

# California Public Utilities Commission

# ADVICE LETTER SUMMARY ENERGY UTILITY



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Advice Letter 17-E/17-G (CPUC Identification #940)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

## SUBJECT: COMPLIANCE FILING REGARDING SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGIONAL ENERGY NETWORK 2024-2027 TRUE-UP ADVICE LETTER

#### I. <u>PURPOSE</u>

The Southern California Regional Energy Network (SoCalREN) submits its 2024-2027 Energy Efficiency (EE) portfolio True-Up Advice Letter (TUAL) by Tier 2 Advice Letter (AL) to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC or Commission), in compliance with Decision (D.) 21-05-031, D.23-06-055, and guidance from the Commission's Energy Division (ED) Staff. This TUAL follows the format provided by ED, and required tables per ED guidance are included in Attachment A.

This TUAL provides budget information, programmatic adjustments, and updated supporting documentation for EE programs SoCalREN will offer in program years 2024-2027.

In summary, this AL requests a four-year portfolio budget of \$227,597,351, which will achieve \$103,422,805 in Total System Benefits (TSB), and savings forecasts of 126,114,470 net kWh and 2,487,095 net therms. The forecasted four-year portfolio Total Resource Cost (TRC) test for the Resource Acquisition segment is 0.50, and the TRC for the portfolio as a whole is 0.30. This AL also includes program segmentation updates. SoCalREN requests that the Commission approve its 2024-2027 TUAL, effective as of November 16, 2023.

#### II. BACKGROUND

#### A. Regulatory Requirements

The True-Up AL requirement was adopted in Decision D.21-05-031 with the requirement that each year on September 1, in the odd years when the EE potential and goals have been adopted by the Commission, each EE program administrator (PA) shall file either a portfolio true-up (prior to the start of a four-year portfolio) or a mid-cycle review (in year two of a four-year portfolio) Tier 2 AL adjusting technical inputs, forecasts, and portfolio to account for the changes in energy efficiency potential and goals.<sup>1</sup>

D.23-06-055 approved PA Business Plans and required the following including updates based on the following:

- Guidance in D.21-05-031, such as adjustments to forecasts stemming from updated input, including TSB goals, avoided cost calculator updates, new database for energy efficiency (DEER) values, etc.;
- Updated statewide allocations and resulting budgets (within the authorized cap) and savings forecasts; and
- Updates or corrections to program segmentation.<sup>2</sup>
- The IOUs [investor-owned utilities] should reflect the updated statewide funding contributions in their 2023 True-Up advice letters.<sup>3</sup>
- The True-Up advice letter identified in Decision 21-05-031 as due on September 1, 2023 shall be due instead no later than 60 days after the Commission issues a decision updating the energy efficiency potential and goals in Rulemaking 13-11-005.<sup>4</sup>

D.23-08-005 adopted energy efficiency goals for 2024-2035. It was issued on August 16, 2023, thereby making the True Up Advice Letter due on October 16, 2023.

## B. Filing Requirements

D.21-05-031 requires that each PA true-up advice letter meet the following criteria:

• The program administrator's portfolio must meet the TSB for the four years, adjusted by the updated TSB for the remaining period of the portfolio.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> D.21-05-031, Ordering Paragraph (OP) 10.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> D.23-06-055, p. 97.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> *Id.*, Conclusion of Law (COL) 6.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> *Id.*, OP 37.

- The portfolio must meet or exceed a forecasted TRC ratio of 1.0 for the resource acquisition segment of the portfolio (with the exception of RENs).
- The equity and market support segments of the portfolio, combined, must not exceed 30% of the total budget (with the exception of RENs).
- For IOUs: the statewide and third-party contribution percentage requirements must be met.
- The advice letters also must include a report on the progress against metrics relevant for each segment of the portfolio.<sup>5</sup>

In addition, D.23-06-055 requires:

- The True-Up advice letter should include updates based on the following:
  - Guidance in D.21-05-031, such as adjustments to forecasts stemming from updated input, including TSB goals, avoided cost calculator updates, new database for energy efficiency (DEER) values, etc.;
  - Updated statewide allocations and resulting budgets (within the authorized cap) and savings forecasts; and
  - Updates or corrections to program segmentation.
- The investor-owned utility portfolio administrators shall reflect the statewide contribution changes included in Tables 1, 2, and 3 of this decision in their True Up advice letters due in 2023 according to D.23-06-055.<sup>6</sup>
- The True-Up advice letter identified in D.21-05-031 as due on September 1, 2023 shall be due instead no later than 60 days after the Commission issues a decision updating the energy efficiency potential and goals in Rulemaking 13-11-005.<sup>7</sup>
- All of the non-REN PAs (IOUs plus Marin Clean Energy (MCE)) are to make available Market Access Programs (MAPs) to address both residential and commercial downstream retrofit opportunities in their territories, with start dates no later than July 1, 2024. In the MCE territory, MCE (as the originator of this program approach) should administer the MAP and not PG&E. These PAs should use existing processes (the true-up advice letter, third-party program advice letters, fund-shifting notifications, implementation plan submissions, etc.), as needed, to incorporate MAP plans into their portfolios.<sup>8</sup>

#### III. DISCUSSION

#### A. Portfolio Overview

- a. Recent CPUC Decisions impacting EE Portfolios
  - i. Natural Gas Incentives Phase Out (D.23-04-035)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> D.21-05-031, pp. 42 – 43.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> D.23-06-055, OP 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> *Id.*, OP 37.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> *Id.,* p. 75.

D.23-04-035 required several changes to how natural gas energy efficiency offerings may be provided by PAs. The Decision requires the following, among other items:

1) Establishes a framework that defines and allows continued funding of "exempt measures" - measures that result in gas savings but do not burn gas.

2) Establishes a means to determine whether a given measure is costeffective.

3) Provides for working groups to examine and recommend technical guidance for identifying a viable electric alternative (for a given gas measure) and further criteria for custom projects.

The Decision further ordered that beginning in program year 2024 for residential and commercial resource acquisition and market support segments, ratepayer-funded incentives will no longer be authorized for non-exempt, non-cost-effective gas measures for new construction projects with no existing gas line, and for new construction projects with an existing gas line if gas usage will materially increase.

The final agreed-to viable electric alternative for specific measures may be impactful to SoCalREN's portfolio but is not known at the time of this filing.

ii. EE Goals Decision (D.23-08-012)

D.23-08-012 adopts the Potential and Goals study to set goals for the IOUs, to in turn inform the planning activities of the PAs, as well as other entities. While the Decision does not set goals for RENs, it is impactful to SoCalREN in several respects. First, it provides directional information as to the achievable potential for SoCalREN's resource acquisition segment programs. Second, it provides Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) implementation guidance, which requires that PAs create and maintain promotional and educational documentation to influence customers to use IRA tax credits. Further, PAs must identify which customers have received or plan to receive IRA tax incentives. Third, it affirms CARB's State Implementation Plan (SIP) memo calling for requiring all new space and water heaters to be zero emission beginning in 2030, which is impactful to any long-term plans for natural gas efficiency space and water heater measures.<sup>9</sup> Fourth, it impacts the deadline for this TUAL, per D.23-06-055 OP 37.

iii. Business Plan Applications (D.23-06-055)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> 2022 State Strategy for the State Implementation Plan, pp. 101-103.

This Decision is very impactful to SoCalREN, most directly by authorizing funding for expanded and new programs for the communities it serves. The Decision enables SoCalREN to deliver energy and climate impacts, build energy capacity and economic resilience, and expand EE and its benefits to underserved and hard-to-reach communities.

While the impacts of this Decision are myriad, some particularly impactful elements to SoCalREN include the September 2024 joint advice letter discussing steps to mitigate program overlap, the March 2025 joint advice letter proposing goals for the Market Support and Equity segments, and SoCalREN's Community-Based Design Pilot. SoCalREN looks forward to working with the communities it serves to design and implement this pilot, and to coordinate with other interested PAs to share ideas and lessons learned.

iv. Potential and Goals and Modification of Portfolio Approval and Oversight Process (D.21-05-031)

This Decision, among other things, adopted the TSB as a new single metric, which expresses on annual basis, in dollar terms, the lifecycle value of energy, capacity and greenhouse gas benefits. This metric is impactful to the forecast approach process for resource acquisition programs as it shifts portfolios from targeting first year energy savings to savings that align with the actual avoided cost value of energy efficiency savings. The metrics kWh, kW and therms are still to be tracked and reported.

b. Portfolio Changes Other Than Those Necessitated by New CPUC Guidance

This advice letter comports with all CPUC guidance and does not propose changes outside of those requirements.

#### B. Summary of Forecasted Portfolio Impacts

As part of the TUAL planning process, SoCalREN developed an optimized portfolio that aims to drive deep energy savings. SoCalREN's portfolio also continues to support the Commission's objectives for RENs to serve hard-to-reach customers and to fill gaps within the EE portfolios. To continue optimizing its portfolio for its goals and requirements, SoCalREN proposes the following high-level adjustments to its 2024-2027 EE portfolio, as compared to its March 2022 application:

- Optimizing measures and programs that result in claimable savings to expand benefits and cost-effectiveness;
- Continuing to reduce portfolio costs by leveraging third-party implementation within in its portfolio in support of third-party proposed, designed, and delivered programs;

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• Adjusting for inflationary cost increases.

SoCalREN's approach to optimizing its portfolio included both a bottoms-up and a top-down approach. For its bottom-up strategy, SoCalREN assessed the measure mix offerings for each of its continuing and newly authorized programs to determine if any changes were necessary, including deemed values in electronic Technical Reference Manual (eTRM) as well as custom values. These included assessing changes since the March 2022 application to net-to-gross ratios, effective useful life (EUL) and remaining useful life values, load shapes, and other factors. Programs then optimized their measure mix to reflect these changes while striving to maximize achievable TSB, TRC, and energy savings while working within authorized budgets per D.23-06-055. SoCalREN then assessed impacts at the program and sector level, and finally at the portfolio level to determine the preferred approach. The preferred approach is reflected in this TUAL.

For its top-down strategy, SoCalREN assessed the distribution of budget, TSB, and other metrics at both the sector and segment level to reflect a balanced portfolio that aligns with its core values and with the CPUC's objectives for RENs to serve hard-to-reach customers and fill gaps. From 2024-2027, SoCalREN intends to allocate 28 percent of its resources to the Equity segment, 35 percent to the Market Support segment, 32 percent to Resource Acquisition, 1 percent to Codes and Standards, and 4 percent to Evaluation, Measurement and Verification.

SoCalREN also adjusted its portfolio to reflect the impacts of inflation since the Business Plan was filed in March 2022. SoCalREN adjusted its programs with a five percent inflation impact.<sup>10</sup> SoCalREN did not model the impacts of the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA), given there are currently no Commission directives on how to model IRA's impacts. The below tables demonstrate the benefits and other metrics of the 2024-2027 portfolio. Relevant details are discussed in the below Section IV.

Table 1 shows the 2024-2027 portfolio impacts from SoCalREN's TUAL optimization process.

	Budget	<b>Total System Benefit</b>	<b>Total Resource Cost</b>	Net kWh Savings	Net Therms
Application	\$226,097,351	\$108,693,300	0.33	188,400,000	2,340,491
TUAL	\$227,597,351	\$103,422,805	0.30	126,114,470	2,487,095
TUAL less Application [1]	\$1,500,000	-\$5,270,495	-0.03	-62,285,530	146,604

Table 1: Summary of 2024-2027 SoCalREN Portfolio Impacts

[1] TUAL Budget includes authorized incremental Community-Based Design Pilot

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Current US Inflation Rates: 2000-2023, and subject matter expertise.

https://www.usinflationcalculator.com/inflation/current-inflation-rates/.

#### IV. 2024-2027 ENERGY EFFICIENCY PORTFOLIO DETAILS

#### A. Total System Benefit

SoCalREN will continue its proven approach to market support and equity program implementation but will complement its portfolio with resource acquisition programs designed to fill gaps in the portfolio and target hard-to-reach customers. These programs are designed to deliver TSB, which will increase over the four-year term of the proposed portfolio.

There are several reasons that drove this change in TSB, some of which impacted TSB in opposite directions and thus partially mitigated the impacts of one another. Broadly, there were three primary items that impacted TSB. First, the 2024 avoided cost calculator (ACC) (replacing the 2022 ACC) in aggregate increased TSB values, though the TSB of some programs and measures were reduced. Second, inflation increased costs, reducing the number of some forecasted measure installations and thus reduced TSB. Third, changes in measure packages since the application filing as reflected in eTRM are unique to each measure, but some measures which were included in SoCalREN's application either became ineligible or their values were reduced.

#### Significant portfolio changes contributing to TSB:

As shown in Table 2 below, this TUAL adjusts the cumulative four-year TSB to \$103,422,805, which represents a five percent reduction in TSB relative to the Business Plan application.

SoCalREN Filing	2024-2027 Portfolio Total System Benefit
Business Plan Application	\$108,693,300
True-Up Advice Letter	\$103,422,805

Table 2: SoCalREN 2024-2027 Portfolio Total System Benefit

#### **B. Total Resource Cost**

The 2021 Decision Assessment of Energy Efficiency Potential and Goals and Modification of Portfolio Approval and Oversight Process determined that Regional Energy Networks are not required to ensure that their energy efficiency resource acquisition programs exceed a 1.0 TRC on a forecasted basis.<sup>11</sup> Nonetheless, SoCalREN has designed its portfolio with the aim to increase cost-effectiveness over time.

#### Significant portfolio changes contributing to TRC:

The TUAL represents a twelve percent reduction in TRC relative to the Business Plan application, as shown in Table 3.

SoCalREN Filing	2024-2027 Portfolio Total Resource Cost
Business Plan Application	0.34
True-Up Advice Letter	0.30

Table 3: SoCalREN 2024-2027 Portfolio Total System Benefit
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#### C. Market Support & Equity

The 2021 Decision on Assessment of Energy Efficiency Potential and Goals and Modification of Portfolio Approval and Oversight Process requires portfolio administrators to limit the percentage of portfolio budgets spent on market support and equity programs to 30 percent, with the exception of RENs.<sup>12</sup> Thus this requirement does not apply to SoCalREN.

Per guidance in D.23-06-055<sup>13</sup>, the True-Up advice letter should include updates or corrections to program segmentation. SoCalREN will re-segment three programs in total from the Residential and Workforce Education and Training (WE&T) sectors.

Program ID	Program Name	Business Plan Segmentation	True-Up Advice Letter Segmentation
SCR-WET-D2	ACES Pathway	Market Support	Equity
SCR-WET-D3	Green Path Careers	Market Support	Equity
SCR-RFS-A4	Kits for Kids	Resource Acquisition	Market Support

Table 4: Updated SoCalREN Program Segmentation

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> D.21-05-031, Conclusion of Law (COL) 8.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> D.21-05-031, p. 23.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> D.23-06-055, p. 97.

Rationale for re-segmentation:

ACES Pathway: SoCalREN's Application Exhibit 2 p. 65 categorized this program as Equity. The program was inadvertently marked as Market Support in CEDARS. SoCalREN is rectifying this error in this True-Up advice letter.

Green Path Careers: Similar to ACES, this program was categorized as Equity in the Application but inadvertently marked as Market Support in CEDARS. SoCaIREN is rectifying this error in this True-Up advice letter.

Kits for Kids: A primary objective of this program is education. SoCalREN's Application Exhibit 2 p. 60 states that the "Primary objective is to educate school-age children and to drive Action". SoCalREN has determined the program is a better fit under Market Support. D.23-06-055 provides the example listed under Market Support Sub-Objective #1 "Demand" as "educating customers".<sup>14</sup> This segmentation change thus comports with Commission guidance.

## Significant portfolio changes contributing to Market Support & Equity:

In its application, SoCaIREN discussed five core principles, among which was Principle #2: Balanced portfolio across segments.<sup>15</sup> This True-Up advice letter continues to comport with this and the other core principles. As such, changes to the Market Support and Equity budgets and TSB in this True-Up advice letter do not vary significantly from the values forecasted in the Business Plan application.

#### D. Statewide/Third Party Compliance

This section is not applicable to SoCalREN per guidance provided in the True-Up advice letter template provided by Energy Division.

#### Significant portfolio changes contributing to SW/Third Party Compliance:

Changes contributing to Statewide and Third-Party Compliance is not applicable to SoCalREN.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> D.23-06-055, p. 58.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> SoCalREN 2024-2031 Strategic Business Plan, Exhibit 1, p. 9.

#### Solicitations

SoCalREN intends to solicit its entire 2024-2027 portfolio by issuing two to three solicitations per month beginning in October 2023.

#### E. Progress on segment metrics – Introduction to metrics

In compliance with D.23-06-055, SoCaIREN is moving forward with tracking the relevant adopted indicators for the Market Support and Equity segments.<sup>16</sup> SoCaIREN is also looking forward to engaging with the PAs as well as California Energy Efficiency Coordinating Committee (CAEECC) to further discuss valuation methodologies and provide clarifying recommendations. This engagement will culminate in a joint PA Tier 2 advice letter submitted by May 1, 2024 clarifying the indicators, as well as identifying information that could be used as baselines for future targets, or methodologies for how the indicator information can be used as baselines. The advice letter will also make recommendations on metric removal, suspension, or modification from those included in D.18-05-041.<sup>17</sup> Further, SoCaIREN looks forward to participating in discussions that will lead to a joint Tier 3 advice letter to be submitted by March 1, 2025 which will make recommendations on the process for setting Market Support and Equity the goals, including annual targets, goal metrics, and forecast values.<sup>18</sup>

For Resource Acquisition-related metrics, SoCalREN continues to report on relevant metrics based on the common metrics list, as reported in annual reports and CEDARS.<sup>19</sup> Finally, SoCalREN notes that on August 20, 2023, the Energy Division's Public Document Area (PDA) published the final Year 4 Assessment of Regional Energy Networks.<sup>20</sup> The assessment provided a generally favorable assessment of Regional Energy Networks' progress, and concluded that SoCalREN's was proceeding appropriately with the creation of value metrics:

"Based on a review of SoCalREN's proposed baseline and targets, the evaluation team concludes that the REN has set clear and measurable targets for their value metrics as evidenced by clearly delineated value metric baseline years and values, as well as by the presence of individual

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> D. 23-06-035, pp. 60-63.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> *Id.*, OP 11, pp. 29-30.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> *Id.*, OP 25, pp. 69-71.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> D.18-05-041, Attachment A.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> PDA,

https://pda.energydataweb.com/api/view/2830/CPUC%20Group%20B%20D22%20Y4%20Assessment%20Report%20 Final%202023.08.30.pdf

targets for all currently approved sectors for program years 2024 through 2027. Based on our review of SoCalREN's data, internal dashboards, and in-depth interviews, the evaluation team finds that all proposed value metrics appear to be suitable for quantitative assessments in future evaluations once final targets and baselines are approved."<sup>21</sup>

#### F. Request to Open / Significantly Change Programs (Optional)

SoCalREN is not proposing to open any programs, or make significant changes, that have not already been proposed and approved in the Business Plan application.

#### G. Request for Program Closures (Optional)

SoCalREN is not proposing to close any programs in this advice letter filing.

#### H. Evaluation Measurement &Verification (EM&V)

EM&V funds will be used to improve SoCalREN's portfolio of programs and ensure that the programs are collecting data to support evaluation needs.

A comprehensive workplan will be developed at the beginning of each program year to identify the study needs in the portfolio, determine the timeframe, and allocate the budget per study. The annual workplan may include updates or build upon studies conducted in previous years. The workplan will include the following four types of research activities:

- Evaluability Studies to ensure that the program goals are well defined and plausible (given the program activities in the logic model), that targets are set, and that the program is cost efficiently collecting data to support future impact studies and/or metrics.
- Process Evaluation Studies to examine how to improve the programs and/or improve the participant experience.
- Market Studies to understand gaps in the market, understand how to better serve target audiences, or understand new services.
- Ad Hoc Research Support to support quick turn-around research, provide direct SoCalREN support, or assist with other needs such as providing or reviewing information for CPUC-led studies.

SoCalREN expects the nature of the work to change over the four-year period. In 2024-2025, a large part of SoCalREN's EM&V funds will be spent on evaluability studies since many programs are new.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> *ID.*, p. 44.

#### I. Cost Recovery

SoCalREN will continue cost recovery as discussed in D.23-06-055.<sup>22</sup> Any costs associated with Integrated Demand Side Management (IDSM) programs that SoCalREN may propose would be discussed in its March 15, 2024 Tier 3 advice letter.<sup>23</sup>

#### J. Misc. / Corrections

SoCalREN has no additional miscellaneous comments or corrections to add within this advice letter filing.

## Protests

Anyone may protest this Advice Letter. The protest must state the grounds upon which it is based. The protest must be made in writing and received by the Commission within 20 days of the date this Advice Letter was filed with the Commission. There is no restriction on who may file a protest. The address for mailing or delivering a protest to the Commission is:

> Public Utilities Commission CPUC Energy Division Attention: Tariff Unit 505 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102

Copies of the protest should also be sent via e-mail to the attention of the Energy Division at <u>EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov</u>. It is also requested that a copy of the protest be sent by email to addresses shown below on the same date it is mailed or delivered to the Commission.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> D.23-06-055, p. 16, COL 13.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> *Id.*, Ordering Paragraph 28, 29.

#### Effective Date

Per D.21-05-031 and D.23-06-055 this Advice Letter is subject to Energy Division disposition and should be classified as Tier 2 (effective after staff approval) pursuant to General Order (GO) 96-B. The SoCalREN respectfully requests that this Advice Letter be made effective on November 16, 2023, which is 30 calendar days after the date filed.

#### <u>Notice</u>

A copy of this Advice Letter is being sent to the Commission's service lists for R.13-11-005 and A.22-02-005 (et al.). For changes to R.13-11-005 or A.22-02-005 (et al.) service lists, please contact the Commission's Process Office at 415-703-2021 or by electronic mail at process office@cpuc.ca.gov.

Respectfully Submitted,

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# ATTACHMENT A

# SoCaIREN 2024-2027 TUAL Tables

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(i) kWh 🗸	•	2,354,189	40,648,699	•	2,615,218		1,784,979			•	•	•	14,425,791		17,346,789	6,766,608	(2,817,320)	•		17,968,244	5,883,984	10,806,069	4,816,955	3,514,264			•	•						
(h) TSB 🗸		3,969,885	22,411,624	•	1,976,629	•	1,224,865		•	•	•	•	6,555,529	•	10,709,526	10,686,232	3,964,833	•	•	5,767,443	1,441,328	26,838,284	3,584,570	4,292,057		•		•	•	•	•	•		
(g) Budget 🔻	2,677,500 \$	9,870,257 \$	7,258,549 \$	2,221,282 \$	13,967,498	3,094,164 \$	9,110,000 \$	2,682,000 \$	2,519,292 \$	2,196,100 \$	2,104,200 \$	33,484,767 \$	8,596,280 \$	4,608,206 \$	5,533,656 \$	7,642,096 \$	8,242,080	5,843,000 \$	2,612,500 \$	7,882,465 \$	5,468,462 \$	31,416,953 \$	7,797,742 \$	9,398,846	1,974,000 \$	3,337,000 \$	2,274,800 \$	874,200 \$	1,880,000 \$	298,000 \$	3,140,461 \$	4,676,435 \$	4,857,979 \$	* 1 500 000 F
Exem 🔟 (d) Program T y 👻 (e) Business Sec 🖄 (f) Portfolio Segme 👻	Market Support \$	Equity \$	Resource Acquisition \$	Market Support \$	Equity \$	Market Support \$	Equity \$	Codes & Standards \$	EM&V \$	Equity \$	Market Support \$	Market Support \$	Resource Acquisition \$	Equity \$	Resource Acquisition \$	Resource Acquisition \$	Equity \$	Market Support \$	Market Support \$	Market Support \$	Equity \$	Resource Acquisition \$	Market Support \$	Resource Acquisition \$	Equity \$	Equity \$	Market Support \$	Market Support \$	Market Support \$	Codes & Standards \$	Resource Acquisition \$	Market Support \$	Equity \$	
(e) Business Sec	Agricultural	Agricultural	Agricultural	Commercial	Commercial	Commercial	Commercial	Codes & Standards	EM&V	Finance	Finance	Public	Public	Public	Public	Public		Public	Public	Public	Public	Residential	Residential	Residential	WE&T	WE&T	WE&T	WE&T	WE&T	Portfolio Support	Portfolio Support	Portfolio Support		
(d) Program Ty 🗸	Core PA	Core PA	Core PA	Core PA	Core PA	Core PA	Core PA	Core PA	Core PA	Core PA	Core PA	Core PA	Core PA	Core PA	Core PA	Core PA	Core PA		Core PA	Core PA	Core PA	Core PA	Core PA	Core PA	Core PA	Core PA	Core PA	Core PA	Core PA	Core PA	Core PA	Core PA	Core PA	
(c) Target Exem ¥	Yes	PN N	PN N	Yes	Yes	Yes	Q	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	PN N	Yes	PN N	No	PN N	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	QN	PN N	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Program ID 🔫 (b) Program Name	Agriculture Project Delivery Program	Rural-HTR Agricultural DI	Agriculture Retrofit	California Green Business Network	Food Desert Energy Efficiency Equity Pro Yes	Small & Medium Business Energy Advise Yes	Small Commercial Direct Instal Program No	Codes and Standards Compliance Enhal Yes	SoCaIREN EM&V	Public Agency Revolving Loan Fund	Rural-HTR Agriculture Finance Assistand Yes	Energy Efficiency Project Delivery Progra Yes	Water Infrastructure Program	Distributed Energy Resource Disadvanta Yes	Public Agency NMEC Program	Stream ined Savings Program	Rural-HTR Public Agency Direct Install	Energy Resiliency Action Plan	Regional Partner Initiatives	Water & Wastewater Strategic Energy MNo	Underserved Schools Strategic Energy Nov	Multifamily Program	Residential Kits4Kids	Small HTR Multifamily Direct Install	ACES Pathway	Green Path Careers	WE&T Opportunity HUB	Agriculture WE&T	E-Contractor Academy	SCR_CS_Portfolio Codes & Standards Portfolio Support PA Yes	SCR_RA_Portfolio Resource Acquisition Portfolio Support P Yes	SCR_MS_Portfolio Market Support Portfolio Support PAC os Yes	SCR_EQ_Portfolid Equity Portfolio Support PACosts	
) Program ID	SCR-AGR-G1			SCR-COME2	SCR-COME3	SCR-COME4	SCR-COME5	SCR-CST-F1 0	SCR-EMV-01	SCR-FINC1	SCR-FINC3	SCR-PUBL-B1	SCR-PUBL-B10 N	SCR-PUBL-B2	SCR-PUBL-B3	SCR-PUBL-B4	SCR-PUBL-B5	SCR-PUBL-B6	SCR-PUBL-B7	SCR-PUBL-B8	SCR-PUBL-B9	SCR-RES-A1	SCR-RES-A4	SCR-RES-A5	SCR-WET-D2	SCR-WET-D3	SCR-WET-D4	SCR-WET-D5	SCR-WET-D6	SCR CS Portfolio	SCR RA Portfolio	SCR MS Portfolio	SCR EQ Portfolio	10000000000

#### Table 1.1 - Portfolio Budget by Sector and Segment (Cumulative for PY 2024-2027)

			Program Segment								
		Resource	Market		Codes &						
Line	Budget Category	Acquisition	Support	Equity	Standards	Total					
1	Residential Sector	\$40,815,799	\$7,797,742	\$0	\$0	\$48,613,541					
2	Commercial Sector	\$0	\$5,315,446	\$23,077,498	\$0	\$28,392,944					
3	Industrial Sector	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0					
4	Agricultural Sector	\$7,258,549	\$2,677,500	\$9,870,257	\$0	\$19,806,306					
5	Public Sector	\$21,772,031	\$49,822,732	\$18,318,748	\$0	\$89,913,511					
6	Cross Cutting Sector										
7	Emerging Tech	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0					
8	WE&T	\$0	\$5,029,000	\$5,311,000	\$0	\$10,340,000					
9	Finance		\$2,104,200	\$2,196,100	\$0	\$4,300,300					
10	Codes & Standards	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,682,000	\$2,682,000					
11	Portfolio Support	\$4,408,244	\$6,185,958	\$3,709,403	\$169,270	\$14,472,875					
12	OBF Loan Pool					\$0					
13	Portfolio Subtotal [1]	\$74,254,623	\$78,932,578	\$62,483,006	\$2,851,270	\$218,521,477					

[1] excludes EM&V and Portfolio Oversight

#### Table 1.2 - Total Cost Recovery Request, Including REN/CCA and Other Costs

Line	Program Administrator	(a) PA Programs	(b) ED Portfolio Oversight	(c) EMV PA	(d) EMV ED	(e) Unspent & Uncommitted Funds for 2024- 2027 Offset	(f) Total
1	AL Author PA name - SoCalREN	\$218,521,477	\$0	\$2,519,292	\$6,556,582	\$0	\$227,597,351
	REN/CCA 1 (as applicable) - <i>insert name here</i>		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
3	REN/CCA2 (as applicable) - insert name here		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4	REN/CCA3 (as applicable) - insert name here		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5	REN/CCA4 (as applicable) - insert name here		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
6	REN/CCA 5 (as applicable) - <i>insert name here</i>		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
7	Total	\$218,521,477	\$0	\$2,519,292	\$6,556,582	\$0	\$227,597,351

Line	Segment	PY 2024	PY 2025	PY 2026	PY 2027	Cumulative
1	Resource Acquisition	\$12,028,280	\$20,200,321	\$23,028,470	\$26,236,181	\$81,493,252
2	Market Support	\$986,101	\$3,475,789	\$2,465,022	\$2,425,101	\$9,352,013
3	Equity	\$1,292,092	\$3,059,752	\$3,859,654	\$4,366,042	\$12,577,540
4	Total TSB Forecast	\$14,306,473	\$26,735,862	\$29,353,146	\$33,027,324	\$103,422,805
5	CPUC TSB Goal	NA	NA	NA	NA	\$0
6	TSB Forecast / TSB Goal	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Table 2.1 - Annual and Cumulative Total System Benefit Forecast

#### Table 2.2 - Annual and Cumulative Codes and Standards Savings Forecast

Line	Savings Unit	PY 2024	PY 2025	PY 2026	PY 2027	Cumulative
1	GWh Forecast	0	0	0	0	0.0
2	GWh CPUC Goal [1]	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	GWh Forecast/Goal	-	-	-	-	-
4	MW Forecast	0	0	0	0	0.0
5	MW CPUC Goal [1]	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
6	MW Forecast/Goal	-	-	-	-	-
7	MMThm Forecast	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
8	MMThm CPUC Goal [1]	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
9	MMThm Forecast/Goal	-	-	-	-	-

1. Savings Goals as adopted in CPUC Decision 23-08-xxx

#### Table 2.3 - Annual and Cumulative Budget

Line	Segment	PY 2024	PY 2025	PY 2026	PY 2027	Cumulative
1	Resource Acquisition	\$15,696,484	\$16,843,188	\$18,547,169	\$21,899,999	\$72,986,840
2	Market Support	\$17,623,601	\$19,052,710	\$20,686,002	\$21,560,741	\$78,923,054
3	Equity	\$7,398,739	\$16,172,138	\$17,239,279	\$22,821,427	\$63,631,583
4	Codes and Standards	\$650,000	\$720,000	\$810,000	\$800,000	\$2,980,000
5	EM&V (PA and ED) \$1,742,425		\$2,203,341	\$2,372,771	\$2,757,337	\$9,075,874
6	Total Budget w/o OBF Loan Pool	\$43,111,249 \$54,991,377 \$59,655,221 \$69,839,504		\$227,597,351		
7	Market Support and Equity, percent of Total Budget <b>w/o OBF Loan Pool</b>					62.6%
8	OBF Loan Pool Addition	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
9	Budget excluding Portfolio Oversight	\$43,111,249	\$54,991,377	\$59,655,221	\$69,839,504	\$227,597,351
10	ED Portfolio Oversight					\$0
11	Total Portfolio Budget w/ ED Portfolio Oversight	\$43,111,249	\$54,991,377	\$59,655,221	\$69,839,504	\$227,597,351
12	Approved Budget Cap [1]					\$227,597,351

Line			TRC ratio	PAC ratio	<b>RIM</b> ratio
1		Resource Acquisition	0.50	1.09	0.69
2	Segment	Market Support	0.10	0.12	0.12
3		Equity	0.15	0.19	0.18
4		Codes and Standards (C&S)	0.00	0.00	0.00
5	Portfolio	Including C&S	0.30	0.46	0.38
6		Excluding C&S	0.30	0.47	0.39

Table 3 - Portfolio Cost Effectiveness Ratios (PY 2024-2027)

Table 4 - Portfolio Statewide and Third-party Contribution Percentage Requirements (IOU only)

			Budget w/o OBF	Contribution	Minimum
Line	Budget Component	Qualifying Budget	Loan Pool	rendentage	Threshold
1	Statewide [1]	\$0	\$227,597,351	0.0%	20%
2	Third-party [2]	\$0	\$227,597,351	0.0%	60%

1 Statewide program definition per D.16-08-019, and updated per D.18-05-041

2 Third party program definition per D.16-08-019, OP 10