



COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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AGENDA ITEM

DATE: August 13, 2003

TO: Board of Supervisors

SUBJECT: AN UPDATE ON PLANS FOR THE REGION'S ENERGY FUTURE
(District: All)

SUMMARY:

Overview

Last year, the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) ordered all regulated electric utilities to prepare and file long-term plans that outline how each utility intends to meet energy demand over the next two decades. San Diego Gas and Electric (SDG&E) has submitted its 20-year Energy Resource Plan to the CPUC. A Commission decision is expected by the end of the year.

Similarly, the Regional Energy Policy Advisory Committee, under the auspices of the San

Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG), has developed a long-term regional energy plan. The two-part Regional Energy Strategy was crafted with community input by a broad advisory panel including representatives from the County of San Diego, City of San Diego, business leaders and the Utility Consumers Action Network (UCAN). If adopted, it will become part of SANDAG's Regional Comprehensive Plan.

California's electricity crisis and the rolling blackouts of 2000 underscore how important it is that the County continues to monitor energy issues from a local perspective. Today's action would give the Board an update on two important regional energy plans, each of which is designed to ensure San Diego a safe and reliable supply of energy.

Recommendation(s)

VICE CHAIRWOMAN JACOB AND SUPERVISOR ROBERTS:

Receive the SDG&E 20-year Energy Resource Plan and the REPAC Regional Energy Strategy 2030.

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Fiscal Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with the proposal

BACKGROUND:

A California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) decision last year returned the State's regulated utilities to their former role in energy planning and supplies effective January 1, 2003. The decision followed a number of years of deregulation during which utilities were required to sell power plants and purchase electricity from the wholesale market.

The CPUC has ordered that all regulated electric utilities prepare and file long-term energy plans that outline how each utility intends to meet energy demand over the next two decades. San Diego Gas and Electric (SDG&E) has submitted its 20-year Energy Resource Plan to the CPUC for public hearings. A Commission decision is expected by the end of the year.

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Respectfully submitted,

DIANNE JACOB
Vice Chairwoman

RON ROBERTS
Supervisor, Fourth District

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AGENDA ITEM INFORMATION SHEET

CONCURRENCE(S)

COUNTY COUNSEL REVIEW	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
Written Disclosure per County Charter Section 1000.1 Required	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
GROUP/AGENCY FINANCE DIRECTOR	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
Requires Four Votes	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
GROUP/AGENCY INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DIRECTOR	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
COUNTY TECHNOLOGY OFFICE	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A

Other Concurrence(s):

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT:

CONTACT PERSON(S):

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AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE: _____

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PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOARD ACTIONS:

BOARD POLICIES APPLICABLE:

BOARD POLICY STATEMENTS:

CONTRACT NUMBER(S):

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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

DEPARTMENT:
PROGRAM:
PROPOSAL:

	FUTURE YEARS ESTIMATED BUDGET OF PROPOSAL IF ADOPTED				
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
	Budgeted Amount For Proposal	Proposed Change in Budgeted Amount	Proposed Revised Current Year Budget (a+b)	1st Subsequent Year	2nd Subsequent Year
Direct Cost					
Revenue/Other Offset					
NET GENERAL FUND COST					
Staff Years					

Sources of Revenue/Other Offset for Proposed Change and Subsequent Years:

Space-Related Impacts: Will this proposal result in any additional space requirements? Yes N/A

Support/Other Departmental Impacts: Yes N/A

Remarks: Yes N/A