MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE BALANCING AUTHORITY OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA (BANC)

August 26, 2020

On this date, a Regular Meeting of the Commissioners of the Balancing Authority of Northern California (BANC) and Strategic Planning Session was held telephonically.

Representatives Present:

Member Agency	Commissioner
Modesto Irrigation District (MID)	James McFall
City of Redding	Dan Beans, Chair
City of Roseville	Michelle Bertolino
Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD)	Arlen Orchard
City of Shasta Lake	James Takehara
Trinity Public Utilities District (TPUD)	Paul Hauser

Agency	Liaison(s)
Western Area Power Administration (WAPA)	Sonja Anderson

- 1. <u>Call to Order:</u> Mr. Shetler reviewed attendance and confirmed that a quorum was present. Chair Beans called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.
- 2. Matters Subsequent to Posting the Agenda: None.
- 3. Public Comment: Chair Beans invited comments from the public and none were given.
- 4. <u>Consent Agenda</u>: Mr. McFall moved, Mr. Orchard seconded, and the participating Commissioners present unanimously approved the Consent Agenda items comprised of: (A) Minutes of the Regular Commission Meeting held on July 22, 2020; (B) Minutes of the Emergency Commission Meeting held on August 17, 2020; (C) BANC Operator Report for July; (D) Compliance Officer Report for August; (E) PC Committee Chair Report for August; and (F) General Manager's Report and Strategic Initiatives Update. The City of Shasta Lake had not yet joined the meeting.
- 5. Regular Agenda Items Discussion and Possible Action:
 - A. Mr. Shetler provided an update on Grid Conditions during the mid-August heatwave. He reported that neither BANC nor CAISO exceeded their historical peak MW. BANC members provided support to CAISO with both requested emergency assistance and wholesale market sales, for a total of about 16,000 megawatt-hours during the 6-day period. Mr. Shetler also thanked BANC's members for their responsiveness to the public assistance notice. He acknowledged awareness of concerns regarding market interactions during this period and CAISO export curtailments and shared that ongoing dialogue intended to ensure that BANC fully understands how the market operated and how rules were applied are in process. Finally, Mr. Shetler stated that a press release

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was being drafted to share how BANC navigated the potential impacts of the heatwave and stated it would be shared with members prior to release.

- B. Mr. Shetler walked through the Draft 2021 BANC Budget. There were no questions on the budget.
- 6. Mr. Shetler kicked off the Strategic Planning Session and all members participated in a dialogue around the following topics: the long-term direction and goals of BANC, the cost structure and member support for SMUD-provided BANC services, member views on the evolutionary approach to markets in the West, gaging member support for evolving BANC's role going forward, and member commitment to open and transparent communications.

Finally, Mr. Shetler invited Mr. Orchard to present a concept for BANC members to consider around BANC setting up its own OASIS to manage COTP entitlements, which would also require BANC to set up its own OATT. Mr. Orchard proposed that a high-level scoping document be prepared for Commission review at a future point in time. There was interest from the Commissioners in the development of this document, so Mr. Shetler confirmed that BANC would work with SMUD and bring this back to the Commission in the October/November timeframe.

Ms. Bertolino asked if the Commission would be interested in hearing from SMUD at a future date regarding as to how the aspirational carbon-neutral 2030 goal may impact the Balancing Authority. Mr. Shetler said he would work with SMUD and bring a presentation back to the Commission at a future point in time.

7. <u>Closed Session:</u> The Commission retired to closed session at 12:30 p.m. for conference with legal counsel in anticipation of litigation pursuant to subdivision (c) of Cal. Gov't Code § 54956.9; three matters .

Chair Beans reconvened the public meeting at 2:00 p.m., and BANC General Counsel reported that no formal action was taken in closed session.

8. Mr. Shetler stated that he would bring more detail back to the Commission on 2020-21 Strategic Initiatives at the September meeting and summarized potential initiatives derived from discussion at today's meeting: focus on EIM implementation & ongoing operations; continue BANC's involvement in evolving in markets, with EDAM being a key piece; based on heatwave discussions, take a proactive approach to responding to such situations; continued focus on improving communication among members, sister agencies, and other POUs.

The Commission adjourned at 2:07 p.m.

Minutes approved on September 30, 2020.

C. Anthony Braun, Secretary

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