

Comments to Energy and Environment Committee Agenda No. 6 CF 08-1967,
Agenda No. 7 CF 09-2544 and Agenda No. 8 CF 08-1967–S1 LADWP

There needs to be a serious appraisal of the operation of the Department of Water and Power to its chartered duties. With that a Ratepayer Advocate is just one of at least two positions needed, the other being an Inspector General.

The Ratepayers Advocate needs to be a voice to see the future of energy. Does Green Energy mean service to the ratepayer or a hedge for future carbon credits?

The Department Purposes according to the Charter is:

“Water and Power. In connection with, or for the production and delivery of water and electric power, and for the promotion of the conservation of water and power resources.”

This does not mean production of energy for other markets outside the City of Los Angeles. Transmission is expensive as is the water resources used to deliver energy. The Department is stepping outside its chartered purpose to enter an energy market without being regulated by any entity.

It may be time to review your approval of the Southern California Public Power

Authority SCPPA as that Joint Powers Agreement may not be shared resources, but LADWP majority ownership without being under the umbrella of City and Citizen Oversight but under the State Public Utilities Commission. The Milford Wind Project, part of SCPPA, has one phase with another pending. In reality, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission FERC applications have been filed for five projects total:

Docket Numbers: EC10–16–000.

Applicants: **Milford Wind Corridor Phase I, LLC,**
Milford Wind Corridor Phase II, LLC,
Milford Wind Corridor Phase III, LLC,
Milford Wind Corridor Phase IV, LLC,
Milford Wind Corridor Phase V, LLC,
Milford Gen Lead, LLC.

Description: Application of Milford Wind Corridor LLC for Authorization under Section 203 of the Federal Power Act and Request for Waivers, Confidential Treatment and Expedited Consideration.

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How will this project provide energy to the City of Los Angeles and with what cost? Energy has crossed state lines without the Citizens of the City of Los Angeles having any voice. LADWP has become an Investor Owned Utility with the addition of partners who are IOU.

The Ombudsman role may be defined in more of a liaison with CPUC
Commissioners not with LADWP Commissioners.

An Inspector General needs the right to audit, investigate, and subpoena without
a sunset clause and with being properly funded to execute the duties.

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