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OFFICE OF THE CITY COAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

2009 MAR 19 PM RESOLUTION NO. 81862 C.M.S.



RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT AB 64 LEGISLATION REGARDING MODIFYING STATEWIDE RENEWABLES PORTFOLIO STANDARDS, CREATING A STANDARD TARIFF FOR CERTAIN RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATION PROJECTS AND CREATING A RENEWABLE INFRASTRUCTURE AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland, is impacted by limited electricity supplies which result in high electricity costs to residents and businesses; and

WHEREAS, the City may face costs to implement policies to address global climate change resulting from using fossil fuels to create electricity; and

WHEREAS, the Oakland City Council has taken action to promote producing and using electricity from renewable sources including building 1 megawatt (MW) solar power at City facilities and requiring LEED Silver certification for certain City projects; and

WHEREAS, AB 64 (Krekorian, Bass, Blakeslee) will (1) create enhanced statutory requirements for the Renewables Portfolio Standard (RPS) program after January 1, 2011, that requires Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) to procure at least 20% of the electricity from renewable sources by December 31, 2010, 25% by December 31, 2015, 35% by December 31, 2020, and to have a goal of procuring at least 50% of the electricity delivered from renewable sources by December 31, 2035, and allows Renewable Energy Credits (RECs) to be used for up to 50% of the RPS requirements after January 1, 2011, declining over time; (2) create a standard tariff for PG&E to offer to certain renewable energy generation projects, limited to PG&E's proportional share of a 500 MW statewide cap; and (3) create a Renewable Infrastructure Authority (RIA), with authority to permit, and invest up to \$6.4 billion of revenue bonds in, renewable energy generation and transmission projects, and authority to create Renewable Energy Designation Zones (REDZ) that are committed to generating electricity, with at least 90% of the fuel coming from renewable sources; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland would benefit by approval of this measure, which is expected to stimulate the economy of the State of California by creating demand for products from renewable electricity industries, and create green collar jobs by supporting the production and use of renewable electricity; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED: The City of Oakland declares its support for AB 64 (Krekorian, Bass, Blakeselee) to limit the use of RECs to purchases that increase the absolute amounts of electricity purchased from renewable sources to levels that are superior to the requirements of the existing legislation; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Council hereby directs the City Administrator and the City's legislative lobbyist to advocate for the above position in the California State Legislature.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,	MAR 1 7 2009	
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