AGENDA

Community Advisory Committee
San Diego Community Power (SDCP)

August 21, 2020
1:00 p.m.

Due to the Stay at Home Order in California and in according with the Governor’s Executive Orders N-25-20 and N-29-20, members of the Community Advisory Committee will be participating remotely for this meeting and there will be no location for in-person attendance. SDCP is providing alternatives to in-person attendance for viewing and participating in the meeting. Further details are below.

Note: Any member of the public may provide comments to the San Diego Community Power (SDCP) Community Advisory Committee on any agenda item or on a matter not appearing on the agenda, but within the jurisdiction of the Committee. Written public comments or requests to speak during the meeting must be submitted at least one (1) hour before the start of the meeting by using this [web form]. Please indicate whether your comment is on a specific agenda item or a non-agenda item when submitting your comment or requesting to speak. When providing comments to the Committee, it is requested that you provide your name and city of residence for the record. Commenters are requested to address their comments to the Committee as a whole through the Chair. Comments may be provided in one of the following manners:

1. Written Comments. All written comments received at least one (1) hour before the meeting will be provided to the Committee members in writing. In the discretion of the Chair, the first ten (10) submitted comments shall be stated into the record of the meeting. Comments received after the one (1) hour limit will be collected, sent to the Committee members in writing, and be part of the public record.

2. Requests to Speak. Members of the public who have requested to speak at least one (1) hour before the meeting will be recognized at the appropriate time during the meeting. To allow the Chair to call on you, please provide the following minimum information with your request to speak: your name (if attending by videoconference) or telephone number (if attending by phone).

Comments shall be limited to either 400 words, or 3 minutes when speaking. If you have anything that you wish to be distributed to the Committee, please provide it via info@sdcommunitypower.org, who will distribute the information to the Members.

The public may participate using the following remote options:

Teleconference Meeting Webinar
https://zoom.us/j/93039065908
Telephone (Audio Only)
1. Welcome

2. Roll Call

3. Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda

4. Items to be Added, Withdrawn, or Reordered on the Agenda

REGULAR AGENDA

5. Approval of Amendment to CAC Regular Meeting Schedule

6. Discuss and Consider Recommendation to SDCP Board regarding the CAC Draft Work Plan

7. Introduction by Agatha Wein, Local Government and Community Liaison from the CPUC

8. Marketing and Messaging Discussion with Civilian

9. Provide Input and Direction on a Prospective Inclusive and Sustainable Workforce Policy

10. Standing Item: Discussion of Potential Agenda Items for Board of Directors Meetings

11. Committee Member Announcements
   Committee Members may briefly provide information to other members and the public. There is to be no discussion or action taken on comments made by Directors unless authorized by law.

12. Adjournment

Availability of Committee Documents
Copies of the agenda and agenda packet are available at www.sdcommunitypower.org/committees. Late-arriving documents related to a Committee meeting item which are distributed to a majority of the Members prior to or during the Committee meeting are available for public review as required by law. Until SDCP obtains offices, those public records are available for inspection at the City of San Diego Sustainability Department, located at 1200 Third Ave., Suite 1800, San Diego, CA 92101. However, due to the Governor's Executive Orders N-25-20 and N-29-20 and the need for social distancing, that is now suspended and can instead be made available electronically at info@sdcommunitypower.org. The documents may also be posted at the above website. Late-arriving documents received during the meeting are available for review by making an electronic request via info@sdcommunitypower.org.
## SAN DIEGO COMMUNITY POWER

### Community Advisory Committee Annual Work Plan 2020

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The CAC shall cover other tasks not mentioned above but within the purview of the Scope of Work with prior approval of SDCP staff. Those tasks shall be suggested to staff and the Board of Directors with enough time for meeting preparation and Brown Act compliance.
An Introduction to your CPUC Local Government & Community Liaison

San Diego Community Power
Community Advisory Committee

Agatha Wein
August 21, 2020
California Public Utilities Commission

The CPUC regulates services and utilities, protects consumers, safeguards the environment, and assures Californians' access to safe and reliable utility infrastructure and services. The essential services regulated include electric, natural gas, telecommunications, water, railroad, rail transit, and passenger transportation companies.
Local Government & Community Liaison Team

- 8 Liaisons covering state
- Offices in SF, Sacramento, LA

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Hi I’m Your Outreach Liaison

Build relationships with stakeholders to implement the CPUC’s policies externally and help shape policy internally.

Outreach Liaisons partner with:
- Community Advisory Groups & Advocates
- Community Based Organizations
- Local Elected Officials
- City and County Agencies (Public Works, OES)
- Regional Governmental Bodies (SANDAG, San Diego County Water Authority, Port of San Diego)
- Local Business Groups & Chambers of Commerce
- Diverse Organizations
CPUC & Local Government

- CCAs
- Public safety power shutoffs (PSPS)
- Wildfire safety
- Rail crossings & safety
- Utility line undergrounding
- SDG&E pilot programs
  - Microgrids
  - Pumped water storage
  - Electric vehicle charging infrastructure
How to Get Involved

• **Become a Party** to a Proceeding
  - [www.cpuc.ca.gov/Party_to_a_Proceeding](http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/Party_to_a_Proceeding)
• File a Formal **Complaint** against a regulated entity
• Submit Formal **Comments**
  - on *proceedings*
  - on *staff reports* and *proposals*

*When and how you communicate matters*

Contact the **Public Advisor’s Office:**

[https://www.cpuc.ca.gov/pao/](https://www.cpuc.ca.gov/pao/)

Telephone: 1-866-849-8390

E-mail: [public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov)
Questions?

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Marketing and Messaging.
Road Map.
Our Process

Discovery
Brand Identity
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Outreach
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Today’s Focus

Discovery
Brand Identity
Messaging
Website
Outreach
Media Relations
Notifications
Municipal Rollout

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Objectives.
Brand Attributes.
What are brand attributes?

A set of characteristics that identify the physical, character, or personality traits of the brand, similar to the attributes that allow us to consistently identify individuals.
Exercise.
Messaging.
What did the fight for community choice teach us about…
What did the fight for community choice teach us about…

…communicating with the public?
What did the fight for community choice teach us about...

...communicating with advocates?
What did the fight for community choice teach us about…

…communicating with electeds?
What did the fight for community choice teach us about…

…opposition messaging?
Let’s talk perception.
Next Steps.
What’s on deck.

- Research findings, October
- Message platform, November
- Collateral/toolkit, December
Inclusive and Sustainable Workforce Policy

DRAFT OUTLINE

Policy Purpose – uphold the intent of the JPA agreement to support prevailing wage jobs, local workforce development, a stable, skilled, and trained workforce, supplier and workforce diversity including returning veterans and those from regional disadvantaged and under-represented communities of concern. Living policy – to be updated as SDCP grows and becomes more established.

Inclusive Workforce

Description – actively promote diversity and inclusion within the organization and amongst those with which SDCP does business

- **SDCP Staff** – cover inclusive recruitment and fair compensation
- **Supply Chain (Goods and Services)** – cover items in procurement policy (local, diversity), solicitations
- **Inclusive Business Practices** – multi-lingual materials and outreach, community engagement in diverse communities, promote inclusive participation in SDCP initiatives
- **Non-Discrimination Pledge** – would apply to SDCP and its suppliers/partners

Sustainable Workforce

Description – to benefit the communities SDCP serves. Support local economic benefits and job creation, workforce development, and fair/open competition

- **PPAs** – promote/employ local, skilled, and trained workforce, fair and open competition, prevailing wage, local businesses, union labor, and apprenticeship programs
- **Owned Generation** – use of local, skilled, and trained workforce, fair and open competition, prevailing wage, local businesses, union labor/project labor agreements, and apprenticeship programs
- **Feed-in-Tariffs** – support purpose described above (update in future once programs developed)
- **Energy Efficiency/Programs** – support purpose described above (update in future once programs developed)
- **Union Neutrality** - SDCP will remain neutral regarding whether its employees choose to join or support labor unions and will not interfere with decisions by its contractors’ and suppliers’ employees about whether to join or support labor unions

Reporting on an Inclusive and Sustainable Workforce

Description

- **Reporting** – promotes transparency and provides data against which to measure; applies to SDCP administration and contracts/suppliers
Subject: Inclusive and Sustainable Workforce Policy

Policy: One of PCE’s strategic goals is to “foster a work environment that espouses sustainable business practices and cultivates a culture of innovation, diversity, transparency, integrity, and commitment to the organization’s mission and the communities it serves.” PCE recognizes that an inclusive and sustainable workforce helps PCE meet its core mission and goals more effectively, serve its customers in a more culturally sensitive manner, and reflect the businesses we partner with and the community we serve more comprehensively. PCE strives to have a workforce that is as inclusive as the community it serves.

Inclusive Workforce

PCE Staff

PCE relies on its employees to provide clean, cost-effective, alternative energy to its customers. These customers live in diverse communities, and an inclusive workforce comprised of staff who reflect and are invested in these communities allows PCE to serve them more effectively. An inclusive staff also provides good jobs for people from diverse communities.

To help maintain and strengthen PCE’s inclusive staff, PCE will:

1. Engage in broad outreach efforts in diverse communities, including disadvantaged and low-income communities, to ensure a diverse pool of candidates for open positions;
2. Provide fair compensation that aligns with regional market indicators for compensation levels for each position;
3. Be transparent about these practices and lessons learned; and
4. Provide contact information for staff who can answer questions about this policy.

Supply Chain

PCE’s commitment to inclusion also extends to its supply chain. Where and from whom PCE purchases goods and services have important consequences for businesses, customers, and their communities. An inclusive supply chain is an important driver for successful delivery of PCE’s services to its customers, and of fair and equitable economic development generally.

To help ensure an inclusive supply chain, PCE will:

1. Strive to use local businesses and provide fair compensation in the purchase
(2) Proactively seek services from local businesses and from businesses that have been Green Business certified and/or are taking steps to protect the environment;

(3) Engage in efforts to reach diverse communities to ensure an inclusive pool of potential suppliers;

(4) Collect information from suppliers and contractors on the inclusivity of their workforce;

(5) Include questions about supplier inclusivity in requests for proposals (RFPs) for services;

(6) Require reporting from developers and large vendors on inclusivity in business ownership and staff;

(7) Be transparent about these practices and lessons learned; and

(8) Provide contact information for staff who can answer questions about this policy.

Inclusive Business Practices

To fulfill its core mission to provide energy choices to the diverse residents and communities of San Mateo County, PCE must ensure that its services and information are accessible to all communities. Accordingly, PCE will:

(1) Strive to provide information on PCE’s services in the multiple languages commonly spoken in PCE’s service area (including mailers, tabling materials, customer service, call center, workshops and outreach events, advertisements, and other means of customer engagement);

(2) Conduct marketing and outreach in diverse communities (including advertising in minority-owned media, establishing partnerships with community organizations, and using various media, such as radio and television) to increase awareness of PCE’s services and programs;

(3) Strive to attend important multi-cultural community events with multi-lingual materials and speakers;

(4) Share information about activities and initiatives that promote inclusion, access, and diverse engagement in the community.

Non-Discrimination Pledge

PCE will not discriminate, and will require that its suppliers do not discriminate, on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, age, disability (physical or mental), sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital or domestic partner status, religion, political beliefs or affiliation, familial or parental status (including pregnancy), medical condition (cancer-related), military service, or genetic information.
**Sustainable Workforce**

Support of local businesses, union labor and apprenticeship and pre-apprenticeship programs that create employment opportunities are important components of building and sustaining healthy and sustainable communities. It is in the interest of Peninsula Clean Energy in San Mateo County (PCE) to provide fair compensation and sustainable workforce opportunities within a framework of competitive service and the promotion of renewable energy, energy efficiency and greenhouse gas reduction.

PCE Recognizes the importance of locally-generated renewable energy in assuring that California is provided with (1) adequate supplies of renewable energy for economic growth, (2) sustained local job opportunities and job creation, and (3) effective means to reduce the impacts of greenhouse gas emissions. PCE also recognizes the opportunities that energy efficiency programs provide for local workforce training and employment.

PCE supports fair compensation in direct hiring, renewable development projects, energy efficiency programs and in procurement of PCE services and supplies. PCE also supports quality State of California approved apprenticeship and pre-apprenticeship training programs in construction craft occupations to foster long-term, fairly compensated employment opportunities for program graduates and believes that local apprenticeship and pre-apprenticeship programs are an efficient vehicle for delivering quality training in construction industry craft occupations.

PCE therefore desires to facilitate and accomplish the following objectives:

1. Support for and direct use of local businesses;
2. Support for and direct use of union members from multiple trades;
3. Support for and use of training and State of California approved apprenticeship programs, and pre-apprenticeship programs from within PCE’s service territory; and
4. Support for and direct use of green and sustainable businesses.

“Local” is defined as 1.) San Mateo County; 2.) Nine Bay Area Counties (Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, San Mateo, San Francisco, Santa Clara, Solano, Sonoma); 3.) Northern California; 4.) California. Preference will be give first to San Mateo County; second, to the Nine Bay Area Counties; third, to Northern California; fourth, to California.
PCE will support the objectives stated above in the following ways:

**PCE Power Purchase Agreements with Third Parties**

PCE shall collect information from respondents to any bidding and/or RFP/RFQ process regarding past, current and/or planned efforts by project developers and their contractors to:

- Employ workers and use businesses from the PCE service territory.
- Employ properly licensed (A, B, C10, C7, C46) contractors and California Certified electricians.
- Utilize multi-trade project labor agreements on the proposed project or any prior project developments.
- Utilize local apprentices, particularly graduates of local pre-apprenticeship programs.
- Pay workers the correct prevailing wage rates for each craft, classification and type of work performed.
- Display a poster at jobsites informing workers of prevailing wage requirements.
- Provide workers compensation coverage to on-site workers.
- Support and use State of California approved apprenticeship programs.

Relevant information submitted by proposers will be used to evaluate potential workforce impacts of proposed projects with the goal of promoting fair compensation, fair worker treatment, multi-trade collaboration, and support of the existing wage base in local communities where contracted projects will be located.

**PCE Owned Generation Projects**

Any PCE-owned renewable development project shall use local businesses, union labor, and apprenticeship programs through multi-trade agreements and/or through multiple agreements for work. Each construction contractor or subcontractor performing work on any PCE-owned project shall use a combination of local labor, union labor and apprenticeship programs, and shall follow fair compensation practices including proper assignment of work to crafts that traditionally perform the work. For each renewable energy project, PCE or its construction contractor shall require of its regular workforce that at least 50% of all “journey level” employees shall be graduates of a State of California approved apprenticeship program and at least 20% shall be enrolled and participating in a local State of California approved apprenticeship program. Apprenticeship programs must be approved by the State Department of Apprenticeship Standards.
PCE Feed-In Tariff Price Projects

PCE shall use best efforts to ensure each construction contractor or subcontractor performing work on any PCE Feed-in Tariff project utilize local businesses, union labor, multi-trade agreement, apprenticeship programs, and fair compensation practices including proper assignment of work to crafts that traditionally perform the work.

PCE Energy Efficiency Projects

PCE shall use best efforts to support local businesses, union labor, and local apprenticeship programs in the implementation of its energy efficiency programs. PCE shall use best efforts to ensure each construction contractor or subcontractor performing work on any PCE energy efficiency program utilize local businesses, union labor, local apprenticeship, and fair compensation practices in program implementation including proper assignment of work to crafts that traditionally perform the work.
SUSTAINABLE WORKFORCE AND DIVERSITY POLICY: 011

It is a priority interest of MCE to support sustainable workforce opportunities, local economic sustainability, and diversity inclusion through contracting for power resources, procuring goods and services, and implementing hiring initiatives within a framework of competitive service and the promotion of renewable energy, customer programs, and greenhouse gas reduction.

MCE will facilitate and encourage diversity and a sustainable workforce through its support for:

1. Fair compensation in direct hiring, renewable development projects, customer programs, and procurement services;
2. Development of locally generated renewable energy within the MCE service area;
3. Direct use of union members from multiple trades;
4. Quality training, apprenticeship, and pre-apprenticeship programs
5. Direct use of businesses local to the MCE service area
6. Development of California based job opportunities
7. Business and workforce initiatives located in low-income and disadvantaged communities;
8. Direct use of Disabled Veteran-owned Business Enterprises (DVBE) and LGBT-owned Business Enterprises (LGBTBE);
9. Direct use of green and sustainable businesses; and
10. Use of direct hiring practices that promote diversity in the workplace.
San Diego Community Power

Procurement Policy

Purpose

It is in the interest of San Diego Community Power (“SDCP”) to establish administrative procurement practices that facilitate efficient business operations and provide fair compensation and local workforce opportunities whenever possible within a framework of high quality, competitive service offerings.

Policy

1. Procurement of Professional Services

SDCP may contract for professional services, including but not limited to consultant, legal, or design services, in its sole discretion. SDCP shall procure professional services in compliance with the Competitive Procurement Requirements in Section 5 of this Policy. SDCP shall endeavor to secure the highest quality professional services available and is not required to award a contract for services to the lowest proposer.

2. Procurement of General Services

SDCP may contract for general services, including but not limited to cleaning or maintenance services, in its sole discretion. SDCP shall procure general services in compliance with the Competitive Procurement Requirements in Section 5 of this Policy. Although SDCP shall not be required to award to the lowest proposer, SDCP staff shall seek to procure general services at the lowest costs.

3. Procurement of Supplies

SDCP shall procure supplies in compliance with the Competitive Procurement Requirements in Section 5 of this Policy. Although SDCP shall not be required to award to the lowest proposer, SDCP staff shall seek to purchase supplies at the lowest costs. SDCP is encouraged to jointly procure supplies with other governmental agencies to obtain the lowest cost when possible. In the event one or more SDCP employees are designated as purchasing agents, those individuals shall be included in SDCP’s Conflict of Interest Code as persons who must file an annual statement of economic interest.

4. Procurement of Public Works Projects

SDCP shall comply with California Public Contract Code Section 20160 et seq. and other applicable laws and regulations when procuring public projects in excess of $5,000. For purposes of this section, a “public project” shall have the same meaning as defined in Public Contract Code Section 20160, and includes, among other things, projects for the erection, improvement, painting, or repair of public buildings and works.
5. **Competitive Procurement Requirements**

   a. **Formal Bidding.** SDCP shall issue a request for proposals (RFP), a request for qualifications (RFQ), or similar competitive instrument for the purchase of goods or services in excess of $125,000 in any given contract year or term. Proposals shall be evaluated in accordance with Section 7 of this Policy. These contracts are subject to Board approval before final execution.

   b. **Informal Bidding Procedures.**

   i. For contracts valued between $50,000 and $124,999.99, staff shall solicit informal written proposals from at least three providers, if feasible. An informal written proposal consists of a written proposal that includes the provider’s name, address, phone number, professional license number (if applicable), the work to be performed, and the amount of the proposal. A written proposal may be in an electronic format.

   ii. For contracts valued between $10,000 and $49,999.99, staff shall solicit informal verbal proposals from at least three providers. Staff shall note the three verbal proposals by including the provider’s name, address, phone number, and amount of the verbal proposal in SDCP’s records.

   iii. For contracts valued at less than $10,000, no formal or informal proposals shall be required, but SDCP staff is directed to seek the lowest cost supplies and the highest quality services available.

   iv. The Chief Executive Officer (“CEO”), at his or her discretion, may direct that SDCP solicit competitive procurements through the formal bidding process for contracts under $125,000.

   c. **General Provisions.** The provisions below shall apply to all methods of procurement described above.

   i. When procuring goods and services utilizing state or federal funds (e.g., grant or loan funds), SDCP shall comply with all state or federal project requirements in securing any goods or services necessary. If there is conflict between the foregoing, the more restrictive requirements shall apply.

   ii. SDCP shall not be required to award a contract to purchase goods or services from the lowest responsible bidder, unless required by California law.
iii. No SDCP officer or employee shall split purchases into more than one purchase in order to avoid the Competitive Procurement Requirements in this Policy.

iv. No SDCP officer or employee shall accept, directly or indirectly, any gift, rebate, money or anything else of value from any person or entity if such gift, rebate, money or anything of value is intended to reward or be an inducement for conducting business, placing orders with, or otherwise using the officer’s or employee’s position to secure a contract with SDCP.

d. Exceptions to Competitive Procurement Requirements.

i. Based on the unique facts or circumstances described below and a written justification retained in SDCP’s records, the CEO, after consultation with the General Counsel, may waive one or more purchasing procedures in this Policy and/or use sole source procurement if the CEO determines that the best interests of SDCP are served; provided, however, that such method is not in violation of applicable law or policy.

Sole source purchasing is authorized when the goods or services contemplated are capable of being supplied or performed by a sole provider, such as the holder of an exclusive patent or franchise, for purchase of unique or innovative goods or services including but not limited to computer software and technology, or for purchases of goods or services when there is a demonstrated need for compatibility with an existing item or service. Sole source procurement may also be utilized when it is apparent that a needed product or service is uniquely available from the source, or for all practical purposes, it is justifiably in the best interest of SDCP to utilize sole source procurement. The following factors shall not apply to sole source procurements and shall not be included in the sole source justification: personal preference for product or vendor; cost, vendor performance, or local service (this may be considered an award factor in competitive procurements); features that exceed the minimum requirements for the goods or services; explanation of the actual need and basic use for the equipment, unless the information relates to a request for unique factors.

ii. No competitive procurement shall be required for goods or services valued at less than $10,000 in any one contract term or contract year.

iii. No competitive procurement shall be required to rent or lease equipment.
iv. Competitive procurement shall not be required when the contract, goods or services will be provided by another governmental agency. SDCP can rely on the competitive procurement process provided by another governmental agency, provided that such agency’s procurement is in compliance with California law.

v. In the event of an emergency, the CEO may suspend the normal purchasing and procurement requirements for goods and services related to abatement of the impacts or effects of the emergency.

6. **Signing Authority:**

SDCP’s CEO and designated staff are authorized to execute contracts and related documents in accordance with SDCP’s Delegated Contract Authority Policy.

7. **RFP/RFQ Issuance and Proposal Evaluation**

   a. Proposals received through formal bidding procedures shall be subject to a set of criteria and a scoring system, reviewed and evaluated by relevant SDCP staff and an evaluation committee selected by the CEO or, at the discretion of the Board, members of a designated Board committee. Proposals received shall be evaluated based on competency to perform the scope of work, best fit, price competitiveness, compliance with subsections i (San Diego County Preference) and ii (Other Preferences) below, and other additional criteria added pursuant to SDCP’s Sustainable Workforce Policy. The preferences below may not apply to procurements conducted jointly with other public agencies, and shall not apply when prohibited by state or federal statutes or regulations that require award to the lowest responsible bidder.

   i. SDCP desires to support San Diego County businesses where possible. Businesses with office(s) located in San Diego County and include at least 25% San Diego County residents under their employment shall receive a bonus of up to 5 points or 5% out of a 100-point scoring system in competitive solicitations.

   ii. SDCP desires to support diversity among its contractors and vendors by working with women, minority, disabled veteran, and lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender-owned businesses. Businesses owned and operated by a person representing one or more of these categories shall receive a bonus of up to 5% or 5 points out of a 100-point scoring system in competitive solicitations.

   b. SDCP is committed to the highest standards of responsible behavior and integrity in all of its business relationships. SDCP will consider a company’s business
practices, environmental record, and commitment to fair employment practices and compensation in its procurement decisions.

8. **Nondiscrimination Contract Clause**

Each SDCP contract and subcontract shall contain a nondiscrimination clause that reads substantially as follows:

Contractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, gender, gender expression, gender identity, religion, national origin, ethnicity, sexual orientation, age, or disability in the solicitation, selection, hiring, or treatment of subcontractors, vendors, or suppliers. Contractor shall provide equal opportunity for subcontractors to participate in subcontracting opportunities.

9. **Procurement of Power and Energy Attributes**

SDCP must secure sufficient power resources and energy attributes to serve its customers, comply with State law, and meet SDCP’s and its member agencies’ goals. SDCP may adopt a Risk Management Policy authorizing certain SDCP staff to enter into power purchase agreements and other agreements to secure power and energy attributes, provided that such agreements are in substantially the same form as the Board-approved master power purchase agreements, and that all transactions and agreements are in strict compliance with SDCP’s Risk Management Policy.

10. **Review and Approval as to Form by General Counsel**

All SDCP agreements must be approved as to the form and content by the General Counsel or his/her designee prior to signature by any authorized individual.