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**Notice of Availability and Request for Comments on
*Local Publicly Owned Electric Utilities
Renewables Portfolio Standard
Compliance Period 4 (2021-2024)
Draft Verification Results Reports – Group 1*
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Comments due May 4, 2026

The initial group (Group 1) of *Local Publicly Owned Electric Utilities Renewables Portfolio Standard 2021-2024 Draft Verification Results Reports (Draft Verification Results Reports)* and summary claims details are available on the California Energy Commission's (CEC) [website](http://www.energy.ca.gov) at:

<https://www.energy.ca.gov/programs-and-topics/programs/renewables-portfolio-standard/renewables-portfolio-standard/renewables>

These *Draft Verification Results Reports* present CEC staff's verification findings of renewable energy procurement claims submitted by local publicly owned electric utilities (POUs) for the Renewables Portfolio Standard (RPS) Compliance Period 4 (CP 4), covering the years 2021-2024. A total of 43 POUs reported claims for CP 4. Staff have completed claims verification for 25 POUs, collectively referred to as Group 1, with this posting. The remaining POUs' *Draft Verification Results Reports* will be completed and posted at a later date.

Summary claims details tables will be posted at the link above to provide detailed information about the corresponding *Draft Verification Results Report*. These tables provide the RPS claims reported by each POU for CP 4 and include detailed information on claims deemed eligible, ineligible, or withdrawn by the reporting POU.

The *Enforcement Procedures for the Renewables Portfolio Standard for Local Publicly Owned Electric Utilities* establish the rules and procedures by which the CEC assesses a POU's compliance with RPS procurement requirements. The methods used by the CEC to verify procurement claims for RPS program participants are generally described in the *Renewables Portfolio Standard Eligibility Guidebook*, and further explained in the *Renewables Portfolio Standard Verification Methodology Report, Fourth Edition*. These

documents can be found at <https://www.energy.ca.gov/programs-and-topics/programs/renewables-portfolio-standard/renewables-portfolio-standard>.

The verification results included in the *Draft Verification Results Reports* provide the following information, as applicable, for Group 1 of POU's that reported procurement claims for CP 4:

- The POU's procurement target and portfolio balance requirements and limitations.
- The amount of eligible renewable energy credits (REC) retired, and the amount applied to meet the compliance period requirements, both shown by Portfolio Content Category classification and Long-Term Procurement Requirement classification.
- Deficits in meeting RPS procurement requirements for the compliance period.
- Optional compliance measures being applied by the POU for the compliance period.
- A calculation of excess procurement accumulated in this compliance period.
- A summary of the POU's excess procurement and historic carryover, if any, including any prior balance, the amount accumulated and used in the current compliance period, and remaining balance.

Stakeholders and the public have an opportunity to review and provide comments on these *Draft Verification Results Reports*. Staff will consider comments, and final versions will be considered for adoption by the CEC at a business meeting.

Background

Established in 2002, California's RPS is one of the most ambitious renewable energy policies in the nation. Enacted by Senate Bill 1078 (Sher, Chapter 516, Statutes of 2002), and accelerated and expanded by subsequent legislation, California's RPS establishes increasingly progressive renewable energy procurement targets for the state's load-serving entities. Originally applicable to retail sellers, the statewide mandatory RPS was expanded by Senate Bill X1-2 (Simitian, Chapter 1, Statutes of 2011, First Extraordinary Session) to include POU's starting in 2011. Senate Bill 100 (De León, Chapter 312, Statutes of 2018) increased the procurement targets, requiring both retail sellers and POU's to increase their procurement of eligible renewable energy resources to 60 percent of retail sales by 2030.

California's RPS is administered by the CEC and the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). As part of its responsibilities, the CEC verifies the eligibility of renewable energy procured by all load-serving entities, which include retail sellers and POU's that are obligated to participate in California's RPS. The CEC is also responsible for certifying RPS eligible renewable energy resources and overseeing compliance and enforcement of the POU's. The CPUC is responsible for compliance and enforcement for retail sellers.

The verification results provided in the *Draft Verification Results Reports* are not a compliance determination. After the CEC adopts the reports, staff will begin the process of determining if the POU complies with the RPS requirements for CP 4, as set forth in the California Code of Regulations, Title 20, Sections 1240 and 3200-3208. The CEC Executive Director, or designee, will make a compliance determination informed by the verification results presented in each POU's Verification Results Report and, if applicable, the application of optional compliance measures by the POU. The Executive Director, or designee, will issue a letter to each POU documenting the RPS compliance determination.

Public Comment.

The CEC encourages the use of its electronic commenting system. Visit the e-commenting page for this docket number [24-RPS-01](#) at <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=24-RPS-01>. Enter your contact information and a subject title that describes your comment. Comments may be included in the "Comment Text" box or attached as a downloadable, searchable document in Microsoft® Word or Adobe® Acrobat®. The maximum file size allowed is 10 MB.

Written Comments

Interested members of the public are encouraged to review and comment on the *Draft Verification Results Reports*. Written comments may be submitted to the Docket Unit by May 4, 2026.

Written and oral comments, attachments, and associated contact information (including address, phone number, and email address) will become part of the public record of this proceeding with access available via any internet search engine. Written comments may also be submitted by email. Include docket number 24-RPS-01 and "Renewables Portfolio Standard - Compliance - Period 4 (2021–2024) Verification and Compliance" in the subject line and email to docket@energy.ca.gov.

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