

REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

NO. 01-312

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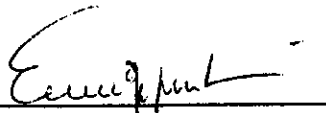
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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS AND THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY FOR ENERGY EFFICIENCY INCENTIVE PROGRAM SPONSORED BY THE GAS COMPANY

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Approved _____

Disapproved _____

Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the Department of Recreation and Parks (DRP) and the Southern California Gas Company (SCG) for the implementation of a new statewide energy efficiency program, approved by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) entitled "Savings by Design."

SUMMARY:

In support of design and construction of energy efficiency buildings, the Department of Recreation and Parks is recommending that the Department participate in an energy efficiency incentive program sponsored by The Gas Company called "Savings by Design."

The Department is expected to invest approximately \$30 million dollars per year for the next 20 years into new park facilities. Currently, the building code requires that structures incorporate a minimum level of energy conservation features in order to minimize the impact of new construction on the state's power grid. The "Savings by Design" program encourages program participants to exceed the code's minimum requirements by offering financial incentives for improved energy conservation of structures.

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The amount of the incentives that Department of Recreation and Parks can be realized are calculated on a sliding scale based on the number of energy efficiencies designed and incorporated into the building plan. As an owner, Department of Recreation and Parks is eligible for incentives if the efficiency measures exceed State Energy Compliance Standard by 5%. And in the case of 10% above compliance standard, the Department of Recreation and Parks is eligible to receive a design team incentive supplemental to the maximum of \$50,000.00 for each approved project.

The Department of Recreation and Parks wishes to support the goal of constructing high energy efficiency recreational buildings. DRP will select, along with the SCG, various recreational projects in design as deemed appropriate to participate into the program. The incentives award will be determined based on the Savings by Design Program's calculation formula approved by California Public Utilities Commission. After SCG verification of energy measures at the completion of the construction, the calculated incentives will be paid in lump-sum amount, within 30 calendar days, to the Department of Recreation and Parks.

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