

**MINUTES OF LEPA UNIT NO. 1 PARTICIPANTS COMMITTEE MEETING OF
LOUISIANA ENERGY AND POWER AUTHORITY (LEPA)
HELD AT THE OFFICES OF LEPA IN
LAFAYETTE, LOUISIANA ON NOVEMBER 3, 2021**

The members of the LEPA Unit No. 1 Participants Committee held a meeting on November 3, 2021 at the LEPA Administrative Building, 210 Venture Way, Lafayette, Louisiana after due notice of said meeting.

Present for the LEPA Unit No. 1 Participants Committee were:

Mayor Charles “Chuck” Robichaux, -Chairman, representing the City of Rayne
Mayor Edwin “Ed” Reeves - Secretary-Treasurer, representing the City of Plaquemine
Mayor Lee Dragna, representing the City of Morgan City
Mayor Hiram Evans, representing the Town of Jonesville
Mr. Ernest Brown, representing the City of Houma

Absent:

Mayor Buz Craft, -Vice Chairman, representing the City of Vidalia

The meeting was called to order and the presence of a quorum was noted.

On motion by Mayor Dragna that was seconded by Mayor Reeves, the Members of the Participants Committee unanimously voted to approve the minutes of the September 9, 2021, Participants Committee meeting, copies of which were in Members’ packets.

Joe Rogers then gave an update on LEPA Unit No. 1 operations. He reported on the Unit’s fall outage. He reported that the unit is now back online and has been ramped up to full load. He further reported that the unit ramps down later during the day. He reported that 30 fuel nozzles had been changed out in 2020. A recent borescope showed some fuel nozzles showing excessive wear. GE was scheduled to remove and inspect all fuel nozzles from September 22 through 24. All nozzles had wear on their tips. He reported that GE declared the nozzles were unserviceable as per GE specifications. GE also inspected the swirlers attached to the nozzles. GE agreed to reinstall the old nozzles. The unit was back up and running at full load. On October 13, GE asked to do destructive testing on the nozzles in its possession. Results are to be expected in three months. The unit was back online as of October 12 after being out for about a month.

General Manager Kevin Bihm then reported on the proposed budget for Unit No. 1, copies of which were in Members’ packets. He reported that the expenses associated with the budget were down due to the price of natural gas and debt reduction. He reported that the budget has a 2% increase for a cost of living adjustment. On Motion by Mayor Reeves that was seconded by Mayor Evans, the Members of the Committee unanimously voted by roll call vote to approve the budget. The votes were as follows:

Yeas:

Mayor Robichaux
Mayor Reeves
Mayor Dragna
Mr. Brown
Mayor Evans

Nays:

None

General Manager Kevin Bihm then reported on efforts to locate an insurance consultant and information presented by people who have been interviewed, copies of which were in Members' packets. On motion by Mayor Dragna that was seconded by Mayor Reeves, the Members of the Committee unanimously voted to accept the proposal by IRCOS, LLC and authorized LEPA staff to negotiate the details associated with the proposal.

There being no further business to come before the LEPA Unit No.1 Participants Committee, on motion by Mayor Reeves that was seconded by Mayor Dragna, the Members of the Participants Committee unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting.

Chairman

Sec.-Treasurer