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EAST BAY COMMUNITY ENERGY FINANCIAL RESERVE POLICY
 (Effective as of January 20, 2021, per Resolution No. R-2021-2)

Purpose

EBCE's reserve policy (this "Policy") is established to provide a suitable cash balance to be held to meet target levels of annual operating expenses. This Policy will be maintained as described in the Guidelines to provide for the following objectives:

- Maintain long-term EBCE financial independence and rate stability,
- Meet EBCE strategic objectives,
- Secure favorable commercial terms with vendors and power providers,
- Support EBCE's pursuit of, and maintenance upon receiving, a credit rating,
- Provide a source of funds for unanticipated expenditures, and
- Make cash available for other operational needs as approved by the Board of Directors (the "Board").

Guidelines

EBCE shall maintain a cash reserve (the "Reserve").

EBCE shall strive to maintain the dollar amount in the Reserve during any fiscal year to be equal to a percentage (the "Target Percentage") of the operating expenses projected for such fiscal year based on the relevant annual budget. The reserves shall be funded by available surplus revenues as determined by the most recent audited financial statements. If the Board does not take action to determine a new Target Percentage before the beginning of a fiscal year, then the Target Percentage from the prior fiscal year will continue to be the Target Percentage for the new fiscal year, until the Board decides to make any changes. The Board may change the Target Percentage at any time during the fiscal year.

Generally, starting in fiscal year 2021-22, the Target Percentage shall be 50%, but may range from 25% and 75%; provided that upon a finding of special circumstances by the Board, the Board may determine to use a Target Percentage outside of this range for any fiscal year (or other period of time).



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In connection with its recommendations with respect to the Reserve and the Target Percentage, Staff will monitor EBCE's liquidity through the annual audited financial statements.

Spending Authority

Authority to spend from money in the Reserve must align with Board approved budgets or approved for special action by the Board.

Board Discretion

The Board may, by resolution, modify or suspend any provision of this Policy for any duration at any time.