



## Memo

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*Interim Director*

**To: Member Jurisdictions**

TOM CROMWELL  
*City of Belvedere*

**Date: August 28, 2009**

LEW TREMAINE  
*Town of Fairfax*

**RE: MEA Summary Update**

CHARLES MCGLASHAN  
*County of Marin*

SHAWN MARSHALL  
*City of Mill Valley*

CHRISTOPHER MARTIN  
*Town of Ross*

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JONATHAN LEONE  
*City of Sausalito*

RICHARD COLLINS  
*Town of Tiburon*

The Marin Energy Authority (MEA) was formed in 2008 to reduce Marin's greenhouse gas emissions from energy and provide more renewable energy choices and price stability for the community. The Energy Authority has been involved in three primary activities: 1). Grant Proposals for smart grid, parking lot solar and energy efficiency programs. 2). Exploration of an AB811 program that would allow customers to install energy efficiency upgrades and solar panels on their property with no up-front costs by paying for it over time as part of their property tax bill. 3) Release of a RFP for power purchase which resulted in 12 bids for power supply in Marin County.

On the RFP process, prices for power came in as projected in the Business Plan. This means power costs for customers would be at or below PG&E's projected costs for the light green option (25-75% renewable energy) and there would be a slight premium for the deep green product (100% renewable energy). MEA will begin contract negotiations with selected bidders in September and is scheduled to release a draft contract in early October. Cities and towns in Marin, as well as the County Board of Supervisors will be asked to weigh in on the draft contract in October. The final contract will then be subject to a 90-day review period before the scheduled approval by the MEA Board in February, 2010.

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