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ABSTRACT

This *Renewables Portfolio Standard Verification Results Report* covers the verification results for the City of Banning for Compliance Period 4, which covers 2021 through 2024.

Keywords: Renewables Portfolio Standard, RPS, Renewable Energy Credits, RECs, renewable attributes, retail sellers, annual procurement target, certification, verification, compliance, generation, load-serving entities, Long-term Procurement Requirement, local publicly owned electric utilities, POU, Portfolio Content Categories, historic carryover, optional compliance measures, Western Renewable Energy Generation Information System, WREGIS

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RPS Verification Results: Compliance Period 4

City of Banning

Background

The California Energy Commission (Energy Commission) administers the state's landmark Renewables Portfolio Standard (RPS), ensures the state's utilities disclose electricity sources to consumers, supports renewable energy development, and tracks the state's progress toward its renewable energy goals. Enacted by Senate Bill 1078 (Sher, Chapter 516, Statutes of 2002) and accelerated and expanded by subsequent legislation, California's RPS establishes increasing renewable energy procurement targets spanning multiyear compliance periods for the state's electric load-serving entities (LSEs). 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 local publicly owned electric utilities (POUs). As a result of Senate Bill 100 (De León, Chapter 312, Statutes of 2018), LSEs are required to increase their procurement of eligible renewable energy resources to 60 percent of retail sales by 2030.

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

Report Overview

This report covers the RPS verification results for POU procurement claims for Compliance Period 4, which covers 2021 through 2024. The verification report provides an overview of the identified POU's results and tables, including:¹

- The POU's procurement target and portfolio balance requirements and limitations.
- The amount of eligible renewable energy credits (RECs) retired, and the amount applied to meet the compliance period requirements, both shown by Portfolio Content Category classification and Long-Term Procurement Requirement classification, as applicable.
- Any deficits in meeting RPS procurement requirements for the compliance period.
- Any optional compliance measures being applied by the POU for the compliance period.
- A calculation of excess procurement accumulated in this compliance period.

¹ The contents of verification results reports will vary for POUs with specific exclusions, exceptions, or different procurement requirements under the RPS statutes and as described in the [Enforcement Procedures for the Renewables Portfolio Standard for Local Publicly Owned Electric Utilities](#) based on the requirements specific to that POU.

- 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.

In adopting this report, the Energy Commission finds the procurement claim amounts listed are consistent with RPS certification and procurement requirements specified in the [Renewables Portfolio Standard Eligibility Guidebook, Ninth Edition \(Revised\)](#) and the [Enforcement Procedures for the Renewables Portfolio Standard for Local Publicly Owned Electric Utilities](#) and are eligible for the RPS as indicated. Therefore, the procurement claim amounts count toward meeting the identified POU's RPS procurement requirements.

Verification Process

The methods used by the Energy Commission to verify load-serving entity procurement claims are detailed in the [Renewables Portfolio Standard Eligibility Guidebook, Ninth Edition \(Revised\)](#) and further explained in the *Renewables Portfolio Standard Verification Methodology Report, Fourth Edition*.²

The verification results presented in this report are not a compliance determination. After the POU's verification results are adopted by the Energy Commission, staff will use the verification results to determine if the POU complied with the RPS requirements for Compliance Period 4 in accordance with the [Enforcement Procedures for the Renewables Portfolio Standard for Local Publicly Owned Electric Utilities](#).³ The Energy Commission executive director 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 will issue a letter to each POU documenting the RPS compliance determination.

Verification Results

For RPS Compliance Period 4 (2021–2024), the City of Banning retired and reported 359,714 RECs, and 359,714 RECs were verified by the Energy Commission as RPS-eligible. Each [POU's summary claims report](#), which includes claim eligibility details, is available at <https://www.energy.ca.gov/programs-and-topics/programs/renewables-portfolio-standard/renewables-portfolio-standard/renewables>.

For Compliance Period 4, the City of Banning had a procurement target of 232,105 RECs, which represents the sum of all the annual soft targets of its retail sales over 2021–2024. The City of Banning applied 232,105 RECs from Compliance Period 4 RPS-eligible RECs and excess procurement toward its procurement requirements, equaling the number of RECs needed to meet its procurement target.

² Refer to Chapter 7 of the [Renewables Portfolio Standard Eligibility Guidebook, Ninth Edition \(Revised\)](#) and the *Renewables Portfolio Standard Verification Methodology Report, Fourth Edition*.

³ The [Enforcement Procedures for the Renewables Portfolio Standard for Local Publicly Owned Electric Utilities](#), with the most recent update having taken effect July 12, 2021, are set forth in 20 CCR §§ 1240 and 3200–3208 and establish the rules and procedures by which the Energy Commission will assess a POU's procurement actions and determine whether those actions meet the RPS requirements.



Compliance Period (CP) 4 RPS Requirement Calculations

| Procurement Target Calculation (MWh) | | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| Calendar Year | Annual Retail Sales | Soft Target Percentage ¹ | Soft Targets |
| 2021 | 136,924 | 35.75 | 48,950 |
| 2022 | 145,727 | 38.50 | 56,104 |
| 2023 | 141,775 | 41.25 | 58,482 |
| 2024 | 155,839 | 44.00 | 68,569 |
| Procurement Target | | | 232,105 |

| Portfolio Balance Requirement Calculation (PBR) (MWh) ² | | | | | | |
|--|--------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|----------------|----------------------|
| Procurement Target | Category 0 Applied | Total Pre June 1 2010, Applied | Historic Carryover Applied | Category | PBR Percentage | Balance Requirements |
| 232,105 | 14,590 | 0 | 0 | Category 1 minimum | 75 | 163,136 |
| | | | | Category 3 limit | 10 | 21,751 |

| Long-Term Procurement Requirement Calculation (MWh) ³ | |
|--|---------|
| 65% (Procurement Target) | |
| 65% (232,105) | |
| Long-Term Procurement Requirement | 150,868 |

Compliance Period 4 Verification Results

| Procurement Target (MWh) | |
|--|---------|
| Target | 232,105 |
| Applied | 232,105 |
| Deficit | 0 |
| Renewable Percentage | 40% |
| RPS Portfolio Balance Requirements (MWh) | |
| Category 1 Balance Requirement | 163,136 |
| Category 1 Applied | 217,515 |
| Category 1 Requirement Deficit | 0 |
| Category 3 Balance Limitation | 21,751 |
| Category 3 Applied | 0 |
| Category 3 Disallowed | 0 |

| Long-Term Procurement Requirement | |
|---|---------|
| Long-Term Procurement Requirement | 150,868 |
| Long-Term Applied | 232,105 |
| Long-Term Procurement Requirement Deficit | 0 |
| Optional Compliance Measures Applied | |
| Cost Limitation | No |
| Delay of Timely Compliance | No |
| Portfolio Balance Reduction | No |

RECs Available and Applied in Compliance Period 4

| RECs Available (MWh) | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|------------|------------------------------|------------|----------------------|
| Portfolio Content Category (PCC) | Surplus RECs | Prior Balances Available | | Eligible RECs Retired in CP4 | | Total RECs Available |
| | | Long-Term | Short-Term | Long-Term | Short-Term | |
| Category 0 (PCC 0) | 0 | 0 | | 14,590 | | 14,590 |
| Pre June 2010 PCC 1 | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Pre June 2010 PCC 2 | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Pre June 2010 PCC 3 | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Category 1 (PCC 1) | 0 | 166,853 | | 345,124 | 0 | 511,977 |
| Category 2 (PCC 2) | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Category 3 (PCC 3) | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Historic Carryover | | 0 | | | | 0 |
| Subtotal | 0 | 166,853 | | 359,714 | 0 | |
| Total RECs Available | | | | | | 526,567 |

| CP 4 RECs Applied (MWh) | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|--------------|------------------------|------------|------------------------------|------------|--------------------|
| Portfolio Content Category (PCC) | Surplus RECs | Prior Balances Applied | | Eligible RECs Retired in CP4 | | Total RECs Applied |
| | | Long-Term | Short-Term | Long-Term | Short-Term | |
| Category 0 (PCC 0) | 0 | 0 | | 14,590 | | 14,590 |
| Pre June 2010 PCC 1 | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Pre June 2010 PCC 2 | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Pre June 2010 PCC 3 | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Category 1 (PCC 1) | 0 | 166,853 | | 50,662 | 0 | 217,515 |
| Category 2 (PCC 2) | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Category 3 (PCC 3) | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Historic Carryover | | 0 | | | | 0 |
| Subtotal | 0 | 166,853 | | 65,252 | 0 | |
| Total RECS Applied | | | | | | 232,105 |

Excess Procurement

| CP 4 Excess Procurement Calculation (MWh) ⁴ | | | | | | |
|--|----------------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|------------------|------------|
| Portfolio Content Category (PCC) | CP 4 Eligible RECs Retired | | CP 4 RECs Applied | | CP 4 Accumulated | |
| | Long-Term | Short-Term | Long-Term | Short-Term | Long-Term | Short-Term |
| Category 0 (PCC 0) | 14,590 | | 14,590 | | 0 | |
| Pre June 2010 PCC 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Category 1 (PCC 1) | 345,124 | 0 | 50,662 | 0 | 294,462 | 0 |
| Subtotal | 359,714 | 0 | 65,252 | 0 | | |
| Total RECS Accumulated | | | | | 294,462 | |

| Balance of Excess Procurement and Historic Carryover (MWh) | | | | | | | | |
|--|-------------------|------------|----------------|------------|--------------------|------------|----------------|------------|
| Portfolio Content Category (PCC) | Beginning Balance | | Applied in CP4 | | Accumulated in CP4 | | Ending Balance | |
| | Long-Term | Short-Term | Long-Term | Short-Term | Long-Term | Short-Term | Long-Term | Short-Term |
| Category 0 (PCC 0) | 0 | | 0 | | 0 | | 0 | |
| Pre June 2010 PCC 1 | 0 | | 0 | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Pre June 2010 PCC 2 | 0 | | 0 | | | | 0 | |
| Category 1 (PCC 1) | 166,853 | | 166,853 | | 294,462 | 0 | 294,462 | 0 |
| Category 2 (PCC 2) | 0 | | 0 | | | | 0 | |
| Historic Carryover | 0 | | 0 | | | | 0 | |
| Subtotal | 166,853 | | 166,853 | | 294,462 | 0 | | |
| Total Ending Balance | | | | | | | 294,462 | |

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- 1 "Soft Target" is defined in Section 3204(a)(4) of the [RPS POU Regulations](#).
 - 2 Calculated as specified in Section 3204(c)(3) of the [RPS POU Regulations](#).
 - 3 Calculated as specified in Section 3204(d)(1) of the [RPS POU Regulations](#).
 - 4 Calculated as described in the [RPS Verification Methodology Report, Fourth Edition](#) and in Section 3206(a)(1) of the [RPS POU Regulations](#).

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