

VALLEY CLEAN ENERGY ALLIANCE

Staff Report - Item 17

TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Mitch Sears, Interim General Manager
Jim Parks, Director of Customer Care and Marketing

SUBJECT: Residential Time of Use Rate Update

DATE: March 14, 2019

REQUESTED ACTION

Information item. No action requested.

BACKGROUND

PG&E is required by the CPUC to implement residential time of use (RTOU) rates as the default rate for residential customers. The rates will be phased in over a 1-year period beginning Q4 2020. PG&E is working with community choice aggregators (CCAs) to gauge their interest in adopting PG&E's TOU rates and to facilitate implementation of the rates as-needed. PG&E engaged the CCAs early in the process and both MCE and Sonoma Clean Power completed pilot projects with over 160,000 total customers.

The rates will be rolled out over an extended period and, if VCE decides to accept the rate, the planned rollout in Yolo County will occur in February 2021. PG&E is asking for a commitment well before that time and would like to come to a VCE board meeting to present the information.

UPDATE

We expect to invite PG&E to a VCE board meeting to describe their expectations for the TOU rollout. In preparation for that, staff would like to provide information to VCE board members so they can have a better understanding of the process prior to meeting with PG&E representatives. Staff will also make a presentation to the Community Advisory Committee prior to inviting PG&E. The presentation provided by VCE staff will give an overview of the rate, implementation schedule, results of the CCA pilots and expected next steps.