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MEMORANDUM

TO: Power Committee

FROM: Gillian Charles

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SUBJECT: Revisions to Power Plan Outline

At the March Council Meeting, staff presented several draft sections of the then-called "Chapter 5: Assumptions and Forecasts." This chapter included short descriptions of all the inputs and assumptions that the Council is using in its Regional Portfolio Model. In a collaborative effort with the public affairs division, the decision was made to separate the original Chapter 5 into six chapters divided into two parts:

Part I: Forecast of Demand

Chapter 2: Key Drivers for Demand Chapter 3: Electricity Demand Forecast

Part II: Resource Alternatives

Chapter 4: Conservation

Chapter 5: Demand Response

Chapter 6: Generating Resources

Chapter 7: Direct Use of Natural Gas

Attached is a new outline demonstrating the restructured chapters and appendices. The "parts" are overarching themes of grouped chapters, and at this point are no more than titles. Other changes include the addition of a "key findings" section at the beginning of each chapter.

Staff provided Council Members with notebooks including hard copies of the available sections of the draft plan. The intent is for members to review the work as it is written, in anticipation of a draft plan release in May. Staff will provide members with weekly updates of new or revised chapters. It is encouraged that these drafts will facilitate communication between the members and the staff, to answer questions and offer recommendations.

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