

**MINUTES
POLICY ADVISORY OPINION COMMITTEE MEETING
TEXAS BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS
1917 IH-35 SOUTH, BOARD ROOM, AUSTIN, TEXAS
FEBRUARY 12, 2015— 9:30 AM**

CALL TO ORDER. Carry Baker, Chair, called the Texas Board of Professional Engineers Policy Advisory Opinion Committee Meeting to order at 9:30 am on February 12, 2015, at the Texas Board of Professional Engineers, 1917 South Interstate 35, Austin, TX. (NOTE: all votes are unanimous unless noted.)

1. Roll call and welcome visitors.

Carry A. Baker, JD	Chair
Sina Nejad, P.E., P. Eng.	Member
Edward Summers, Ph.D.	Member
Kyle Womack, P.E.	Member

A quorum was present. Ms. Veena Mohan, Assistant Attorney General, was present to provide legal counsel to the Board. Mr. Edmundo Gonzalez, P.E., Mr. Jose I. Guerra, P.E., and Mr. Govind Nadkarni, P.E., Emeritus Board Members, were present.

The following staff members were present:

Lance Kinney, P.E.	Executive Director
David Howell, P.E.	Deputy Executive Director
C.W. Clark, P.E.	Director of Compliance & Enforcement
Robert Opiela, P.E.	Director of Licensing
Dewey Helmcamp, J.D.	Staff Attorney
Dorothy Gonzales	Executive Assistant

Visitors. Peyton McKnight, American Council of Engineering Companies; Trish Smith, Texas Society of Professional Engineers (TSPE), Terry Bilderback, P.E., TSPE; Bobby Ballí, P.E., Board Member; Daniel O. Wong, Ph.D., P.E., Board Member

2. Public comment. None.

DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY ACT ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS (AGENDA ITEMS 3-6):

3. Discuss and possibly approve the November 20, 2014, Policy Advisory Opinion Committee Minutes.

It was MOVED/SECONDED (Summers/Nejad) to approve the November 20, 2014, Policy Advisory Opinion Committee Minutes as submitted. A vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED.

4. Engineering Advisory Opinion Request.

• **Discussion and possible approval of EAOR#37 - Utility & Telephone Company Exemptions**

It was MOVED/SECONDED (Summers/Womack) to recommend to the full Board at its Regular Quarterly Board meeting on February 12, 2015 to approve EAOR # 37 as submitted. A vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED.

• **Discussion and possible acceptance of EAOR#39 - On-Farm Energy Audits**

It was MOVED/SECONDED (Summers/Womack) accepted EAOR #39 and directed staff to move forward with the research regarding EAOR#39, and appointed Dr. Summers as the Board liaison. A vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED.

5. Issues for consideration and schedule next meeting. None.

6. ADJOURN. It was MOVED/SECONDED (Womack/Nejad) to adjourn the Committee meeting at 9:54 a.m. A vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED.

Date Committee approved as submitted:	May 21, 2015
Date Board accepted:	May 21, 2015