



**Draft Minutes**

**Community Advisory Committee Meeting**

Monday, October 19, 2020

6:00 pm

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**C1. Welcome & Roll Call**

Present: Members: Eldred, Landry, Pacheco, Padilla, Vice-Chair Franch and Chair Sutter

**C2. Public Comment**

*This item is reserved for persons wishing to address the Board on any EBCE-related matters that are not otherwise on this meeting agenda. Public comments on matters listed on the agenda shall be heard at the time the matter is called. As with all public comment, members of the public who wish to address the Committee are customarily limited to three minutes per speaker and must complete an electronic [speaker slip](#). The Committee Chair may increase or decrease the time allotted to each speaker.*

Jessica Tovar spoke regarding EBCEA recommendations to continue Brilliant 100 or similar product for cities enrolled on Brilliant 100.

Marissa Mitchell shared project information for the Intersect/Aramis project ahead of the 10/21/20 Board meeting where the item will be presented.

**Aleta Dupree** spoke regarding EBCE engagement in transmission, generation and storage of energy.

**Cynthia Landry** spoke regarding SEIU's opposition to the inclusion of nuclear energy in EBCE's power mix.

**Pete Albert** spoke in Support of the SEIU letter.

**Blair Beekman** spoke regarding nuclear energy, shifting to more sustainable energy, and local sustainability and the Hummingbird energy storage program.

**C3. Approval of Minutes from September 14, 2020 (5 minutes)**

Member Padilla motioned to approve the September 14, 2020 minutes. Member Eldred seconded the motion 5/0.

**C4. CAC Chair Report (5 minutes)**

**C5. CAC Guide and Appointment Process Updates (30 minutes, CAC Action Item)**

Staff will describe the updates to the current CAC appointment process and the CAC will advise the board on the changes.

**The committee discussed:**

- Inclusion of expanded diversity parameters
- Ensuring ratepayer class and geographical diversity
- Including CARE, FERRA, BASELINE Community
- Creation of Equity Subcommittee
- Concern with potential vote tie
- Concern with participation of a large CAC
- Including info in the Guide regarding stakeholder groups
- Sharing applicants with Board members from their jurisdiction

**Jessica Tovar** spoke regarding the CAC make-up and in support for increased intersectional diversity. **J. Tovar** also spoke in support of the stakeholder recommendations that were part of the initial application, and in support of including a member of the Disability Justice community and a senior community rep.

Member Eldred motioned to support the staff recommendation and recommends the inclusion of a verbal summary of the need for diversity factors and transparency in applicant jurisdictions. Member Pacheco seconded the motion.

**Member Landry** made a friendly amendment to include language that discusses diversity and inclusion in the application.

Members Eldred and Pacheco accepted the amendment and the motion passed 5/0

**C6. Extension of Brilliant 100 Option to Jan 31, 2021 (20 minutes, CAC Information)**

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Staff will describe this extension to the CAC.

**The Committee discussed:**

- Increasing renewable content of default product
- Future CAC discussions of Brilliant 100
- Subsidizing Brilliant 100
- Offering cost-parity products that offer the most GHG-free or that contributes to local development
- New product costs and analysis
- Constituent involvement in Brilliant 100 option

Aleta Dupree spoke in support of continuing Brilliant 100 until a suitable product is found.

Jessica Tovar spoke regarding EBCPA's concern with the resolution Section 1 and requested clarification of the product.

Blair Beekman spoke in opposition to nuclear power and natural gas, and in support of renewable and local community energy.

**C7. EBCE's Participation in Arrearage Management Program (30 minutes, CAC Action Item)**

Staff will describe the CPUC-designated Arrearage Management Program and the CAC will advise the board on participation.

**The committee discussed:**

- Payment Plan timeline
- Outreach to Care and FERRA eligible customers

Jessica Tovar spoke regarding concerns with payment plans and requested clarification. J. Tovar also spoke in support of the creation of a shut off prevention fund and requested to information about what EBCE is doing in addition to the CPUC program.

Blair Beekman spoke regarding concerns with the Arrearage Management Program and advocated for additional subsidies, and for carbon-free energy programs.

**Member Padilla motions that EBCE participates in the Arrearage Management Plan and requests the Board direct staff to find additional customer protections.**  
**Member Landry seconded the motion which passed 5/0.**

**C8. Legislative Update (20 minutes, CAC Information Item)**

Staff will provide the CAC with an update of legislative activities.

**The committee discussed:**

- The ability to litigate PCIA if nuclear allocation is accepted
- Impact of potential PGE bankruptcy on EBCE

Blair Beekman spoke in support of subsidy programs for vulnerable communities.

**C9. CAC Member and Staff Announcements including requests to place items on future CAC agendas**

Member Landry requested to add a discussion of Brilliant 100 to the November 16, 2020 CAC agenda.

**C10. Adjourned.**