

**THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF ALAMEDA
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

RESOLUTION R-2013-348

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF ALAMEDA
RECOGNIZING THE REGIONAL ECONOMIC BENEFIT OF THE REGIONAL
RENEWABLE ENERGY PROCUREMENT INITIATIVE AND AUTHORIZING A LOCAL
HIRING AND WORKFORCE PLAN**

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors recognizes the positive economic impact of local government investment in government owned property infrastructure and understands the opportunity that such investment creates in generating jobs and stimulating local economic activity through direct, indirect and induced impacts; and

WHEREAS, the County's Strategic Vision consists of five priority areas that correspond to community priorities; environment and sustainability, safe and livable communities, healthy and thriving populations, housing and transportation; and

WHEREAS, the unemployment rate in the Alameda County is 7% as of July 2013, representing 54,500 unemployed; and

WHEREAS, the unemployment rate in the San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara metropolitan statistical area is 7.2%; and

WHEREAS, the County continues to experience high safety net service caseloads impacting vulnerable populations within our community, as do other county governments in the Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, the County of Alameda is leading the Regional Renewable Energy Procurement initiative with 18 other local governmental agencies in Alameda, Contra Costa, San Mateo and Santa Clara counties, encompassing over 185 sites and renewable energy generation systems valued at over \$131 million; and

WHEREAS, the County of Alameda R-REP project sites are estimated to save taxpayers over \$26 million over the 25 year term; and

WHEREAS, the County of Alameda has studied the economic impact of the R-REP and anticipates that over 839 new jobs will be created if all the projects listed are designed, constructed and operated, and of those jobs over 668 will be created in Alameda County alone; and,

WHEREAS, the County has determined that a R-REP RFQ/RFP bid submittal and contractual requirement for a 40% local hiring Good Faith Effort plan would encourage awarded bidders to hire employees from the 9 county Bay Area, thereby reducing unemployment and providing good quality, prevailing wage jobs; and

WHEREAS, given the regional scope of the R-REP and the regional economic benefits a broad definition of "local hiring" is appropriate to encompass employees residing in any of the 9 Bay Area counties, especially recognizing that workers residing in Alameda County may work on R-REP projects for other Participating Agencies outside of Alameda County; and

WHEREAS, the R-REP RFQ/RFP requirement that Bidders provide a workforce plan that demonstrates partnerships with local community colleges, universities, apprenticeship programs, bridge programs and non-profit organizations that are providing skilled workers for clean energy jobs, is therefore consistent with the County's Strategic Vision, may reduce safety net caseloads, builds a workforce for the 21st century and strengthens the resiliency of our community;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the Alameda County Board of Supervisors authorizes the Director of the General Services Agency to include a 40% local hiring Good Faith Effort and workforce plan as part of the R-REP RFQ/RFP bid submittal package and that for the purposes of the local hire requirement for the R-REP project only, "local" shall be defined as the 9 Bay Area Counties.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Alameda, State of California, this 17th day of September Two Thousand and Eleven.

AYES: Supervisors: Haggerty, Miley & Valle - 3

NOES: None

ABSENT: Supervisor Chan & President Carson - 2

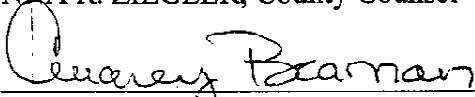
ATTEST:



CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Date: SEP 17 2013

APPROVED AS TO FORM
DONNA R. ZIEGLER, County Counsel

By: 
AUDREY A. BEAMAN, Deputy County Counsel