



# REGULAR MEETING of the Community Advisory Committee of the Clean Power Alliance of Southern California

Thursday, July 21, 2022

1:00 p.m.

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## **CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL**

## **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approve Minutes from June 16, 2022, Community Advisory Committee
2. Update on Implementation of Workplan Priorities

### **REGULAR AGENDA**

3. Chair and Vice Chair Elections
4. Assembly Bill 205 Impacts

## **COMMITTEE MEMBER UPDATES, ACCOMPLISHMENTS, OR WORK-IN-PROGRESS**

## **ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS**

### **ADJOURN – NEXT MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 22, 2022**

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REGULAR MEETING of the Community Advisory Committee of the  
Clean Power Alliance of Southern California

Thursday, June 16, 2022

1:00 p.m.

*The Community Advisory 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 Haake called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m. and Christian Cruz, Community Outreach Manager, conducted a roll call.

<b>East Ventura/West LA County</b>	Angus Simmons (Vice-Chair)	Remote
<b>East Ventura/West LA County</b>	Jennifer Burke	Remote
<b>East Ventura/West LA County</b>	Debbie West	Remote
<b>San Gabriel Valley</b>	Richard Tom	Remote
<b>San Gabriel Valley</b>	Kim Luu	Absent
<b>West/Unincorporated Ventura County</b>	Lucas Zucker	Remote
<b>West/Unincorporated Ventura County</b>	Vern Novstrup	Remote
<b>South Bay</b>	David Lesser	Absent
<b>South Bay</b>	Vacant	
<b>Gateway Cities</b>	Irella Perez	Remote
<b>Gateway Cities</b>	Genaro Bugarin	Remote
<b>Westside</b>	Cris Gutierrez	Remote
<b>Westside</b>	David Haake (Chair)	Remote
<b>Unincorporated Los Angeles County</b>	Neil Fromer	Absent
<b>Unincorporated Los Angeles County</b>	Kristie Hernandez (Vice-Chair)	Remote

All votes are unanimous unless otherwise stated.

**GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment.

## CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approved Minutes from May 19, 2022, Community Advisory Committee Meeting
2. Update on Implementation of Workplan Priorities

**Motion** Committee Member Gutierrez, Westside  
**Second** Committee Member Tom, South Bay  
**Vote** The minutes and update were approved by a roll call vote

## REGULAR AGENDA

3. Oral Update from the Chief Executive Officer on CPA Operations

Chief Executive Officer Ted Bardacke gave an update on the Board decision relating to CPA's new annual rates and the CARE rate freeze. Mr. Bardacke also highlighted that the governor has recently added \$1.2 billion towards utility customer arrearage payments due to COVID in the state budget.

Mr. Bardacke commented that the City of Santa Paula recently engaged in a feasibility study to explore joining CPA. Mr. Bardacke noted that the City of Hermosa Beach and the City of Monrovia have also undertaken feasibility studies. Once complete they will be brought to the Board for consideration.

Mr. Bardacke gave an update on the Power Ready program, which provides a clean energy backup system to member agencies. He noted that CPA is scheduled to issue a Request for Offers (RFO) to obtain a single developer for these systems in late summer or early fall.

Committee Member Bugarin asked about the cost of the feasibility study. Mr. Bugarin noted that the \$10,000 necessary for a feasibility study could be a barrier for some communities. Mr. Bardacke responded that, if a study is conducted and brought before the Board but the Board does not extend a formal invitation to join CPA, CPA will refund the cost of the study.

Vice-Chair Hernandez asked for more information about the annual CPA rate change process. Mr. Bardacke clarified that the annual rate setting process begins in November when SCE releases its Power Charge Indifference Adjustment (PCIA) forecast for the coming year. Rate setting is also informed by a cost-of-service study, which identifies the cost to serve all of CPA's customer classes. This informs CPA of the rate difference between Lean, Clean, and 100% Green for the year. Once this is complete, CPA staff presents rate options to the Board, and a new rate will go into effect July 1 of each year.

Vice-Chair Hernandez asked about inflation effects on CPA services. Mr. Bardacke responded that CPA has only been affected on the operations side with interests and staffing costs. He noted SCE delivery rates have been affected and have increased due to inflation.

4. Call for Officer Nominations – CAC Chair and Vice-Chairs

Community Outreach Manager Christian Cruz highlighted the nomination process for Chair and Vice-Chair(s) elections.

Chair Haake noted that he is honored to have served as Chair and he thanked Vice-Chair Simmons and Vice-Chair Hernandez for their commitment to their roles and the work the committee has done to connect CPA to the communities it serves. He encouraged members to run and nominate others for the Chair and Vice-Chair positions.

5. 2022 Summer Reliability Landscape

Director of Regulatory Affairs CC Song gave a presentation on the Summer 2022 Reliability Landscape.

Committee Member Gutierrez asked for an update on Power Response customer participation and messaging. Chief Operating Officer Matt Langer noted that the program has 1,200 participants. He encouraged CAC members to direct customers to the CPA Power Response web page for information and enrollment. Mr. Langer noted that there will be an upcoming behavioral demand response program option, which will help customers reduce consumption during peak periods.

Committee Member Bugarin asked what the limitation has been with the Power Response program. Mr. Langer clarified that the limitation has been enrollment and participation in the program. Committee Member Zucker added that there is an opportunity to work with current participants to promote the program and share their experiences.

**COMMITTEE MEMBER UPDATES, ACCOMPLISHMENTS, OR WORK-IN-PROGRESS**

Committee Member Gutierrez noted that she and Vice-Chair Simmons participated in Committee Member Fromer's Caltech workshop.

Committee Member Gutierrez announced that she is working on a youth education proposal with the expectation that the working group will convene in the third quarter.

**COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS**

No comments.

**ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA**

CAC members suggested an in-depth Power Response presentation to give updates and clarify how the CAC can support the program.

**ADJOURN**

Chair Haake adjourned the meeting at 2:30 pm.



## Staff Report – Agenda Item 2

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**To:** Clean Power Alliance (CPA) Community Advisory Committee  
**From:** Christian Cruz, Community Outreach Manager  
**Approved by:** Ted Bardacke, Chief Executive Officer  
**Subject:** Update on Implementation of Workplan Priorities  
**Date:** July 21, 2022

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

Receive and file.

### **BACKGROUND**

This monthly report outlines the Community Advisory Committee (CAC) and CPA staff activities in support of the CAC.

### **WORKPLAN IMPLEMENTATION UPDATE**

On June 14th and 15th, several CAC members participated in the Caltech Energy 10 Workshop, in alignment with the continuing energy education goals in Section 3 of the CAC workplan. This event provided the CAC with information, data, and inspiration on the need to reach a 50% reduction in the emission of global warming gases over the next 10 years. Featured speakers at the event included former California Governor Jerry Brown, and Deputy Director for Energy, White House Office of Science and Technology Policy Sally Benson. The event was also moderated by CAC Committee Member Neil Fromer.

Additionally, in alignment with the external engagement goals of Section 2 of the CAC Workplan, Gateway Region CAC members attended and provided support to CPA staff at the July 12<sup>th</sup> City of Paramount Council meeting. CPA staff provided an overview of CPA's 2022/2023 electricity rates and the statewide time-of-use (TOU) transition, as well as information on CPA's Power Share and Power Response Programs. As a result of the meeting, CPA staff and a Gateway Region CAC member will speak about the Power Share at an upcoming meeting at the Paramount senior center.

**YOUTH EDUCATION WORKING GROUP**

As outlined in Section 1 of the CAC Workplan, the CAC will reconvene the youth education working group in mid-September. The working group will identify opportunities to educate K-12 students about CPA, create regional youth ambassadors, and advance knowledge about renewable energy. The CAC working group members include the following:

<b>Youth Education CAC Working Group Members</b>	
David Haake	Westside Region
Cris Gutierrez	Westside Region
Kristie Hernandez	Unincorporated Los Angeles County Region
Vern Novstrup	West/Unincorporated Ventura County
Debbie West	East Ventura/West L.A. County
Richard Tom	San Gabriel Valley Region

Currently, there remains one open seat available for the working group. If any CAC member is interested in participating in this working group, please let Christian Cruz and Karla Velasquez know via email by Friday, July 29th.



**Staff Report – Agenda Item 3**

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**To:** Clean Power Alliance (CPA) Community Advisory Committee

**From:** Christian Cruz, Community Outreach Manager  
Gabby Monzon, Clerk of the Board

**Approved by:** Ted Bardacke, Chief Executive Officer

**Subject:** Chair and Vice-Chair Elections

**Date:** July 21, 2022

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**RECOMMENDATION**

1. Elect one candidate to the Chair position for the term from July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2024.
2. Elect one candidate to the Vice-Chair position, representing jurisdictions in Los Angeles County, for the term July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2024.
3. Elect one candidate to the Vice-Chair position, representing jurisdictions in Ventura County, for the term July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2024.

**CAC OFFICER NOMINATIONS**

Staff opened the nomination period for CAC officer positions at the June 16, 2022, meeting. The nomination period closed on June 24, 2022. Committee Members Cris Gutierrez and Kim Luu were nominated but removed their names from consideration. The following nominees were submitted to staff via email and did not remove their names from consideration.

<b>CAC Chair Candidates</b>	
<b>Name</b>	<b>Region</b>
Neil Fromer	LA Unincorporated Region
David Haake	West Side Region
David Lesser	South Bay Region
Lucas Zucker	West/Unincorporated Ventura Region

<b>Los Angeles County Vice-Chair Candidates</b>	
<b>Name</b>	<b>Region</b>
Genaro Bugarin	Gateway Region
David Haake	West Side Region
Kristie Hernandez	LA Unincorporated Region
David Lesser	South Bay Region

<b>Ventura County Vice-Chair Candidates</b>	
<b>Name</b>	<b>Region</b>
Jennifer Burke	East Ventura/West LA Region
Angus Simmons	East Ventura/West LA Region
Lucas Zucker	West/Unincorporated Ventura Region

### **CAC OFFICER ELECTIONS**

As specified in CPA's bylaws, the CAC shall appoint one Chair and two Vice-Chairs from among themselves by a vote of those members present, to align with the new CAC two-year terms. One Vice-Chair shall be a member representing the Ventura County region. The election will take place as follows:

1. Each candidate will be given two minutes to address the CAC to present their experience and qualifications for the position. They may also have another individual speak on their behalf, but the total speaking time shall not exceed two minutes. Candidates for each position will speak in alphabetical order based on their last name.
2. After all candidates have had the opportunity to speak, staff will conduct separate elections for each position via a zoom poll. Committee Members must select only one candidate per position (Chair, Vice-Chair Los Angeles County, and Vice-Chair Ventura County)
3. Staff will tally the votes and announce the results. Candidates who receive the most votes will be named the winners.
4. Runoff Procedure: In the event of a tie, a runoff will be held with the two candidates receiving the most votes.



**Staff Report – Agenda Item 4**

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**To:** Clean Power Alliance (CPA) Community Advisory Committee  
**From:** Gina Goodhill, Director, Government Affairs  
**Approved By:** Ted Bardacke, Chief Executive Officer  
**Subject:** AB 205 Summary and Impacts  
**Date:** July 21, 2022

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**RECOMMENDATION**

For Information Only

**DISCUSSION**

On June 30, 2022, AB 205 was signed into law by Governor Newsom, one week after being introduced. Authored by the Assembly Budget Committee, this wide-ranging bill takes various actions to implement energy items from the 2022 Budget Act, with a focus on grid reliability. Specifically, this bill:

1. Establishes a second year of the California Arrearage Payment Program (2022 CAPP), providing \$1.2 billion to assist residential utility customers with past due balances accumulated during the second half of 2021. \$1 billion is reserved for customers of investor-owned utilities (IOUs) and community choice aggregators (CCAs). The funding will be distributed similarly to the original 2021 CAPP program.

CPA expects to receive between \$15 million - \$20 million of this funding to credit customer accounts. Qualifying CPA customers should expect to see bill credits issued no later than July 2, 2023. This is in addition to the \$15.8 million from the 2021 CAPP funding that was credited to customers earlier this year.

2. Establishes the Strategic Reliability Reserve (SRR), to be administered by the Department of Water Resources (DWR). The bill authorizes DWR to own, operate, finance and/or contract for new and existing electricity reliability resources – including fossil-based resources – that could be activated in times of grid emergencies. Reliability resources may include new emergency generators of 5MW or more, extended operation of resources that had been planned for retirement, new storage systems of 20MW or more, and new zero-emission generation resources of any size. The bill also allows DWR to secure those resources through a special review process that bypasses the traditional state

agency approval process. These resources are not meant to replace the procurement obligations that CPA and other load-serving entities (LSEs) must meet to maintain grid reliability but will be in addition to these resources and used at times of extreme events.

3. Creates an expedited permitting authority through the California Energy Commission (CEC) for the siting of clean energy generation and transmission projects. The bill allows this process to replace the traditional permitting process that relies on a combination of local and state governments to issue permits. Clean energy projects must meet specific labor practices to qualify for this expedited permitting.
4. Establishes the Long Duration Storage Program at the CEC to provide financial incentives for projects that are at least one MW and are capable of at least eight hours of continuous discharge. Lithium ion and pumped storage do not qualify.
5. Establishes new demand response and distributed energy programs at the CEC. The demand side grid support program includes a one-time \$200 million payment to the CEC for demand response actions. The distributed electricity backup assets program includes funding for new zero or low emissions technologies, including energy storage, at new or existing facilities.
6. Makes changes to how CARE rates and fixed charges are calculated, with the goal of reducing the overall monthly bills that low-income customers pay.

CPA is working closely with our trade association, CalCCA, to better understand the full impact of this bill on CCAs. There has also been some discussion about a potential clean-up bill to clarify some details in the current language and the role of the SRR. Staff will continue to work with CalCCA on opportunities for clean-up and will share additional information with the CAC as it becomes available.