



### Staff Report Item 8

**TO:** East Bay Community Energy Board of Directors  
**FROM:** Nick Chaset, Chief Executive Officer  
**SUBJECT:** CEO Report (Informational Item)  
**DATE:** September 26, 2018

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#### **Recommendation**

Accept Chief Executive Officer (CEO) report on update items below.

#### **Executive Committee Meeting**

On June 29, 2018, the Executive Committee of the East Bay Community Energy Board met for its fourth meeting. The agenda for the Executive Committee meeting covered the Local Development Business Plan, an overview of Phase 2 marketing activities, update on the award of a BAAQMD grant and general updates on marketing, regulatory and energy procurement.

#### **Marketing and Outreach Update**

East Bay Community Energy has started its Phase 2 marketing and outreach efforts. Attached to this report is a presentation outlining key marketing and outreach activities related to Phase 2.

#### **Local Development Business Plan Update**

The Local Development Business Plan (LDBP) was formally approved by the Board of Directors at the July 18, 2018 Board of Directors meeting. Since that meeting, EBCE staff have started to develop a series of implementation plans covering each of the 'Early Actions' outlined in the LDBP. EBCE has also started efforts to staff up Local Development by posting for a full-time Director of Local Development, Electrification and Innovation (EBCE.org/join-our-team) who will be EBCE's be responsible for implementing the LDBP.

##### 1) Demand Response Update:

EBCE staff have not started work on this yet.

## 2) Energy Efficiency Update:

EBCE staff are working with BayREN to evaluate ways to leverage EBCE's customer usage data and customer relationships to significantly improve targeting of energy efficiency incentives for residential customers. Once the specific opportunities for partnering with BayREN are identified, Staff will prepare an implementation plan for review, input and approval.

## 3) Building Electrification

EBCE staff have joined the Building Electrification Initiative, a stakeholder driven effort to develop comprehensive strategies to promote the transition from gas to electricity in buildings. Through participation in the Building Electrification Initiative, EBCE staff hopes to develop a broader understanding of the many efforts currently underway in the Bay Area so that EBCE can develop an implementation plan for this early action that focuses on partnering with existing efforts to drive greater investment in Alameda County.

## 4) Transportation Electrification

EBCE staff has held preliminary meetings with a school district in Alameda County to evaluate how EBCE can provide technical assistance to support their effort to adopt electric school buses. EBCE staff is also reaching out to other school districts to offer technical and grant writing assistance to support efforts to secure incentives currently offered by the Air Resources Board and the Energy Commission.

## 5) Collaborative Procurement

### a. MuniFIT Update:

EBCE staff is working with City of Hayward to develop a pathway forward for a 1.5 MW local solar project. EBCE staff is also starting outreach to each of EBCE's member jurisdictions to get input on the range of program design options and goals. Based on this input, EBCE staff expects to develop an implementation plan for review, input and approval in the next two months.

### b. Community Shared Solar

EBCE staff is working with community groups to evaluate a possible grant opportunity for Community Solar with the California Community Development Agency. If the grant opportunity can be pursued, EBCE will be seeking Executive Board approval to submit a proposal. EBCE staff has also started engaging with the California Public Utilities Commission as they start to implement their Community Solar for Disadvantaged Communities incentive program. As the program rules for the CPUC program become more clear, EBCE staff will develop an implementation plan for review, input and approval.

### c. Community Net Metering

EBCE staff are evaluating Net Metering aggregation as part of the Oakland Clean Energy Initiative (OCEI). More details will be provided through the consideration of the OCEI.

### d. Direct RE Contracting for Large Customers

EBCE staff have not started work on this yet.

e. Utility Scale Renewables in +Alameda County

EBCE staff are in the process of evaluating bids into EBCE's CA Renewables RFP. EBCE has a target to procure 20 MWs of Alameda County renewables through this RFP and EBCE staff are evaluating a number of wind and solar projects located in Alameda County.

6) Enhanced Net Metering

EBCE staff are currently working to operationalize NEM adders for CARE customers and municipal customers. Once these two adders are integrated into EBCE's billing system, EBCE staff will start working on developing implementation plans for supply shift and workforce development.

7) Community Investment Funds

EBCE staff have not started work on this yet.

**Update on Opt-Outs**

Opt-out report included as an attachment to this report.

Attachments:

- A. Marketing Update - Document Forthcoming;
- B. Opt-out Report - Document Forthcoming