MINUTES SPECIAL MEETING **BOARD OF TRUSTEES** THE SOCORRO ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

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A Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of The Socorro Electric Cooperative, Inc. (SEC), held on Friday, February 16, 2024, at 310 Abeyta Ave, Socorro, New Mexico.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Leroy Anaya, President.

President Anaya reported this Special Meeting was to allow Guzman Energy, an energy marketer, and Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association, Socorro Electric Cooperative's wholesale power provider, to provide information on their companies and their programs to the Socorro Electric Cooperative Board of Trustees.

ROLL CALL

Ms. Wilkins called roll and reported those present and attending as follows:

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

Leroy Anaya, President Representative, District 3

Ron Burnett, Vice-President Representative, District 5

Stephen Rosas, Secretary/Treasurer

Representative, District 3

Eileen Latasa, Trustee Representative, District 2

M Kenneth Bowden, Trustee Representative, District 3

Dave Wade, Trustee Representative, District 4

TRUSTEE(S) ABSENT:

Ward McCartney, Trustee* Representative, District 1

ALSO PRESENT:

Donna Wilkins, Administrative Assistant

Jerrid Williams, Director of Communications and Public Affairs

SPECIAL GUEST(S):

Duane Highley, CEO, Tri-State G&T Association Reg Rudolph, CEIO, Tri-State G&T Association

Lee Boughey, Vice-President of Communications, Tri-State G&T

Association

Jay Mendoza, Member Relationship Manger, Tri-State G&T

Association

Vince Martinez, Senior Government Affairs Advisor, Tri-State G&T

Association

Charise Swanson, CEO, NMREC

Lonnie Tucker, Vice-President of Communications, NMREC Carmen Campbell, Grants Program Manager, NMREC

SEC MEMBERS PRESENT: David L Wade; Teresa Conner; Prescilla Mauldin; Luis Aguilar;

Ward McCartney; Jessica Carranza

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* Trustee McCartney attended the Special Board meeting; however, his attendance was not in the capacity as a Trustee as he was prohibited from doing so in the memo/meeting of August 23, 2023. Trustee McCartney did, however, attend in his capacity as a member of the SEC.

QUORUM

Ms. Wilkins declared a Quorum of Trustees present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Anaya led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Trustee Burnett moved to approve the Agenda as presented; the motion was seconded by Trustee Bowden. The motion carried unanimously.

President Anaya approved the Agenda as presented. President Anaya reminded all present that this Special Meeting is not an open forum and that there will be no public comment on agenda items.

PRESENTATION BY GUZMAN ENERGY

President Anaya reported that the first presentation was from Guzman Energy, who had not arrived yet.

Trustee Bowden moved to go into recess until Guzman Energy arrived to present. The motion failed for a lack of a second.

After discussion, Trustee Burnett moved to go into recess for 15 minutes to allow additional time for Guzman Energy to arrive; the motion was seconded by Trustee Rosas.

President Anaya called for a recess at 2:05 p.m.

President Anaya called the meeting back to order at 2:20 p.m.

President Anaya stated that Guzman Energy had still not arrived to present to the Board of Trustees.

PRESENTATION BY TRI-STATE G&T ASSOCIATION

President Anaya reported that Duane Highley, CEO, and Reg Rudolph, CEIO, of Tri-State G&T Association, were in attendance and welcomed them.

Mr. Highley and Mr. Rudolph thanked the Board of Trustees for allowing them to present. Mr. Highley and Mr. Rudolph provided the Trustees with information on upcoming projects, Tri-State's reliability, and renewable information and proceeded to answer questions posed by the Trustees.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

With no other items open for discussion, Trustee Burnett moved to adjourn; the motion was seconded by Trustee Rosas. The motion carried unanimously.

President Anaya adjourned the meeting at 3:09 p.m.

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Stephen Rosas, Secretary/Treasurer

APPROVED:

Leroy Anaya, President

I, Stephen Rosas, do hereby certify that I am the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of The Socorro Electric Cooperative, Inc., herein called the "Cooperative" and the above is a true and exact copy of the Minutes of the Special Meeting held on February 16, 2024. A Quorum of Trustees was present and acted upon throughout the meeting and none of the Minutes of the above have been rescinded or modified.

Stephen Rosas, Secretary/Treasurer