



ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

DATE: JANUARY 21, 2016

TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
BEN REYES, CITY ATTORNEY

FROM: MICHELLE FITZER, CITY MANAGER

PLACES TO BE

- UPCOMING CITY COUNCIL/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE MEETINGS/EVENTS

Date and Time	Event	Location
Monday, January 25, 2016 7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting	City Council Chamber 2131 Pear Street
Tuesday, February 2, 2016 7:00 p.m.	City Council Meeting	City Council Chamber 2131 Pear Street
February date TBD – either 4 th or 9 th – check back for update 8:30 a.m.	Wastewater Subcommittee Meeting	City Council Chamber 2131 Pear Street
Tuesday, February 9, 2016 6:00 p.m.	Special City Council Meeting	City Council Chamber 2131 Pear Street
Tuesday, February 16, 2016 7:00 p.m.	City Council Meeting	City Council Chamber 2131 Pear Street
Monday, February 22, 2016 7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting	City Council Chamber 2131 Pear Street

- WASTEWATER PLANT UPGRADE PROJECT COMMUNITY MEETING –
FEBRUARY 17, 2016 7:00 PM IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER

The City of Pinole will be hosting a community meeting to provide an update on the Wastewater Plant Upgrade Project. We expect the Construction Manager and a

representative from the contractor (yet to be awarded) to be present to discuss the project and answer questions. The attached letter has already been mailed to residents in Pinole and Hercules who reside within 1000 feet of the Plant, but of course the entire community is invited.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

- NEW AMBULANCE SERVICE PROVIDER

Effective January 1, 2016 at 0000 hours Contra Costa Fire Protection District officially assumed responsibility for the delivery of Emergency Ambulance Services. EMS ambulance services will be provided in partnership with American Medical Response under the new innovative EMS service delivery model known as the Alliance. **All EMS ambulance services will continue without interruption and be virtually transparent to the community with the exception of changes in the appearance of ambulances and uniforms that will be modified over the next 6-12 months beginning immediately.** The Alliance ambulances will be branded in two phases. The first phase will be white with red stripe. This change will occur from now through February 2016.

All vehicles/ambulances that will be approaching their end of use will be “replaced” with new red vehicles.



Alliance ambulance personnel uniforms will also be changing from white to blue shirts as illustrated with the following new Contra Costa Fire-EMS Alliance logo.



- OPEN RECRUITMENTS FOR CITY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

There are several vacancies our City boards and commissions! If you are a citizen interested in community service in a variety of disciplines, there are several opportunities available.

- Planning Commission
- Traffic and Pedestrian Safety Commission
- Community Services Commission
- Pinole representatives on the Contra Costa Library Commission
- Pinole representative on the Contra Costa County Advisory Council on Aging (Regional board appointment)

The filling period for submittal of Planning Commission applications closes on January 21, 2016. All other boards are open until filled.

For further information, please contact the Pinole City Clerk's Office at 510-724-8928 or email: pathenour@ci.pinole.ca.us

Information and applications are also available on the City website under the Current News Article http://www.ci.pinole.ca.us/live/news/advisory_board.html; and for the Planning Commission at <http://www.ci.pinole.ca.us/live/news/planning-vacancy.html>.

- **PLANNING COMMISSION TO CONSIDER CELL STRUCTURE COMPONENT OF CVS APPLICATION AT JANUARY 25TH MEETING**

CVS has submitted an application to relocate to the corner of Appian and Canyon. The Planning Commission will consider the component of this application that includes a cell service structure at its January 25th meeting. As noted above, the meeting will be held at 7:00 pm in the City Council Chamber.

- **VERIZON CELL SITE LOCATION APPEAL AND POTENTIAL RULE 20A UTILITY LINE UNDERGROUNDING PROJECT ON PINOLE VALLEY ROAD TO BE DISCUSSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AT A SPECIAL MEETING – FEBRUARY 9TH**

The City Council will hear Verizon's appeal of the Planning Commission's denial of their application to locate a cell facility on Pfeiffer Lane. The City Attorney provided the following timeline for submittal of information to be considered as part of the Verizon appeal:

January 27th at 4:30 pm for submittal to be addressed in the staff report and attached to the agenda materials.

February 3rd at 4:30 pm for submittal to be attached to the agenda materials, but not addressed in the staff report.

After February 3rd all items will be provided to the Council on the night of meeting.

As noted above, the meeting will be held at 7:00 pm in the City Council Chamber.

- **COUNCIL APPROVES CONSIDERATION OF JOINING A COMMUNITY CHOICE AGGREGATION PROGRAM – A CLEAN ENERGY ELECTRICITY ALTERNATIVE TO PG&E**

On Tuesday night a majority of the Council authorized staff to release Pinole's electricity load data to Contra Costa County as part of a potential technical study on possible participation in a Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) Program. They also directed staff to execute a non-binding letter of intent with Marin Clean Energy (MCE), an established CCA program. Several other cities in Contra Costa are also looking at both the County technical study and MCE. Some cities have already joined MCE. The full staff report and County slides are available on the City's website as part of the January 19th City Council agenda packet. The Marin Clean Energy slides were not provided in time for the packet, so they are attached to this report for reference.

- **COUNCIL APPROVES BAN ON MEDICAL MARIJUANA CULTIVATION**

On Tuesday night the Council approved a ban on medical marijuana cultivation in Pinole. Following a presentation by the City Attorney's Office and Police Chief Gang, the Council agreed that there are significant public health and safety concerns associated with marijuana cultivation. The State passed legislation toward the end of 2015 that would have provided the legal framework for cultivation, if the City had not adopted local rules before March 1st. This action does not eliminate the Council's authority to modify these rules at a later date, but it ensures that we have control over that decision at the local level, rather than simply being subjected to the State rules.

- **NOTICE TO MERCHANTS -- LICENSE RENEWAL TIME**

Attention Business Owners – 2015 Pinole Business Licenses will expire on December 31, 2015. Business license taxes for 2016 are due on January 1, 2016 and become delinquent on February 1, 2016, at which time unpaid taxes are subject to a 50% penalty. There is no change to the business license tax rate for calendar year 2016. The tax for the basic business license is \$132.00 per year.

Business license renewal forms were mailed out November 19, 2015, for calendar year 2016. Renewal forms are mailed to you as a courtesy; we make every effort to make sure that a renewal form is mailed to each active business. If you do not receive a renewal form, it is the business owner's responsibility to pay the business license tax by January 31, 2016. Please remit your payment to:

**City of Pinole
Attn: Business License Dept
2131 Pear St
Pinole, CA 94564**

For your convenience, information is available on our website at www.ci.pinoles.ca.us. Select **Business License** from the “*I’m looking for...*” box in the upper right hand corner or select *Administration* then *Finance Dept* from the Department list on the left side of our home page.

If you are no longer conducting business please check the Inactive box in the upper right hand corner of the courtesy renewal form, sign it and return it to us. This will prevent any unnecessary collection activity.

- **CITY WEBSITE TO BE DOWN MARCH 4TH – 7TH**

ABAG, who hosts our website, is moving their offices from Oakland to San Francisco. Due to the move, our website will be down during this period.

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CITY OF PINOLE

PINOLE-HERCULES WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLANT

11 Tennent Avenue
Pinole, CA 94564

Phone: (510) 724-8963
FAX: (510) 724-9069

January 11, 2016

Property Owner:

Re: Neighborhood Meeting to discuss Pinole-Hercules Water Pollution Control Plant Improvements – **February 17th, 2016 at 7:00p.m. at the Pinole City Council Chambers**

The City of Pinole in February 2016 will be awarding a \$43 million dollar contract to improve the existing Wastewater Treatment Plant. The proposed improvements will keep the Cities consistent with the treatment plant requirements determined by the State Regional Water Quality Control Board. The improvement contract will take 32 to 36 months to complete and will involve certain inconveniences to the neighborhood around the plant. We will endeavor to minimize the inconveniences to you and your neighbors.

The attached map depicts the proposed access and vehicle & equipment parking for the contractor and the various subcontractors. The contractor/subcontractor work hours will be 8 AM to 5 PM, Monday – Friday, unless special circumstances require the contractor/subcontractors to work additional hours.

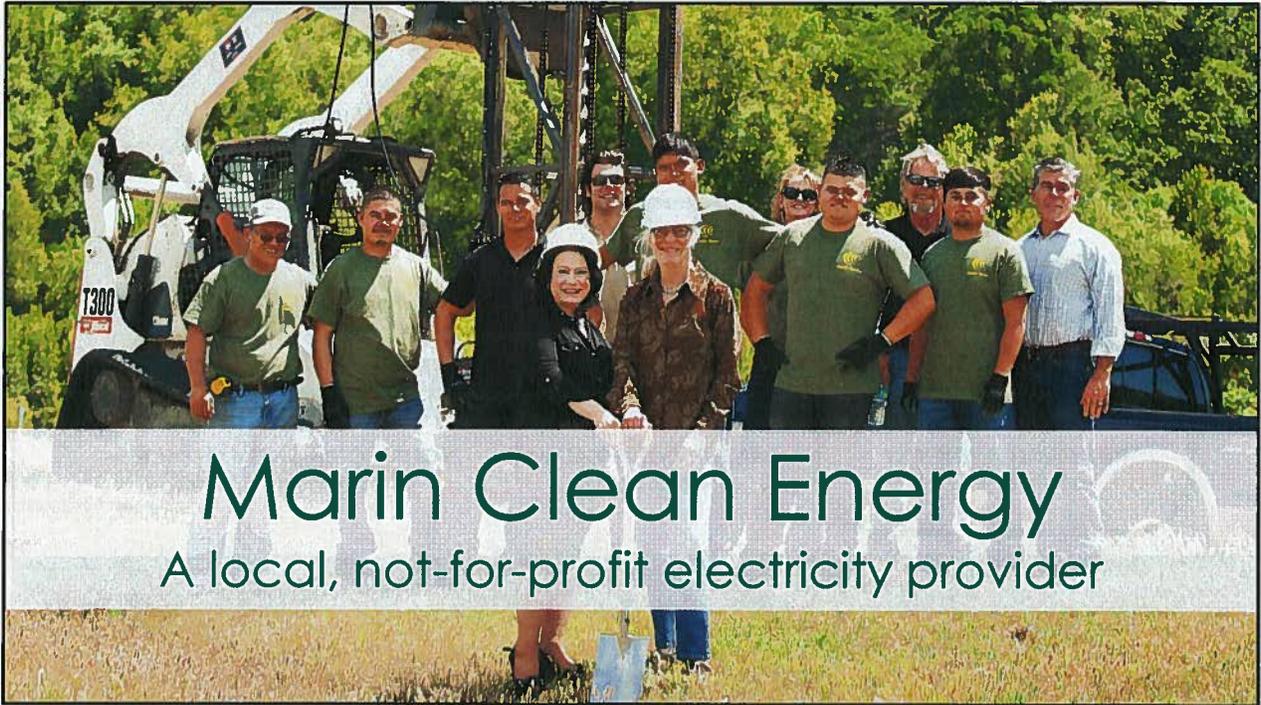
This contract includes removal of existing concrete based improvements and the driving of friction piles to support the new improvements. We will restrict these noisy work items to the hours from 10 AM to 3PM.

The existing East Bay Regional Park Improvements will remain open with certain safety restrictions. The contractor/subcontractors will be using a portion of the grass area outside the plant to stage their materials and supplies. Also, this WPCP improvements contract does include certain improvements to the walkway area around the plant. In addition, East Bay Regional Park District is planning certain improvements to their pathway around the plant, including a pedestrian bridge across the RR tracks.

If you have questions about anything connected with the WPCP project, please consider writing email apetrie@ci.pinole.ca.us or calling me at (510) 724-9017 so that I can directly answer your questions and provide these same answers at the February 17th Neighborhood Meeting at 7:00p.m.

Sincerely,

Al Petrie
Interim Development Services Director/City Engineer



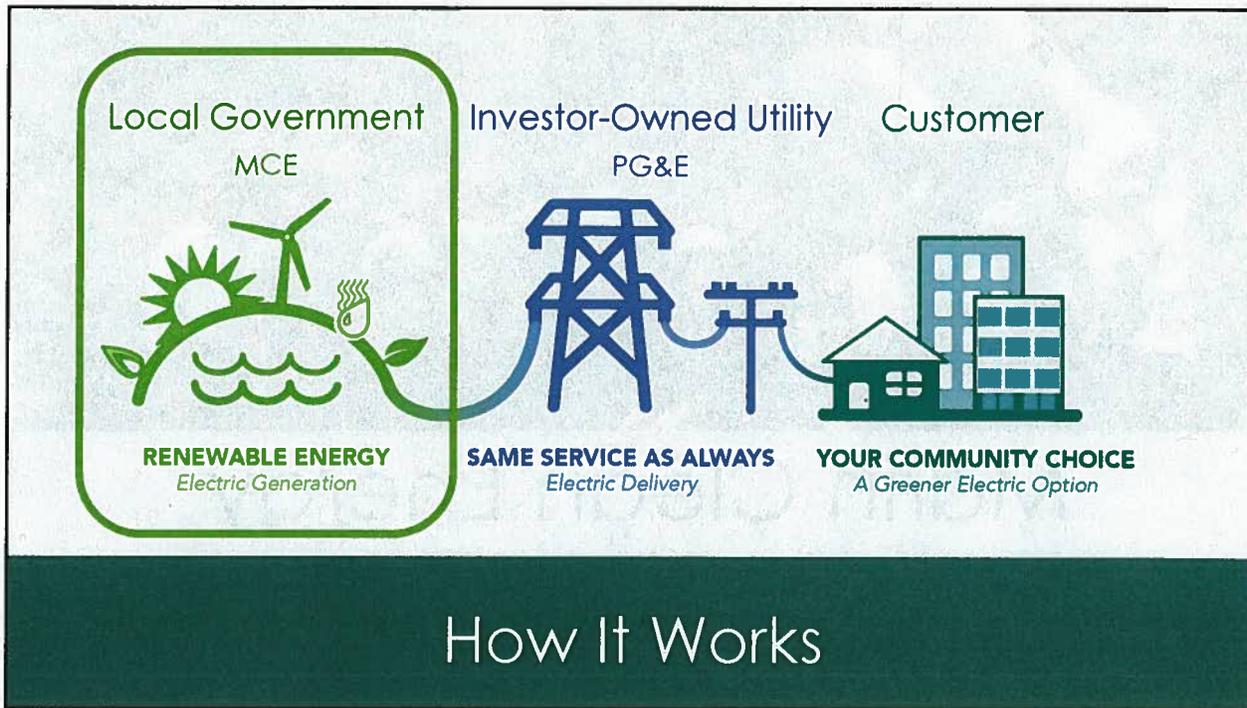
Marin Clean Energy

A local, not-for-profit electricity provider

Our Mission

Address climate change by reducing energy related greenhouse gas emissions through renewable energy supply and energy efficiency at stable and competitive rates while providing local economic and workforce benefits.





How It Works

Our Story

2008
MCE formed

2010
service began

2011, '13 & '15
service expanded



175,000 customers served today

Local Governance



17 Board Members

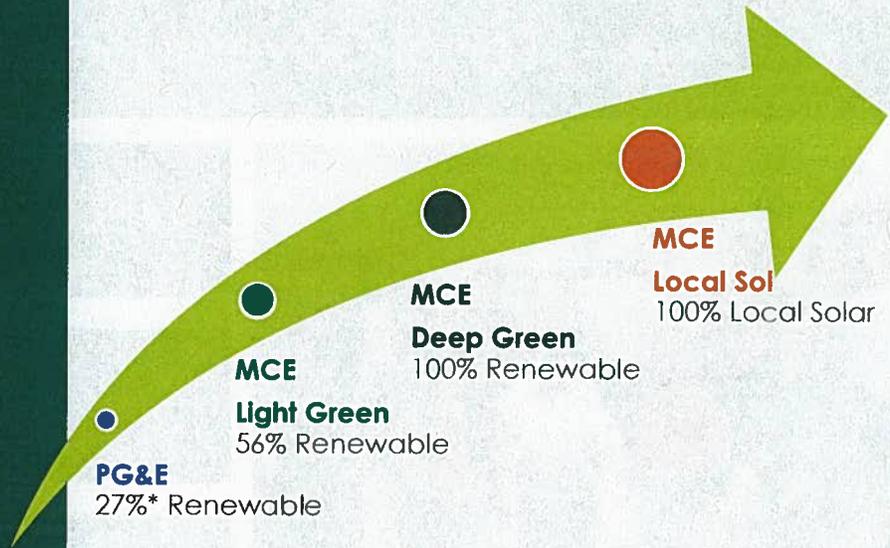
Elected officials

Monthly meetings

Community Benefits

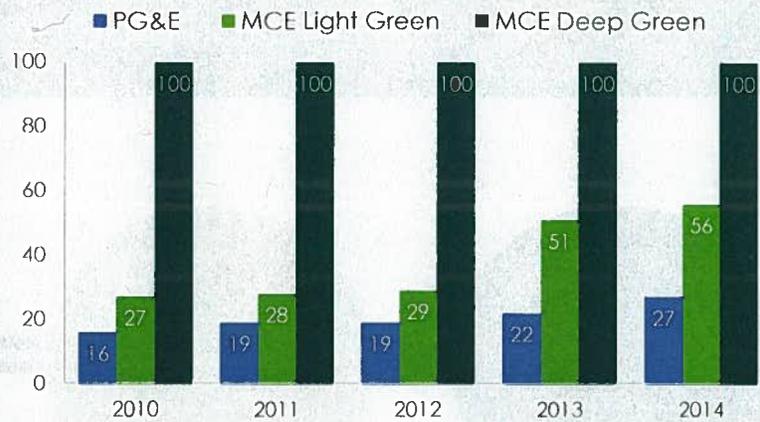


Today's Energy Choices



*as reported to the California Energy Commission Power Source Disclosure Program in June 2015 (www.energy.ca.gov/sb1305/labels)

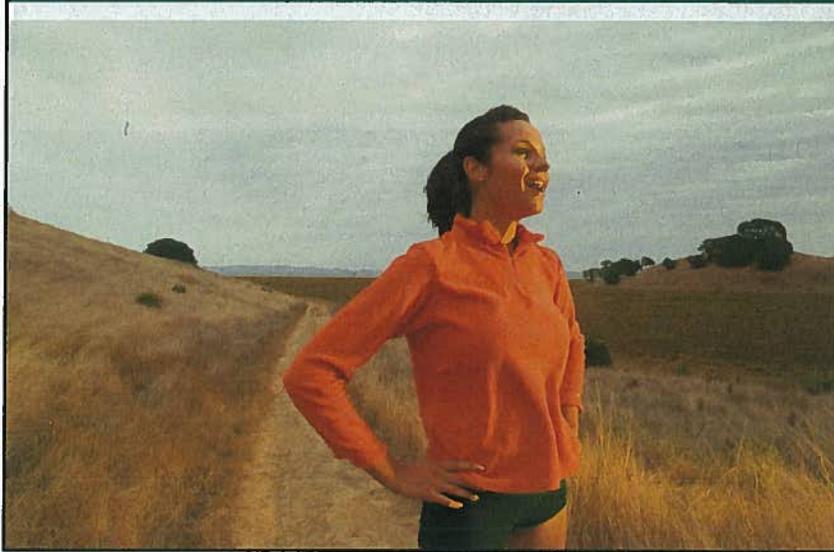
Growing Renewable Content



Light Green Renewable Power Content

27% → 56% (2010 - 2014)

Procurement Goal



Light Green Power Content

80% renewable

95% carbon-free

By 2025

Our Power Sources

12 suppliers

17 energy contracts



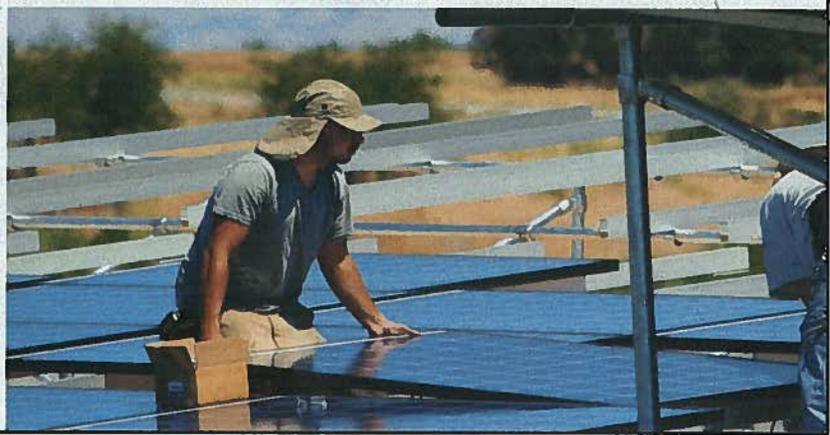
10 new CA renewable project sites

POWERING

1/2 of the homes we serve per year

STATE Impacts
New Renewable Projects

\$516 Million committed



10 new local project sites

WILL POWER

12,000 homes per year

LOCAL Impacts
New Renewable Projects

20 megawatts



\$16 Million+ saved by customers in 2014-15

LOCAL Impacts
Cost Savings

\$415,000 in cash rebates **DISTRIBUTED TO** **4,100** energy efficiency program participants

emission reduction equivalent to: **2,952** barrel decrease in oil consumption

7.7 Million+ gallons of water saved

LOCAL Impacts
Energy Savings

63,482 metric tons of GHG eliminated, 2010-2013

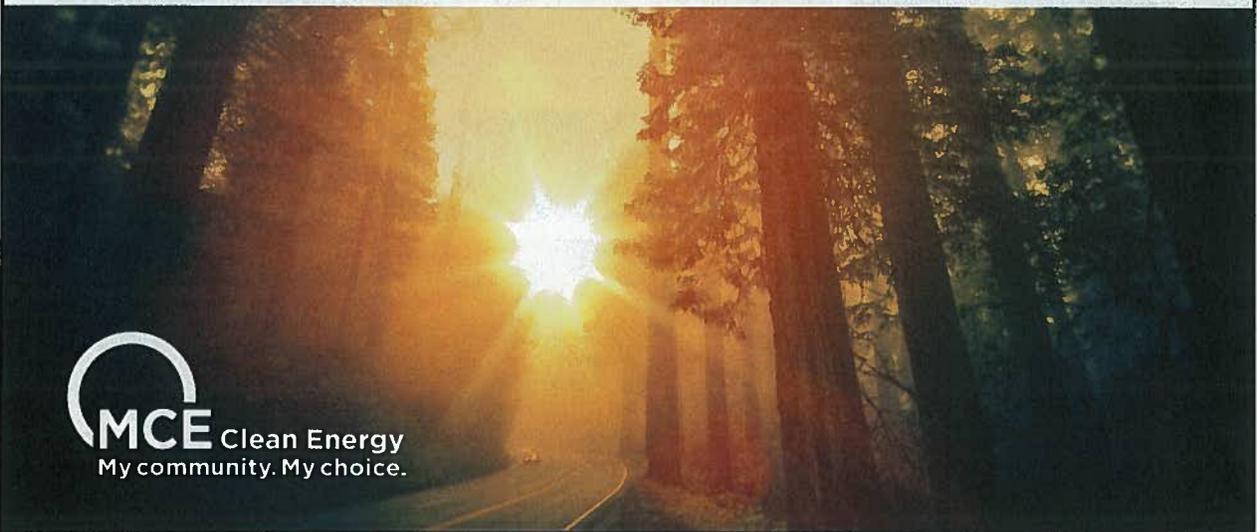
projected to **increase by 63%** in 2014 alone

equivalent to: **13,365** cars removed from the road each year



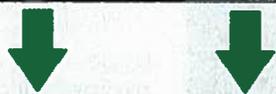
Thank You

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www.mceCleanEnergy.org



Additional Reference Slides

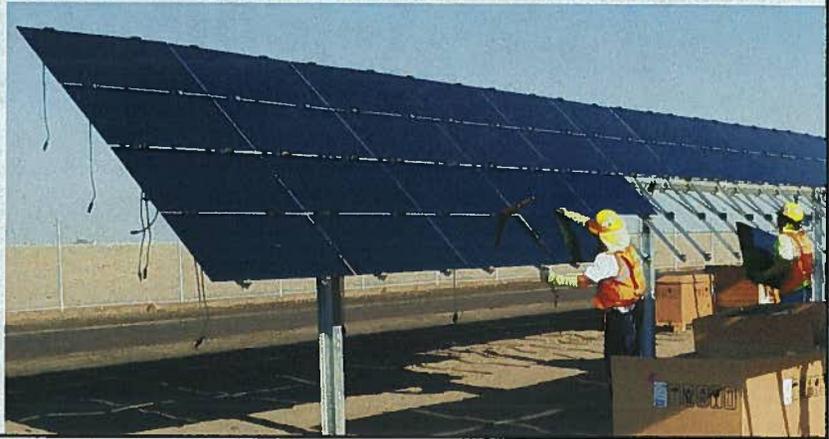
Sample Bill

	ENERGY STATEMENT <small>www.pge.com/MyEnergy</small>	Account No: 1234567890-1 Statement Date: 10/01/2013 Due Date: 10/22/2013
Service For: MARY SMITH 1234 STREET AVENUE SAN RAFAEL, CA 94804	Your Account Summary	
	Amount Due on Previous Statement	\$82.85
	Payments Received Since Last Statement	82.85
	Previous Unpaid Balance	\$0.00
	<u>Current Electric Charges</u>	<u>\$63.61</u>
	Current Gas Charges	\$27.20
	Total Amount Due	\$110.81
With PG&E service:		
	Your Account Summary	
	Amount Due on Previous Statement	\$82.85
	Payments Received Since Last Statement	82.85
	Previous Unpaid Balance	\$0.00
	<u>Current PG&E Electric Delivery Charges</u>	<u>\$39.32</u>
	<u>MCE Electric Generation Charges</u>	<u>\$42.61</u>
	Current Gas Charges	\$27.20
	Total Amount Due	\$109.33
With MCE service:		

STATE Impacts
New Jobs

2,400+ California jobs

750,000+ union work hours created from new solar projects in 1 year



2014
Electricity
Content

	PG&E (opt out)	MCE Light Green	MCE Deep Green	MCE Local Sol
Renewable	27%	56%	100%	100%
Bioenergy	5%	5%	0	0
Geothermal	5%	4%	0	0
Small hydroelectric	1%	0%	0	0
Solar	9%	<1%	0	100%
Wind	7%	46%	100%	0
Large Hydroelectric	8%	9%	0	0
Natural Gas	24%	0	0	0
Nuclear	21%	0	0	0
Unspecified	20%	35%	0	0
TOTAL	100%	100%	100%	100%

Unbundled Renewable Energy Certificates

Percent of Power Supply

15%
(in 2015)



3%
(2016-2024)

