

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) is authorized to enter into wholesale energy transactions, under certain limitations; and

WHEREAS, Section 23.135 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code (LAAC) currently limits the contracting authority of the General Manager of LADWP to no more than 500 megawatts per wholesale energy transaction; and

WHEREAS, an increase in the 500 megawatts limitation will provide LADWP the flexibility to participate in larger volumes of energy transactions and maximize the purchase and sale of surplus wholesale energy; and

WHEREAS, an increase in the limitation will increase LADWP's import capability of energy while reducing LADWP's reliance on its local natural-gas fired plants; and

WHEREAS, an increase in the limitation will enable LADWP to better mitigate natural gas curtailment events related to the Aliso Canyon gas storage facility; and

WHEREAS, an increase in the limitation will improve LADWP's ability to assist the State of California in resolving its over-generation of renewable energy situations; and

WHEREAS, LADWP purchases and sells surplus wholesale energy to both improve the reliability of its service to its customers and bring economic benefits to the City of Los Angeles and its ratepayers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Water and Power Commissioners (Board) hereby respectfully requests that the City Council amend by ordinance Subsection (2) of Section 23.135 of the LAAC to increase the current contract limitation of 500 megawatts per wholesale energy transaction to 2,000 megawatts per wholesale energy transaction and to continue permitting a delegation of authority by the Board to the General Manager to enter into such contracts.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Accounting Employee of LADWP, upon proper certification, is authorized and directed to draw demands on the Power Revenue Fund, in payment of the obligations arising under this new delegated authority.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of the resolution adopted by the Board of Water and Power Commissioners of the City of Los Angeles at its meeting held APR 24 2018.


Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY
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