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**RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COMMISSION
R E S O L U T I O N
ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TO ADD A DISTRIBUTED GENERATION FROM
RENEWABLE SOURCES RIDER**

**May 18, 2004
Vote: 8-0-0-1-0**

Motion by: Andrew Donoho

Second by: Cat Barron

For: K. Strnad, J. Hoffner, M. Kuhn, A. Martinez, K. Houser, J. Beckage

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: G. Hsieh

Vacant: 0

Motion: Passed

WHEREAS, Austin Energy's Strategic Plan, adopted by the City Council on December 4, 2003, states that Austin Energy will first seek renewable energy and conservation solutions to meet customers' new energy needs. One such solution is distributed generation from renewable sources. Austin Energy developed an electric rate rider for residential and commercial customers who wish to own and operate on-site generation systems capable of producing 20kW or less and powered by renewable resources. This rider also applies to customers who participate in the Austin Energy Solar Rebate Program.

WHEREAS, Under this rider, the customer will continue to receive electric service from Austin Energy under the appropriate electric rate tariff. The customer is responsible for all the costs of interconnecting with the system and agrees to remain on the rider for a minimum of one year. The customer's meter will register the flow of energy in two directions (net metering). If, in any month, the

customer's generation system provides more energy to the City's electric system than Austin Energy provides the customer, the customer will receive a credit. The credit for the net kilowatt hours delivered will be computed at the current "Fuel Adjustment Clause" rate and will be applied to the customer's utility bill.

WHEREAS, Because of the rapid changes in distributed generation technology and its potential impact on the City's electric system, Austin Energy will consider whether any changes should be made to this proposed rider when the distributed generation capacity on the system exceeds 1% of the City's system capability.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Resource Management Commission supports Austin Energy's Distributed Generation from Renewable Sources Rider amendment to Ordinance No., 03098-04.

From time to time, changes and improvements may be necessary for the Solar Rebate Program tariff. On a regular basis, the Resource Management Commission will review the tariff with Austin Energy staff and recommend such changes.



Approved, Adan Martinez, Chair

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