VALLEY CLEAN ENERGY ALLIANCE

Staff Report - Item 9

TO: Community Advisory Committee (CAC)

FROM: Mitch Sears, Executive Officer

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SUBJECT: Mid-Year 2022 Customer Rates Review

DATE: August 25, 2022

RECOMMENDATION

Receive Mid-Year update on 2022 Customer Rates

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

The Board adopted the 2022 VCE Budget and Customer Rates on February 10, 2022. The Board rates and budget priorities for 2022 were to rebuild financial reserves and provide financial relief to VCE's low income customers. February 2022 Board staff reports can be found here:

<u>Item-16-2022-Operating-Budget-2-10-22.pdf (valleycleanenergy.org)</u> Item-15-2022-Customer-Rates-2-10-22.pdf (valleycleanenergy.org)

As part of its Customer Rates action, the Board directed staff to monitor 2022 financial performance and recommend, if warranted, mid-year 2022 adjustments to customer rates/credits and/or allocation of additional financial resources for programs and renewable energy credits.

The unaudited financials ending June 30, 2022, are in general alignment with the financial projections used to structure the 2022 adopted budget. Since year-to-date financial performance is in-line with projections, staff has reached the conclusion that 2022 mid-year adjustments to customer rates (up or down) or allocation of additional financial resources for programs and renewable energy credits are not advisable.

Staff will be presenting a mid-year financial overview at the CAC meeting.

CONCLUSION

Based on year-to-date financial performance in-line with projections, staff believes it is prudent to maintain Board adopted 2022 customer rates and budget allocations for programs and renewable energy credits.