

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-03

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SILICON VALLEY CLEAN ENERGY AUTHORITY AMENDING THE AUTHORITY'S CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE

WHEREAS, the Silicon Valley Clean Energy Authority ("Authority") was formed on March 31, 2016 pursuant to a Joint Powers Agreement to study, promote, develop, conduct, operate, and manage energy programs in Santa Clara County; and

WHEREAS, the Political Reform Act, Government Code Section 81000, *et seq.*, (the "Political Reform Act") requires each public agency in California, including the Authority, to adopt and promulgate a conflict of interest code; and

WHEREAS, the Fair Political Practices Commission (the "FPPC") has adopted a regulation that contains the terms of a Model Conflict of Interest Code (the "Model Code"), codified at 2 California Code of Regulations Section 18730. The Model Code can be incorporated by reference by the Authority in its Conflict of Interest Code; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Silicon Valley Clean Energy Authority has previously adopted a conflict of interest code pursuant to Resolution No. 2016-01; and

WHEREAS, the Silicon Valley Clean Energy Authority has reviewed its code with the code-reviewing body, the County of Santa Clara, and determined that changes to the conflict of interest code are necessary.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Silicon Valley Clean Energy Authority rescinds Resolution No. 2016-01 and adopts the following attached Conflict of Interest Code including its Appendices of Designated Positions and Disclosure Categories.

BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED that The Board of Directors of the Authority hereby directs the Secretary of the Board to coordinate the preparation of a revised Conflict of Interest Code in succeeding even-numbered years following notice and instructions from the County of Santa Clara as the code-reviewing body for the Authority, in accordance with the requirements of Government Code Sections 87306 and 87306.5. Future revisions to the Conflict of Interest Code should reflect changes in employee or official designations. If no revisions to the Code are required, the Authority shall submit a response as indicated in the instructions provided by the County of Santa Clara no later than October 1st of the same year, stating that amendments to the Authority's Conflict of Interest Code are not required.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 11th day of May, 2016.



Chair

ATTEST:


Clerk

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The Political Reform Act (Government Code § 81000, *et seq.*, hereinafter referred to as the Act) requires state and local government agencies to adopt and promulgate conflict of interest codes. The Fair Political Practices Commission (“FPPC”) has adopted a regulation (2 California Code of Regulations § 18730) which contains the terms of a standard conflict of interest code, which can be incorporated by reference in an agency’s code. After public notice and hearing, the standard code may be amended by the FPPC to conform to amendments in the Act. Therefore, the terms of 2 California Code of Regulations § 18730 and any amendments to it duly adopted by the FPPC are hereby incorporated by reference. This regulation and the text here designating positions and establishing disclosure categories shall constitute the conflict of interest code of the Silicon Valley Clean Energy Authority (“Authority”).

The most current version of 2 Cal. Code of Regs. Section 18730 is available on the website of the Fair Political Practices Commission (<http://www.fppc.ca.gov/content/dam/fppc/NS-Documents/LegalDiv/Regulations/Index/Chapter7/Article2/18730.pdf>).

Individuals holding a designated position shall file their Statements of Economic Interests with the Authority’s Filing Official, which will make the Statements available for public inspection and reproduction subject to Government Code section 81008. If Statements are received in signed paper format, the Authority’s Filing Official shall make and retain a copy and forward the original Statements to the Filing Officer, the County of Santa Clara Clerk of the Board of Supervisors. If Statements are electronically filed using the County of Santa Clara’s Form 700 e-filing system, both the Authority’s Filing Official and the County of Santa Clara Clerk of the Board of Supervisors will receive access to the e-filed Statements simultaneously.

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APPENDIX "A"

DESIGNATED POSITIONS

<u>Designated Position</u>	<u>Assigned Disclosure Category</u>
Member of Board of Directors	1
Alternate Member of Board of Directors	1
Chief Executive Officer	1
General Counsel	1
Consultant	2
Newly Created Position	*

* Newly Created Position

A newly created position that makes or participates in the making of governmental decisions that may foreseeably have a material effect on any financial interest of the position-holder, and which specific position title is not yet listed in the Authority's conflict of interest code is included in the list of designated positions and shall disclose pursuant to the broadest disclosure category in the code, subject to the following limitation: The Chief Executive Officer of the Authority may determine in writing that a particular newly created position, although a "designated position," is hired to perform a range of duties that are limited in scope and thus is not required to fully comply with the broadest disclosure requirements, but instead must comply with more tailored disclosure requirements specific to that newly created position. Such written determination shall include a description of the newly created position's duties and, based upon that description, a statement of the extent of disclosure requirements. The Chief Executive Officer's determination is a public record and shall be retained for public inspection in the same manner and location as this conflict-of-interest code. (Gov. Code Section 81008.)

As soon as the Authority has a newly created position that must file Statements of Economic Interests, the Authority's Filing Official shall contact the County of Santa Clara Clerk of the Board of Supervisors Form 700 division to notify it of the new position title to be added in the County's electronic Form 700 record management system,

known as eDisclosure. Upon this notification, the Clerk's office shall enter the actual position title of the newly created position into eDisclosure and the Authority's Filing Official shall ensure that the name of any individual(s) holding the newly created position is entered under that position title in eDisclosure.

Additionally, within 90 days of the creation of a newly created position that must file Statements of Economic Interests, the Authority shall update this conflict-of-interest code to add the actual position title in its list of designated positions, and submit the amended conflict of interest code to the County of Santa Clara Office of the County Counsel for code-reviewing body approval by the County Board of Supervisors. (Gov. Code Sec. 87306.)

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APPENDIX "B"

DISCLOSURE CATEGORIES

Designated positions must report financial interests in accordance with the assigned disclosure categories.

Category 1: Persons in this category shall disclose:

(a) investments and business positions in business entities, and income (including gifts, loans, and travel payments) from sources that contract with the Authority, or that provide, plan to provide, or have provided during the previous two years, facilities, goods, technology, equipment, vehicles, machinery, or services, including training or consulting services, of the type utilized by the Authority; and

(b) all interests in real property located: in whole or in part within the jurisdiction of the Silicon Valley Clean Energy Authority, or within two miles of the borders of any of the parties to the Joint Powers Agreement for the Authority, or within two miles of any land owned or used by the Authority.

Category 2: Each Consultant, as defined for purposes of the Political Reform Act, shall disclose pursuant to the broadest disclosure category in the Authority's conflict of interest code subject to the following limitation: The Chief Executive Officer of the Authority may determine in writing that a particular consultant, although a "designated position," is hired to perform a range of duties that are limited in scope and thus is not required to comply fully with the disclosure requirements of the broadest disclosure category, but instead must comply with more tailored disclosure requirements specific to that consultant. Such a written determination shall include a description of the consultant's duties and, based upon that description, a statement of the extent of disclosure requirements. The Chief Executive Officer's written determination is a public record and shall be retained for public inspection in the same manner and location as this Conflict of Interest Code.