

**MEMORANDUM
DEPARTMENT OF FACILITY SERVICES
COUNTY OF PLACER**

To: **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Date: **JULY 11, 2006**

From: **JAMES DURFEE/ALBERT RICHIE**

Subject: **MOTHERLODE ENERGY WATCH PARTNERSHIP WITH PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC**

ACTION REQUESTED / RECOMMENDATION: Adopt a Resolution declaring the support of the Placer County Board of Supervisors for the Motherlode Energy Watch Partnership with Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E) and authorizing the use of the County Seal to market the program.

BACKGROUND: The Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) approached the County seeking endorsement of the Motherlode Energy Watch Partnership. The Energy Watch Partnership stretches from Sierra County to Calaveras County and will provide outreach to increase participation in energy efficiency programs based on the unique needs of the local area. Energy Watch partnerships offer a range of energy efficiency options for commercial, small business and residential customers as well as municipal facilities. PG&E works with local contractors, builders, building departments and others to install energy efficient equipment to reduce energy use.

By collaborating with local municipalities, colleges and universities, PG&E is helping to foster energy best practices. Energy program achievements will be measured and the lessons learned will be shared among the partnerships so that successful practices can be adopted by other community agencies throughout the State. PG&E's Local Government Energy Action Resources will assist other municipalities that wish to partner with PG&E in the future.

ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE: This is an administrative action and is not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act.

FISCAL IMPACT: There is no fiscal impact associated with adoption of this Resolution. With the assistance of PG&E, as specific recommendations in regards to County facilities are formulated, staff will bring the specific projects back to your Board for consideration. However, it is anticipated any projects associated with this project will result in long-term savings by way of rebates and/or energy savings.

JD/AR

ATTACHMENT: RESOLUTION

cc: COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICE

T:\FBSMEMO2006\PG&E Motherlode Energy Watch Resol.doc

Before the Board of Supervisors County of Placer, State of California

In the matter of:

Resol. No: _____

**A RESOLUTION TO DECLARE
SUPPORT FOR THE MOTHERLODE ENERGY
WATCH PARTNERSHIP, A PACIFIC GAS AND
ELECTRIC COMPANY ENERGY EFFICIENCY
PARTNERSHIP, AND AUTHORIZING THE USE
OF THE COUNTY SEAL TO MARKET THE PROGRAM**

The following RESOLUTION was duly passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer at a regular meeting held _____, by the following vote on roll call:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Signed and approved by me after its passage.

Attest:
Clerk of said Board

Chairman, Board of Supervisors

WHEREAS, Energy Watch partnerships throughout the Pacific Gas and Electric company ("PG&E") service area help Californians lower their energy bills and enjoy a cleaner environment; and

WHEREAS, focusing on energy efficiency, communities benefit through reduced energy use and lower energy bills and help PG&E manage costs and reliability for everyone; and

WHEREAS, the judicious use and stewardship of energy resources can help the County of Placer meet its economic and environmental challenges; and

WHEREAS, local government can play a significant role by reducing use, saving revenue for public services and setting an example for all businesses and residents in their community; and

WHEREAS, PG&E has selected the County of Placer, along with many other Motherlode communities, to help implement the Motherlode Energy Watch Partnership to offer special access to energy efficiency programs and services for residents, small businesses and municipal facilities; and

WHEREAS, PG&E has requested permission to use the County of Placer's County Seal on marketing materials to promote the program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer, State of California; that:

1. The above recitals are true and correct.
2. The County of Placer Board of Supervisors declares its support for the Motherlode Energy Watch Partnership and encourages all eligible residents and businesses to participate in the partnership's energy efficiency programs.
3. The County of Placer Board of Supervisors authorizes the use of the County of Placer's County Seal on all Motherlode Energy Watch Partnership Program marketing materials.

