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REPORT RE:

DRAFT ORDINANCE APPROVING THE ANPP HASSAYAMPA SWITCHYARD INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT, DWP NO. BP 17-027, BY AND AMONG THE CO-OWNERS OF THE ARIZONA NUCLEAR POWER PROJECT AND INCLUDING THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, ACTING BY AND THROUGH THE LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND POWER, AND SUN STREAMS, LLC; AND DELEGATING TO THE BOARD OF WATER AND POWER COMMISSIONERS THE AUTHORITY TO AMEND THE INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT

The Honorable City Council of the City of Los Angeles Room 395, City Hall 200 North Spring Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Honorable Members:

This Office has prepared and now transmits for your consideration the enclosed draft ordinance, approved as to form and legality. This draft ordinance provides for: (1) the approval of the ANPP Hassayampa Switchyard Interconnection Agreement, DWP No. BP 17-027 (Agreement); and (2) a delegation to the Board of Water and Power Commissioners (Board) of the authority to amend said Agreement.

Background

The Arizona Nuclear Power Project (ANPP) consists of the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station and the ANPP High Voltage Switchyard, which is made up of both the Palo Verde Switchyard and the adjoining ANPP Hassayampa Switchyard. The ANPP is co-owned by the following: the City of Los Angeles, acting by and through the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP); Arizona Public Service Company, an Arizona corporation; El Paso Electric Company, a Texas corporation; Public Service Company of New Mexico, a New Mexico corporation; Southern California

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Edison, a California corporation; Southern California Public Power Authority, a public entity organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of California; and Salt River Project Agricultural Improvement and Power District, an agricultural improvement district organized and existing under the laws of the State of Arizona (SRP) (collectively, ANPP Co-owners). As one of the ANPP Co-owners, LADWP has a 3.20 percent ownership share of the ANPP High Voltage Switchyard, of which the Hassayampa Switchyard is a part. SRP is the designated operating agent of the ANPP. The Agreement is among the ANPP Co-owners and Sun Streams, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company.

The Agreement establishes the costs, terms, and conditions for the construction, operation, and maintenance of the facilities needed for Sun Streams, LLC to physically interconnect its 150 megawatt solar-powered generating facility to the ANPP Hassayampa Switchyard.

The Agreement will terminate upon the first of the following events to occur: (1) the termination of the ANPP Participation Agreement, DWP No. 10457; (2) written agreement of all parties to the Agreement to terminate it; (3) termination of the Agreement pursuant to Section 22 (Default) of the Agreement; or (4) upon no less than 90 calendar days' advance written notice of termination from Sun Streams, LLC to the operating agent of the ANPP Hassayampa Switchyard, SRP.

Charter Enabling Provisions

Charter Section 674(a)(1) provides that, subject to approval by ordinance, the Board has the power to approve contracts with the United States or any of its agencies, any state or any state agency, and any corporation, public or private, located inside or outside of the City of Los Angeles or State of California for the construction, ownership, operation, and maintenance of facilities for the generation, transformation, and transmission of electric energy that provides for a sharing of the use and benefits and of the capital charges and other obligations associated with the facilities. Additionally, pursuant to Charter Section 101, the City Council has the power to authorize the Board to amend the Agreement without further City Council approval.

CEQA Findings

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), it has been determined that the Agreement is exempt pursuant to the CEQA Guidelines Section 15277. In accordance with this section, projects located outside of California are exempt from the requirements of CEQA when the project is subject to environmental impact review pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act or state law equivalent to CEQA.

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Council Rule 38 Referral

Pursuant to Council Rule 38, this draft ordinance has been presented to the Board of Water and Power Commissioners.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Deputy City Attorney Brian E. Stewart at (213) 367-5115. He or another member of this Office will be present when you consider this matter to answer questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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