

BOARD MEETING DATE: December 5, 2025

AGENDA NO. 6

PROPOSAL: Approve Payments for Contracts

SYNOPSIS: Authorize the Executive Officer to: 1) authorize payment for previously approved project with West Virginia University in the amount of \$286,952.82 for the testing work completed under the in-use emissions study from the Clean Fuels Program Fund (31); and 2) issue refund to Southern California Gas Company in the amount of \$150,000 for the unused project funds to conduct a heavy-duty vehicle maintenance study from the Clean Fuels Program Fund (31).

COMMITTEE: Technology, November 21, 2025; Recommended for Approval

**RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:**

Authorize the Executive Officer to:

1. Authorize payment to West Virginia University in the amount of \$286,952.82 for the testing work completed under the in-use emissions study from the Clean Fuels Program Fund (31); and
2. Authorize refund to Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) in the amount of \$150,000 for the unused project funds for the West Virginia University to conduct a heavy-duty vehicle maintenance study from the Clean Fuels Program Fund (31).

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Executive Officer

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**Background**

In 2016 and 2020, the Board approved two contracts with West Virginia University and SoCalGas to conduct an in-use emissions study and an evaluation of heavy-duty vehicle maintenance.

The 2016 contract for \$1,625,000 was to conduct in-use emissions testing, fuel usage profile characterization, and an impact assessment of current technology and alternative fuels on fuel consumption and in-use emissions from heavy-duty vehicles. West Virginia University completed the vehicle testing work required by the contract before the contract expiration date and the unpaid balance for that work is \$286,953. In 2022, West Virginia University's research facility was shutdown, and its project team was unable to complete the remaining project tasks. Specifically, the reporting tasks for the development of the Deterioration Plan, the Technology Assessment Plan, the EMFAC Comparison Plan, and the project Final Report were not completed prior to contract expiration.

Due to the shutdown of West Virginia University's research facility, its project team was unable to commence any work under the 2020 contract to conduct an evaluation of heavy-duty vehicle maintenance. The total contract amount was \$250,000. SoCalGas contributed \$150,000 and \$100,000 was provided from the Clean Fuels Program Fund (31). Thus, a refund of \$150,000 should be issued to SoCalGas for the unused project funds.

### **Proposal**

Staff recommends authorizing the Executive Officer to make payment of up to \$286,952.82 under Contract #17245 from the Clean Fuels Program Fund (31) to West Virginia University for the completed work, and issue a refund of \$150,000 under Contract #21069 from the Clean Fuels Program Fund (31) to SoCalGas for the unperformed work.

### **Resource Impacts**

There are no additional resource impacts as the contracts were previously encumbered. The outstanding balance of \$286,952.82 under Contract #17245 will be paid to West Virginia University for work completed. A refund of \$150,000 under Contract #21069 should be issued to SoCalGas from the Clean Fuels Program Fund (31).