operations**

Ted Bardacke, Executive Director, provided an update on CPA's financial activities, including active discussions regarding an increase to the line of credit; and discussed delaying implementation of CPA's collections policy due to impending bill relief, potential impacts of an extension to the moratorium on disconnections, and the order by California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) that all customers default to a payment plan. Mr. Bardacke also discussed the default changes in Agoura Hills, Calabasas, and Manhattan Beach; and provided remote work and office updates.

In response to several Committee Member questions regarding bill relief and counterparty credit risk, staff explained that state bill relief would be distributed to CPA by January 31, 2022, per legislative deadline; relief can come in the form of installments or a lump sum via Southern California Edison (SCE). Additionally, CPA has taken delivery of energy from hedging agreements, therefore, counterparty credit risk has decreased significantly. Regarding the CPUC's automatic 24-month payment plan, staff noted that CPA's credit needs and cash projections may change as a result.

### **3. Review Draft Agenda for September 2, 2021, Board of Directors Meeting**

Mr. Bardacke briefly reviewed items on the consent agenda and discussed several regular agenda items. The Board will consider a demand response program implementation contract, and two power purchase agreements (PPAs) which will allow CPA to be more selective in future RFOs as well as meet its long-term contracting compliance obligations under SB 350; one PPA is specifically for the CPUC-approved disadvantaged communities Power Share program and Mr. Bardacke specified that projects must be located in a disadvantaged community and hosted by a community sponsor; there is no resiliency component as of yet. Jack Clark, Director of Customer Programs, provided a brief update on the demand response program, noting that it will include different types of smart thermostat in the market, but may expand in the next several years; the vendor is experienced in data sharing and can look to restore access to consumption data for customers. Lastly, Mr. Bardacke provided a brief overview of voting shares as described in CPA's Joint Powers Agreement.

## **COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS**

None.

## **ADJOURN**

Chair Mahmud adjourned the meeting at 2:20 p.m.



## Staff Report – Agenda Item 2

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**To:** Clean Power Alliance (CPA) Executive Committee

**From:** Ted Bardacke, Executive Director

**Subject:** Oral Update from the Executive Director on CPA Operations

**Date:** September 15, 2021

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The Executive Director will provide an oral report on CPA operations.



## Staff Report – Agenda Item 3

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**To:** Clean Power Alliance (CPA) Executive Committee  
**From:** Ted Bardacke, Executive Director  
**Subject:** Review Draft Agenda for October 7, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting  
**Date:** September 15, 2021

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Staff will provide an overview of the proposed agenda items for the October 7, 2021, Board of Directors meeting for review and feedback from the Executive Committee. The draft Board agenda is attached to this staff report. Information on the main items for Board consideration is provided below.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

The following items are recommended for inclusion on the Consent Agenda of the October Board meeting.

#### **Data/IT Security Audit Contract**

CPA staff is seeking quotes for an Information Technology (IT) security audit of CPA's IT systems and processes. The IT security audit will help CPA uncover potential vulnerabilities and process improvements to maintain and protect sensitive data secured to industry standards. The selected vendor will perform a penetration test and will audit CPA's IT infrastructure, network, and data storage. A report will be provided detailing potential weaknesses, vulnerabilities, and specific implementable recommendations for improvement. Should staff be successful in selecting and negotiating a contract with a suitable vendor, a contract may be presented to the Board for consideration at the October meeting. Conducting this audit would fulfil an obligation in CPA's Joint Powers Agreement that the Board direct an audit every three years. This audit is distinct from the annual fiscal audit.

**REGULAR AGENDA**

The following items are recommended for inclusion on the Regular Agenda of the October Board meeting.

**Power Share RFO (CS-GT) PPA Approvals**

In December 2020, CPA launched its 2020 DAC-GT and CSGT<sup>1</sup> RFO targeting procurement of renewable energy projects that will fulfill its supply requirements for the Power Share program. Given the nascent nature of the program, CPA received a total of three responses to the RFO, including one DAC-GT and two Community Solar (CS-GT) offers. The Energy Planning & Resources Committee approved a shortlist of all three projects to proceed with PPA negotiations during its April 28<sup>th</sup> meeting. At its September 2, 2021 meeting, the Board approved one shortlisted project to supply the DAC-GT program. CPA is currently in exclusive negotiations with the two CS-GT projects and is likely to present them to at October Board meeting for consideration. Per CPA's Energy Risk Management Policy, any power purchase transactions greater than five years require approval by the Board.

**Residential TOU Default Bill Protection Tariff**

On January 9, 2020, the CPA Board adopted a resolution approving CPA's approach to the default of residential customers to time of use (TOU) rates. Per the Board's resolution, residential customers will be defaulted to TOU generation rates concurrent with the SCE's transition of CPA customers to TOU distribution rates starting in November 2021, with the bulk of CPA residential customers transitioning in February and March 2022. Customers will be able to opt-out of CPA's default TOU generation rates and remain on flat rates, and CPA will provide bill protection mechanisms for the first twelve months following customers' transition to TOU rates. Staff will submit a proposed bill protection tariff for Board approval that details the terms and conditions for CPA's TOU bill protection. Staff will also present plans for outreach in coordination with SCE to educate customers about the TOU default change, the bill protection mechanism, and how customers can save

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<sup>1</sup> DAC-GT and CS-GT refer to the CPUC-approved Disadvantaged Community Green Tariff and Community Solar Green Tariff programs, respectively.

money on their electric bills and support a cleaner environment by reducing peak-time electricity use.

**ATTACHMENT**

- 1) Draft October 7, 2021 Board Meeting Agenda





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**REGULAR MEETING of the Board of Directors of the  
Clean Power Alliance of Southern California**

**Thursday, October 7, 2021**

**2:00 p.m.**

**CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

**GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approve Minutes from September 2, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting
2. Appointment of Interim Clerk of the Board
3. Data/IT Security Audit Contract

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**Action Items**

4. Power Share (CS-GT RFO) Power Purchase Agreements
5. Residential TOU Default Bill Protection Tariff

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