

# Regular Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Peninsula Clean Energy Authority (PCEA) AGENDA

Monday, June 12, 2023 10:00 a.m.

PLEASE NOTE: This meeting will be held in a hybrid format with both in-person and Zoom participation options for members of the public;

Board members shall appear in person.

In-Person Meeting Location:
PCEA Lobby, 2075 Woodside Road, Redwood City, CA 94061

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#### **ACTION TO SET AGENDA**

#### **REGULAR AGENDA**

- 1. Chair Report (Discussion)
- 2. CEO Report (Discussion)
- 3. Review of Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget (Discussion)
- 4. Update to Strategic Priority to Delivery 100% Renewable Energy Annually by 2025 and on a 99% Time-Coincident Basis by 2027 (Discussion)
- 5. Regionalization "Study session" (Discussion)
- 6. Committee Members' Reports (Discussion)

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- B. Videoconference with Phone Call Audio- see Option 2 below
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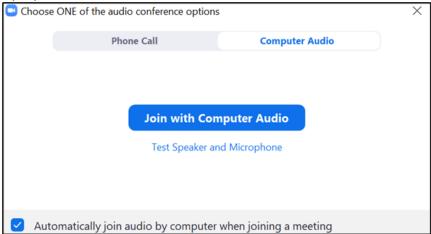
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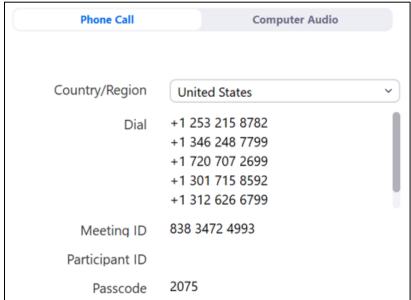
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## PENINSULA CLEAN ENERGY AUTHORITY JPA Board Correspondence

**DATE:** June 2, 2023

**COMMITTEE MEETING DATE:** June 12, 2023

SPECIAL NOTICE/HEARING: None VOTE REQUIRED: None

**TO:** Honorable Peninsula Clean Energy Authority Executive Committee

**FROM:** Andy Stern, Chief Financial Officer

**SUBJECT:** Proposed Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget and 5-year Projections

#### **BACKGROUND:**

On May 16, 2023, Staff presented a draft Fiscal Year 2023-2024 budget to the Audit & Finance Committee in order to solicit comments and input. Staff presented the same draft budget to the full Board of Directors on May 25, 2023.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

Fiscal Year 2023-2024 (July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024) budget presentation and details will be provided for review. The bottom-up budgeting approach included discussions with the department heads to develop their portions of the budget and the Peninsula Clean Energy Chief Operating Officer and Chief Executive Officer to include cross agency elements of the budget. The final budget has been updated to reflect additional refinement of select revenue and expense categories.

The resolution for Board approval reflects a Not-to-Exceed level of Total Operating Expenses allowing for various categories to be above or below the planned level as long as the Total Operating Expenses do not exceed the requested level of \$350,657,317 for the full Fiscal Year 2023-2024.



### PENINSULA CLEAN ENERGY AUTHORITY JPA Board Correspondence

**DATE:** June 6, 2023

**COMMITTEE MEETING DATE:** June 12, 2023

**SPECIAL NOTICE/HEARING:** None

**VOTE REQUIRED:** Majority Vote

**TO:** Honorable Peninsula Clean Energy Authority Executive Committee

**FROM:** Jan Pepper, Chief Executive Officer,

Roy Xu, Director of Power Resources

Mehdi Shahriari, Manager of Planning and Analytics

**SUBJECT:** Update to Strategic Priority to Deliver 100% Renewable Energy

Annually by 2025 and on a 99% Time-Coincident Basis by 2027

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Based on the updated results of the 24/7 analysis presented by staff, direct staff to prepare a resolution recommending that the Board of Directors adopt staff's recommendation to update PCE's Strategic Plan Priority to deliver 100% renewable energy annually by 2025 and on a 99% time-coincident basis by 2027.

#### BACKGROUND:

In 2017 Peninsula Clean Energy ("PCE") set an ambitious goal to deliver 100% time-coincident renewable energy to its customers by 2025, which means delivering renewable energy that matches customers' demand each and every hour of the day. In the ensuing years, staff developed and leveraged a new 24/7 clean energy procurement modeling tool that has been helping Peninsula Clean Energy understand the best path to achieving this goal.

In December 2021, Peninsula Clean Energy published its White Paper Part I on this topic, explaining PCE's vision for its 24/7 renewable energy goal. Building on the work in the first white paper, staff presented the results of extensive portfolio modeling to the Board of Directors at the Board Retreat in September 2022. In that presentation, staff explained how Peninsula Clean Energy can achieve time-coincident renewable energy targets and how different time-coincident targets would impact Peninsula Clean Energy's cost of energy. Further, staff presented on how time-coincident renewable energy procurement could provide benefits to society by reducing greenhouse gas emissions and improving grid performance.

In November 2022, the Board of Directors adopted staff's recommendation on delivering 100% renewable energy annually on a 99% time-coincident basis by 2025.

In January 2023, Peninsula Clean Energy published its White Paper Part II that describes how we will achieve our 24/7 goal. At that time PCE also published the Modeling Around-



The-Clock Hourly Energy (MATCH) modeling tool, a free, open-source modeling tool that can be used by other communities to find the optimal portfolio to meet similar 24/7 goals for their community.

Staff has continued to update PCE's portfolio modeling and analysis with the most recent resource availability and market conditions. Delays in resource development due to global supply chain and financial issues, labor shortages, and interconnection delays have resulted in fewer resources available to Peninsula Clean Energy by 2025. Given these new conditions, staff has re-evaluated the optimal approach to delivering 24/7 renewable energy to our customers.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

Peninsula Clean Energy Staff leveraged the Modeling Around-The-Clock Hourly Energy (MATCH) modeling tool to evaluate the optimal implementation of PCE's 24/7 goal given updated market conditions and resource availability. Due to delays in resource development, only a limited pool of resources is available to begin delivering energy by 2025 and these resources are not a good fit for PCE's portfolio because of their generation profiles. Contracting with such resources will increase over-procurement, and lead to higher long-term cost and risk to PCE. In contrast, there is a more diverse set of resources available for energy delivery in 2027 and some are a much better fit for PCE's portfolio. For example, several important wind resources are expected to be online in 2027. Wind resources are an excellent fit for PCE, as they complement solar generation by providing overnight and winter generation. Contracting with these resources would decrease over-procurement and reduce the long-term cost and risk exposure to PCE. As such, staff recommends updating PCE's 99% time-coincident goal from 2025 to 2027 in order to incorporate the more optimal and cost-effective resources in PCE's portfolio. Staff further recommends keeping the goal of delivering 100% renewable energy annually by 2025.

In addition, Staff has been actively pursuing short-term contracts with existing renewable resources in an effort to meet the 24/7 goal by 2025, but has had limited success due to unavailability of such products in the current high-priced market. As a result, Staff expects that PCE will need to rely more on long-term contracts with new resources to meet its 24/7 goal. However, if Peninsula Clean Energy chooses to enter long-term contracts with sub-optimal resources for delivery in 2025 to try meeting the 99% time-coincident goal by 2025, then PCE won't have room in its portfolio for more optimal resources available in 2027.

Staff has compared the portfolio structures between meeting the 99% goal in 2025 versus meeting it in 2027. Staff notes that achieving the goal in 2025, given the resources that are expected to be available and online in 2025, would require a significantly larger total capacity. The larger amount of capacity needed to meet the 99% time-coincident goal by 2025 translates directly into high volumes of over-procurement, which Peninsula Clean Energy would try to sell, but the ability to sell at fair prices is not guaranteed. The high amount of capacity and the over-procurement could lead to increased costs and increased portfolio risk that would extend into the next ten to fifteen years. On the other hand, by targeting 24/7 in 2027, Staff would have more flexibility to contract with resources having desirable profiles and attributes that are a better fit for PCE's portfolio. In the long run, shifting the target date by two years will decrease over-procurement, and reduce the total cost and risk to PCE.



The recommended update to Peninsula Clean Energy's strategic priority will help to reduce cost and risk to PCE's customers. Staff's analysis indicates that the recommended strategy to achieving 24/7 by 2027 is the optimal approach to balance the costs and benefits to PCE's customers. At the same time, PCE will maintain the goal of delivering 100% renewable energy annually by 2025.

Staff will provide additional information and background during the Committee Meeting.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

Updating the implementation of a 99% time-coincident renewable energy procurement target to 2027 will reduce the expected cost and risk of PCE's future portfolio, relative to a 2025 target. There is no immediate impact to the current FY 2023-2024 budget.



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**TO:** Honorable Peninsula Clean Energy Authority Executive Committee

**FROM:** Jan Pepper, Chief Executive Officer

Jeremy Waen, Director of Regulatory Policy Marc Hershman, Director of Government Affairs

**SUBJECT:** Regionalization Study Session

#### **BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION:**

The California Legislature is considering legislation that would enable the State's grid operator, the California Independent System Operator (CAISO), to expand service to other states within the Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC). This is a complex issue that has previously been before the legislature, with multiple stakeholders and several policy and operational implications to consider.

Staff will present an overview of the issue and its current status.