

VALLEY CLEAN ENERGY ALLIANCE

Staff Report - Item 7

TO: Community Advisory Committee

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

SUBJECT: Residential Time of Use Rate Comparison and Update

DATE: June 27, 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 eligible residential customers. The rates will be phased in over a 13-month period beginning October 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 13,000 total customers.

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 from CCAs by October 2019, meaning the CAC should make a recommendation by August or September (at the latest) to meet the board deadline.

The CAC has received information on the rates twice: Jim Parks presented information on the proposed PG&E rates at the March CAC meeting, and Jessica Chancellor of PG&E presented additional information at the May CAC meeting.

UPDATE

In order to provide more information to the CAC prior to making a recommendation, staff would like to present 1) comparisons of different RTOU rates that are either active or proposed by California utilities; 2) the financial impacts of the proposed rate on VCE, 3) the number of CCA's that have agreed to the new rate, and 4) the relative percentages of PG&E's delivery charges compared to generation charges.