



Staff Report Item

TO: East Bay Community Energy Board of Directors
FROM: Leah Goldberg, General Counsel
SUBJECT: Legal Services Agreement with Hall Energy Law PC
DATE: January 16, 2016

Recommendation

- A. Approve a Legal Services Agreement with Hall Energy Law PC for services related to drafting and negotiating Power Purchase Agreements in the amount not to exceed \$175,000 for the term January 10, 2019 through August 31, 2019.
- B. Direct the General Counsel to terminate the Legal Services Agreement with Troutman Sanders.

Background and Discussion

In September 2018, the Board approved a Legal Services Agreement with Troutman Sanders to provide legal services in the power procurement area. The total compensation under this Agreement was \$225,000.

Stephen Hall has been the primary counsel to EBCE while at Troutman Sanders. He has been working with EBCE since November 2017. Mr. Hall has represented EBCE in short term power purchase transactions over the past year and is currently working with EBCE on drafting and negotiating long term Power Purchase Agreements in relation to the California Renewables Solicitation. Mr. Hall also assists with EBCE's Risk Oversight Committee.

Stephen Hall left Troutman Sanders on January 10, 2019, and started work at Hall Energy Law PC. EBCE would like to terminate the Legal Services Agreement with Troutman Sanders and to engage Hall Energy Law PC. Troutman Sanders billed roughly \$50,000 from September 2018 through December 2018. EBCE would like to allocate the remaining \$175,000 to this new

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contract with Hall Energy Law PC. This would allow for EBCE to continue working with Mr. Hall uninterrupted.

Mr. Hall's rates are not changing under the new contract with Hall Energy Law PC.

Fiscal Impact

There is no fiscal impact as the funds have previously been approved by the Board and would be reallocated to the new agreement with Hall Energy Law PC.

Attachment

Legal Services Agreement with Hall Energy Law PC

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