

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power's (LADWP) Renewable Portfolio Standard Policy and Enforcement Program (RPS Policy) represents the continued commitment by LADWP to renewable energy resources, including compliance targets for LADWP to supply 25 percent of its retail sales from eligible renewable energy resources by 2016 and 33 percent by 2020 in accordance with the California Renewable Energy Resources Act (SB 2-1X) and 50 percent by 2030 in accordance with Senate Bill 350; and

WHEREAS, increased use of photovoltaics to generate electricity will reduce greenhouse gas production as a byproduct of electricity generation from burning of fossils fuels; and

WHEREAS, existing solar business models have not been designed to provide access to a significant portion of potential solar system customers in LADWP's service territory; and

WHEREAS, large portions of Los Angeles residents are currently without the economic, environmental, and social benefits of utilizing solar energy; and

WHEREAS, in late 2015 and early 2016, a total of four outreach activities (i.e., 2 surveys and 2 focus groups) were performed to better understand the satisfaction, attitudes, and motivations of potential community solar program customers, with results showing strong interest; and

WHEREAS, a variety of local stakeholder and advocacy groups expressed strong interest in local renewable energy developments in areas of low solar penetration; and

WHEREAS, the Solar Rooftops Program (SRP) will be the first LADWP Community Solar Program (CSP) and will provide up to 1 megawatt of aggregated solar energy across an estimated 400 residential customers in areas of low solar penetration in the Los Angeles area; and

WHEREAS, the SRP is budgeted up to approximately \$13 million over 20 years; and

WHEREAS, LADWP has developed Solar Rooftops Program Guidelines (Guidelines) to define the terms and conditions of program participation; and

WHEREAS, LADWP has developed a Solar Rooftops Program Lease Agreement (SRPLA) to execute with each residential customer upon whose property a photovoltaic system will be installed and operated under the SRP; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), it has been determined that implementation of the SRP is statutorily exempt pursuant to Section 21080.35 of the California Public Resources Code pertaining to the installation of a solar energy system on the roof of an existing building.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Guidelines, a copy of which is on file with the Secretary of the Board of Water and Power Commissioners (Board), are hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the General Manager, or such person as the General Manager shall designate in writing, is hereby independently authorized to execute, for and on behalf of LADWP, agreements which are substantially the same as the form of the SRPLA now on file with the Secretary of the Board, and that each individual such SRPLA shall be approved as to form and legality by the City Attorney.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board requests that, pursuant to Los Angeles City Charter §606, the City Council approve future use of the SRPLA by LADWP in accordance with this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that implementation of the SRP is statutorily exempt pursuant to Section 21080.35 of the California Public Resources Code.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that LADWP staff is authorized to make non-substantive technical modifications to the Guidelines as necessary to correct errors, improve clarity, and facilitate administration of the program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the energy and environmental attributes acquired from the LADWP Community Solar Program shall be credited toward LADWP's RPS Policy.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Accounting Employee of the LADWP, upon proper certification, is authorized and directed to draw demands on the Power Revenue Fund, in payment of the obligations arising under any individual SRPLA, under the Guidelines, and in accordance with this resolution.


I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Water and Power Commissioners of the City of Los Angeles at its meeting held

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Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY
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