

# **VCEA Community Advisory Committee**

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### **Overview**

- What is UltraGreen?
- Comparison to other products
- Policy issues:
  - Price structure
  - Price
  - Green-e certification
  - PCC categories
- Marketing and additional attributes



### What is UltraGreen?

- A voluntary renewable program, allowing customers to purchase their power from 100% renewable sources for a price premium.
- RECs are procured for 100% of opt-in customer load, and retired on behalf of the customer.



# **Comparison to CCAs**

Entity	Premium Residential	Premium Commercial	Name	Green-E?	Technology
Marin Clean Energy	\$ 0.010	\$ 0.010	Deep Green	Yes	75% Wind, 25% Solar
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Sonoma Clean Power	\$ 0.025	\$ 0.025	EverGreen	No	100% Geothermal
CleanPowerSF	\$ 0.020	\$ 0.014	SuperGreen	Yes	100% Wind
Peninsula Clean Energy	\$ 0.010	\$ 0.010	ECO100	Yes	100% Wind
Silicon Valley Clean Energy	\$ 0.008	\$ 0.008	GreenPrime	Yes	100% Wind
Redwood Coast Energy Authority	\$ 0.010	\$ 0.010	REpower+	No	100% Renewable
City of Lancaster	\$ 10.00/mo	\$ 0.015	SMARTChoice	Yes	100% Wind
Apple Valley Choice Energy	\$ 2.00/mo	\$ 0.002	MoreChoice	No	50% Renewable
Pico Rivera Innovative Municipal Energy	\$ 11.00/mo	\$ 0.010	Prime Future	No	100% Renewable



# **Comparison to PG&E Green Tariff**

	Rate	Total Premium		
Residential	Res	\$	0.02610	
Small Commercial	A1	\$	0.02391	
Medium Commercial	A10	\$	0.01489	
Medium Commercial	E19	\$	0.01698	
Streetlight	LS3	\$	0.01586	
Oil and Gas	E37	\$	0.03341	
Large Transmission	E20T	\$	0.02915	
Large Primary	E20P	\$	0.02388	
Large Secondary	E20S	\$	0.02132	



## **Policy Issues**

- Price Structure
  - Flat monthly fee or volumetric
  - Ease of understanding vs. cross-subsidization
- Price
  - \$0.015/kWh is a cap before losing customers to PG&E
  - \$0.010/kWh is seen as competitive
- Green-E
  - Global clean energy certification organization. Requires generation and record-keeping to be certified.



## Policy Issues – PCC

Entity	PCC1	PCC2	PCC3		
CleanPowerSF	100%	0%	0%		
Redwood Coast Energy Authority Marin Clean Energy Sonoma Clean Power Silicon Valley Clean Energy Peninsula Clean Energy	100% 85% 68% 63% 58%	0% 15% 32% 37% 42%	0% 0% 0% 0% 0%	PCC1 PCC2 PCC3	REC Cost Estimate \$ 0.0170/kWh \$ 0.0065/kWh \$ 0.0020/kWh
Valley Clean Energy Alliance	52%	48%	0%		
City of Lancaster	77%	15%	8%		
Apple Valley Choice Energy	66%	13%	21%		
Pico Rivera Innovative Municipal Energy	44%	9%	48%		

PCC categories can be procured with the overall renewable portfolio, or separate. As of July 2017, CCAs have widely varying usage of PCC categories forecasted for 2018.



## **Options**

#### **Option 1:**

- \$0.010 for commercial
- \$10/mo. for residential
- Procure with overall renewable portfolio
- Approximately revenue neutral, before marketing, certification, and administration costs.

### **Option 2:**

- \$0.015 for commercial
- \$10/mo. for residential
- Procure with overall renewable portfolio
- Approximately \$120k/yr., before marketing, certification, and administration costs. Roll any excess income to renewable resource fund.

#### Option 3:

- \$0.015 for commercial
- \$0.015 for residential
- 100% PCC2
- Approximately \$350k/yr., before marketing, certification, and administration costs. Roll any excess income to renewable resource fund.

