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On January 11, 2013, the Board of Water and Power Commissioners approved a Resolution authorizing execution of the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power Feed-in Tariff (FiT) Program. The approved Program consists of pricing guidelines, standard terms of a Power Purchase Agreement and Customer Interconnection Agreement.

The FiT Program seeks to pay up to 17 cents per kWh for the first 20 megawatt tier. The following tiers pay in a declining range from 16 cents to 13 cents per kWh. The DWP states that this pricing scheme will assist to spur solar development in the City.

The Ratepayer Advocate (RPA) has expressed strong concerns about the FiT Program. The Ratepayer Advocate states that the pricing scheme adopted by the Board creates an additional \$100 million in costs for DWP customers. The RPA recommends that the DWP consider an alternative pricing scheme that is more cost effective for its customers.

Given the concerns expressed by the RPA and the potential impact on the ratepayers, it would be appropriate for the Council to assert jurisdiction over the Board's action and conduct its own review.

I THEREFORE MOVE that pursuant to Section 245 of the Los Angeles City Charter (Prop. 5) the City Council assert jurisdiction over the Board of Water and Power Commissioner's action on January 11, 2013 (Item No. 20 on the Agenda) relative to a Resolution authorizing execution of the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power Feed-in Tariff (FiT) Program.

I FURTHER MOVE that upon assertion of jurisdiction, this matter be referred to Committee for review and further action.

PRESENTED BY:

JAN PERRY

Councilmember, 9th District

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