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### Utility Companies

SEMPRA Energy

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### Los Angeles County

Air Cold Supply

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PACE (Pacific Asian Consortium in Employment)

Pacific General Insurance

TELACU (The East Los Angeles Community Union)

Commercial and Residential Services

Vasquez, Farukhi and Company

Veterans in Community Service, Inc.

Watts Labor Community Action Commission

Louisville Tin and Stove Co.

### San Diego County

Campeinos Unidos, Inc.

MAAC (Metropolitan Area Advisory Committee) Project

Richard Heath and Associates, Inc.

### Orange County

Contractors Supply

Community Action Partnership of Orange County

### San Bernardino County

Community Services Department of San Bernardino County

RSA Supply

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Riverside County Department of Community Action

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Community Action Commission of Santa Barbara County

### Placer County

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Economic Opportunity Commission of San Luis Obispo, Inc.

### Imperial County

Campeinos Unidos, Inc.

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Don Smith and Associates, Inc.

### Kings County

Kings Community Action Organization

## General Membership Meeting April 18, 2007 Southern California Edison CTAC Irwindale, CA

### MINUTES (Draft)

#### 1. Call to Order by Richard Shaw Self-Introductions:

The President, Richard Shaw, called the regular meeting of the Southern California Forum for Energy Efficiency, Environmental and Human Service Providers to order on Thursday, April 18, 2007 at 10:40 P M, at the SCE CTAC, Irwindale, California.

#### Self-Introductions:

In attendance were: Traci Smith (*LA Works*), Zigmund Vays (*CES*), Joe Gonzalez (*Eddie Dillen*), Richard Vasquez (*CRS/VICS*), Ron Garcia (*Reliable Energy*), Ed Ocampo (*Maravilla*), William Warren (*CAPSB*), Darryl Johnson (*CAPSB*), Jesus G. (*MAAC*), Jose Franco (*MAAC*), Tony Gallegos (*VICS*), Jim Lucas (*SCG*), Adam Knowles (*SCG*), Jay Thomas (*ACH Supply*), Dave Olsen (*CA Ventura County*), Alfred Anaya (*ACH Supply*), Richard Villasenor (*TELACU*), Lida Cinq-Mars (*CAP Riverside Co*), Richard Shaw (*ASSERT*), John Nall (*SCE*), David C. Gonzalez (*Eddie Dillen HIC*), Kathy Kifaya, (*CAP Orange Co.*), Roberto Del Real (*SCE*), Saul Leal (*KCAO*), Slavisa Spajic (*PACE*), Arleen Novotney (*SCF*).

#### 2. Welcome- Richard Shaw

Richard welcomed and thanked everyone for traveling to the CTAC of Southern California Edison in Irwindale.

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**3. Approval of Minutes – Arleen Novotney**

The minutes for the Nov. 8, 2006 and January 18, 2007 meetings were distributed by Email. It was moved by Tony Gallegos to approve both sets of minutes and seconded by Bill Warren. Approved

**4. Treasurers Report –Ed Ocampo**

The fiscal report was distributed by Ed Ocampo for the first quarter of 2007. It was moved to accept by Richard Villasenor and seconded by Bill Warren. Accepted

**5. Presidents Report – Richard Shaw**

-Utility Budgets and current status of LIEE

The budget for 2007 is almost ready. SCE has some very creative programs. Their marketing plan has been filed with some changes to include CFLs. It is waiting for approval. PG&E and SDG& E have asked for an extension on the bidding out for the administrator until 2009 PY.

CPUC is holding a series of workshops for 2009 LIEE. List of topics is attached. The program funding to meet the goal, should be tripled.

There was a hearing on the 17<sup>th</sup> on AB2104. A workshop on Water Conservation will be commencing soon. Scoping memo get copy on web for site.

-SCG RFP Innovative Water Heating has been issued. This RFP is targeted to save therms. SCF could apply for this grant with members as sub-contractors.

-LIEE public workshops will continue the next will be on June 10 in San Francisco. There was some confusion on what was to be discussed at these workshops.

-Solar Developments

The most important bill is SB324 by Laird. Section C Residential housing defined as LIEE and CARE. Without this the low-income definition will be as written in the original Pavley bill AB 2723.

April 30<sup>th</sup> the CPUC is holding a workshop for the Low-Income side of the CSI in San Francisco.

SDG&E is going to be issuing a solar project the contact is Xantha Bruso [xxb1@exchange.pge.com](mailto:xxb1@exchange.pge.com).

K. Kifaya moved to accept the report, T. Gallegos seconded, approved

**6. Director's – Arleen Novotney**

Solar Pilot- 12 units have been installed. There are 10 more to be installed. All agencies are invited to any installation. It is a great training for possible programs in the future. The data loggers are almost ready for a training and installation. It may take another month, CSD was originally going to pay for them but they decided to amend the SCF contract to include the training, materials and

installation. The usage data needs to start being reported. All consultants have been asked to collect the bill data and send it to Arleen.

CSD has been holding meetings to work out the ECIP portion of the LIHEAP. There has been planning to restructure ECIP to address disasters like the freeze and any upcoming possible heatwave. CSD is moving forward on the usage of ECIP. They do not like the use of these funds as a supplement of WX. Federal concerns are pushing this issue. The timeline concern should be able to be met. They are way behind on the computer program. It's not looking good for Dec. 31, 2007. The Working group will meet on April 24<sup>th</sup>.

The LIHEAP bill that recommended increasing the funds to 500 million for California and nationally to 7 billion has been passed through the California legislature. It will be forwarded to the federal level.

The CPUC held a workshop on the CSI plan on April 2<sup>nd</sup>. This did not include the low-income portion that will be discussed on April 30<sup>th</sup> in San Francisco. The ruling by ALJ Duda was released April 17<sup>th</sup>. It was emailed to the members. Both sides of the CSI have problems. PV systems may not be able to be realized by the very low-income households that we serve. The grant/rebate will only cover a portion of the unit and the rest will have to be a loan. It was recommended that there be only one administrator for all of the state. There are many stumbling blocks that make the program difficult to serve any low-income family.

It was moved to pursue by D. Gonzalez seconded by D. Olsen the SCGWH RFP with sub-contractors from SCF. All agencies should apply individually for the first round. Approved

It was moved to file the report by T. Gallegos and seconded by D. Gonzalez. Filed

## **7. Southern California Gas Company**

Jim reported the scoping ruling comments were by due 27<sup>th</sup> and the reply comments by May 8<sup>th</sup>. Petition to modify needs to be in today on RHA.

March LIEE Quarterly p&p was discussed as to changes. There were no major objections. Items will be discussed in the next filing

Ron asked about increasing dollars for BER. This will be under discussion. Submittals for database had backlogs for agreements. The final numbers will be at the next week meeting. The DAP meeting will be held next week. The first session will be on policies and second session on office managers and data entries. An email will be sent on these issues. Two people from each agency is recommended for each session or please inform Jim so he could accommodate more.

Moved to file Kathy Kifaya, David Gonzalez 2<sup>nd</sup>. OK

## **8. Southern California Edison**

Roberto stated that production is not doing well at this time. They are looking to revise some things to help the production. SCE will contact contractors on this issue. SCE is also building a database with Directapps. It has been delayed because of the inventory component. Possibly it will be released in July. SCG has really helped in the process. They are working to get one customer agreement and other items jointly. If SCG approves a customer then it is qualified for SCE also.

A program will start to deliver CFLs to 1 million customers with 22 million dollars by the end of 2008. These will be delivered not installed. This project will launch in July. The policies and other issues are being worked out at this time. 5.6 million CFLs will be purchased. Customer lists will be distributed to contractors. SCE is hoping to provide a packet with energy education along with the CFLs and it will include other program information. This is not necessarily for low-income. The target will be low to moderate income customers that have not participated in other programs. Hopefully by 2008 SCE may have to re-file for additional funds if necessary. This is an attempt to reduce greenhouse admissions. It will be filed next week.

R. Shaw feels that this program can be used as a good marketing tool. R. Garcia had concerns about potential outcomes that will ensue with this program and marketing. This may increase the demand on other programs. The funding may have to increase. Rates may have to be increased and this is a big question to be decided. R. Shaw added that the other side of the public goods charge is not being expended nor saved, what is the goal?

Motion to support the SCE CFL program was made by K. Kifaya, E. Ocampo seconded.

Moved to accept the report by David Gonzalez and seconded by Richard Villasenor. Passed

John Nall was introduced. Welcomed all to the new facility. The new program was introduced because SCE is delivering more energy efficiency than other utilities. SCE wants to take a national leadership role to reduce greenhouse gases. The most senior executives saw the benefits of this program. The SCE has reduced the rates since the cost of natural gas was reduced. 925 homes will be added to the existing programs. This will need 3,600 homes a day to complete this project. Other entities may be brought on initially.

A pledge from the customer to install the bulbs will be signed. Change a light, change the world.

## **9. LIEE New P&P**

SCG will qualify through CARE and be automatically qualified for LIEE. SCG will start implementing in July. Approval letters for SSI and other programs can be

used as a qualifier. LIHEAP documentation will be discussed and reported at a later date.

**10. LIOB**

There was a March 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting in San Francisco. The OIR workshop was on the next day. The needs assessment was discussed.

The OIR meeting discussed reaching the goals set by the CPUC. The CPUC had many aggressive goals. There were many questions concerning why so many changes have been made. The look of the programs will change. The LIOB will be discussing the changes at the next meeting. The question was raised by a contractor as to why SCG and SCE did not go out for bid for their contractors. This issue will be discussed at the next meeting. The new board member La Donna Williams is very positive addition. She is an activist that deals with low-income issues.

The utility workshops are to be public participation meetings not for contractors to make changes to the program. This made the meeting a bit confusing.

Next meeting:

**June 19, 2007,**

**10:30AM-4:00PM**

San Diego Central Public Library-3rd Floor Auditorium- 820 E Street, San Diego, CA 92101

**10. New and Other Business**

**Energy Division Workshop - Low-income strategy for single-family homes for the California Solar Initiative (R-06-03-004)**

April 30, 2007 10 am - 4 pm	California Public Utilities Commission 505 Van Ness Avenue, Auditorium (Corner of Van Ness Avenue and McAllister Street) <b>San Francisco</b>

**Workshop Notice - R.07-01-042: Order Instituting Rulemaking Regarding Policies, Procedures, and Rules for the Low-Income Energy Efficiency Programs of California's Energy Utilities**

May 10, 2007 10 am	California Public Utilities Commission 505 Van Ness Avenue, Commission Training Room A (Corner of Van Ness Avenue and McAllister Street) <b>San Francisco</b>
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**E. Announcements –**

none

**F. Adjournment -**

Kathy moved to adjourn, seconded by David. Adjourned at 1:46 pm.