

**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 OCTOBER
8, 2024.**

The members of the LEPA Unit No. 1 Participants Committee attended a scheduled meeting on October 8, 2024, 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 Buz Craft, representing the Town of Vidalia
Mayor-President Jason Bergeron, representing the City of Houma/TPCG
Mayor Loria Hollins, representing the Town of Jonesville
Mayor Charles "Chuck" Robichaux, representing the City of Rayne
Mayor Lee Dragna, representing the City of Morgan City
Ms. Natasha Johnson, representing the City of Plaquemine

Absent: None

The meeting was called to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

On motion by Mayor Craft that was seconded by Mr. Seawell, the Members of the Committee unanimously voted to approve the minutes of the August 15, 2024, LEPA Unit No. 1 Participants Operating Committee meeting, copies of which were in Members' packets.

General Manager Kevin Bihm then gave an update on LEPA Unit No. 1 Operations. He reported that the spring outage had been moved to October to accommodate repairs and the scheduled fall outage. He further reported that the oil leak was being fixed.

Assistant General Manager David Bergeron then reported that the unit was off-line and has been shipped to the Houston GE depot for repairs and the planned outage. He then gave a presentation as to the timeline as set forth in the documents in Members' packets. He reported on the original scope of the work and cost. He reported on the cost and labor savings with having the repair work and outage work done at the same time. He reported on the original repair and replacement costs. He then reported on the revised scope of work. He reported that there were two options: (1) repair of the unit, which would require that it would be down until May; or (2) replacement of certain parts which should be accomplished by December 27, 2024. General Manager Bihm then reported that, on average, revenues that exceed fuel costs are about \$10,000 per day if the option for repair is chosen, and the unit is down until December 27, 2024. On motion by Mayor Dragna that was seconded by President Bergeron, the Members of the Committee voted on whether to use the second option and replace certain parts as set forth in the documents in Members' packets. The votes were as follows:

Ayes:

Mayor Buz Craft, representing the Town of Vidalia
Mayor-President Jason Bergeron, representing the City of
Houma/TPCG
Mayor Loria Hollins, representing the Town of Jonesville
Mayor Charles "Chuck" Robichaux, representing the City of Rayne
Mayor Lee Dragna, representing the City of Morgan City
Ms. Natasha Johnson, representing the City of Plaquemine

Nays:

None.

Thus, the Members of the committee unanimously voted to approve the replacement option set forth by LEPA staff in the documents in Members' packets.

General Manager Bihm then reported on the proposed 2025 budget for LEPA Unit No. 1, copies of which were in Members' packets. He reported on some minor changes to the previous year's budget, including a minor inspection of the steam turbine. On motion by Mayor Dragna that was seconded by President Bergeron, the Members of the Committee unanimously voted on the proposed budget. The votes were as follows

Ayes:

Mayor Buz Craft, representing the Town of Vidalia
Mayor-President Jason Bergeron, representing the City of
Houma/TPCG
Mayor Loria Hollins, representing the Town of Jonesville
Mayor Charles "Chuck" Robichaux, representing the City of Rayne
Mayor Lee Dragna, representing the City of Morgan City
Ms. Natasha Johnson, representing the City of Plaquemine

Nays:

None

Thus, the Members of the Committee unanimously voted to approve the proposed budget as set for in Members' packets.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, on motion by Mayor Dragna that was seconded by President Bergeron, the Members of the Committee unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting.


Chairman


Sec.-Treasurer