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Yesterday, the City of Los Angeles proposed an increase in LA Department of Water & Power (DWP) electric bills. The increases will range from 8.8 to 28.4%, depending on a ratepayer’s location and the amount of energy used. The increase is called a “Carbon Reduction Surcharge” and approximately 25% of the amount collected will be deposited in a dedicated fund for renewable energy and energy efficiency.

According to press reports, under this proposal commercial rates will go up 20 to 26%. This could have a serious impact on the County, as many County facilities are located in DWP territory. A rate increase of this size could add significantly to our existing budget problem.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Chief Executive Office and the Director of the Internal Services Department be directed to report to the Board no later than March 23, 2010 on the projected impact on the County of the Los Angeles Department of Water & Power’s proposed “Carbon Reduction Surcharge.”

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