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This Calendar Item No. 15—was approved as Minute Hem No. 15—by the State Lands Commission by a vote of to \_\_\_\_at its \_\_\_\_\_\_

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## 15. HELICOPTER SERVICES CONTRACT - W 9656

During consideration of Calendar Item 15, the Commission questioned why this contract had not been rebid and inquired about the statutory requirements in retaining the same contractor.

Mr. R. G. Hight, Chief Counsel, stated if the contract for the next year included the existing contract terms, a State agency can renew that contract with the same contractor, contingent on the Department of General Services approval. He also stated Condor Helicopters and Aviation, Inc. was the most reasonable helicopter service in the area.

Upon motion duly made and carried, the resolution as presented in Calendar Item 15 was approved by a vote of 3-0.

Attachment: Calendar Item 15 (one page)

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## HELICOPTER SERVICES CONTRACT

The State Lands Commission has contracted annually for helicopter services in the Santa Barbara area. The purpose of the contract is to have available helicopter services in the Santa Barbara Channel for observing the activities in the Channel as well as to make it possible for unscheduled inspections of offshore deliling and production structures to insure compliance by the lessees with the Commission's rules and regulations.

In accordance with Section 3.0 of the State Lands Commission's existing Helicopter Services Contract with Condor Helicopters and Aviation, Incorporated, the State may elect to renew the agreement for a term and for consideration as the parties agree upon. The original agreement provided for specified flight services in the total amount of \$4,010. Condor Helicopters has agreed to extend the terms of the original contract for an additional year, from July 1, 1978 through June 30, 1979, for the same total consideration - \$4,010.

Staff contacted other firms in the area which provide helicopter services, and none were able to offer their services for an equal or lower price than Condor. Under this circumstance, the Legal Unit of the Department of General Services has advised that, pursuant to State Administration Manual, Section 1204-7, the Commission may renew the existing contract for an additional year without resort to competitive bidding.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO EXTEND THE EXISTING HELICOPTER SERVICES CONTRACT WITH CONDOR HELICOPTERS AND AVIATION, INCORPORATED, FOR AN ADDITIONAL 1 YEAR PERIOD FROM JULY 1, 1978 THROUGH JUNE 30, 1979, AT A TOTAL COST OF \$4,010.