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Treasurer Lockyer Announces Appointments to the Citizens Oversight Board Created by Proposition 39

SACRAMENTO – State Treasurer Bill Lockyer today announced his three appointments to the Citizens Oversight Board (Board) created by Proposition 39 to ensure accountability for the expenditure of energy efficiency funds allocated by the initiative.

“I’m pleased to appoint three exceptional individuals to this important Board that will help ensure funds in this exciting new program are used wisely,” said Lockyer. “All of them bring a wealth of experience and qualifications, and a dedication to public service.”

Proposition 39, passed by voters in November, 2012, established the Clean Energy Job Creation Fund (Fund) to finance energy efficiency and clean energy projects at schools and other public facilities. The Fund receives revenues generated by a change in law that increased income taxes on some corporations.

Lockyer appointed the following three people to the Board:

- Steven Sakurai, chief financial officer of the Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation, and adjunct professor at Sacramento State University, where he teaches a graduate course on sustainable development and green building.
- James “Walkie” Ray, an engineer and partner at Sanderson J. Ray Development, and a member of the boards of directors of the One World One Ocean Foundation, the M.I.N.D. Research Institute and the Taco Bell Discovery Science Center.
- Kate Gordon, vice president and director of the Energy and Climate Program for Next Generation, and previously vice president of the Energy Environment at the Center for American Progress.

The State Treasurer, State Attorney General and State Controller each appoint three members to the Board, which also includes ex-officio members designated by the California Energy Commission and the California Public Utilities Commission.