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In the Matter of:) Docket No. 19-SPPE-02
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 Application for Small Power) COMMITTEE CONFERENCE
 Plant Exemption for the:) (CLOSED SESSION)
 Walsh Backup Generating) RE: Walsh Backup Generating
 Facility) Facility
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STATE ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND
DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

COMMITTEE CONFERENCE (CLOSED SESSION)

REMOTE

FRIDAY, JULY 17, 2020

9:59 A.M.

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APPEARANCES

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Commissioner Karen Douglas, Presiding Member
Commissioner Patty Monahan, Associate Member

CEC STAFF PRESENT:

Susan Cochran, Hearing Officer
Kourtney Vaccaro, Advisor to Commissioner Douglas
Eli Harland, Advisor to Commissioner Douglas
Jana Romero, Advisor to Commissioner Monahan
Leonidas Payne, Project Manager

INTERVENORS:

None present

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

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P R O C E E D I N G S

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2 July 17, 2020

9:59 A.M.

3 COMMISSIONER DOUGLAS: All right. Good morning.

4 We're here for the continuation of the Committee
5 Conference in Closed Session for the Application for a Small
6 Power Plant Exemption for the Walsh Backup Generating
7 Facility.

8 I'm Karen Douglas, the presiding member of the
9 Committee assigned to conduct proceedings on this
10 application. Commissioner Patty Monahan is the associate
11 member. We held a committee conference/closed session on
12 Friday, July 10, 2020 and continued the committee
13 conference/closed session to today.

14 The notice of this committee conference/closed
15 session was issued on June 26, 2020. We posted the notice of
16 the continuance on the front door of the Energy Commission
17 building and also filed the notice of continuance in the
18 proceeding docket. We are all participating via
19 teleconference.

20 Before we begin, I would like to make introductions
21 of the following individuals who may be participating today.
22 Patty Monahan, commissioner and associate member. Kourtney
23 Vacarro, my advisor. Eli Harland, my advisor. Jana Romero,
24 advisor to Commissioner Monahan. Jim Bartridge, special
25 advisor to the Commission on Siting Matters. And Susan

1 Cochran, our hearing officer.

2 I would also like to introduce either Noemi Gallardo
3 or Rosemary Avalos from the Public Advisor's Office.

4 I will now ask the parties to please introduce
5 themselves and their representatives at this time, starting
6 with the applicant if they're on the phone or dialed in with
7 us.

8 All right nobody from the applicant.

9 What about staff?

10 HEARING OFFICER COCHRAN: I know that Lon Payne, the
11 project manager, is on the phone but he does not have a
12 microphone.

13 I don't see anybody else from --

14 THE COURT REPORTER: It's 10:00. I just want to be
15 sure we're still on, everybody.

16 HEARING OFFICER COCHRAN: Yes.

17 THE COURT REPORTER: This is the court reporter.

18 HEARING OFFICER COCHRAN: Yes.

19 COMMISSIONER DOUGLAS: Yes.

20 HEARING OFFICER COCHRAN: I don't see anybody from
21 staff other than Mr. Payne.

22 COMMISSIONER DOUGLAS: I saw a text from Lon Payne or
23 a chat saying that they are here.

24 HEARING OFFICER COCHRAN: Okay.

25 COMMISSIONER DOUGLAS: So if they'd like to speak up,

1 they may. But we'll just otherwise note that they are
2 listening and move on.

3 Intervenors Helping Hand Tools, California Unions for
4 Reliable Energy or Robert Sarvey, are any of you
5 participating this morning?

6 All right. Anybody from any public agencies other
7 than the Energy Commission who wishes to identify themselves
8 as participating this morning?

9 All right. I'll turn the committee conference over
10 to Hearing Officer Cochran.

11 HEARING OFFICER COCHRAN: Thank you, Commissioner
12 Douglas.

13 In the original notice and agenda for this committee
14 conference closed session which is still applicable to this
15 session as we continued it, the primary purpose is for the
16 Committee to meet in closed session to deliberate.

17 We have no parties on the line to ask if they have
18 comments at this time so I'm going to assume they do not.

19 We must conduct a public comment. Are there any --
20 would any member of the public care to make any comment to
21 the Committee?

22 I don't see any.

23 Ms. Avalos, has the Public Advisor's Office received
24 any public comments for today's committee conference closed
25 session?

1 MS. AVALOS: Thank you, Susan, this is Rosemary.

2 And, no, the Public Advisor's Office has not received public
3 comment for this particular proceeding. Thank you.

4 HEARING OFFICER COCHRAN: Thank you.

5 The Committee will now adjourn to closed session in
6 accordance with Government Code Section 11126, subdivision
7 (c)(3) which allows a state body, including a delegated
8 committee, to hold a closed session to deliberate on a
9 decision to be reached in a proceeding the state body was
10 required by law to conduct.

11 We anticipate returning from closed session in about
12 one hour.

13 (Off the record at 10:03 a.m.)

14 (On the record at 11:14 a.m.)

15 COMMISSIONER DOUGLAS: All right. Good. Well, we
16 have returned from closed session. We have no reportable
17 actions.

18 And Susan, is there anything you'd like to say?

19 HEARING OFFICER COCHRAN: No. Thank you all for your
20 participation and we are adjourned at 11:14 a.m.

21 COMMISSIONER DOUGLAS: Perfect.

22 HEARING OFFICER COCHRAN: Thank you.

23 COMMISSIONER DOUGLAS: Thank you.

24 (Thereupon, the Hearing was adjourned at 11:14 a.m.)

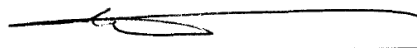
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