



Executive Order 2017-10

ORDER AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER 2017-03

WHEREAS, I, as Governor of the State of Nevada, established the Governor's Committee On Energy Choice ("CEC") by issuing Executive Order 2017-03 on February 9th, 2017;

WHEREAS, the issues the CEC was tasked with addressing included, but was not limited to:

- A. The need to amend laws governing the generation, transmission, purchase, and delivery of electricity to all Nevadans;
- B. Ensuring that all Nevadans have reasonable access to the open energy markets;
- C. Protecting consumers from energy-rate increases caused by the opening of energy markets;
- D. Preventing ratepayers and investors from possible economic losses associated with stranded investments;
- E. Promoting innovation and development in Nevada's renewable energy industries;
- F. Developing and expanding Nevada's energy industries such that Nevada become a net exporter of energy; and
- G. Providing Nevadans with energy choice as soon is reasonably practical or possible;

WHEREAS, the 79th Legislative Session recently concluded with the passage of, among other legislation, two bills concerning renewable energy: (1) Assembly Bill 206, which would have raised Nevada's renewable portfolio standards; and (2) Senate Bill 392, which would have allowed community solar gardens to begin operating in Nevada;

WHEREAS, both bills were vetoed on Friday, June 16th, 2017, because, among other things, there was significant uncertainty as to how the policies in the bills would be affected by the proposed amendment to the Nevada Constitution contained in the upcoming 2018 ballot question: The Energy Choice Initiative (the "Initiative");

WHEREAS, the members of the CEC are uniquely qualified to examine whether or how to implement the ideas in Assembly Bill 206 and Senate Bill 392 should Nevada's voters pass the Initiative for the second time;

WHEREAS, it is necessary and prudent that the CEC study, review, and discuss Nevada's renewable portfolio standards and community solar gardens, and make recommendations to the Office of Governor and the Legislature prior to the 2019 Legislative Session; and

WHEREAS, Article 5, Section 1 of the Nevada Constitution provides: "The supreme executive power of this State, shall be vested in a Chief Magistrate who shall be Governor of the State of Nevada."

NOW, THEREFORE, by the authority vested in me as the Governor by the Constitution and laws of the State of Nevada, it is hereby ordered as follows:

1. Executive Order 2017-03 shall be amended to add the following topics to those the Governor's Committee On Energy Choice shall address:

- a. Increasing Nevada's renewable portfolio standards;
 - b. Allowing community solar gardens to begin operating in Nevada.
2. Executive Order 2017-03 shall remain in force and effect in all other respects.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Nevada to be affixed at the State Capitol in Carson City, this 16th day of June, in the year two thousand seventeen.



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Governor of the State of Nevada

By the Governor:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Barbara K. Cegavske', is written over a horizontal line.

Secretary of State

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Deputy Secretary of State