

**MINUTES OF THE
SPECIAL MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF
THE INLAND EMPIRE UTILITIES AGENCY*
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15, 2011
6:00 P.M.**

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

Michael Camacho, Vice President
Steven J. Elie, Secretary/Treasurer
Gene Koopman

DIRECTORS ABSENT:

Terry Catlin, President
Angel Santiago

STAFF PRESENT:

Thomas A. Love, General Manager
Martha Davis, Executive Manager of Policy Development
Craig Miller, Assistant General Manager
Patrick Sheilds, Executive Manager of Operations
Christina Valencia, Chief Financial Officer
Andréa Carruthers, Community Outreach and Education Coordinator I
Parivash Dezhnam, Manager of Pretreatment and Source Control
Martyn Draper, Senior Pretreatment and Source Control Inspector
Sondra Elrod, Public Information Officer
Mary Escobar, Office Assistant
Byung-Rock (Julio) Im, Senior Associate Engineer
Beth Olhasso, LT Water Resources Analyst I
Craig Proctor, Pretreatment and Source Control Supervisor
April Woodruff, Board Secretary

OTHERS PRESENT:

Don Allinder, City of Chino
Jack Allingham, Constituent
Kurt Berchtold, Regional Water Quality Control Board
Charles & Sheila Binkley, Constituent
Jean Cihigoyenetché, Cihigoyenetché, Grossberg & Clouse
Tony Codero, GenOn Energy, Inc.
Omar Dandashi, Lewis Operating Corp
Glen Durrington, Farmer
Brandon Goshi, MWD of Southern California
Jayne Joy, Eastern Municipal Water District.
Judy Lankey, Eastern Municipal Water District
Hongling Lao, Constituent
Erin Morales, Cucamonga Valley Water District
Jeff Mosher, Southern California Salinity Coalition
Mark Norton, SAWPA
Honorable Kati Parker, Chino Basin Water Conservation District
John Pastore, Southern California Alliance of Publically Owned Treatment Works
Jon & Pam Pomeroy, Rayne Water Conditioning
Lee Reeder, SAWA
Sandra Rose, Monte Vista Water District

Susie Spears, Constituent
Frances Spivy-Weber, State Water Resources Control Board
Don Vodvarka, Montclair Planning Commission
Greg Woodside, Orange County Water District

A special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Inland Empire Utilities Agency* was held at the office of the Agency, 6075 Kimball Avenue, Bldg. A., Chino, California on the above date.

Vice President Camacho called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., and he dispensed with the pledge of allegiance to the flag. A quorum was present.

Vice President Camacho stated that members of the public may address the Board on other matters not on the agenda, before the Public Hearing begins. There was no one desiring to do so.

Vice President Camacho asked if there were any changes/additions/deletions to the agenda. There were no changes/additions/deletions to the agenda.

PUBLIC HEARING ON AN AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 87 ADDRESSING THE USE OF SELF-REGENERATING WATER SOFTENERS

Vice President Camacho, as the Hearing Officer, called the public hearing to order and turned the meeting over to the General Manager Thomas A. Love, who provided a brief overview for the purpose of the public hearing.

General Manager Thomas A. Love stated that the purpose of the hearing is to provide the public with an opportunity to submit comments on the proposed amendment to Ordinance No. 87, which will restrict the future installation, replacement, or enlargement of any self-regenerating water softener appliance, which discharges into the Regional Sewer System.

General Manager Thomas A. Love gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Self-Regenerating Water Softener Control Program. He stated that self-regenerating water softeners are the single most important constraint to the recycled water and groundwater supplies. Mr. Love highlighted the Forty-plus years of Regional Salt Management and the significant time investments, the Salinity Action Plan, Why self-regenerating water softeners are a problem, Consequences if TDA is not controlled, The role of the Regional Water Softener Task Force, Core Recommendation: Amend existing Water Softener Ordinances, Recommended draft amendment to IEUA's Ordinance 87, Suggested Model Ordinance language for contracting agencies and cities, Proposed timeline, Water Softener Removal Rebate, and Community support.

Vice President Camacho opened the Public Hearing at 6:15 p.m. and the following individuals' gave public comments in support of IEUA's Amendment to Ordinance No. 87, which will restrict the future installation, replacement, or enlargement of any self-regenerating water softener appliance that discharges into the Regional Sewer System:

Mr. Kurt Berchtold, Regional Water Quality Control Board
Mr. Glen Durrington, Farmer
Mr. Omar Dandashi, Lewis Operating Corp.
Mr. Jon Pomeroy, Rayne Water Conditioning
Mr. Don Vodvarka, Montclair Planning Commission
Mr. Charles Binkley, Constituent
Mr. Greg Woodside, Orange County Water District
Mr. Tony Codero, GenOn Energy, Inc.
Ms. Jayne Joy, Eastern Municipal Water District
Mr. Jack Allingham, Constituent

Mr. Jeff Mosher, Southern California Salinity Coalition
Ms. Erin Morales, Cucamonga Valley Water District
Mr. John Pastore, Southern California Alliance of Publically Owned Treatment Works
The Honorable Kati Parker, Chino Basin Water Conservation District
Mr. Brandon Goshi, MWD of Southern California
Ms. Frances Spivy-Weber, State Water Resources Control Board
Mr. Mark Norton, SAWPA

There were no opposing public comments.

Vice President Camacho closed the Public Hearing at 6:50 p.m.

Executive Manager of Policy Development Martha Davis stated that the self-regenerating water softener surrounded by nine (9) 40-pound bags of salt, was displayed for the public to be able to visualize the amount (360 pounds) of salt that one self-regenerating water softener releases into the sewer system every year.

General Manager Thomas A. Love stated that in addition to tonight's seventeen (17) public comments in support of the amendment to Ordinance 87, IEUA received over 100 letters of support from residents in the IEUA service area, and over 25 letters of support from local businesses, regulators, environmental groups, and other water agencies.

The Board of Directors thanked the public for attending, commenting, and supporting the efforts of the IEUA's amendment to Ordinance 87, which will restrict the future installation, replacement, or enlargement of any self-regenerating water softener appliance that discharges into the Regional Sewer System.

The Board of Directors also recognized staff for their hard work and effort.

With no further business, Vice President Camacho adjourned the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Secretary

APPROVED: JULY 20, 2011