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# Morning Plenary II: The Future Decarbonization of California's Energy June 27, 2019, 11:30am – 12:30pm

### Presenters

#### Joshua Torres | Southern California Edison "Expanding Clean Energy Choices for Buildings"

Ken Chawkins | SoCalGas "Balanced Energy Solutions that Can Work for Everyone"



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#### **Expanding Clean Energy Choices for Buildings**

Helping customers reduce pollution from homes and workplaces





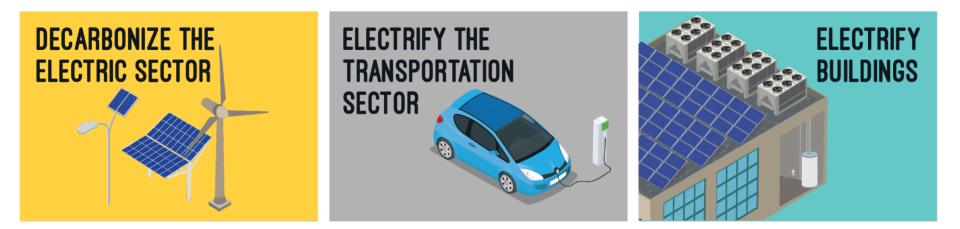
### There Are Cleaner, Healthier Alternatives to Burning Fossil Fuels In Our Homes

SCE is working to make it easier and more affordable to choose clean energy options





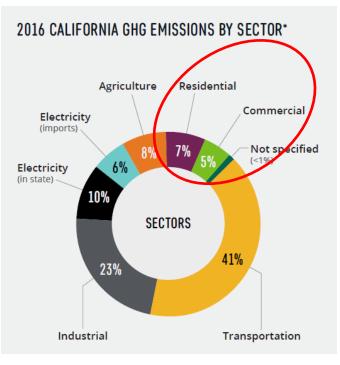
#### **SCE's Integrated Solution**



### **Clean the power grid. And electrify.**

### **Our Buildings Can Be Cleaner**

- Buildings are a significant source of pollution
- We must reduce building emissions in order to meet California's environmental goals
- Burning fossil fuels indoors contributes to poor indoor air quality



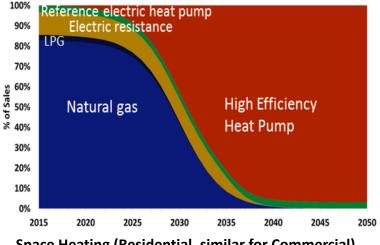
#### **Electric Heat Pumps As A Solution**



- SCE is focusing on making it **easier and more affordable** to adopt heat pumps
- Recent studies support heat pumps as a cost-effective way to reduce emissions in buildings
- Heat pumps allow water heaters to work like **batteries**

### **How Things Are Today**

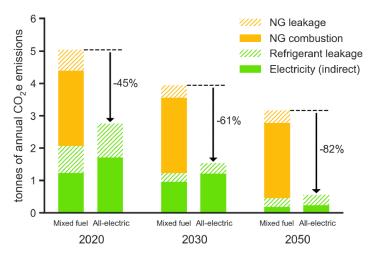
- The **customer experience** is less than ideal
- Gas & electric are NOT on a level playing field
- Barrier include
  - Customer awareness
  - Motivation for retailers/installers
  - Upfront costs of retrofits
  - Permitting/inspection



#### Space Heating (Residential, similar for Commercial) Percent of New Sales in High Electrification Case

Deep Decarbonization in a High Renewables Future, California Energy Commission

#### **How Things Should Be**



Annual GHG emissions from a 1990s vintage single-

**family home for Sacramento** Figure 3-1 from Residential Building Electrification in California, Energy + Environmental Economics (E3)

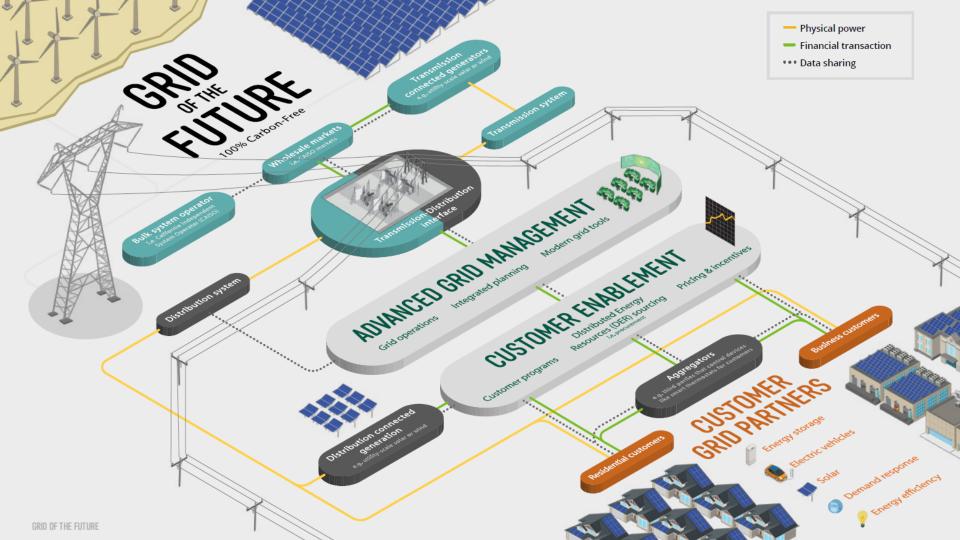
- Improved customer experience
- Barriers to adoption are removed
- Increased customer awareness
- Knowledgeable retailers and installers
- Knowledgeable city and county officials

#### Working to Make It Easier & More Affordable

- We are developing **solutions** to the challenges customers currently face
- Committed to making it easier and more affordable for customers to choose a clean, electric option







#### Thank You!





# Balanced Energy Solutions that Can Work for Everyone

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Ken Chawkins, Business Policy Manager Southern California Gas Company

#### WHO WE ARE....

#### SoCalGas & SDG&E Territory



#### In service for over 135 years

#### » Largest natural gas distribution utility in the US

- » Serve **12 counties** (over 500 communities) and more than **21 million** people
- » Over 5.8 million gas meters

#### SDG&E

» Provides electricity and natural gas to 3.4 million people from Orange County to the Mexican border.

## California leads the nation in setting **Climate goals and policy** (IMATE CHANGE IS

#### **Governing Law – AB32**

By 2020, stabilize GHG emissions at 1990 levels.

Obtain **33%** of electricity from renewable sources.

Governing Law – SB32

By 2030, reduce GHG emissions by 40%.

Obtain **50%** of electricity from renewable sources.

**Governing Law – SB100** 

By 2030, obtain **60%** of electricity from renewables.

Obtain **100%** Clean Energy by 2045.

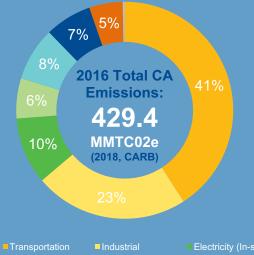
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#### **Diversification of Assets**

## Electrification as a one-track solution sounds simple



## CA Climate Change Policy Role for "Net-Zero" end uses and low carbon gas



Transportation
Industrial
Electricity (Imports)
Agriculture
Commercial
Not Specified

Electricity (In-state)
Residential

For some in California, the strategy is to "de-carbonize" electricity and then "electrify everything":

- De-carbonize generation
- Electrify transportation
- Electrify energy end uses

SoCalGas is focused on "decarbonizing" the pipeline, and "electric equivalent" end uses:

- · De-carbonize gas supply
- Deploy electric equivalent NGV's
- Deploy net zero gas technologies

It's not either/or, It's both

# To be adopted, we must create clean energy solutions that people want to use

# Affordability Reliability Choice

# The real cost of living

### is already too high for too many people

California has the **highest** effective poverty rate in the nation

Nearly **40%** of CA households are rent burdened and pay **>30%** of their income on housing

1/3 of CA households can't pay for their basic needs Low-income families pay **20%** of their income or more on energy costs

Sources: The United Way, Real Cost of Living Report (2018); Adam Chandler, *"Where the Poor Spend More Than* <sup>20</sup> 10 Percent of Income on Energy," (2016)

# Electrification will further burden people

### **Costing the typical**

**California family:** 

to retrofit your home

> more in energy bills

Source: Navigant Consulting, "The Cost of Residential Appliance Electrification: Phase 1 Report – Existing Single-Family Homes", 21 April 2018.

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# Consumers Want choice

# <10%

of voters would choose an all-electric home **80%** of voters prefer home

with both, esp for cooking

# 80%

of voters oppose prohibiting the use of gas appliances

of voters oppose eliminating natural gas

Source: California Building Industries Association, California Natural Gas Poll - Consumer Survey of 3000 California Voters (January 2018)

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# With a balanced approach we can achieve our goals and preserve choice, while minimizing disruption and cost

Solar Fuel Cells NG & RNG Wind

## **De-carbonizing end uses:** Natural Gas Stationary Use Pathways

# The move toward "net-zero" emission technology focuses also on:

- Distributed Generation
- Small-scale, Fast-ramping Generation Matched with Renewables
- Power Generation with Carbon Capture



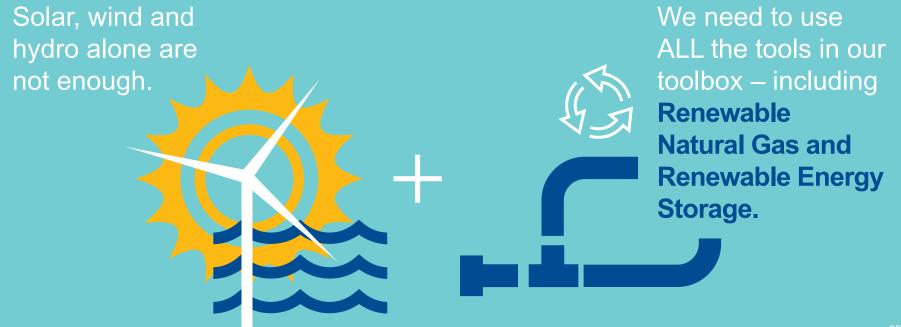
## Not just solar and wind:

- Fuel Cells
- Micro-turbines
- Combined Heat & Power



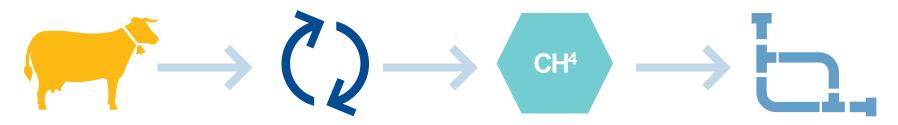
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# We need scalable, affordable solutions to solve these issues



#### And RNG gives us a clear path to address CA's biggest methane emitters 5% 4% 9% Dairies & Livestock Landfills & Waste Water Pipelines Oil & Gas Extraction Agriculture Industrial & Misc. Source: CARB 2015 Greenhouse Gases Emissions 26 Inventory, 2013 Methane Emissions

# The basics of Renewable Natural Gas



Capture waste from dairies, farms and landfills

Convert into biogas using anaerobic digestion Process the biogas to make it pipelineready (biomethane) Inject the biomethane into the pipeline for future use

## Decarbonizing energy is easier than switching appliances and equipment



Sources: Navigant Consulting, "Gas Strategies for a Low-Carbon California Future," 2018. California Building Industry Association (CBIA) and Navigant Consulting, "The Cost of Residential Appliance Electrification," 2018.

## The RNG supply is available (2030): In-state estimates

## 94 BCF

#### **UC Davis/ARB Study:**

based on current federal and LCFS incentives

## **100-200** BCF

#### **ICF Assessment:**

CA with current regulation / incentives; 100 BCF conservative estimate

## **300** BCF

**UC Davis/CEC Study** 

Sources: The Feasibility of Renewable Natural Gas as a Large-Scale, Low Carbon Substitute, Prepared for the California Air Resources Board and the California Environmental Protection Agency 29 by Amy Jaffe, Principal Investigator. STEPS Program, Institute of Transportation Studies, UC Davis

## The RNG supply is available (2030): OUT-OF -State resources

### **1 TCF RNG**

(w/ 30-40% to CA.)

Available in the US today (and growing to ~ 13 TCF in 2030) 16% = 272

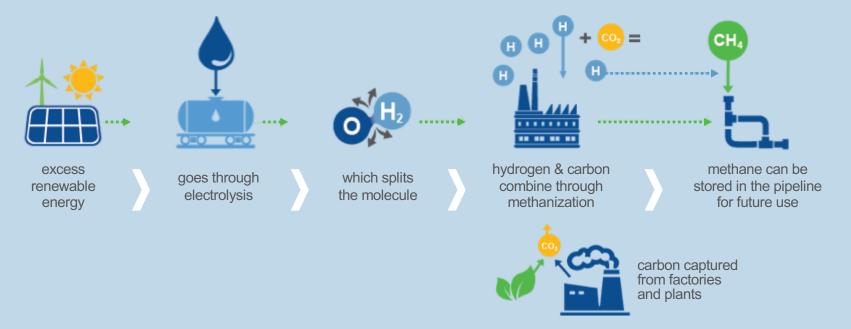
RNG rate

BCF in 2030

Projected CA natural gas throughput by 2030

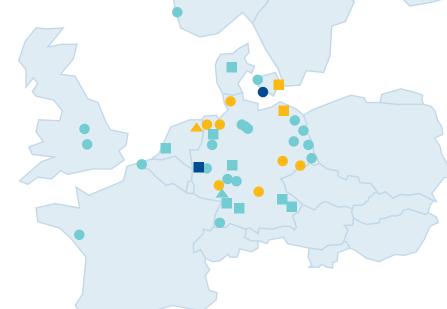
Sources: U.S. Department of Energy. 2016. 2016 Billion-Ton Report: Advancing Domestic Resources for a Thriving Bioeconomy, Volume 1: Economic Availability of Feedstocks. M. H. Langholtz, B. J. Stokes, and L. M. Eaton (Leads), ORNL/TM-2016/160. Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Oak Ridge, TN. 448p. doi: 10.2172/1271651.

## **Power-to-gas** converts excess renewable electricity into renewable gas



## **Power-to-gas** provides green hydrogen pathway, renewable gas, and grid storage

- 70 Projects Now Launched In Europe
- 40 Projects Launched in Germany, with more in development
- 30 MW of installed capacity



#### Operational Planned Project Finished

- Hydrogen
- Methane
- ▲ Hydrogen/Methane

# We need to decarbonize natural gas not just electrify end-uses

Develop the market for renewable natural gas

Natural Gas (Methane) CH Decarbonize the pipeline with renewable natural gas supplies 7

Harness Power-to-Gas technology to integrate electric and natural gas grids for long-term energy supply and storage

# Here's what YOU Can do

Pay attention to the issue and learn more 7

Help spread the word with your friends, family and neighbors Get involved and let your voice be heard

# Join Californians for balanced energy solutions

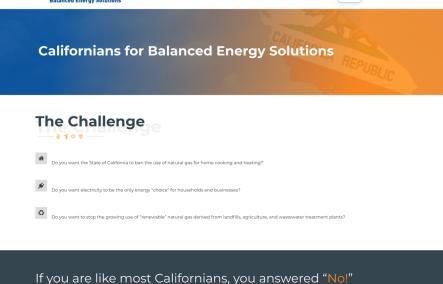
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JOIN

- Coalition to promote balanced energy and battle all-electric mandates
- Information and resources
- Alerts on important proceedings and opportunities to get involved



# Critical proceeding: Building Decarbonization OIR



California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC)

#### What is it?

The OIR will establish programs and protocols to implement SB 1477. The law is meant to advance lowemissions space and water heating into buildings.

#### What's at stake?

The CPUC can set up a program that mandates electrification/ switching out gas appliances and stop natural gas hookups. Opening comments suggest that is exactly the path the Commission intends to follow.

#### What can we do?

- Join the coalition
- · Write letters when the time comes
- Provide comments and intervene in the proceeding

# Stepping up our commitment to reduce emissions

#### **Our Vision**

To become the cleanest natural gas utility in North America

#### **Our Commitments**

**2022 5% RNG** being delivered on our system.

2030 20% RNG being delivered on our system.

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# **Facilitated Discussion**

