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RESOLUTION

2015-07

La Plata Electric Association, Inc. PROPOSED RESOLUTION TO NRECA ISSUES COMMITTEE and REGION 7 & 9 REGIONAL RESOLUTION COMMITTEES

Before the NRECA Resolutions Committee issues meeting on June 19, 2015

WHEREAS, LPEA desires to engage the resolutions process with its national trade association, National Rural Electric Cooperative Association, (NRECA), with this proposed resolution; and,

Whereas, experts in the field of climate science believe greenhouse gas emissions are impacting climate change, and

Whereas, climate change impacts on snowpack, runoff, fire regime, forest health, electrical system maintenance costs and other likely impacts are becoming evident in our service territory, with the potential to significantly impact our members, and

WHEREAS, NRECA's current resolutions on Environmental issues, such as Green House Gas Emissions, Social Cost of Carbon, and Federal Clean Air Regulation, primarily address the cost impact of these issues; and,

WHEREAS, EPA standards, irrespective of Congressional oversight and input, are driving traditional fuel sources of electric generation higher while simultaneously seeing renewable costs decrease as a direct result of increased consumer demand for renewables across the United States; and,

WHEREAS, LPEA believes that most NRECA members, like itself, desire to see increased emphasis on improving our environment while managing the cost of electricity;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that NRECA will modify its statements on Green House Gas Emissions, Social Cost of Carbon and Federal Clean Air Regulation, to include statements of concern for the Environment, recognize the possibility of man-made climate change and the impacts starting to accrue to member systems, and develop a process to significantly move toward additional sustainable, carbon free sources of electrical generation.

I, Jeff Berman, secretary of La Plata Electric Association, Inc., do hereby certify that the above is true and correct copy of resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors of La Plata Electric Association, Inc., at a regular meeting held in Durango, Colorado, on June 17, 2015, at which meeting a quorum of directors was present and voting.

Jeff Berman, Secretary