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HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach CALIFORNIA

RE:

Agreement with Patrick J. Power for Special Legal Services on

Energy and Utility Matters

Cost: \$100,000 (Harbor Revenue Fund)

It is recommended that the City Council approve an agreement for Special Legal Services with Patrick J. Power commencing October 1, 2004, for an initial maximum amount of \$100,000. Patrick J. Power is an attorney and former administrative law judge for the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) who specializes in utility, energy, regulatory and CPUC matters. Mr. Power's hourly rate is \$250 per hour. The City has been using Mr. Power as special counsel for seventeen years. Payment for these services has been budgeted by the Harbor Department in the Harbor Revenue Fund and will result in no cost to the general fund account. Until recently, Long Beach Energy maintained a formal agreement with Mr. Power and the Harbor Department used Mr. Power's services from time to time on a purchase order. Due to budget constraints, Long Beach Energy will use Mr. Power's services on a purchase order basis and the Harbor Department will fund the formal agreement with Mr. Power.

Among other things, it is expected that Mr. Power will assist the Harbor Department in resolving numerous energy and utility issues related to "cold-ironing" vessels, i.e. providing shore-side electrical power for ships at berth.

Very truly yours

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