Board of Directors & Legislative Policy Council Meeting Minutes

MBACC Boardroom December 18, 2017 – 9:00 AM

Present: Carla Schuessler, Andy Milovich, Ryan Swaim, Ken McKelvey, Bryan Lewis, John Sawyer, Terrance

Herriott, Jim Powalie, Billy Huggins, Alicia Thompson, Phil Vassar, Travis Dannelly, Mike Hill,

Stephen Greene, Tony Cox

Guests: Jim Brogdon, Richard Kizer

Staff: Brad Dean, Kathy Richardson, Diana Greene, Diane Charno, Kim DaRoja, Amy Villasenor, Julie

Ellis, Kori Hippe, Scott Schult, Cindy Gettig

I. WELCOME

Billy Huggins called the meeting to order.

II. PRESENTATIONS

• Interim CEO Jim Brogdon & Richard Kizer, spoke on behalf of Santee Cooper. Jim Brogdon provided background on Santee Cooper. Richard Kizer provided an overview of the VC Summer Nuclear Station and the Base Load Review Act passed by the SC General Assembly. He provided historical background on Santee Cooper phasing out coals plants and their plan to transition to nuclear energy. He then discussed Santee Cooper's partnerships with SCANA & Westinghouse to build Units 2 & 3 at the VC Summer Station and the subsequent failure of the project. Richard discussed various bills being filed in both the SC House & Senate and Santee Cooper's concerns related to those bills.

Billy Huggins and Brad Dean stated the Horry/Georgetown delegation members have asked what position the MBACC has taken on the issue. After further discussion, a motion was made to direct chamber staff to draft a letter stating the MBACC's position on the Santee Cooper issue. Phil Vassar seconded the motion and was then approved by all members present with the exception of Bryan Lewis, who recused himself from the vote.

 Brad Dean discussed multiple new air service markets in play, which could result in the largest increase in air service ever to the Grand Strand. After further discussion, Ken McKelvey requested the chamber board meet before the end of 2017 to discuss funding commitments related these new air service markets.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting.

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