

TO: City and County Officials

FROM: California Street Light Association (CAL-SLA)

SUBJECT: CALIFORNIA STREETLIGHT ASSOCIATION STREET LIGHT AND TRAFFIC SIGNAL/ENERGY CONFERENCE NO. 49

DATE: May 9, 2002

The California Streetlight Association Conference No. 49 is scheduled to take place on Friday, June 7, 2002 at the Shelter Pointe Hotel and Marina in San Diego. **The current status of electrical utilities in the state creates one of the more volatile budget issues faced by all local governments.** Deregulation made promises that have not materialized and we are back to square one, with all utilities looking for increased revenues and a process to allocate the increased revenue equitably among all rate classes. **If all this sounds like a good old pre-deregulation RATE CASE, well, you can be the judge of that.**

The conference will provide you with insights by Cal-SLA Professional Consultants who are literally in the trenches with utility staffs everyday on rate issues trying to protect our street and traffic signal rates. Cal-SLA believes that revenue allocation will become a major issue.

The State of California General Services Administration Management Division, represented by Mr. Jonathan Teague, Manager, Electricity Services Program, will provide insights on Power Market Issues and Electricity regulation. The forum provides for open dialogue between the presenter and the audience.

The California Energy Commission will be represented by Mr. Darryl Mills and staff, and will present grant funding opportunities for local governments.

Ms. Yvonne Hunter, from the League of California Cities, will provide insights on the legislative process regarding energy issues.

The customary process of presenting new and innovative equipment and services, in support of street lighting and traffic signal systems include a streetlight manufacturer presenting the use of 52-Watt fluorescent lamps in a streetlight configuration and a streetlight control system that uses a computerized data collection system to provide real-time condition reports on every light in your system.

The last order of business will be a round table discussion by all the presenters to answer questions and explain issues to the attendees.

It is important that you make early hotel reservations since the cut-off date is May 15, 2002. The Shelter Pointe Hotel and Marina phone number is (619) 221-8000. Cal-SLA has a block of 15 rooms. The cost of the rooms is \$129.50 per night.

We hope that you will join us at our conference on June 7, 2002, in the beautiful Shelter Pointe Hotel on Shelter Island in San Diego. This is a perfect opportunity to explore electric utility issues, meet the Cal-SLA team for each utility, make new contacts, learn about grant funding opportunities, and get a hands-on demonstration on new products. Please visit the Cal-SLA website at www.cal-sla.org for information about our organization and a list of the executive committee members ready to help answer your questions.

P.S. Please forward this announcement to the appropriate Department in your City.