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1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 April 20, 2017

9:05 a.m.

3 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: My name is Payam Borzogchami.
4 I'm the Project Manager for the 2019 Building Energy
5 Efficiency Standards. After many years leading the Energy
6 Standard development, Mazi Shirakh is now taking a role as
7 a Technical Lead for the Zero Net Energy Adviser to the
8 2019 Standards Office Staff, especially me.

9 We're going to give you guys some housekeeping
10 information. So in case of an emergency we're going to
11 leave the building and convene at the park kitty corner
12 from us. The restrooms are out the door to your left. And
13 the snack shop, if you guys get hungry, it's on the second
14 floor. Help yourselves. If possible, please keep your
15 cell phones muted and when you come up to the podium please
16 announce yourself and the associations you are with. This
17 is being recorded.

18 Today's basic background is we're going to go
19 through some standard historical information regarding the
20 California Energy Commission. And then after that Mazi
21 Shirakh's going to present the energy design rating for
22 residential buildings for both efficiency and efficiency in
23 PV. And then after him, Christopher Meyer is going to
24 propose the modeling of PV ordinance for local
25 jurisdictions.

1 I'm not sure how we're going to do this at this
2 time. If there's not a lot of questions being answered we
3 might just go right through with a quick break between
4 Mazi's presentation and Christopher's presentation. But we
5 have planned an hour lunch, but we may be done sooner than
6 that.

7 So with that the history of how the Energy
8 Commission started, due to the energy dilemmas of the '70s
9 the Warren-Alquist Act was signed and developed under
10 Ronald Reagan's era in 1974. And Governor Brown, his first
11 term, when he came into the office in 1975 he funded and
12 started the whole concept of the California Energy
13 Commission. And these are other responsibilities of the
14 Energy Commission. We're not just Energy Efficiency.
15 There are other divisions of what we do here at the Energy
16 Commission.

17 Our policy drivers for the Building Standards,
18 our key areas, our goal is to hit the ZNE definition for
19 newly-constructed residential buildings by 2020 and 2030
20 for nonresidential buildings. We have some other
21 environmental plans and strategies that environmental plans
22 and strategies that have been bestowed upon us. I'm going
23 to wait until ...

24 So two main policy drivers that drive the energy
25 efficiency is pursuant energy and cost savings at a

1 statutory mandate by the Warren Alquist Act. And
2 greenhouse gas reduction is required by statute and
3 supported by very strong policy commitments. If you see
4 our Loading Order, energy efficiency is the primary goal
5 here at the Commission. And we do renewable generations
6 and cleanest conventional source.

7 The standards are updated every three years, or
8 triennially, with the help of our utility partners and
9 consultants. I would like to give a special thanks to our
10 utility partners who helped out on the 2019 proposals. And
11 those would be Pacific Gas and Electric, Southern
12 California Edison, San Diego Gas and Electric, Sacramento
13 Municipal Utility District, Los Angeles Department of Water
14 and Power.

15 Prior to these pre-rule makings, the Codes and
16 Standards team, funded by the utilities, had two sets of
17 case-sponsored workshops prior to having these meetings
18 here at the Commission. All measures were presented to the
19 public and the comments were taken by the public for those
20 case reports.

21 As you can see the focus of California is a
22 little bit different than other parts of the country. If
23 you look at the ASHRAE Climate Zone Map, California is
24 either Climate Zone 4 or Climate Zone 3. The majority of
25 California is under Climate Zone 3. Here in California,

1 we're a little bit different. If you go from the hottest
2 part of the country to drive about an hour you get up to
3 the mountains and you can go skiing. You can't do that in
4 other parts. So what we did was, California was divided
5 into 16 climatic zones, based on the heating degree days
6 and cooling degree days. And then a set of standards are
7 developed and is based for that climate zone.

8 One of the requirements that we have is any
9 proposals that we do has to go through a vigorous Life
10 Cycle Cost Methodology based on the Time Dependent
11 Valuation. The TDV, as we call it, is values of gas and
12 electric changes depending on the season and the time of
13 the day.

14 This is one of Mazi Shirakh's favorite slides.
15 And it shows what the Energy Commission and what our
16 partners have done is actually helping meet this goal of
17 reducing energy consumptions here in California. As you
18 can see from the 1970s to 2019 how it's different. You
19 will probably see this slide on and on again in other
20 presentations today.

21 Our 2019 Standards process, so this is our
22 tentative standard update schedule. Right now, we're in
23 the April month and we're just starting our pre-rulemakings
24 here at the Commission. We've got a long ways to go.
25 We've got a lot of things to do in a short amount of time.

1 We're going into -- for adoption of the 2019 Standards in
2 the March 2018 timeline, plus or minus a couple of months
3 here and there. But really, we don't have much time to
4 veer off of that schedule. We're supposed to go through
5 adoptions, get the manuals, get the computer compliance
6 programs all ready a year in advance of the effective date.

7 So as of now, we're starting our pre-rulemakings
8 here at the Energy Commission. And as you can see, this is
9 our first one, it's going to be based on PV and ZNE. It's
10 going to be a high-level discussion. We recently have got
11 the computer program to help evaluate this.

12 We're hoping that we have more in-depth
13 discussion in the May 23rd timeline. We're scheduled to
14 have our workshop on residential envelope measures on June
15 1st. And all the water heating measures, the indoor air
16 quality measures, lavatory measures, warehouse topics and
17 residential HVAC measures we will start on June 6th. June
18 20th is dedicated to non-residential HVAC systems. June
19 22nd is the non-residential lighting measures. And we have
20 a new building type that we'll be looking into for 2019
21 Standards and those are the hospitals. And we're going to
22 be looking at demand response clean up and ATTCP
23 requirements.

24 We also scheduled July 13th as a workshop here,
25 but this we're holding as a place holder if we run out of

1 time, because as you can see there's a lot of topics we
2 have to discuss in one day. And if we can't we kept July
3 13th open, that we can have more discussions on that day if
4 we need it.

5 Currently, in process, we've updated the TDV
6 values to reflect the current natural gas and electric
7 costs. We've updated life cycle costs analysis assumptions
8 based on TDV and other parameters. And that's what
9 actually Mazi is using to do his evaluation on the EDR
10 methodology that we're working on right now.

11 A couple of key websites that you might be
12 interested in, you could find all of the proposed measures
13 by the case team -- the 2019 Title 24 Utility-Sponsored
14 Stakeholders -- the website will have all of our measures
15 and the documentations available. We will have eventually
16 all the case measures posted on our website too. As we get
17 them we will post them. And you can find them under our
18 website of the Building Energy Efficiency Programs. And if
19 you have any comments or concerns, we're not going to be
20 able to get to today, you can use the third website to
21 provide any feedback to us.

22 These are the key staff that's working here at
23 the Energy Commission to develop the 2019 Standards.
24 Again, Mazi Shirakh is our ZNE Technical Lead and Adviser
25 to the 2019 Building Standards. Myself. Larry Froess, who

1 is our Senior Mechanical Engineer, who's going to be
2 leading the ACM development, alternative calculation
3 methods, the computer programs. One of our supervisors,
4 Peter Strait, who's at the podium in the back behind me.
5 He's the Supervisor of the Building Standards Development
6 staff. Todd Ferris is the Supervisor for our software tool
7 development. He's working hand-in-hand with Larry on these
8 measures. And if you don't like any of those, you guys can
9 still always complain to Christopher Meyers, who's our
10 Manager of the Building Standards Office.

11 So with that, any questions?

12 MR. RAYMER: I'm Bob Raymer, with California
13 Building Industry Association. On the slide that was going
14 over, about the 10 or 12 important dates, I noticed -- well
15 I think I noticed, I've been running on very little sleep
16 over the last week -- have you decided to move or at least
17 tentatively move adoption date from May of 2018 to March of
18 2018? Yeah, March 1st. I just noticed you've kind of
19 moved it up two months. Was there a reason for that? Or
20 it doesn't seem like there's going to be time for 15-day
21 language if you do it between.

22 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Well, like I said this is
23 tentative. We're going to be going back and forth on those
24 a little bit.

25 MR. RAYMER: Okay. No problem.

1 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: I'm just giving you worst case
2 scenario right now.

3 MR. STRAIT: Yeah. This is a case where in
4 theory, if we were to start the 45-day process on December
5 1st, we would be able to adopt by March 1st. We're
6 assuming however that there might be 15-day language that
7 would adjust those dates.

8 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: I think after every
9 presentation, there will be a question-and-answer period.
10 And okay with that I'm going to transfer it to Mazi and
11 Mazi's going to do his presentation.

12 MR. SHIRAKH: Good morning. I'm going to run
13 this from here. My name is Mazi Shirakh. I'm the ZNE Lead
14 for these brand-new standards, so we're going to be
15 describing what our vision and strategy is for the 2019
16 Standards and beyond when it comes to the Zero Net Energy
17 Goal.

18 But before I start, I want to recognize the
19 contribution of my colleagues, Christopher Meyer and Bill
20 Pennington, through this document. I also wanted to
21 recognize E3's contribution. Three of them are represented
22 here and also Wilcox and his software team, with Ken and
23 Scott who have been a tremendous help.

24 There's a lot of slides here and a lot of
25 information, this is going to take a while. So if you have

1 specific questions about a slide, or the information I'm
2 presenting, feel free to raise your hand and ask that
3 question. But if you have general comments like you hate
4 this proposal or you love it or you want to high-five us,
5 save that for the Q&A at the end. But do ask your
6 questions about specific items here. And again I've got
7 the E3 here and they can also help me answer some of the
8 questions regarding to the main rules and cost
9 effectiveness and so forth.

10 The presentation has four areas. The first one
11 is the ZNE Strategy, what it is and how we arrived there,
12 so we're going to be discussing that.

13 And then the cost effectiveness, why we think our
14 strategy is cost effective considering all the limitations
15 and rules and NEM rules and TDV and all that. So we'll
16 touch upon those topics.

17 And then there's a section here that deals with
18 the strategies for the Reach Codes, local ordinances, how
19 you can use the software that we're developing, the CBECC-
20 Res, to actually help you with the Reach Codes and whatever
21 target they're trying to get.

22 And then I have a few screen shots on the CBECC-
23 Res tool that shows how the software's going to work, and
24 hopefully within the next few weeks we can release the Beta
25 version of this for public trial.

1 A little bit of background, the ZNE goal was set
2 about ten years ago. At the time it was a simple vision.
3 You take a building, you make it really efficient, you
4 improve the envelope, you improve the electrical system,
5 lighting. And then you add a certain amount of PV,
6 photovoltaics to net out the annual energy, not just
7 electrical, energy consumption of that dwelling or house on
8 an annual basis. So that's basically what most people
9 understood and that's what's repeated in this language here
10 from 2015 IEPR. But as it turns out the world is always
11 more complicated than people had envisioned ten years ago.
12 And this is definitely a case of the world being more
13 nuanced than was envisioned.

14 And I have listed three factors here, there's
15 probably more. One of them is the 50 percent RPS goal.
16 That the utilities in the state will have to have 50
17 percent of their generation resources, electrical
18 resources, come from renewables. That has a big impact on
19 how ZNE and PV is perceived.

20 Coupled with that is installation of PVs on
21 residential and our buildings throughout the state. So the
22 net result is that there will be more solar resources on
23 the utility scale and more solar resources at the building.
24 The value of kilowatt hours of those PVs generated in the
25 middle of the day will actually get depressed. And it's

1 not to say these things are bad or good, it just means we
2 have to think about it and come up with strategies that
3 will deal with it.

4 On top of that we have Net Energy Metering rules,
5 NEM, that was introduced a while back ago. It was amended
6 in 2016, and it will probably be likely amended again in
7 2019. And NEM really governs whatever we're doing here
8 related to PVs. So we have to be very mindful of NEM and
9 sometimes NEM helps, sometimes it hurts. But you know it
10 also points to new directions that we have to consider of
11 it.

12 The other problem we have is this notion that is
13 perpetuated by NEM actually, and perhaps by the end some
14 other definitions for ZNE, like source energy and so forth.
15 That it assumes somehow the Grid is this big vast storage
16 where you can overproduce at one time of the day, like
17 right now, and then use it later in the day even if the
18 sun's not around anymore.

19 Worse yet, you can also assume that you can over-
20 generate in one season, like in summer, and then use that
21 in the winter. In reality, as is mentioned here the
22 batteries have not included the storage. The Grid has very
23 little capability to store electricity, so that's another
24 thing we have to keep in mind. And this leads to the so-
25 called duck curve issues that's actually becoming an

1 increasing problem even here in California, even today.
2 And I'll have some slides to show that the ISO is very
3 concerned about that.

4 So the net result is that we've got to think
5 about those things and come up with a strategy that moves
6 us towards the ZNE goals, but it also works from the
7 homeowner's prospective that is it cost effective, that
8 we're not wasting their money. The standards require that
9 whatever measure we put in a building has to be cost
10 effective from the homeowner's perspective. But it also
11 has to bring value to the Grid and the environment. So
12 we're trying to hit all these goals at the same time and
13 it's like a juggling act.

14 And these measures are called globally, in the
15 name of grid harmonization or grid integration strategies,
16 and here's a definition of it. That the Grid
17 harmonization strategies are strategies that enable the
18 homeowner or the building owner to maximize self-
19 utilization, which means to the extent possible use as much
20 as possible the kilowatt hours that are generated at the
21 site and minimize uneconomic exports back to the Grid.

22 And there's some examples here like battery
23 storage, demand response and perhaps for non-residential
24 buildings the EV integration is going to be an important
25 factor. So these are some of the goals that we're trying

1 to hit at the same time.

2 Our approach remains the same. We're going to be
3 looking at building envelope and energy efficiency first.
4 So we already introduced the new concepts in 2016
5 Standards, like high-performance attics and walls and QII.
6 So we're going to improve upon those to the extent possible
7 as allowed by life cycle costing.

8 Then we're going to be looking at an
9 appropriately sized PV that will remain cost effective,
10 even under adverse NEM scenarios. And I'll describe some
11 of the scenarios.

12 And third, we're going to be looking at grid
13 harmonization strategies that bring this whole thing
14 together. Most of these grid harmonization strategies will
15 not be a prescriptive or mandatory requirement as part of
16 the 2019 Standards, but we will be providing incentives,
17 compliance incentives, so the builders can take advantage
18 of them. And these grid harmonization strategies become
19 very important in Reach Codes where you're actually trying
20 to get to a score of zero.

21 I mentioned that there's a problem with perhaps
22 too much solar resources in the middle of the day and this
23 is actually happening in California already. And there's a
24 recent news article here that says California's getting so
25 much power from solar that wholesale electric prices are

1 turning negative. And this article was April 10th, 2017.

2 The interesting thing was that this was presented
3 as if it's something good. And I actually posted this on
4 my Facebook page without any commentary to see what kind of
5 reaction I get. I got one thumbs up, two thumbs up, three
6 thumbs up. Everybody loved it, but in reality we know this
7 is a problem, because if the prices are turning negative
8 then we're not bringing value to that investment that's
9 producing those kilowatt hours. So this is where grid
10 harmonization comes in.

11 This is a graph from a recent ISO report that
12 they prepared for the CPUC that most of you are probably
13 familiar with. This is the infamous "duck curve." And the
14 problem here is that as the belly of the duck gets fatter,
15 it means our problems are getting worse, which is we have
16 more problem with over-generation.

17 Interestingly, ISO in this table here, they're
18 recommending a set of measures to mitigate this duck curve.
19 Unfortunately, what they're recommending here lines up
20 pretty well with what we're going to be describing today,
21 such as energy efficiency first and increased storage,
22 demand response, easy integrations and so forth.

23 This is another ISO graph that shows curtailment
24 is happening in California today. We used to think that
25 this would be more of a problem a few years from now, but

1 it is actually, as you can see, there is curtailment every
2 single month today and it varies by month. As you can see,
3 in shorter months, in the spring and fall, you've got a
4 bigger problem than summer, but even in August and July we
5 are curtailing.

6 Cost effectiveness, so we're mandated by the
7 Warren-Alquist Act to consider cost effectiveness for all
8 measures, whether it is energy efficiency or renewable
9 resources. So that's what we're doing. Again, the problem
10 with renewable resources is that we have NEM rules to worry
11 about. And we're currently operating under NEM2, but it is
12 possible in the future that NEM2 will be revised in 2019,
13 by the CPUC. And where it's going to go we don't know, but
14 we're making an assumption here that the exports may not
15 get a very generous, or as generous of a compensation, as
16 they do today. And I'll show that in a minute.

17 In our cost effectiveness, we assumed there is no
18 federal ITC, because those credits will sunshine in a few
19 years. So we're not considering those.

20 What we found through our analysis is that PV
21 size that is sized to displace the annual kilowatt hour of
22 the dwelling is cost effective in all 16 climate zones,
23 even under adverse NEM rules. So that is going to be our
24 proposal for the 2019 Standards. But prescriptively are
25 the builders will have to install a PV size that is just

1 large enough to displace the annual kilowatt hours of the
2 electricity. And I'm just talking about the electrical
3 portion, so the natural gas is not part of it.

4 So prescriptively we have a way of calculating
5 this. And it's going be done using this equation here, the
6 PVs is the PV size, the WSF is the watts per square foot of
7 PV size -- that's for a dwelling of 1,200 square feet or
8 less -- times CFA is the conditioned floor area, times area
9 adjustments. So this is a multiple progression equation
10 basically.

11 This first parameter here was the watts per
12 square foot for a 1,200 square foot. But if your home is
13 bigger than that 2,000/2,500 there will be a table you can
14 look up this area adjustment factor. And then there's also
15 a climate zone adjustment factor, because the thing about
16 PV size is when you talk about insulation, you just specify
17 the U-factor. It doesn't really change much with the size
18 of the house or it doesn't change much between climate
19 zones, but the PV is very susceptible. The size actually
20 changes. That's where we have to come up with kind of a
21 nasty equation like this.

22 And if you don't like that, then you can go to or
23 use our performance software, CBECC-Res. Now within CBECC-
24 Res we're using a new tool, it's called Energy Design
25 Rating, to actually achieve the goals that we have. So I'm

1 going to describe the EDR tool and this is a tool that's
2 developed to basically compare the performance of the
3 dwelling that you're proposing to some referenced building.
4 And with a switch to the RESNET's 2006 ICC compliant home
5 and so that's our reference building. And at a score of
6 100 -- and again this is 2006, that's what 11 years old --
7 so square of 100 means that your building is performing
8 exactly the same as that 2006 IECC home, which is not very
9 good any more.

10 With the 2016 Standards our average EDR is in
11 about the high 40s, low 50s, for energy efficiency only.
12 With the 2019 Standards we're probably going to be in the
13 low-40 area for the EDR score.

14 And then we're going to have, as I mentioned, an
15 amount of PV that's enough to displace the kilowatt hour.
16 And that tends to push then the final EDR in the 20-to-30
17 range, which means we're going to be about 20 or 25 points
18 short of meeting the full ZNE, which basically leaves room
19 for the Reach Codes to bridge that gap for this time
20 around.

21 I mean, the question or the obvious point here is
22 that we're proposing for 2019 not to go to full ZNE, but
23 stop about 20 points short. Is it good or bad? No, it's a
24 matter if you want to see the glass 80 percent full or 20
25 percent empty. But when we look at the NEM rules and

1 everything else that governs the cost effectiveness and the
2 Grid impact we really think that is the best strategy. And
3 so that's how we are going to be proceeding.

4 The EDR -- go ahead, please. You can go to the
5 podium.

6 MR. CHANGUS: Thanks, going back just one slide,
7 Jonathan Changus, with the Northern California Power
8 Agency. With cost effectiveness, I'm just curious without
9 assuming some of the IOU avoid of constant rates versus
10 someone that represents small publicly owned utilities that
11 have we'll just call them different rates, I'm just curious
12 if that was modeled or considered? Or if it was just kind
13 of the IOU went in.

14 And secondly was there also a comparison to the
15 cost effectiveness or cost comparison of individually-sited
16 on rooftops versus more of a community solar or grid
17 alternative as well? Whereas something might be cost
18 effective, but it could still have some preferable
19 alternatives to get us to a broader objective?

20 MR. SHIRAKH: I'm going to answer your second
21 question first. I'm not talking about community solar
22 here, although that's very important. That's going to come
23 up in a subsequent workshop. There's all different ways of
24 doing community solar. We've identified about seven or
25 eight different strategies, but we're not quite done with

1 it yet, but you'll be presented. What we do know is that
2 community scale solar is going to be more cost effective,
3 because it is larger, in economies of scale. But what
4 we've found so far is that almost every community solar
5 strategy that we've looked at has some issues. There's one
6 or two promising ones, but again I don't want to get into
7 that much, because that is a separate topic we'll be
8 addressing.

9 On the question of cost effectiveness we're using
10 NEM rules and NEM rules, by definition they're basically
11 impacting the IOUs.

12 So EDR target, you know, we talked about the
13 Energy Design Rating is going to have three components.
14 And there's going to be an EDR based on the energy
15 efficiency features of the building. So the builder will
16 have to meet the energy efficiency EDR with energy
17 efficiency measures in that building. And then there's
18 going to be an EDR contribution from the photovoltaics.

19 And then we'll combine the two together in a
20 final EDR, a target EDR. So I'll have a slide that will
21 show exactly how that works, but what's an important point
22 here is that the energy efficiency EDR can only be met with
23 energy efficiency features. Which means that the PV
24 tradeoff that we offered at this round of standards, 2016,
25 which was proposed as a temporary thing -- it's going to go

1 away. And you can no longer, at least the proposal is that
2 you can no longer trade away efficiency features with PVs.

3 In a little bit more detail, these are some of
4 the measures we're recommending for the 2019 Standards.
5 We'll be having workshops on these as Payam mentioned. We
6 introduced high-performance attics in the 2016 Standards.
7 We're proposing to improve the high-performance attics in
8 the cooling climate zone, going from R13 under the Batt
9 insulation to R19. We also introduced the concept of high
10 performance walls. We're also proposing to improve the U-
11 factor from .05 on down to .043 to .046, you know, that's
12 to be determined.

13 And the good thing about this thing is when you
14 make the envelope more efficient, then you don't have to
15 have such a large PV. And as I'm going to show you in some
16 climate zones to get to full ZNE it's going to be a
17 challenge as how much space you have on the roof and
18 orientation and all that. So by making the shell and the
19 building systems more efficient, you reduce that size.

20 We're going to be improving the window U-factors
21 and SHGC a little bit and currently is proposed that the
22 QII, Quality Insulation Installation, becomes a
23 prescriptive measure. And again we'll establish an EDR
24 target for these efficiency features that has to be met
25 with energy efficiency only.

1 And then we'll calculate an EDR for the PV. And
2 again, it's the PV size that's required to displace the
3 annual kilowatt hours in each climate zone. And then we'll
4 calculate the EDR contribution of that PV and then we'll
5 combine this with the EDR from energy efficiency and we get
6 a total EDR target.

7 Why we are using EDR is because we think that
8 brings a lot of benefits and flexibility. With this
9 approach, we're going to be basically defining the
10 performance level of the dwelling in an EDR target term.
11 But we're not telling the builders how to get there. We
12 have a set of prescriptive measures that basically is the
13 baseline for that, but the builders can use any means at
14 their disposal, any product. Different buildings have
15 different preferences, you know, some tend to like high-
16 performance walls or attics, so don't. Some like better
17 furnaces, the better air conditioning systems. They can do
18 it however they want.

19 And we tried to support you with 2016 and it was
20 fairly successful. And I'm hearing -- and Bob's nodding --
21 I'm seeing that.

22 And then it also again, another benefit of EDR is
23 it's really a good match for the Reach Codes, because again
24 we're going to be stopping in Part 6 and we have a total
25 EDR target of about 25 or something like that in most

1 climate zones. And then the Reach Codes can specify a
2 lower EDR, you know, like maybe 10 or 15 or maybe all the
3 way to 0.

4 And again the other benefit of the EDR target is
5 that even though we're prevented from requiring appliances
6 that are higher than the federal minimum efficiency
7 requirement, because they're preempted, the builders are
8 not preempted from using those. So they can actually use
9 better appliances to meet these EDR targets.

10 And it also allows things like demand response,
11 demand flexibility, battery storage, thermal storage and
12 all these techniques to get sufficient EDR credit toward a
13 zero net goal.

14 So this is a screenshot from the CBECC software.
15 And this shows how this EDR target is going to work. The
16 EDR of standard design -- in this is a 2,700 square foot
17 prototype in Climate Zone 12. This is the larger of the
18 two prototypes we used in the standards calculations. The
19 reason I'm using 2,700 is because this is larger. It's
20 actually the more challenging. It's two stories, there's
21 more limited space on the roof for PV, so if you can solve
22 the problem for the 2,700, we have automatically solved it
23 for the 2,100. So all the screen shots and everything I'm
24 showing here are based on the 2,700 prototype.

25 So the standard design of the EDR is 43.7. So

1 the proposed EDR should be equal or less and in this case,
2 the proposed EDR is slightly less than the standard design.
3 So for energy efficiency features that are modeled here,
4 we're good.

5 Then you have an EDR, a minimum required PV size
6 that translates into an EDR of 18.6. And so the PV that
7 you installed in that home, for Part 6 has to be equal to
8 this amount or a little bit -- actually more. So in this
9 case, the amount of PV that I've installed in this home is
10 slightly larger, which basically complies. And then when
11 you look at the total EDR, the target was 25.1 and the
12 proposed is 24.3. So this house actually complies.

13 But the key here is that this number has to be
14 smaller than this number or equal. But this number has to
15 be greater or equal to that number. And then you'll get a
16 final EDR.

17 And this number zero here. That's kind of
18 important, because what that means is again this PV system,
19 in this house, is generating almost 5,000 kilowatts in that
20 year. Which is exactly equal to the amount of kilowatt
21 hours that the house is using, which is also 5,000. So the
22 net is zero.

23 MR. CAIN: In your preliminary studies, can you
24 tell me kind of a range of what PV systems -- oh sorry.

25 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Make sure to identify

1 yourself.

2 MR. SHIRAKH: Yeah, please identify and state
3 your question.

4 MR. CAIN: Joe Cain, Solar Energy Industries
5 Association, just a question at this point. In your
6 preliminary studies can you tell me what range of installed
7 capacities you're seeing on the PV system? And part two,
8 I'm assuming you're going to install a larger system, but
9 you're calculating the portion that you can use in the
10 calculations?

11 MR. SHIRAKH: I have two slides that will answer
12 those questions exactly. It's coming up.

13 So again, this EDR size is based on the
14 assumption that you're generating 5,000 kilowatt hours that
15 displaces the site kilowatt hours.

16 Electrification is what happens when we go to
17 all-electric homes. And the first thing is that what we're
18 proposing is that for mixed-fuel homes we're going to
19 require a PV size that is just large enough to displace the
20 annual kilowatt hour of that mixed-fuel home, which let's
21 say in Climate Zone 12 is about 3 kilowatts. When we go to
22 all-electric homes, you can imagine the kilowatt hours that
23 that house uses is much larger.

24 But the prescriptive requirement is going to
25 remain the same. That it's going to be actually not based

1 on the kilowatt hours that the all-electric home uses.
2 It's going to be based on the kilowatt hours that a mixed-
3 fuel home of the same size and the features, except with a
4 gas furnace and gas water heater, would use. So in other
5 words that three kilowatt hours that we calculated for the
6 mixed-fuel home, that's going to be also for the
7 prescriptive requirement for the all-electric home.

8 Why are we doing this? Because we could
9 potentially go a lot higher, but by requiring a larger PV
10 system on an electric home you actually disadvantage those
11 homes. We can potentially go to a PV size that's about
12 two, two-and-a-half size of a mixed-fuel home, which means
13 an additional \$12,000 to \$15,000 cost in PV systems. And
14 we thought that would become actually a disincentive to
15 all-electric homes. And by putting it on an equal
16 footings, then we will remain neutral.

17 And if people want to put more PVs, they can.
18 We're not preventing them from doing it. But the minimum
19 they have to put is going to be the same between both the
20 mixed-fuel homes and the all-electric homes. And we
21 actually ran this by all-electric advocates and once they
22 understood why we're doing it, they're supporting it.

23 The only thing about all-electric homes is that
24 this table here -- I don't know if you guys can see it on
25 the screens are not -- we used to have large, big

1 projection screens that everybody could read. But we
2 managed to update them to something that nobody can read
3 now. (Laughter.) But I can tell you what's going on here
4 is this column, this is the all 16 climate zone. Here is
5 the kilowatt hours of summer that that 2,700 square foot
6 home is using in every climate zone.

7 Now if we go to an all-electric home, which means
8 we have a space heating heat pump and space heating pump
9 for water heating, then what we see in 15 out of our 16
10 climate zones, the amount of kilowatt hours that are used
11 in the winter are actually significantly larger than in the
12 summer.

13 Take our Climate Zone 12, Sacramento, which is no
14 paradise in summer and it gets pretty hot here. But that
15 house is using about 550 kilowatt hours in the summer. In
16 the winter months that's more than 2,000, it's four times
17 as big. So again, this is another thing we need to
18 consider in that there's a lot of benefits in full
19 electrification is why we want to go there. But we have to
20 think about the consequences or unintended consequences.

21 And we all know what the duck curve looks like in
22 the spring and the summer. What we want to make sure is
23 that we don't replace that with a Christmas turkey, because
24 what could actually end up happening, you can have a winter
25 demand that's greater than the summer. And that's actually

1 depicted in this graph that I have here. The red lines
2 represents the all-electric home. And the blue are the
3 mixed-fuel homes. The graph with the sun on it, that's the
4 solar generation. These are months of the year, January
5 being here and December here. And as you can see,
6 effectively in the winter months the solar production is
7 low and it goes up to a maximum around June or July and
8 then starts dropping down. The problem is the load is the
9 exact opposite, almost mirror image.

10 So when you put the two of them together, you
11 have a situation. This goes back to my first statement, a
12 grid is not a storage. Maybe when you're way under-
13 generating in the winter months, at some point around
14 March, the two kind of cross each other. And then you're
15 way over-generating in the summer, but the load actually
16 goes down. In the mixed-fuel homes you have the same
17 situation, but it's not quite as bad.

18 So this is another way of saying we need grid
19 harmonization strategies. Otherwise, we're going to have
20 unintended consequences here.

21 So this is the slide that I was going just
22 promising that has the different sizes for different
23 climate zones for different strategies. Calling for what
24 we have here -- first of all these are the EDRs for the
25 energy efficiency only -- for these building without any

1 renewable resources. So if you just model those buildings
2 with the 2019 energy efficiency features, out of about 16
3 climate zones -- but I think I've got 11 of them here --
4 and as you can see, without any generation we're in 48, 40,
5 it hovers most of them in the 40s.

6 We said that the requirement is going to be a PV
7 system that displaces annual kilowatt hours, which turns
8 out to be this size in different climate zones. Most of
9 them are fairly reasonable sizes. And our solar ready zone
10 is about 250 square feet. To get a decent PV system, you
11 should be able to install a four-and-a-half kilowatt system
12 within that 250 solar ready zone. So there's only one
13 climate zone there the sticks out, which is Climate Zone
14 15. That's the low desert, Palm Springs.

15 But for the rest of it we actually have a fairly
16 reasonable size. And then if you add the contribution of
17 this PV system to the efficiency, then you end up with a
18 final EDR that looks like this, that Climate Zone 12 is
19 about 25 and some of the milder climate zones, you're in
20 the teens. The challenge is going to be climate zones 1
21 and 16 really, because of the load, especially in the all-
22 electric scenario.

23 So this is our prescriptive requirement. But I
24 guess there are other columns here that shows what happens
25 if like in a result of a Reach Code here and then people

1 want to go all the way to zero. What size PV do you need
2 to go all the way to zero? So if you wanted to go all the
3 way to zero with a dumb PV system that basically you put it
4 up on the roof and walk away, and just large enough to
5 generate enough kilowatt hours to get you all the way to
6 zero, this is what you'll end up -- which is significantly
7 larger than the scenario that I just described.

8 Go ahead please.

9 MR. SMITHWOOD: Brandon Smithwood with the Solar
10 Energy Industries Association. Can we go back to the
11 turkey graph, as I think you described it? Oh, I think we
12 overshot it. Perfect.

13 MR. SHIRAKH: Oh, this one?

14 MR. SMITHWOOD: Yeah. So what assumptions are
15 you making about cycling your heating, because presumably
16 we're going to have a really tight envelope home? It's my
17 assumption, looking at this, is we're assuming we're
18 meeting the heating need as the ambient temperature is
19 driving the heating need instantaneously. Like time of use
20 rates for cooling in the summer, when we've shown people
21 can cycle their cooling to shift load, are we presuming
22 that people are going to cycle their heating, or are we
23 not?

24 MR. SHIRAKH: So I'm using CBECC software and I'm
25 basically modeling this to minimally comply with the code.

1 Both the proposed and standard budget are exactly the same,
2 s all the cycling and the scheduling that you're talking
3 about directly comes from the IACM. And so I'm not
4 changing any of that, but that's the software that we're
5 using, we have been using. So if you have issues with some
6 of the schedules, questions, I would be happy to talk to
7 you, but for this analysis, I didn't change anything when I
8 went into CBECC. I just modeled it to minimally comply.
9 And then we looked at the therms and the kilowatt hours on
10 a monthly basis for both the all-electric and mixed-fuel
11 homes.

12 So going back to this story, then if you have a
13 standalone PV system that's basically going to go through
14 an EDR of zero, these are the sizes that we end up with.
15 The problem with that is that it violates NEM. It's way
16 too large and it's not really good for grid harmonization,
17 because you have these PV systems that are uncontrolled and
18 they just doing this.

19 Now what happens if you want to add some demand
20 response and demand flexibility measures, so we added for
21 this column six, either a battery storage system with some
22 basic controls and see how the batter can improve the size.
23 Now, what battery does is if you can imagine, we talked how
24 the value of how electricity gets depressed in the middle
25 of the day, like right now perhaps? So that has low TDV

1 value.

2 The storage can instead of sending that back to
3 the Grid, it can store it, and if this was June or July
4 where it's going to be hot in the afternoon and we go and
5 turn on our air, then when you go and do that instead of
6 drawing power from the Grid, you can draw it from the
7 battery. So what storage does, it can turns that low value
8 kilowatt hours into high value kilowatt hours. And that's
9 the magic of TDV.

10 And by doing that, then you can actually decrease
11 the size of your PV and get the same value out of it. In
12 other words, you can have a very large PV system, or you
13 can have a smaller PV system and storage and they can
14 return the same TDV value to you. So if you do that then
15 you can see the PV size. Let's just look at one climate
16 zone here. It goes from 7 kilowatts to 5.8 where it
17 becomes more reasonable.

18 Now the batteries can actually be controlled two
19 ways. One of them is basically what we call the basic
20 controls. And this would be a control where it's very
21 simple. You have generation and you have house load. When
22 generation is bigger than load, the extra is going to go
23 into the batteries. So you've got this other bucket here.
24 Generation is high, load is lower, like right now, the
25 excess is going to go into this other bucket that's

1 storage.

2 And then as the day goes on, the sun's going
3 down, so generation goes down, but the load goes up. We
4 all go home, turn on our TVs and air conditioning and all
5 that, then when the load becomes bigger than generation,
6 then you start drawing from the battery instead of from the
7 Grid. So that's the basic strategy.

8 There is a second strategy, that's called a smart
9 strategy. It actually puts the battery under the control
10 of the utility. And it becomes much more sophisticated,
11 because the utilities can actually predict where the very
12 high demand hours are based on the forecast and working
13 with the ISO and this and that, the weather forecast and
14 all that. They can really identify those extremely high
15 value TDVs and only discharge the batteries during those
16 hours. So if you can do that, then it really increases the
17 value of those kilowatt hours that were stored during the
18 day and used at the optimum hours.

19 So if you do that, then the size actually goes
20 down considerably from 5.8 to about 3.8. A significant
21 improvement, and still, you can get to a score of zero.

22 The problem with this scenario is that the
23 utilities have to actually provide this program and they
24 have to support it. Currently, they're looking at it.
25 They're piloting it. But no utility that I know of is

1 supporting it, but hey we've got two or three more years
2 until 2020, right?

3 So now let's say we want to really put the pedal
4 to the metal and have this smart battery and all of that.
5 And also put in a better furnace, a condensing furnace, and
6 a condensing water heater and the size actually goes down
7 to 3.5. So these strategies here, they're all doable,
8 they're cost effective, they're reasonable. But this one
9 here definitely is not, so we're trying to avoid this
10 scenario.

11 In the ratio here, as you can see, this is like
12 column six to column four or column six is that the PV site
13 is zero EDR with basic battery control. And as you can
14 see, even with that basic control in some climate zones,
15 we're about twice the size that we need here. But once we
16 add these demand response strategies, then we get into more
17 reasonable ranges. So these are the choices that the
18 municipalities have, builders have to build to Zero Net
19 Energy.

20 This one is for all-electric homes. So it's kind
21 of similar to the other one, but it's on steroids now.
22 Because you're talking about all-electric homes, so all the
23 numbers are just bigger. I'm not going to spend too much
24 time on it, but it's the same thing. These are the
25 prescriptive requirements and these are the PV requirements

1 for different scenarios that I just described. And the
2 conclusions are about the same for both all-electric and
3 mixed-fuel homes. We'll post this to our website so you
4 can actually have it and look at it and ask any questions.

5 So now we're getting to -- go ahead, sir.

6 MR. SMITHWOOD: Sorry, I have a lot of questions
7 here. Brandon Smithwood, with SEIA again. So can you
8 explain to me why the presumption is that the utility needs
9 to dispatch the battery?

10 Like we've, in PG&E's current rate case, we've
11 put forward a cost based time of use rate that would
12 achieve the same objective. And the utility doesn't have
13 to control that battery.

14 MR. SHIRAKH: Again, they don't have to. But
15 what we think can happen is if they do control, because
16 they can forecast like a day ahead, an hour ahead. And if
17 there's like a severe weather or something going on, they
18 can actually forecast when those hours are and only
19 discharge the batteries during those hours.

20 I know Zack is itching to respond too.

21 MR. MING: Yeah, this is Zach Ming with E3. I
22 think one of the main differences between the time of use
23 dispatch versus the TDV or utility dispatch is sort of the
24 peak periods that we're looking at are much more
25 concentrated and rare than the sort of daily time of use

1 schedule. So, for example, with the time of use schedule
2 how a customer might dispatch their battery is any time
3 from 3:00 pm to 10:00 pm. Whereas the utility might say,
4 "Well, what we're really focused on is specifically from
5 5:00 to 6:00 on this day or on a different day from 6:00 to
6 7:00.

7 And on the flip side of that is on a day where
8 there really isn't any constraints on the Grid, a customer
9 might still have a time of use economic signal to operate
10 their battery in a certain way, but the utility actually
11 doesn't need them to operate the battery in that way,
12 because there're aren't constraints on the Grid. And so on
13 a day like that, they would be incurring sorts of round
14 trip battery losses for minimal benefit to the Grid.

15 MR. SMITHWOOD: So are these distribution level
16 constraints or are these generation?

17 MR. MING: So the values that we look at in TDV
18 have both -- there's several different components of value.
19 The first is just the change in energy price. The second
20 is generation capacity, which looks at essentially the
21 entire CAISO system and the constraints on generation. And
22 the third is differentiated by climate zone, looking at
23 local T&D constraints.

24 MR. SMITHWOOD: Okay. And we have tool called
25 Critical Peak Pricing that gets at these event days. But

1 anyhow (indiscernible) --

2 MR. MING: (Overlapping)

3 MR. SMITHWOOD: -- but I appreciate the
4 clarification.

5 MR. MING: And critical peak pricing would be
6 much closer to the utility dispatch.

7 MR. SMITHWOOD: Right. Thank you.

8 MR. SHIRAKH: And Zach, you may want to sit
9 there, because now we're getting into the -- I'm done with
10 the easy stuff. We're not getting into the --

11 MR. MING: Should I just stand up there?

12 (Laughter.)

13 MR. SHIRAKH: You might want to go sit up there.

14 So life cycle costing, this first part is for the
15 prescriptive requirement. So we work with E3 very closely
16 and we find that the PV system that is sized to displace
17 the kilowatt hour in a mixed-fuel home is very cost
18 effective, even under adverse scenarios. And I'll show you
19 why. And this scenario is cost effective even if the NEM2
20 rules are changed to compensate hourly exports at avoided
21 costs, instead of NEM-adjusted retail. And with no federal
22 ITC.

23 So E3 has provided a lot of slides to us and I'm
24 not representing all of them here. These will be posted on
25 our website as part of -- in a report. What I have here is

1 basically what I call is E3's greatest hits.

2 So what this graph does -- again I apologize,
3 it's very hard to see there on the screen -- this is the PV
4 sizes that are needed for different scenarios. This is the
5 all-electric home. This is the mixed-fuel home. And in
6 the all-electric home there are two lines. I call them
7 blue and gold.

8 The blue line represents a PV size that displaces
9 the annual kilowatt hour. It's the one that I've been
10 repeating. The goal is the line that displaces the annual
11 kilowatt on a TDV basis, so that's the TDV sizing. This is
12 basically the source of our site energy, right? Displacing
13 the kilowatt hours on site energy basis. And, as you can
14 see, in every scenario, the TDV size is always bigger than
15 just displacing the annual kilowatt hour.

16 And so that is why we are recommending the blue
17 line and not the gold, because under the gold, you end up
18 with over-generation, over-sizing in all 16 climate zones.

19 In the all-electric home, we have one additional
20 line, which is the red line. And that would be the size of
21 PV that you need to displace in the mixed-fuel home both
22 natural gas and electricity. So if you wanted to oversize
23 the PV to displace not only electricity and natural gas,
24 that's where you end up with these huge lines. And you can
25 see they're significantly larger than either the blue and

1 the gold in every single climate zone. And so that's where
2 cost effectiveness and grid harmonization and all that
3 becomes really a problem. So again, we are going to stick
4 with the blue lines for the rest of this analysis.

5 Now, we'll look at the cost of the PV -- George?

6 MR. NESBITT: George Nesbitt, HERS Rater. I
7 thought you said that the PV sizing for an all-electric
8 home was essentially the same size as it would be for
9 mixed-fuel home?

10 MR. SHIRAKH: Yes.

11 MR. NESBITT: Yet you're now showing us a chart
12 that would appear to --

13 MR. SHIRAKH: But this is what it would have been
14 if -- this is like "what if" scenarios. We're not drawing
15 conclusions from these slides here. We have to kind of
16 look at this and everything else that comes, but these
17 graphs are showing what happens if you were displacing the
18 annual kilowatt hours.

19 And again, what this tells you is that in Climate
20 Zone 1 if you were displacing annual kilowatt hours, you
21 need a seven kilowatt system. But in a mixed-fuel home,
22 you only need three, so we're going to settle on this.
23 That's how we're using the information.

24 MR. NESBITT: So your left chart is you were
25 trying to offset 100 percent of electricity in an all-

1 electric home, site energy versus TDV. Whereas the chart
2 on the right is what you're proposing is essentially that
3 everything is sized on a mixed-fuel home. And then what
4 you're showing on the right is what your solar electricity
5 offset would be annual. Your TDV electric site -- your
6 site TDV -- so all-electric TDV and then --

7 MR. SHIRAKH: Let me explain that, I think
8 (indiscernible) --

9 MR. NESBITT: (Indiscernible) Your biggest one is
10 the one you were offsetting TDV for both all fuel and
11 electricity?

12 MR. SHIRAKH: Yes.

13 MR. NESBITT: Okay.

14 MR. SHIRAKH: So these are all scenarios that
15 would be if somebody wanted that, but again we're showing
16 all of that. What we're saying we're going to stick with
17 the blue lines here for both mixed-fuel and all-electric.
18 It just shows you what happened, why we picked this, and
19 what was the implication if somebody wanted to do something
20 different.

21 MR. NESBITT: Okay.

22 MR. SHIRAKH: So another factor we have to
23 consider when we are talking about cost effectiveness is
24 the first cost of the PV system, the installed cost. You
25 have three possible cost scenarios. One is \$3.55 per watt,

1 which is basically today's cost. The mid-cost is about \$3
2 a watt. And the optimistic case is about \$2.60 per watt.
3 For the rest of this analysis, we're going to assume that
4 by 2020 and beyond the installed cost of the PV system to
5 the builder is going to be around this mid-cost of \$3.

6 So here's where NEM comes in. The rule of the
7 land currently is NEM2. And NEM2 says the blue line here
8 are self-utilized kilowatt hours from the PV array. So
9 that's how much of that kilowatt hour you're using onsite
10 and not exporting. And the blue lines are compensated at
11 retail rate.

12 NEM2 also says that hourly exports, every hour
13 you're going to have mismatch between load and generation.
14 And you're sending electrons back to the Grid, just like my
15 PV system is doing right down here. I'm not using it.
16 It's going back. So NEM2 says the compensation for those
17 hourly exports is along this line, which is the NEM-
18 adjusted retail rate. It's less than retail, but it's more
19 than avoided costs.

20 It is possible that in 2019, that CPUC may
21 actually gravitate towards this is what I would call NEM3.
22 And they may keep the behind-the-meter at the same retail
23 rate, but they may decide to compensate the hourly exports
24 instead of a NEM-adjusted retail compensated and avoided
25 costs. So we have to look at this scenario too and see how

1 that would impact the cost effectiveness of the PV.

2 This one is if the CPUC is really in a bad mood
3 and they decide we're going to compensate everything at
4 avoided cost. We don't think they're going to go here, but
5 we did the analysis just to see where we might end up if
6 they did. We think in the future we're going to be
7 someplace between these two scenarios.

8 So we put everything that I just talked about
9 together in one graph. Oops, I went all the way to the
10 beginning -- there.

11 (Pause to adjust slides.)

12 MR. SHIRAKH: So for our analysis, we're going
13 to assume this is where our future is going to go. It's
14 what I call for now NEM3. That your exports are
15 compensated at avoided cost. Of course, you have annual
16 net surplus, that that's going to be compensated at net
17 surplus compensation, which is only three cents.

18 So for our analysis, we're going to consider this
19 and the cost that is in the middle. And those are
20 represented by these squares here. And so the mid cost for
21 PV and avoided costs are these red squares. And these red
22 squares, as you can see, in all 16 climate zones, this is
23 the line of break even. So all of these -- for all 16
24 climate zones were significantly above this line, which
25 means even under adverse NEM rules and with mid costs for

1 PV systems, we're still cost effective in all 16 climate
2 zones throughout the state.

3 MR. NESBITT: George Nesbitt, HERS Rater. So
4 when you're saying the systems are cost effective are you
5 actually using real utility rates to determine this, or are
6 you still using TDV?

7 MR. SHIRAKH: It's all TDV based.

8 MR. NESBITT: So but TDV doesn't include things
9 like minimum transportation charges, so what happens when
10 you overproduce in a given month you get hit with a certain
11 minimum fee. So even when we started in 2001 nobody sized
12 PV systems to produce 100 percent of your site electricity
13 use, because you'd already reached your maximum cost
14 effectiveness before that point, with a utility rate
15 schedule that didn't have minimum fees. So it seems like
16 that needs to be taken into account, because without
17 storage, most of these systems and probably some of them
18 will be oversized, based on people's actual use, let alone
19 predicted. They're going to be hit with minimum charges,
20 which I think are now at what like \$10 a month? My
21 electric bill is 15.

22 MR. SHIRAKH: Yeah. So the short answer is that
23 -- well, do you want me to respond to this or do you want
24 be --

25 MR. STONE: I want to make a clarification.

1 MR. SHIRAKH: I don't want to open it up for
2 general --

3 MR. STONE: I'll make it really short. I think
4 George is wrong. I've taken a look at the tariffs that are
5 being proposed and there is a minimum charge, but it has no
6 effect. I mean it's not affected by how much you use.
7 There's a minimum charge and that's the floor, but it has
8 nothing to do with whether you over-generate or not.

9 MR. SHIRAKH: Yeah. And that was Nehemiah Stone.

10 Yeah, and then TDV is not perfect, but in our
11 view it actually represent the actual cost of generating
12 electricity. And it's fairly representative of the actual
13 cost to the homeowner. And most NEM customers are going to
14 be on time of use rates and then they generally line up
15 with the TDV rates. And again we can improve it. We can
16 debate it. But it's the currency that we have that we use.

17 So the point here is that the strategy that we've
18 defined is fairly cost effective and even if the rates
19 change it'll still be cost effective. And the point is
20 that these sizes are cost effective. But in one of these
21 climate zones, let's say 12, if you start over-sizing the
22 PV system then the extra generation is not going to be
23 compensated at retail or even avoided cost. So this dot
24 becomes closer and closer to this line. And when it
25 touches that line, then you're at the breakeven point,

1 which means that is the size that is breaking even. If you
2 go beyond that size, then the homeowner is actually losing
3 on their investments.

4 Go ahead.

5 MR. CHANGUS: Sorry, not to beat the horse here a
6 little bit, Jonathan Changus, with the Northern California
7 Power Agency. But with regards to TDV as kind of default,
8 I understand kind of best available data and how that might
9 be appropriate for IOUs. But I think -- and we'll explore
10 this a bit more in our comments of things we've said
11 previously -- I'm not sure that it works for a number of
12 the public power communities. And that creates some
13 challenges unless we've built in some flexibility or some
14 other bits into the standards, so we'd love to talk with
15 you more offline about how TDV does or does not work for 25
16 percent of the state.

17 MR. SHIRAKH: Yeah. That's a valid comment.

18 MR. CHANGUS: And just for the other 25 percent
19 of the state as far as retail sales.

20 MR. SHIRAKH: Okay. Now we're getting into
21 analysis for different strategies for the Reach Codes. And
22 so up to this point we said we're going to have a PV system
23 that displaces the electrical load on mixed-fuel homes.
24 And that'll get you, if you combine that with energy
25 efficiency features, you'll end up with an EDR of about 25.

1 But many municipalities, communities, they
2 actually want to go lower than that. They want to go to
3 15, 10, 5, maybe even 0. So that means that we have to
4 allow PV systems that are somewhat bigger than we just
5 described. And then we have to couple those with other
6 strategies, like demand response, demand flexibility,
7 storage, pre-cooling and all that to get to zero.

8 The questions becomes how much can you oversize
9 that PV system and still be cost effective and grid
10 harmonized? So that's what these next few slides are for.

11 We had, E3, they looked at four different
12 scenarios. One is the electric in a PV size -- that is a
13 PV that is sized to displace the electric kilowatt hours,
14 which is what we've been talking all along. But what is
15 the PV size that brings the maximum net benefits to the
16 homeowner? We have a PV size for option one, the kilowatt
17 hours, but is that really the optimum benefit for the
18 homeowner? So what would that be, so that's one scenario
19 we looked at.

20 And the third one is the electric TDV is the PV
21 size that's required to displace the electric on a TDV
22 basis, instead of annual kilowatt hours. And we already
23 saw that graph, but what's also important here is this
24 graph, which is zero net benefit. And again as I
25 mentioned, you can increase the size of that PV system

1 progressively. And that dot that I show is going to get
2 closer and closer to the breakeven point. At some point,
3 that dot's going to hit that line and you're at your
4 breakeven point, beyond which you're not in a cost
5 effective realm anymore. So we asked them to look at all
6 16 climate zones for this building and tell us where the
7 breakeven point may lie.

8 And again I apologize if you can't read this on
9 this graph, but what -- and I can't read it on the screen.
10 (Laughter.)

11 So what we found was looking at Climate Zone 1
12 here, actually all climate zones, the PV size to kilowatt
13 hours and the PV size for maximum benefit, they're always
14 the same. So this is going to support our previous
15 strategy that PV that is sized to displace the kilowatt
16 hours -- I'm sounding like a broken record here -- that
17 actually brings the maximum benefits. And that's why that
18 became the prescriptive requirement in all climate zones.

19 What is interesting here is the green bar is the
20 PV size to zero net benefit. That's the breakeven point.
21 How much you can oversize the PV before you hit that
22 breakeven point. And that's represented by the green lines
23 here. So what we also did here, we calculated the ratio
24 between just the breakeven point, the green line, and the
25 blue line, which is the optimum point. And basically what

1 this tells you is that you could potentially over-size this
2 system significantly and still be in a cost effective
3 realm, albeit not as cost effective as before, because
4 you're getting closer and closer to that line.

5 So this was for the 2,700 square foot home and
6 NEM2 meet cost PV. And I must mention that the convention
7 here is that everything that you see in blue is E3's. What
8 you see in red is my notes, so I can understand what E3 was
9 telling me.

10 So this is NEM2 for self-use and exports, Net
11 Surplus Compensation for net surplus. Basically that's the
12 scenario.

13 Now, we talk about how the NEM rules might
14 change. And I showed those three bars and the CPUC might
15 go to a NEM3. This is basically the NEM3 scenario that if
16 the annual exports now get compensated at avoided cost. So
17 there's going to be less compensation for the electricity
18 that you're sending back to the Grid. And as you might
19 expect the breakeven point becomes significantly lower.
20 This is an important graph, because we're going to be using
21 this scenario for allowing possible over-sizing for the
22 Reach Codes. Because it's a more conservative approach
23 that is avoided cost for exports and that's where we may
24 land in the future.

25 So if you look at these factors here, if they

1 kind of settle around a factor of 1.6. Actually, what I
2 did was I looked at these based on housing starts in each
3 climate zone, I did a weighted average and the number that
4 I got is about 1.6. So keep that in mind as we look at
5 other slides.

6 So this is another scenario where retail is for
7 self-use, but net surplus compensation is for export
8 scenarios. So this is like the third scenario that we
9 talked about. Actually, it's not the third scenario. It's
10 basically behind-the-meter, you're still getting retail.
11 But for anything that goes back to the Grid whether it's
12 the annual surplus or the hourly exports, you only get
13 basically wholesale rates, three cents. And as you can
14 see, then the numbers get further depressed.

15 So basically what these things are telling you is
16 that it matters a lot what happens to NEM rules in the
17 future. And that's the point of this slide. So these
18 graphs, they showed you what the PV system would do by
19 itself. What sizes you need by itself, and how they impact
20 into the cost effectiveness scenarios. But what if we
21 couple the PV system with battery storage now? What would
22 happen to these graphs if we added storage?

23 (Brief off mic colloquy.)

24 MR. SHIRAKH: So for these, we assume a battery
25 storage system that's about 14 kilowatt hours. It's a five

1 kilowatt charge-discharge rate in a 90 percent round trip
2 efficiency and \$500 per kilowatt hour installed cost.

3 Now, we looked at two scenarios. Actually more
4 than that, I have two scenarios here. This is the one I
5 called the Santa Option. You know, what if somebody gave
6 you this battery storage system, if Santa gave you free
7 power at no cost to you? And if it doesn't cost you
8 anything, what would that do to the breakeven and the cost
9 effectiveness of the PV system.

10 And as you can see, expectedly, if you couple
11 that free storage system with the PV system, then because
12 those TDVs become much higher values these bars are
13 actually going through the roof. So this is an indication
14 that battery storage actually does improve the performance
15 of the batteries.

16 So this next system, it actually includes the
17 cost of the battery. So this one is without the cost and
18 this one is with the cost. And as you can see, these
19 numbers become significantly lower, but still pretty high.
20 That if you couple storage with a PV system, you are still
21 with these breakeven points that are quite high. And the
22 blue lines here are basically the breakeven points. And
23 that's the PV size to zero net benefit. And then the green
24 bars are the PV size to zero net benefits and the green are
25 the breakeven points.

1 So looking at all the strategies what we are
2 proposing for the Reach Codes, again going back to this
3 slide, is to perhaps allow an over-sizing of about 1.6, a
4 factor of 1.6, if their storage is going with a PV system.

5 So again, all of this only pertains to Reach
6 Codes. It has nothing to do with Part 6. But if there's a
7 municipality, who they want to go to an EDR that's lower,
8 then we're giving them this option then if they add battery
9 storage then they can over-size the PV system. And we're
10 limiting it to a factor to make sure that that system will
11 remain cost effective under all scenarios. So that's where
12 this is going.

13 So we're almost to the end. Go ahead, will you?

14 MS. DIFRANCO: Hi, Rachel DiFranco with the City
15 of Fremont. So I appreciate that all of this analysis is
16 done looking at the building energy usage only. But I do
17 want to bring up a point about electric vehicle charging.

18 In the City of Fremont we have pretty high
19 electric vehicle ownership levels already, already over
20 5,000 EVs. And when I did kind of a back of the envelope
21 calculation, using the California Air Resources Board
22 factor of 8.5 kilowatt hours per day for EV charging, it
23 looks like about 3.5 percent of our current residential
24 energy consumption at the end of 2016, is attributable to
25 EV charging.

1 So assuming that moving forward, those numbers
2 are going to increase exponentially as they have been.
3 Over-sizing of a PV system by this factor really is not
4 going to put us in the red. It really would accommodate
5 for EV charging and still there would probably be grid
6 energy usage.

7 MR. SHIRAKH: I can respond and Christopher will
8 also have a response.

9 That's actually what you said is an excellent
10 point. And it's another reason why we allow Reach Codes to
11 oversize, because we think we may be concerned about what
12 you just talked about. And we know that as people live in
13 their homes the loads tend to go up. You buy another TV, a
14 fish tank, a Jacuzzi and EV.

15 So that's another reason we think in the Reach
16 Codes -- and in the minimum code, Part 6, we cannot assume
17 that. We're not limiting people from putting larger
18 systems, we're just saying we're going to give you credit
19 for so much. But yes, in the Reach Codes definitely the
20 place where your municipality could decide that some over
21 sizing is warranted.

22 Christopher, did you want to respond before I go
23 to the gentleman?

24 MR. MEYER: Yeah, just Christopher Meyer, I'm
25 with the Building Standards Office. One of the things that

1 we're also looking at with EVs is just the coincident of
2 load and generation. As you can imagine even on weekends,
3 when your system is generating, if people are using their
4 car to get to work or to do fun things on weekends, there
5 is not a lot of time when your electric vehicle is parked
6 at your house charging while your PV system is going. So
7 if you wanted to actually charge an electric vehicle at a
8 residence, we run into a thing where we don't want to try
9 to find a mathematical or an accounting solution that has
10 no engineering value.

11 So if you didn't have a large battery system that
12 you were having to round trip losses in your home battery,
13 and then using that home battery to charge your EV, the
14 general assumption would be that your residentially-owned
15 EVs are going to be charged by grid power. Which in that
16 evening time may have a lower renewable percentage than it
17 would if you could charge that EV during the middle of the
18 day.

19 So and that's the kind of stuff we're trying to
20 do where instead of looking at things over the entire year,
21 and looking at the numbers and equaling everything out,
22 what's the hour-by-hour? What's the actual realistic use?
23 And then we can start identifying are there demand
24 response, are the load following, are there other
25 strategies instead of saying, "Okay. It doesn't work."

1 Are there strategies we can do to address that lack of
2 coincidence that get towards solving the problem without
3 creating grid harmony issues? So does that --

4 MR. SHIRAKH: And EVs are a great match in non-
5 residential applications. For residential, it makes a bit
6 challenging. Again, we're not trying to align it with the
7 output of an array as Christopher is saying in order to
8 work. Is there EV charging at that hour or not? So it's
9 something to think about.

10 Go ahead, sir.

11 MR. CAIN: Joe Cain, with Solar Energy Industries
12 Association. So you've talked about sizing assumptions for
13 Reach Codes and for Part 6, and I understand we could kind
14 of expand in the Reach Codes, but in the Part 6, could you
15 help us understand the assumptions in the sizing
16 calculations for lighting, for plug loads, for my kids
17 playing Mine Craft and charging their tablets. What sort
18 of assumptions do you have in there for what's covered?

19 MR. SHIRAKH: I can show you some of the
20 screenshots that I have that has the plug loads in there.
21 Again, we're using all the assumptions that are in the
22 CBECC-Res for 2019 or '16.

23 And recently, with the help of the IOUs, we
24 revisited the plug load assumptions. So we think we have
25 fairly good data, but I am using what's in CBECC-Res. And

1 I can show you the relative values in a couple of slides.

2 So getting to the last part of this, thank
3 goodness, and so I just have a few screenshots that showed
4 you that the CBECC software is capable of doing. They're
5 really improving the software. And it's going to be, I
6 think, a good tool for both Part 6, and it's really going
7 to make it easy for Part 11 compliance. And our goal is
8 basically to allow people to go into the building and
9 design it with the features that they want and then specify
10 an EDR target, whatever that is, 0, 5, 10.

11 The software will calculate the amount of PV that
12 you need based on that EDR target and the other features.
13 And whether or not you can actually achieve EDR target
14 without exceeding the PV size. It will basically give you
15 a message if you are outside that range that you cannot get
16 to this target EDR with the PV size that you have without
17 violating the NEM rules. So you have to back in there and
18 do some adjustments.

19 So the software can be used to size PV for Part 6
20 compliance, or lower target EDRs for Reach Codes, you can
21 do that. Assess the impact of the battery storage or
22 lowering EDR, the impact of pre-cooling and other DR
23 strategies for lowering EDR, and heat pump-water heater DR
24 strategies and its impact on EDR, among other things.
25 These are not the entire list.

1 So this is the input screen from CBECC. You have
2 all these choices here, there's a project analysis. So
3 there's a tab. It's called EDR/PV. And under this tab,
4 what you can do is you have two choices for your PV
5 selection. This one is a detailed tab. The other choice
6 is a simplified tab. And the simplified tab, you can use
7 if you have only one PV array pointing in one direction and
8 it's generally toward south. Then you can use the
9 simplified direction. It will assume that you're close to
10 about 170 degrees from true north.

11 If you selected detailed choice, you can have
12 different arrays at different sizes and pointed in
13 different directions. And this is actually fairly common
14 and my own PV site is pointing three different directions.
15 So I would have to use the detailed and actually specify
16 the size and orientation for each. But if you have a
17 simple installation, you can choose the simplified.

18 But what's important is up here. You have a
19 check box that says "perform energy design rating." So
20 this is a new feature. You check that and the software
21 will actually calculate an energy design rating for your
22 home, based on your energy efficiency features and the PV
23 that you've specified here. What's also cool is that now,
24 we have a check box that's a specified target energy design
25 rating.

1 And here I put the number 0. So this is again
2 for a Reach Code that they want to go to an EDR of 0. What
3 it does, it will show in one of the result screens that you
4 specify some PV system here that's going to take you to
5 some EDR target. But this will tell you how much PV system
6 you need to get all the way to 0. So you don't have to do
7 iterations.

8 Before we had this, if I wanted to get to a
9 target EDR, I had to manually put in different sizes and
10 try to eyeball it until I hit that target. Now the
11 software will do that. You just check this box, you put
12 your EDR target that you wish and the software will
13 calculate the PV size that you need to get to that. When I
14 did that, it could really reduce the amount of time I was
15 doing for analysis by about two-thirds.

16 Then you've got another tab for batteries. You
17 specify the battery capacity is 14 kilowatt hours, is what
18 we're assuming. Remember when I said for batteries you
19 have two controls: one is basic, one is the advanced. So
20 here's where this choice is. This one is the default
21 choice. If you wanted to put the more advanced -- then you
22 know I can't do it here because this is a screen shot --
23 you click on this and select the advanced.

24 This is the range of efficiency, about 10
25 percent. And this is the charge/discharge rate, about 5

1 kilowatts.

2 This is the tab on the building where you can
3 actually select pre-cooling strategy. Pre-cooling actually
4 can give you significant compliance credit, but again this
5 is one of those things that the house needs to be in
6 communication with the utility. And the idea here is that
7 if you have a hot day in August, that you can actually pre-
8 cool your house around noon when there's plenty of sun.
9 It's mild. You can run your air conditioning system, bring
10 it down to around 72 or 73.

11 And because these homes are so darned efficient
12 in the envelope -- you know, you've got high-performance
13 attics, high-performance walls, you've got great windows,
14 blah-blah -- the chances are the house is going to coast
15 through the day, the hottest part of the day, without using
16 the air conditioning system. So that's what this pre-
17 cooling strategy is giving you. But again it's one of
18 those things that requires a program with the utility.

19 So this is the results summary that can be used
20 to demonstrate compliance with Part 6. And I think
21 somebody just asked me, "What about the plug loads?" So
22 what you have up here are kilowatt hours and therms for
23 regulated loads. That's the loads that we typically
24 regulate through Title 24. So that's space heating, space
25 cooling, indoor air quality, and water heating.

1 What you have down here, well this first one is
2 PV output, so forget that for a second. You have inside
3 lighting, appliances and cooking, and plug loads and
4 exterior lighting. So these numbers together represent
5 what we call unregulated loads, because Title 24 doesn't
6 directly -- or prescriptively, we don't regulate them.

7 Some of these are regulated by Title 24, like
8 inside lighting you have mandatory requirements. You have
9 to put LEDs and blah-blah, but it's not part of the
10 tradeoff. It's a fixed number. And these numbers like
11 appliances and plug loads, which is totally outside of our
12 control -- what is interesting here when you look at these
13 kilowatts versus these kilowatts guess what's dominating?
14 It's the plug loads. And we've done such a good job. You
15 know, Payam showed you that graph -- sorry?

16 (Off mic colloquy.)

17 MR. SHIRAKH: You know you have that declining
18 EUI for a home in time. What we've done is we've really
19 squeezed the heck out of the regulated loads. So what's
20 left is basically the plug loads that from here on out, we
21 need to consider. Again, you know, we've looked at these
22 assumptions we think they're pretty good.

23 So this one is the results screen that can be
24 used for Part 11. And again I showed these boxes before,
25 but what's interesting here is the target design rating

1 achieved, final rating, a design rating of I put 0. This
2 is bringing it up to 0.1, which is close enough. And then
3 it's telling you, you need a PV size of 5.8 kilowatts to
4 get to the EDR target of 0.

5 So you did put in some amount of PVs in there
6 that did give you some results, but if you wanted to know
7 how much PV you needed to get to EDR target of 0, this will
8 tell you. This way you don't have to go back and keep
9 putting in different numbers to hit that EDR target.

10 So we just got the software, this updated
11 version, a few days ago. We're testing it. We found some
12 issues we're fixing and I'm hoping that in the next few
13 weeks we can have a Beta version of it released for the
14 public. And please when you use it, use it with a grain of
15 salt, because these numbers could still change even if you
16 find something in it.

17 Voila, I'm done. Any questions?

18 MR. CHANGUS: Jonathan Changus again with the
19 Northern California Power Agency. And I guess I'm coming
20 from a world where I spend more of my time in the SB 350
21 implementation. And I spend a long time at Air Resources
22 Board about transportation electrification.

23 And there's a lot of times where codes and
24 standards comes up quite frequently as one of our key
25 strategies to addressing two primary issues that no one has

1 a clear idea what it means. And that's fuel substitution,
2 transitioning from natural gas to electric in end uses, as
3 well as fuel switching in the transportation sector to
4 lower carbon and more electric vehicles.

5 And Zero Net Energy obviously, as you noted, has
6 a history that dates back before all those conversations in
7 2006. And so I'm just curious, and we don't have to
8 discuss it today, but going forward in addition to ZNE the
9 transportation electrification questions I strongly agree
10 with. Like how that's supposed to occur? How's that
11 getting built in?

12 Because yesterday, Tuesday, I had a huge
13 conversation in here in this building where CEC leadership
14 made it very clear that's something they have very
15 aggressive targets and standards for. And a lot of that
16 charging is going to occur at home if we're successful in
17 getting there. And they're pushing us, as utilities, to
18 get there, and we want to get there as well. So I'm not
19 quite sure if we've figured that all out and it's not easy
20 math by any means. But there's a lot of moving pieces that
21 goes beyond just trying to offset the load today at homes.

22 And that's where I really appreciate the cup is
23 80 percent full. And the Reach Code process, I think as we
24 dive more into that, that's going to provide some of the
25 flexibility. But I think there needs to be a larger

1 conversation beyond just is this cost effective on an
2 individual building basis, to how are we addressing the
3 fuel substitution and fuel switching goals that the state
4 and this organization, the Energy Commission, of why
5 they're embracing or are pushing in a lot of other venues.
6 And I don't know if I understand today if we really hit
7 that nexus. Like I said, it's a difficult question,
8 multiple agencies, multiple stakeholders.

9 But I think we need to go a bit further on that
10 and love to talk to whomever I need to at the CEC about how
11 do we coordinate to make sure what we're doing at NCPA in
12 our membership, as small publicly owned utilities,
13 complement and support the broader aperture, because it is
14 going to take a collaborative effort. It's always what are
15 we going to do on fuel substitution? I go no, no, no.
16 What are we, as the state and the utilities going to do?
17 And as well as well as a variety of other stakeholders.

18 So I don't know if there was a question in there
19 as much as a comment and hope to continue that dialogue.

20 MR. SHIRAKH: Yeah, we understand. And I have
21 response and maybe others can also chime in, Bill or
22 Christopher.

23 But our strategy here is to actually be fuel
24 neutral, that provides a path in both Part 6 and Part 11
25 that's neutral between the two and address that in some

1 future standard in another cycle. But for this round we're
2 basically going in a path that basically allows both mixed-
3 fuel homes and all-electric homes for both Part 6 and Part
4 11.

5 And I understand the transportation. We've
6 thought about it a little bit, but it's a challenge,
7 because we cannot predict what homes are going to have
8 electric vehicles and not. And how do we credit? We know
9 all homes are going to have a dishwasher. But some homes
10 will have EVs, some don't and when they're going to charge
11 it? So it's a complicated stuff, so we thought for this
12 round, we will not include it into the Part 6 basically.
13 And kind of leave it up to the Reach Codes. They can
14 decide if they want to --

15 MR. CHANGUS: I completely agree. Jonathan
16 Changus, again with Northern California Power Agency, I
17 think the challenge is that while there's elements within
18 the Energy Commission that recognize all those challenges
19 and are going in one course there's a very different
20 message coming from other elements.

21 And I think that's where it gets tricky. Because
22 if you, as the CEC recognize the challenges and are going
23 to pursue that in your own policies and practices, but then
24 look to utilities and say, "Now, here's all the stuff that
25 while it's too difficult for us we'd really like you to do

1 instead," I mean that's where we want to be supportive.
2 But we see some of those same challenges and it seems like
3 we get mixed messages at times, so again that's kind of
4 tangential for today on (indiscernible) --

5 MR. SHIRAKH: Well, here comes the big guns.
6 Bill is coming.

7 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Get out of the way, he's
8 here. (Laughter.)

9 MR. PENNINGTON: Bill Pennington, Energy
10 Commission. So we have a scope question here, is what
11 you're bringing up.

12 What this program is about is controlling the
13 energy efficiency of buildings. And you're talking about
14 bringing into consideration other loads that are not part
15 of buildings. And so we have, for the life of this
16 program, been talking about how to best manage the energy
17 performance of buildings with all of the features of
18 buildings that come in buildings. And so that's what this
19 Zero Net Energy is targeting. That's what the EDR is
20 about, is about that scope. We don't include other
21 potentially significant loads that a customer might have in
22 the Building Standards, in any performance way.

23 For example, swimming pools, we don't have
24 swimming pool pumps built into the performance
25 calculations. And let that trade off against whether you

1 have good windows and good insulation and so forth.

2 So with EVs, we come along with the same dilemma,
3 problem. EVs are outside the scope of the building. And
4 so you have a choice, potentially you could include the
5 load of EVs in the performance approach. That might be a
6 future idea. And then you might think about how you reduce
7 that or how you fuel switch that or whatever. And you
8 might have a calculus that would take into account your
9 options related to that.

10 And you might even allow, with that bigger scope
11 of the energy that you include, in those measures you might
12 even allow tradeoff between what you do for EVs and what
13 you do for windows and water heating and so forth or PV
14 meeting of those loads. But you kind of have to consider
15 both the load and the remedies in a change to the standard.

16 And particularly now when we have a low market
17 penetration, relatively low market penetration, for EVs.
18 That seems like a lot of guesswork about what would those
19 loads be and how would you do it? It's probably not
20 appropriate for us to do for the 2019 Building Standards.
21 Maybe it's a future problem what we need to figure out what
22 to do about. So anyway, that's my take.

23 MR. SHIRAKH: Bill, do you want to sit up there
24 for now?

25 MR. STONE: Nehemiah Stone of Stone Energy

1 Associates. I don't want to go into everything I have on
2 this topic right now, but I'd like to present it later.

3 But I've taken a look at one of the costs that is
4 not included in the cost effective analysis and it relates
5 to the topic what we were just discussing. And that's the
6 cost of gas infrastructure. And there's a number of
7 sources of the data, including a study that EPRI did for
8 SMUD, including studies that were done for Palo Alto,
9 etcetera. And the cost, there's a number of elements to
10 it. One is bringing the gas down the street. Another one
11 is bringing it from the main to the house. And the other
12 one is the gas infrastructure inside the building itself,
13 single family or multi-family.

14 And when you take a look at those costs, the net
15 in incremental cost, counting the fact that heat pumps are
16 more expensive, the net cost ranges between \$2,000 and
17 \$3,000 per door, for multi-family. And between \$3,000 and
18 \$6,000 per door for single family. Between 2 and 3 for
19 multi-family and between 3 and 6 for single family.

20 If those costs were included in the cost
21 effective analysis, when you're looking at a package for
22 the prescriptive I'm pretty convinced that we would end up
23 with the basic package being an all-electric. So I would
24 like to present that data at some point. I realize this is
25 probably too long of a thing to do right now, but.

1 MR. SHIRAKH: Yeah, we already talked about this
2 at the retreat in Shannon. (phonetic)

3 MR. STONE: Yes. Yes.

4 MR. SHIRAKH: The point is if yeah really that
5 cost saving is there, which it could very well be, to me
6 that's a powerful incentive for the builders to actually
7 build all-electric, because they will save \$4,000 to \$5,000
8 per home. So that to me is a good thing and the builders,
9 if they're aware of it, that's what they'll do.

10 MR. STONE: Well, I understand it makes sense as
11 a voluntary thing. But when you're setting standards, you
12 should be counting all the costs. I mean, what you were
13 saying earlier was that when you looked at cost
14 effectiveness, you're counting all those costs.

15 Well, you're actually not, because you have to
16 have electricity to the building. You can't run your
17 lights on natural gas, so you have to have electricity.
18 The cost to bring electricity to the building and the cost
19 of the panel, etcetera, that's an embedded cost that you
20 don't need to count. But the cost of bringing gas to the
21 building and piping through the building, that is not an
22 embedded cost. That's a choice that you make. And if you
23 choose not to do that, you can save, depending upon where
24 you are etcetera, you save anywhere between \$2,000 and
25 \$6,000.

1 One of your Commissioners made a presentation,
2 quoting KB Homes, saying the reason they're going all-
3 electric with some of their new sub divisions is because
4 they found that it's cheaper by \$4,500 per home.

5 MR. SHIRAKH: Okay. Thank you. Well, send us
6 that study. Thanks.

7 MR. DELFORGE: Pierre Delforge from NRDC. I
8 would like to thank staff for all these presentations, a
9 lot of the detail of information is extremely helpful.
10 We'll be taking time to go through it and reply in our
11 comments in writing.

12 I wanted to just offer a few general comments.
13 This is obviously an important co-revision given the
14 state's climate and energy policies and the impact of the
15 building code, particularly on SB 350, SB 32 and even in
16 longer terms, because buildings built today will last 50
17 years or more on our long-term climate goals.

18 From our perspective, energy efficiency remains
19 the most important and cheapest way to achieve these goals.
20 And we really appreciate the Commission's approach to
21 sunset the PV credit, which was meant as an on-ramp for
22 high-performance attics, walls, QII and I forget the last
23 one. But I think it's critical as time now to move to make
24 sure that these efficiency measures stand alone and that
25 the PV requirement stands alone as well.

1 And efficiency remains critical to minimize
2 building energy use, even when the sun is not shining. But
3 people still need to cool their home in late summer
4 evenings or heat their home in the winter mornings.

5 Generally, we support the transition to the EDR
6 metric and the two-tier approach that does not compromise
7 energy efficiency. The mandatory PV requirements and
8 Commissions's looking at EDR credits for grid harmonization
9 strategies, this is really important to help integrate
10 renewables and mitigate consumer electric bills.

11 The one point which I'd like to mention, is also
12 the fact that while the code aims to save energy, climate
13 remains one of the overarching policy priorities in the
14 state. And we really appreciate the Commission's approach
15 to try and be fuel neutral and not to create additional
16 barriers with the size of the PV system. But there remains
17 some barriers to re-level the playing field between
18 electric and gas and mixed-fuel homes. Particularly on
19 water heating, which does not have currently an electric
20 baseline in the code. And I understand why it's not there.
21 But it remains a barrier to being able to do an all-
22 electric home or just water heating, electric water heating
23 in the home.

24 It's important to ensure that builders can comply
25 with the code, whether they use electric water heating or

1 gas water heating. All of the same efficiency, they should
2 be able to achieve the same code compliance and this is not
3 the case today. In 2016, with the PV credit, you can
4 pretty much get there, but in 2019, without the PV credit
5 it's going to be a challenge. So I encourage the
6 Commission to find a way to ensure that there's a real
7 level playing field in terms of particularly water heating
8 technologies are the ones that have the most disadvantage
9 today.

10 The other one is the one that Nehemiah just
11 mentioned in terms of full cost accounting. To make sure
12 that when we look at the cost of running an all-electric
13 versus mixed-fuel home, which TDV is, it's basically a
14 consumer cost metric. Let's look at the full cost of doing
15 that including the cost of bringing gas to the home.

16 My last point is around Reach Codes. I really
17 appreciate the Commission's effort to help and encourage
18 cities to lead towards Zero Net Energy, with model Reach
19 Codes. The one thing I want to mention is some cities may
20 choose not necessarily to go towards Zero Net Energy per
21 se, but just to -- or in addition to trying to reduce
22 carbon as much as possible. And that's going to require
23 not to necessarily just to zero out EDR, but to look at
24 strategies to reduce carbon including electrification not
25 gas loads.

1 So with that said, I look forward to working with
2 the Commission and stakeholders on this important
3 proceeding. Thank you.

4 MR. SHIRAKH: Thank you, Pierre. I appreciate
5 it.

6 Bob, did you want to?

7 MR. RAYMER: First off, just administratively
8 speaking, how long do we have to get written comments in to
9 you? Because we could stay here for a couple of days and
10 then cover these, all these moving parts here kind of make
11 your head explode.

12 MR. SHIRAKH: We appreciate two weeks from today,
13 but --

14 MR. RAYMER: Two weeks. And like a lot of the
15 other proceedings that are going on, I'm assuming that once
16 somebody submits a comment, it'll appear and automatically
17 notify the people that are on the notification list that
18 the comment's been submitted? I really want to be able to
19 read what some of the other groups are saying --

20 MR. SHIRAKH: We have a docket and all the
21 comments will go into the docket. So if it's submitted to
22 the docket you will get a copy.

23 MR. RAYMER: With regards to the Reach Codes, it
24 seems very clear that battery and PV are going to be the
25 key approach there. And with regards to comments that

1 Jonathan was bringing up, I'll just to start to say at the
2 30,000 foot level we're seeing local jurisdictions, air
3 quality districts, local planning and land use management
4 teams from jurisdictions that group together and look at SB
5 375 issues that are out there for local project approval.
6 That more and more what's minimum code standard is not of
7 interest to them.

8 They're looking at rather significant issues of
9 how do we just make sure that your new project, this 10-
10 20,000 unit projected project is simply not going to impact
11 the Grid? And that we're going to see rather significant
12 reductions of air quality and greenhouse gas reduction or
13 massive, that goes way beyond the scale of the minimum
14 requirements of Part 6.

15 And one of the things that we're kind of running
16 into is while the air quality district may work with the
17 builder and come up with a nice plan, we've had a lot of
18 push back recently from utilities who weren't really part
19 of that decision-making process. And who are a little bit
20 skeptical and actually opposing some of the projected
21 designs. And once again, that gets to the over-sizing of
22 the system.

23 But to me, if you're able to do a good job with
24 the battery plus PV component here, as we do the Part 11
25 stuff, that will be a big help. It would be nice if the

1 IOUs were here every day and working and playing well with
2 everybody else and we were playing well with them. But the
3 fact is when you're doing a project, they could come in at
4 the last minute and basically say, "We're not going to hook
5 up the house, because you've oversized it by two or three
6 kilowatts."

7 And we want to make that that doesn't happen.
8 That's the kind of thing that really costs the builder
9 money, having to go back and try to renegotiate why
10 everything's ready to go. And we want to try to prevent
11 that.

12 A last comment, and like I said we could go on
13 here for hours and hours giving the moving parts here, but
14 with regards to gas we understand where the state wants to
15 go. And they want to see an all-electrification down the
16 road. A huge problem we're having is the consumers are
17 giving a huge pushback on this. In that the vast majority
18 of them, right now, would be aghast at the thought of
19 buying a house without a number of gas components that
20 they've grown to love and live with for decades.

21 And so this is going to take a huge consumer
22 behavior choice modification as opposed to just some
23 changes and regulations. Because we've got to be able to
24 market these things.

25 So lastly, we'll look forward to seeing the

1 comments of others. A lot of good points have been made
2 today. So we'll get our written comments in.

3 MR. SHIRAKH: Thank you, Bob.
4 George?

5 MR. NESBITT: George Nesbitt, HERS Rater. Every
6 building that exports electricity to the Grid is part of
7 the problem. The duck curve is a problem. It's a growing
8 problem and it's going to drive a lot of things. Without
9 an equivalent increase in electricity use in the middle of
10 the day, or storage, we're screwed. It's just quite that
11 simple.

12 The question is what is our goal? We've got
13 goals of 50 percent electricity generated by eligible
14 renewable, because we have non-eligible too. So if we have
15 a Grid that's already about percent, we're going for 50
16 percent. Why does a building need to generate 100 percent
17 of its electricity with renewables?

18 Now, TDV does include renewables, but the thing
19 is TDV is a cost. And it includes a lot of things, but it
20 ultimately comes down to a cost thing as opposed to
21 actually looking at the source of the energy. In the
22 middle of the day, I think what we're probably hitting 75
23 percent of our electricity is renewable? So without
24 consuming more energy in the middle of the day, we've got a
25 problem.

1 Also, our goals are really about carbon
2 reduction. So we're not calculating carbon in CBECC
3 currently, are we? We should be. We have been in the HERS
4 software forever.

5 A couple of other things I just want to hit on.
6 Since the software is a rating system, and it is the HERS
7 rating system, and it does include those things that are
8 not part of Part 6. We ultimately need more ability to
9 model and accurately model, as well as get credit for being
10 bad or good, whether it's lighting or other appliances.

11 And I just want to make a comment about solar
12 ready. So we're really going to have to require that
13 buildings are ready to add storage or electric vehicles,
14 because it's cheaper to do it now than it is later.

15 MR. SHIRAKH: Thank you, George.

16 Any other comments in the room, whoever gets
17 fastest to the podium.

18 MR. BLUNK: Yeah. Hi, I'm Scott Blunk, and I
19 work for the TRC Energy Services. And I help PG&E
20 implement their New Homes Program for multi-family and
21 single family.

22 And just a couple of comments, the appliances and
23 plug loads are a driving force moving forward. And what's
24 being looked at in terms of home energy management systems
25 that can do the same thing as some sort of demand response?

1 I mean that's kind of going to be going into the code, we
2 talked a ton about batteries and PV, but I think this is
3 part of the future moving forward.

4 Also I guess cost effectiveness, I understand the
5 prescriptive path is being used in calculating cost
6 effectiveness, but running these new construction programs
7 what we find is builders aren't building prescriptively. I
8 think everyone in here knows that. They're using the
9 federal preemptions to go well beyond on those three: water
10 heating, space heating and space cooling. So ultimately,
11 what's being built or what we see in the program and not
12 across the board, but in a lot of cases, we find negative
13 electric savings according to code and positive gas
14 savings.

15 So they're meeting code, but they're doing it
16 with negative electric and over-savings in gas. And again,
17 this kind of goes against the whole. I think a lot of us
18 want to see an all-electric future because it's less
19 carbon, but the way the code is being manipulated or used
20 to the advantage of the builders, they're actually using
21 more electricity than code allows prescriptively, anyway.

22 MR. PENNINGTON: Scott, can I ask you. Do you
23 know what's driving that? What do you see as driving the
24 negative electricity compliance margin?

25 MR. BLUNK: Yeah. That's a great question. I

1 mean a lot of it is the federal preemption, right? So
2 largely there's gas water heating and space heating. So
3 those two, you can easily bump up the efficiency of those
4 two appliances to achieve compliance. The other one is the
5 space cooling, which is usually electricity. But so
6 orientation has a big impact on it, but also it's two of
7 those three in the federal preemption. They just max out
8 the efficiency on two of those three and don't do walls and
9 windows and attics.

10 MR. PENNINGTON: So they're not doing high-
11 efficiency air conditioners?

12 MR. BLUNK: They are, but it's not as beneficial
13 as the two gas appliances they're doing. And I can show
14 you data on it. We've got lots of examples.

15 MR. SHIRAKH: Why is that a problem? At least
16 they're -- we know they're worried about reduction in
17 carbon and they're using condensing furnace and water
18 heaters to reduce natural gas then I imagine that's a good
19 thing.

20 MR. BLUNK: And it is a good thing, right. But
21 we're not building according to the prescriptive code,
22 which I think the code assumes. So ultimately they're
23 using more electricity than what were predicting in the
24 software, or what we want to predict in the software.

25 And then my last comment is just I think we all

1 struggle with the term ZNE. It's hard to talk to consumers
2 about what a ZNE home is. It was hard under ZNE TDV and
3 now we're going to ZNE, kilowatt hours and like --

4 MR. SHIRAKH: We shouldn't be using the word ZNE,
5 yeah.

6 MR. BLUNK: We shouldn't be using the word ZNE,
7 right. Thanks.

8 MR. RAYMER: Could I ask a question?

9 MR. SHIRAKH: Sure.

10 MR. RAYMER: Bob Raymer, CBIA. Given your
11 discussion of the regulated load and the unregulated load
12 and the massive -- I would say now disparity, given the 35
13 years of dealing with a regulated load -- how do you
14 necessarily know that it's not what we would say an
15 undocumented increase in the plug load? You know five or
16 six teenagers in the home, using a whole of stuff at a
17 particular time, as opposed to the gas usage that's
18 creating this disparity. I mean there's any number of
19 things that could account for that increased electricity
20 usage that could be impacting here. And so unless you
21 basically have the house discreetly monitored, we may not
22 know where that's coming from.

23 MR. PENNINGTON: He's talking about compliance
24 margins, not actual.

25 MR. RAYMER: Okay.

1 MR. SMITHWOOD: Brandon Smithwood, with SEIA
2 again. There were a few comments earlier that kind of hit
3 on the -- from Mr. Pennington and the gentleman from NCPA,
4 in particular -- about the building code is efficiency
5 focus, but we're really working in the context of our
6 climate goals. And I'm looking at the proposed code and
7 I'm seeing a tight envelope gas home with an undersized PV
8 system.

9 And if you look at what we know from things like
10 E3's Pathways Report or studies out of LNBL, Lawrence
11 Berkeley, we know that we need to move to a fully
12 electrified future in the timeframe that these buildings
13 that are going to be built under this code, are standing. And
14 in that the same timeframe that the cost effectiveness
15 evaluation is looking at. You know we need to do that
16 incrementally from Lawrence Berkeley. We know we need to
17 have electrification on the margin be 100 percent by the
18 mid-2020s.

19 And it seems that we're making this move, because
20 of assumptions about issues that I would argue in the
21 timeframe that these buildings are going to stand are
22 really transient. So the first is questions about
23 different rate designs and tariffs, so we've talked a lot
24 about what's the future of the NEM tariff. Different
25 assumptions about rates that batteries would be -- the cost

1 effectiveness of your battery is really going to assume a
2 lot of what your rate designs are. These are relative
3 near-term issues.

4 And one which was a big one, the duck curve, I
5 want to touch on that for a bit. Because I think we're
6 kind of conflating ZNE with the duck curve in a way that I
7 don't think actually matches reality and could lead to some
8 unintended consequences.

9 So I think first, like where we are right now.
10 This is supposed to be a huge over-gen year. Our snow pack
11 is at 160, otherwise at its peak 164 percent of average.
12 What we've seen thus far this spring, as of April 15th, was
13 a maximum of 1.8 gigawatts of curtailment at any one time
14 from solar. We have 18 gigawatts on the system. At most
15 of that generation we've curtailed 10 percent and I think
16 that's been on four days. Most days, it's several
17 percentage points of the potential solar generation getting
18 curtailed.

19 It was referenced to August curtailment. We have
20 to remember there's system curtailment and then there are
21 transmission constraints that can cause a random
22 curtailment. We don't have duck curve issues in August.
23 We have duck curve issues in a handful of spring months.

24 Now if we kept moving towards our climate goals,
25 because we know we have to be 60 percent renewable by 2030

1 RPS, plus everything we have to do to meet SB 32 goals,
2 we're going to keep putting more on the system. But we're
3 also going to have to do other things that will integrate
4 those renewables. We have to do all the electrification,
5 the regionalization. Right now, when we're curtailing, we
6 have all these thermal generators, some of which aren't
7 dispatched by CAISO running. It's the reason why the
8 renewables are getting curtailed. It's because the thermal
9 generators are running, some of them not responding to the
10 market.

11 So part of the duck curve can be electrifying all
12 these loads, part of resolving the duck curve. But we're
13 really conflating two issues here by saying that the
14 decision on ZNE should be driven in significant part by
15 considerations of the duck curve.

16 So anyhow, a lot more to discuss, we will have
17 extensive written comments I'm sure. But thank you for all
18 your work on this and for hearing me out.

19 MR. SHIRAKH: Thank you.

20 Noah?

21 MR. HOROWITZ: Good morning, Noah Horowitz with
22 NRDC. I want to re-echo the comments from my colleague,
23 Pierre Delforge, and add another one -- that we support the
24 shift to the EDR-based system. We think it's an elegant
25 way to move forward. You have one square where you have to

1 meet it with just the efficiency. And you're eliminating
2 the tradeoff to make sure the building is efficient
3 throughout the whole day and we think that makes a lot of
4 sense and we're very supportive of that. Then there's the
5 second score one needs to achieve, as I understand it, with
6 the PV being installed.

7 So one question that we didn't talk about, and
8 maybe we talk about this after lunch, I'm not sure, is what
9 if the site is not deemed suitable for the installation of
10 PV onsite? Do you need to make it up elsewhere with the
11 within the community or other measures in the home? And
12 also, what would be the definition if a site is deemed
13 unsuitable for installation of onsite PV? Let's make sure
14 early in the process there's a definition that's shared.
15 And that needs to be airtight, otherwise that could become
16 a huge loophole that's gamed. Thank you.

17 MR. SHIRAKH: So what they haven't shown here,
18 which is not quite ready, is the prescriptive language for
19 the PV and with all the exceptions that we're thinking
20 about. So we're going to deal with some of the scenarios
21 you suggested through that language and the exceptions.
22 That, you know, for instance if you're building where there
23 are redwood trees all around and it's shaded, I mean it
24 can't require PVs, right?

25 So we're thinking about some other scenarios

1 where you cannot have a standard language that's impossible
2 to meet in some situations. So we have to find and either
3 create exceptions for them or some of variations that you
4 just mentioned through community solar or things like that.

5 MR. HOROWITZ: Will you be able to cover that in
6 the May 23rd meeting?

7 MR. SHIRAKH: Yeah, I'm hoping, yeah. The
8 question was if that language would be available at the May
9 23rd meeting and the answer is yes.

10 MR. BLUNK: Hi. Just one more comment, Scott
11 Blunk here.

12 But just by and large, I want to say that the
13 statewide IOUs, through the residential new construction
14 teams that we work with support this change going toward
15 the EDR and all of the 2019 codes and we've wrapped them
16 into our new construction programs. And I guess I should
17 clarify, I don't speak for all of the IOUs, but they all
18 have kind of agreed to adopt this methodology in our new
19 construction program, and we're supporting it. So any
20 communication moving forward, we'd love to work with you
21 and help move the code in that direction. So thanks.

22 MR. SHIRAKH: Thank you, Scott.

23 Questions? We want online questions, too.

24 MR. ZIMMERLY: Yeah, Brian Zimmerly with Tesla,
25 just a quick question about the PV plus battery. I'm

1 wondering about how we might get questions answered about
2 how you assume the control of the battery that was
3 operated? Obviously, that asset is really dynamic and we
4 want to understand or make sure that the full value is
5 being benefited as it's shown here.

6 MR. SHIRAKH: Right, we have -- Zach, can you
7 answer that?

8 MR. MING: Yeah, so just briefly, the TDV is
9 essentially an hourly price, is one way to think about it,
10 and so there's 8760 (phonetic) different hourly prices that
11 the model has. And the battery is more or less being
12 dispatched to arbitrage those prices, where it's charging
13 during the cheapest hours and discharging during the most
14 expensive hours. And then obviously there are constraints
15 such as the maximum capacity of the battery, round trip
16 efficiency losses, and such.

17 So that's broadly how the battery is being
18 dispatched. There is some logic where we can show you
19 specifically some of the more detailed algorithm for how it
20 does that, but it's pretty simply just arbitraging some of
21 those hourly values.

22 MR. ZIMMERLY: Okay. Yeah, and that makes sense.
23 And I think part of my question is do we assume that the PV
24 array is serving onsite loads first and then charging
25 battery, or vice versa? Because that would sort of impact

1 how much battery utilization you would have and how much
2 benefit you could realize in those sort of peak PV periods.

3 MR. MING: Right. So how they are, depending on
4 the rate structure that's assumed, the battery does have
5 some different rules that it has to follow. One of the
6 rules that the battery always follows is that it cannot
7 charge from the Grid directly. It can only charge from the
8 PV output.

9 MR. ZIMMERLY: Right.

10 MR. MING: As far as the hourly values that it's
11 seeing, that it's using in its sort of optimized dispatch
12 decision, that's dependent upon the rate structure. So in
13 some rate structures exports are less valuable or more
14 valuable. And so it can change its decision about whether
15 to export to the Grid or save that energy to offset its own
16 load later in the day. And those depend on the three rate
17 structures that we looked at.

18 MR. ZIMMERLY: Got it. Excellent. Thank you.

19 And just one follow-up, I wanted to comment on I
20 think it's the slide with the various columns about the
21 sort of optimized battery use in sort of a utility dispatch
22 scenario. And one thing I just wanted to comment on there
23 is that I understand that an optimal utility optimized
24 dispatch of the battery would significantly improve the
25 benefit and potentially reduce the size of the required

1 array size. But it's worth commenting that the fact of the
2 profile of the Grid, we might consider sort of
3 incentivizing a larger PV array to maximize the benefit of
4 that storage to create stranded value in the battery
5 itself.

6 So for example, if you have some of those PV
7 array sizes were as low as in the ones and two kilowatt
8 hour range. You may be actually stranding some of the
9 value of the --

10 MR. SHIRAKH: The PV size is we're talking about
11 is much larger than that. It's basically, for mixed-fuel
12 homes we're talking this range, three to four, that's the
13 mixed-fuel. And all-electric it's a little bit larger, so
14 we're not talking about one or two.

15 MR. ZIMMERLY: Okay.

16 MR. SHIRAKH: Those aren't going to be -- it has
17 to be if you put a one kilowatt system into the software,
18 you're not going to get anywhere close to the ZNE.

19 MR. ZIMMERLY: Yes, I can't remember the sizes
20 exactly, but I think the general point is that you may be
21 actually to utilize those larger array sizes there in
22 column four and five, with the battery and sort of even
23 further improve your grid harmonization.

24 MR. SHIRAKH: Yeah. Again, this whole discussion
25 is for Reach Codes, so what we're defining here is the

1 minimum that they can put in and how much credit. If
2 people want to put in another kilowatt on top of that we're
3 not going to give them credit here, because they've already
4 hit a score of zero.

5 MR. MEYER: This is Christopher, I think just one
6 thing I might clarify, on one of the slides Mazi was
7 presenting multipliers over the normal system that could
8 work cost effectively if you added a battery. So some of
9 those 1.2, 1.8, those are multipliers rather than the PV
10 size.

11 MR. ZIMMERLY: Yes, got it.

12 MR. SHIRAKH: This is the multipliers we're
13 talking about beyond what's needed in Part 6. That if you
14 oversize by this amount and then add some DR strategies,
15 you can get to a score of zero.

16 MR. ZIMMERLY: Thank you.

17 MR. SHIRAKH: You've got one more chance.

18 MR. STONE: One more chance this morning, all
19 right? Nehemiah Stone, Stone Energy. I'm going to make a
20 comment that you've heard before and at the risk of pissing
21 you off, I'm probably going to make it every time.

22 You need to be looking at what works for multi-
23 family differently from single family. And here's the
24 examples from what came up this morning. PV costs are
25 different. You put up costs there that it's around \$3.50

1 per watt. Well, for multi-family, because it's larger
2 systems, fewer inverters, the cost is down to about \$2.50 a
3 watt. Gas infrastructure costs are different and I'm
4 hoping that you do include those in the cost effective
5 analysis. You'd have to look at those differently for
6 single family and multi-family.

7 Site PV availability is different, a lot of
8 multi-family projects will not be able to have the same
9 amount of PV per square foot as single family would.
10 Storage costs are different and indoor air quality is a
11 much different issue. So I want to urge you again -- and I
12 will until it seems to make a difference -- to look at
13 multi-family differently, have a different set of
14 requirements for multifamily than single family.

15 MR. SHIRAKH: No argument, Nehemiah.

16 Can we go to someone on the line?

17 MR. WICHERT: So this is RJ Wichert of Building
18 and Standards office. I'm going to go ahead and read a few
19 of the online questions and then we have a few verbal
20 questions as well from online.

21 The first is from Mark Gallant. "How did you
22 achieve the 4.02 margin for the water heating?" This is
23 earlier on in the presentation, Mazi.

24 MR. SHIRAKH: .02 for water heating?

25 (Off mic colloquy.)

1 MR. SHIRAKH: So I modeled this one, I think with
2 a -- this is a mixed-fuel home. And I think I modeled it
3 with a condensing water heater. Again, this is just for
4 demonstration purposes, but I tried to put more efficient
5 features here. So you know you can see the proposed EDR is
6 slightly lower than the standard design and the difference
7 is the water heater. I put a condensing instead of a
8 standard tankless.

9 MR. WICHERT: So our next question is from Micah
10 Mitrosky, "Will some of these concepts be being proposed
11 from the residential sector carry over into the approach
12 for commercial ZNE?"

13 MR. SHIRAKH: The answer is some of them might --
14 yeah, my answer is yes. I don't know which ones though.

15 Yeah. I mean the general approach I think is
16 going to be the same in between both that the goal would be
17 to maximize self-utilization and minimize exports back to
18 the Grid. I think those are the most cost effective
19 scenarios and with the least amount of impact on the Grid.
20 But the specific strategies could be different.

21 For instance, while EV is not a very good match
22 for residential, perhaps because most of us are not there
23 during the day, but we all drive to a building and that's
24 where we can plug in our EVs. So this could be actually a
25 pretty good strategy for avoiding exports to the Grid for

1 non-res.

2 But many of the things will be the same. We'll
3 be looking at energy efficiency first. We've been
4 improving non-res energy efficiency over the years, but
5 because we've been so focused on 2020 ZNE we've kind of let
6 it go for a couple of cycles. But we need to revisit some
7 of the U-factors for envelope. And some opportunities for
8 air conditioning is a big load in non-residential buildings
9 and funding strategies to limit those loads.

10 MR. WICHERT: So our next comment is from Charles
11 Eley, "The DOE common definition of zero energy buildings
12 towards EV charging is exported energy. The energy is used
13 offsite."

14 And then we'll go to the verbal comments. I'm
15 going to go ahead and call on Rachel. I'm going to unmute
16 you now. Ready? Great, go ahead, Rachel.

17 MS. GOLDEN: Great. Thank you. This is Rachel
18 Golden. I'm here representing the Sierra Club members in
19 California. I appreciate the presentation today and all
20 the work that went into it. I found it very helpful and a
21 very clear presentation on what's a pretty complex topic.

22 Our membership feels very strongly that if
23 California makes progress de-carbonizing the Grid, that
24 it's essential that our building codes keep pace with these
25 developments. And ensure that California's buildings

1 really transition to increase peaks of high-efficiency
2 electric technologies, particularly for water and space
3 heating, in order to support renewables integration and to
4 help mitigate curtailment through thermal energy storage.

5 I think it makes sense that EDR doesn't penalize
6 electric buildings by requiring more PV. But more than
7 this, I think that we really hope that compliance can be
8 designed in such a way as to actually incentivize electric
9 buildings over mixed-fuel buildings given the significant
10 climate efficiency environmental and cost benefits of
11 electric buildings.

12 And overall within the constraints of Warren-
13 Alquist, our membership wants to see the Energy Commission
14 make greenhouse gas emissions a more predominant metric for
15 code compliance, in order to better align with our state
16 climate goals.

17 I also wanted to add that I agree with the
18 gentleman earlier who said there's a need to include the
19 full cost of gas in the cost-effectiveness calculations.
20 But add that it's also important to include not just the
21 gas connection costs, but also an adder for the cost of
22 upgrading natural gas infrastructures, the cost of methane
23 leakage and accidents like Aliso Canyon.

24 We also have several concerns about how TDV is
25 calculated and the use of gas as a reference fuel, but

1 we'll provide these concerns in our written comments.

2 Thank you.

3 MR. SHIRAKH: Thank you.

4 MR. WICHERT: So our next verbal online question
5 is Sean Armstrong. Sean, I'm going to unmute you now. Go
6 ahead.

7 MR. ARMSTRONG: Hello, everyone. Thank you very
8 much for an excellent presentation this morning. I noted
9 when you were going through your slides, Mazi, that you
10 have as the space heating fuel, gas. And you were also
11 choosing, it seems consistently even for an all-electric
12 building, to say that gas is available on the site even if
13 gas is not plumbed into the building. And that is not in
14 accordance with how investor owned utilities charge a house
15 that has electric space heating. They have a separate
16 tiered rate that's twice or sometimes three times the
17 baseline. And therefore are larger amounts in all the next
18 tiers.

19 I don't understand why, in today's environment,
20 that is the current default. And why the language you have
21 there in the CBECC-Res table itself you're saying is gas
22 available onsite is the definition. Whereas for a utility
23 that definition is, do you actually have an electric space
24 heater or do you have a gas space heater as your primary,
25 or exclusive more importantly, space heating choice?

1 That's true for PG&E, SDG&E, SCE.

2 I don't see harmonization between the actual rate
3 that's charged and the definition of how that rate is
4 charged. And what seems to be the same choice that you
5 have within CBECC-Res and within EnergyPro, which uses
6 different language. And within CBECC-Com, which also uses
7 different language. It seems that if you were to support
8 language that allows people to say there is no gas
9 delivered to the space heating, which then sets up a
10 different -- in the real world, an entirely different rate
11 structure, that would support electrification profoundly.

12 We do this all the time now, because we realize
13 that this is an important real-world impact of electric
14 space heating. And so we make sure that our CBECC-Res and
15 CBECC-Com -- if we can in CBECC-Com -- we make sure that it
16 shows electric space heating as the gas not available.

17 We get fantastic compliance. We get the highest
18 compliance results that you can get. We get up to 50
19 percent in residential and over the 2016 code. You can't
20 get that far with gas appliances at all.

21 Now, that is also true in the real world, when we
22 studied in the real world actual rates we've found that
23 all-electric homes with the highest efficiency electric
24 devices, which are cost competitive with the 95 to 98
25 percent ASU and energy factor tank -- in that circumstance,

1 the real world bills are lower. And this actually matters
2 to all the load up of housing developers and the tenants
3 that we serve, which now is up to 6,000 residences that we
4 helped. And of those about 1,500 have been working
5 electrification, either to their the new construction or
6 through retrofit. This is the cheaper way for low-income
7 residents to power their homes.

8 So I think it's important on a social justice
9 perspective. I think it's important for accuracy. And I
10 think it's also a very simple solution that would show
11 electric houses as having better TDV values and being more
12 cost effective, which is true. And so I think that one
13 little toggle would harmonize it with the real world and
14 the language that supports that little toggle, that button.
15 That is an important solution for you to focus on.

16 I thank you for hearing those thoughts.

17 MR. SHIRAKH: Thank you, Sean. We'll look at
18 your comments and we'll have a response, appreciate your
19 time.

20 Any others? Go ahead, sir.

21 MR. CAIN: Joe Cain with SEIA, so several
22 speakers and commenters have mentioned that -- you know,
23 brought us back to the idea that AB 32 is about carbon
24 reduction. And one really good way to reduce carbon is to
25 power homes with sunlight, power transportation with

1 sunlight.

2 Years ago, Amory Lovins published a book called
3 "Reinventing Fire." I think we are pretty much at that
4 stage right now in that we need to reconsider everything.
5 I know that a lot of us, several of us in this room that I
6 see, have been doing this on this standard for over 30
7 years. But I think it's time to open our minds to a
8 substantive change.

9 And in Bill's comment about -- and I hear others
10 of course -- this is about efficiency and it's about a
11 building and it's about just this little constrained
12 system. The question is if the scope becomes outdated,
13 based on carbon goals, is it time to rethink the scope? Is
14 it time to re-invent fire?

15 And so for instance when I hear a lot of
16 conversation about -- I ask the question of if the furnace,
17 the water heater, the condensing unit, the cooling coil,
18 are those part of the building? And I generally hear the
19 answer, "Yes." But those same people that would answer
20 that question with yes, if you ask them if a PV system is
21 part of the building, they'll say no. It's just something
22 that we kind of want to push it away and push it aside. We
23 like it, but we don't want it to get into our code.

24 And so I'm asking to reconsider everything. And
25 for instance the LCCA, I know we're bound that that by the

1 legislation and it does not include carbon. You know, the
2 CBECC, and I heard a comment today about whether CBECC
3 should include carbon. I know the LCCA has changed before.
4 I know that legislation has changed before. Is it time to
5 rethink how we address that we should not be based only on
6 costs, the life cycle cost to justify things?

7 We've been talking about ZNE for residential for
8 a decade now, and by 2020. In that decade, building
9 science has changed dramatically and that decade cost of
10 renewables has changed dramatically. In that decade we've
11 now got energy storage systems ready to be installed. And
12 so if we push out -- what I'm going to advocate is let's
13 not go almost zero or almost ZNE and push it out to what
14 might be the next cycle. Or next cycle we might say we
15 need to push it out another one again. So I'm kind of
16 asking let's not kick the can down the road.

17 I know that there's some serious technical issues
18 to be resolved, but I think that if we find the political
19 will to resolve those questions we've got a lot of smart
20 people in the room and a lot of people that are paid to
21 solve problems. I think these are solvable problems.

22 And if we push out residential beyond 2020, what
23 do we think about commercial? Is it 2030 or is it not
24 2030? Should we believe what we've been hearing or should
25 we not believe what we've been hearing? We have heard

1 Governor Brown say that California will remain the industry
2 leader even when the federal government is not. So I'm
3 going to say that let's keep that leadership and let's keep
4 pushing and working hard.

5 So like I say, the scoping thing, I think that we
6 might even consider a change in scope for the book. I've
7 seen that happen with other books. So I've even seen title
8 changes of standards when they improved the scope. So
9 let's rethink all of that during this next couple of weeks
10 and on through the development process.

11 I want to say that SEIA is very supportive of
12 quality envelopes and building efficiency. But we are also
13 very supportive of builders having a choice to find the
14 most cost-effective solution. And so I know that we can
15 show that HVA and HVEW is cost effective. I know you've
16 said today, you've shown that solar renewables, PV
17 specifically, is cost effective.

18 When you get to a certain point in the envelope,
19 and you're somewhere on that curve of diminishing returns,
20 the question I would ask is which option, as an incremental
21 change, is the more cost effective solution? And I've
22 heard through multiple venues all over the nation, "Well,
23 we don't want any tradeoff to weaken the envelope, to allow
24 any weakening the envelope."

25 We're now talking about, in my opinion, not the

1 difference between a good envelope and a bad envelope. I
2 think we're talking about the difference between a very
3 high-quality envelope and a very heroic envelope, to where
4 we're super-insulating. And I know there's value there in
5 some cases, but I think I also advocate for builder choice.
6 And so which is truly cost effective, when do those curves
7 intersect?

8 And also again which -- when you're looking at
9 which is more cost effective between heroic insulation
10 measures and renewables, which are pretty easy to do --
11 which one reduces carbon in addition to reducing energies
12 at the meter?

13 And the last thing I will say is let's not forget
14 about solar thermal. It still exists. We've got CFI
15 thermal. I know that our focus is on PV, but I just wanted
16 to go put in that last little reminder that solar thermal
17 is still there and that industry still survives and hanging
18 on by a shoestring. But we could do something to work on
19 bringing back thermal. Thank you.

20 MR. SHIRAKH: Thank you. No other comments
21 online? Okay.

22 So what's next? Do you want to break for lunch
23 or come back?

24 MR. MEYER: So this is Christopher Meyer. That's
25 a question we have for people. We have the next talk is

1 going to be fairly short, because it's really focusing on
2 2016 Local Ordinances. Ken Rider worked a lot on this and
3 we just want to sort of bring it into the fold on what
4 we're doing, so it's a fairly short presentation and there
5 might be some questions on it. So if you guys want to just
6 power through it, I know --

7 MR. SHIRAKH: I think the presentation is short,
8 but I think the follow-up Q&A may not be that short,
9 Christopher.

10 MR. MEYER: Yeah, and it just depends. Because
11 it's like we will remind people that there will be
12 additional workshops on the 2019 Local Ordinances and also
13 Part 11 Reach Codes that'll come later in the process, so
14 this is not intended to be that workshop. This is really
15 just talking about a model local ordinance that will help
16 local jurisdictions adopt PV ordinances during the 2016
17 cycle. To sort of be those incubator programs to what
18 we're trying to ultimately get on all houses in the 2019
19 Standards.

20 So if people are comfortable, we can do that now
21 and even if we have a little later lunch and then people
22 can get back to where they need to go. Or if people need a
23 lunch now, we can break for lunch and then have that short
24 session afterwards.

25 MR. SHIRAKH: Myself too, I --

1 MR. MEYER: Do you guys just want to break until
2 noon and then we'll stop or just take ten minutes if you
3 just need to stretch your legs? So why don't we come back
4 about 5 until noon, 11:55, and then we'll keep going.
5 Thank you.

6 (Off the record at 11:47 a.m.)

7 (On the record at 12:05 p.m.)

8 MR. MEYER: Hello, everyone. We'll get started
9 again on this. As I said this is related to the 2016
10 Building Energy Efficiency Standards and Local Ordinances.
11 This is an effort that actually came out of the Renewable
12 Energy Office with help from Marshall Hunt over at PG&E. A
13 lot of work from Davis Energy Group, Misti Bruceri, I
14 believe, and Associates.

15 But yeah, Ken Rider put a lot of effort into
16 this. And since it falls under our purview in Building
17 Standards to make a review on these local ordinances, it
18 just made sense to bring it into our house and work with
19 him on this and support it. So only 20 of my slides here
20 are in conflict of what he wanted to and complained about
21 it. Sorry, I'm just messing with Ken.

22 But okay so a lot of these are sort of high
23 level. I'll go through them fairly quickly, but those of
24 you who have heard me talk about local ordinances before, I
25 recognize basically the value of local ordinances incubator

1 programs for things that we'd like to do in the future.
2 Things that may not have been cost effective or didn't work
3 in enough climate zones, so it was hard to sort of
4 incorporate them. But a lot of the locals who understand
5 what their citizens would like to do, where their interests
6 lie, what their climate zone that they're in, they
7 sometimes run into solutions that are very elegant and work
8 locally. And it's great for us to see those happen and
9 sort of see the successes, so we can learn from them. And
10 it gives us actual real data to base future codes on,
11 rather than anecdotal information from different
12 stakeholders.

13 So as I said whether you call them a Reach Codes,
14 or Local Ordinances, there is a slight difference. It's
15 like you have things that will go into sort of Part 11,
16 CALGreen and things of that nature, that'll be different
17 than the Reach Codes at a local ordinance. This is more
18 helping the local ordinances find ways of easily adopting
19 PV ordinances, in this case.

20 And cost effectiveness has been a big hurdle in
21 some cases and so the effort that these gentlemen and
22 ladies did was instrumental in making that an easier
23 pathway to a simple ordinance that is cost effective in all
24 the climate zones.

25 So basically in the past, just like we've seen

1 some net focus on efficiency at the core of solar, we saw
2 recently with Santa Monica that they went actually towards
3 full ZNE, so we're going to be watching that to see how
4 that works down in the Santa Monica area.

5 One thing that's like people sort of they talk
6 about the Energy Commission having to approve these local
7 ordinances. It would probably be more correct to say that
8 they've been approved already on a local level, but the
9 Energy Commission has the responsibility to make a finding
10 that that ordinance demonstrates a reduction or diminution,
11 or however you want to say it, in energy consumption over
12 the standards. So we don't actually look at all of the
13 minutia of those. We really focus on the local ordinance
14 and how it impacts energy consumption.

15 So we'll go through some of this fast, because
16 Mazi and others talked about these briefly, but there's a
17 lot of things that our building codes -- it'll focus on
18 efficiency of the building. Also sort of through TDV, we
19 tried to capture some of the GHG concerns, but they're not
20 as emphasized in our code. So the local ordinances are
21 sometimes able to do these additional programs that take a
22 greater leap towards greenhouse gas reductions and other
23 local climate action goals, renewable energy goals.

24 Community choice aggregation is also a great
25 local thing that's harder for us to deal with on a

1 statewide level. So as we talked about the 50 percent
2 goals by 2019, and all those ZNE by 2020, these were some
3 really good aspirational goals that some of them were
4 developed a while ago.

5 Part of the reason it's harder for us to hit ZNE
6 in a realistic manner by 2020 is actually the success of
7 renewable energy generation in California. When you look
8 at back when these programs were being talked about
9 initially, the thought was if you put a PV system on your
10 house, anything of that nature, you're going to be
11 offsetting a highly pollutant old power plant, maybe a
12 peaking power plant.

13 In the intervening years, with the success of
14 large-scale renewables, and also the number of people who
15 put PV on their houses, the fact came up that you were not
16 having as much benefit as they anticipated back then. So
17 now we're trying to find a smarter way that takes
18 advantages of all those successes and looks for a future
19 that is going to minimize problems with those and with the
20 Grid.

21 So I'll thank CBIA. They gave me some updated
22 numbers, just sort of an estimate, from about 17 percent of
23 homes built in 2016 had solar components. I think it was
24 either 14 or 17, somewhere around there, but that's an
25 increase when it was only around 10 percent in 2016. So I

1 think we've sort of seen that market transformation whether
2 it's people at the utilities with incentives, people from
3 Solar City, others that have been really advocating this.
4 And we have the representative from SEIA here as well and
5 their membership has been pushing a lot on getting the
6 solar out there, which is why we're seeing like this very
7 large increase over just five, ten years ago.

8 So these are just some of the existing -- a lot
9 of you might be familiar, but I sort of lost a few over the
10 side -- and I think Ken, he put together a great
11 presentation that I've been very happy to crib from. So
12 some of you may have seen these sort of generally, but it
13 just gives you an idea that in California we have a lot of
14 local jurisdictions that are very willing to put a lot of
15 effort into going beyond the code. Because as you can
16 imagine we're setting up a code that is sort of what we're
17 saying this is the minimum you need to do. And we love to
18 see people take smart steps beyond that and see what can
19 happen.

20 And the solar ordinances -- as I said Santa
21 Monica made some big steps, San Francisco, Lancaster, San
22 Mateo and there's actually several others that we'll
23 probably see before too long looking at adding photovoltaic
24 to their local ordinances. And we're just trying to get
25 the best messages out there to them on how to do this

1 smartly, working with their local utility whether it's a
2 IOU, PIU or other, is just to make sure that they don't
3 start run into problems.

4 We have heard that some local jurisdictions with
5 PV codes have run into a few snags here and there with
6 their grid on having too much over-generation. So that's
7 something that we just want to make sure that we don't
8 exacerbate any of those problems.

9 So I think we've sort of gone through this
10 because, as I said there's a lot of local benefits,
11 economically for these things. And it also gives us some
12 great information to help us when we're developing our 2019
13 Building Standards to figure out what's the best and
14 smartest way to go forward from the information we get from
15 these programs. So we can jump through that.

16 So cost effectiveness is sort of -- there's some
17 really good studies. And once again I sort of thank our
18 IOU partners, Marshall's been wonderful on this, with PG&E
19 supporting us and the other IOUs as well in some projects.
20 Just to get this information out there, because anyone
21 who's done these understands that cost effectiveness can be
22 a huge hurdle for a city. It's not just the financial
23 aspect, it's what to do.

24 And they have -- the IOU Reach Code team has been
25 very good at reaching out and working with these people.

1 There are certain firms such as TRC that have also been
2 working with that group to provide good technical backup to
3 these local jurisdictions.

4 So these cost-effectiveness studies that go
5 through and look at these through all the different climate
6 zones allow a local jurisdiction to basically figure out
7 what is cost effective, without having to go and do
8 additional study. And the Energy Commission is looking
9 forward to start getting these out there. And what we'll
10 be doing after this is we'll be putting up on our website
11 the model ordinance that people can start reading and
12 making comments on that. And we'll look at getting a final
13 version out fairly soon.

14 And I was talking to Pierre from NRDC just before
15 this, this is really right now the study is PV. They
16 looked at photovoltaic and the cost effectiveness of
17 photovoltaic in the different climate zones. And so that's
18 where our focus is, because a local jurisdiction doesn't
19 have to do additional work to add that as a local ordinance
20 for a cost effectiveness standpoint. But if a local
21 jurisdiction wanted to go beyond, add solar thermal, add
22 green roofs, add something else, it's not that they have to
23 start from scratch. These studies provide a really good
24 foundation.

25 And you could have an additional piece on top of

1 that. It's just that would have to get funding and have
2 the work from someone who really knows what they're doing
3 to get that and add that on. And the Energy Commission
4 would be very supportive of other model Reach Codes that
5 have that same level of attention and detail and
6 professionalism that could then be shared with groups
7 across the state.

8 So, as I say, it's like here's a couple low-rise
9 residential new construction, non-residential is in
10 progress, and then there's some that just go for really
11 looking at very single items whether they're outdoor
12 lighting or non-res.

13 So this is, I think we've sort of talked about,
14 is just sort of we look at these proposed ordinances and we
15 really focus on did they go through the appropriate
16 process? Ingrid Neumann, she's our expert here, so she is
17 the one if you have any questions on our local ordinances,
18 she's our subject matter expert and has been wonderful in
19 helping people through the process.

20 So basically the process, as you can imagine, is
21 fairly simple. There's outreach that would go on to sort
22 of let everyone know that these things are available once
23 they're ready and then the cities can modify them. If
24 you're not sort of making so many changes it can affect the
25 cost effectiveness, there's not this idea that you have to

1 take this as a local jurisdiction whole hog and just take
2 everything good, bad and indifferent.

3 Changes are most likely going to be very easy to
4 make. And as I say, with a little bit of guidance, you
5 should be able to make those to really fit your local needs
6 without a lot of cost.

7 And then make this -- submit the application and
8 it's just a 60-day review process. Going into the future,
9 we might try to shorten that up a little bit, because these
10 things have already been through a local CEQA process at
11 the city. And we're really just focusing on the energy
12 consumption, not that all the level of detail of cost
13 effectiveness and CEQA process.

14 And one thing I really like about the way that
15 Ken and others set this up is they put a focus on energy
16 efficiency. That was always sort of the basis of when
17 you're really looking over at CALGreen, it was always this
18 idea that you hit that first, second tier, beyond what the
19 basic efficiency was in the building.

20 So the fact that it's really focusing on getting
21 better efficiency or at least meeting the basic efficiency
22 before you start adding PV. It ultimately gives you a
23 smaller size. It protects the consumer a little bit
24 against other problems. So if you have a really good
25 envelope, then you can add all the PV you want. But you'll

1 get the most bang for the buck of every kilowatt hour from
2 that system.

3 So really at this point we're focusing on new
4 residential, low rise. So this isn't as Nehemiah alluded
5 to, that when you get into multi-family, you get into high-
6 rise especially, there's a lot of other concerns. There's
7 also different costs of it, because you have some economies
8 of scale that need to be addressed in that, and we do
9 understand that.

10 And for Greg and others who know all this stuff,
11 building officials have the job of looking at these things
12 and determining if you really need exemptions. If we're
13 not looking at doing anything ridiculous with either
14 promoting these local ordinances or our standards, we don't
15 want to encourage people to try to get exemptions to take
16 down heritage oaks or redwood trees. Or to get exemptions
17 to build housing developments in protected farmland just to
18 get solar access. So these things have to be well thought
19 out. We don't want to save one resource at the expense of
20 several others.

21 So these are just -- in looking at how we put PV
22 into the code for 2019 Mazi, Bill and I and others, spent a
23 lot of time just going around and trying to figure out what
24 are the challenges that we need to address and think about
25 to make sure that these are well-crafted ideas? And some

1 of them, they transfer over to these local ordinances as
2 well. Just a question of where is NEM compensation going?
3 Worst case scenario something happened, are we looking at
4 things that are still going to be cost effective to the
5 consumer? And E3 did a lot of work on that and gave us
6 some comfort in the fact that even if we get a less solar-
7 friendly NEM compensation, that these would still be cost
8 effective if they were sized appropriately.

9 The biggest thing that I think I've talked to a
10 lot of you about in different cases is the lack of
11 coincidence to load and generation. And that's that whole
12 thing of, I worry when we start talking about things in a
13 mathematical or an accounting standpoint. As I've said
14 before it's looking at 8,000 kilowatt hours produced and
15 8,000 kilowatt hours consumed over a year, gives you a
16 picture of yes, you've hit that net, but what actual impact
17 was that home to the system? Was there any coincidence
18 between when that behind-the-meter PV was generating and
19 when it was being consumed?

20 You add electric cars or pools or other things
21 and it can get different. But that's where we started
22 really focusing on looking at storage load following demand
23 response. Any sort of strategies that would maximize self-
24 utilization. So we sort of encourage local jurisdictions
25 to really think about self-utilization when they're

1 crafting their policies.

2 And just trying to get that message out to people
3 that when you produce a lot of generation in the middle of
4 the day that you don't consume, and you're pushing that out
5 to the Grid infill, no big deal, 1-2 percent of houses, no
6 big deal. But when you start to get into larger levels of
7 these houses or if you just happen to be at the end of a
8 circuit that is already overwhelmed with all sorts of other
9 high intensity uses, we start running into problems.

10 So you might have a community that's fine. You
11 build it out and then all of a sudden you add whether it's
12 retail, other high end uses, restaurants that are
13 supporting that community, you can bump your grid up to the
14 point where it has harder time dealing with that over-
15 generation through the transformers and conductors.

16 And you can get to the point where it's not just
17 an easily swapped-out conductor. There might have to be
18 significant system upgrades. And basically the way that
19 NEM is written, those system upgrades become socialized.
20 So it's not the people adding them all the time, it can be
21 people in more disadvantaged environmental or economic
22 situations who have to help bear the cost of that systems
23 upgrade. And we're trying not to basically solve our
24 problem trying to go to ZNE and hand it off to the PUC to
25 have them try to figure out figure out how to manage the

1 Grid and the ISO as well.

2 So those are some of the things that we're trying
3 to make that we're thinking about. And we talk to these
4 different agencies and different stakeholders, everyone
5 from the home builders to the solar industries to the
6 battery manufacturers to ISO, to the PUC and others, so
7 that we understand what situations they might be dealing
8 with.

9 And also, as was brought up earlier, there are
10 other solutions within this building, dealing with electric
11 charging. We have to be aware of those efforts as well so
12 that we're not all either looking at the same item to solve
13 our problems or creating problems for each other.

14 So the system sizing, when we started looking at
15 this and we start looking at where we're going for 2019,
16 these are very conservative compared to where we're going
17 in the future. These are about 80 percent.

18 So we basically looked at them and found that
19 these were not going to be having requirements, minimum
20 requirements like this, we're not going to be creating
21 problems based on what we are seeing in our standards.
22 Because they're not going above the electric generation
23 onsite to get people into NEM problems. So it was just a
24 very simple one.

25 This is just to sort of give you an idea of

1 offsetting the electrical in a 2,700 square foot home.
2 This is just a very generic model home and based on some
3 work E3 does. So you're looking at fairly small systems
4 here. So the systems that they're talking about are not
5 getting up into areas that are big problems. And you don't
6 run into problems with the compensation on NEM. I won't go
7 into a lot, because Mazi did a good job of talking about
8 that.

9 Current Rule 21 that's with the PUC as far as how
10 much you can interconnect, they're allowed up to two watts
11 a square foot, which is really based on an old inefficient
12 house. If you put two watts a square foot on a 2016 house,
13 you're really going to be over-generating, because the
14 houses now are so much better as far as energy consumption.
15 Even when people go down to Costco and get an 80-inch
16 television set, they still should be able to be under two
17 watts a square foot.

18 So basically the sizing whether you're 80 percent
19 electric load or do a performance-based modeling, you're
20 going to protect yourself against over-generation.

21 So and this is just sort of thankful to all the
22 people that have really worked on this. And as I say, I
23 just came in at the very end to put a tie on it. And stand
24 up and talk about this stuff, but really Ken and others
25 have done the yeoman's work on getting all this stuff

1 pushed through and we appreciate that.

2 So we just want to get this out. Get some
3 comments on it. It'll be posted today, so that people can
4 start looking at this. And see if it really meets the
5 uses. And if people have ideas on how to improve it,
6 that'd be great to know if there are things that can be
7 done just to make it more universally available, that'd be
8 great to hear from people on that.

9 So we're looking at the draft document getting
10 out now, if you get comments to us, and then upsided
11 version, you know, links on the website, so people can find
12 this information, find anything else. We're going to be
13 trying to get that up in June or July of this year.

14 So we'll put up a note there. But if people can
15 get comments back on this thing within 30 days or so,
16 that'd be helpful for us to figure out where to go and
17 luckily Ken is here and he can help with questions, any
18 general comments.

19 Or please actually, Ken, is there anything you
20 can add to that? Because I know I did a very soft of quick
21 overview.

22 MR. RIDER: No, thank you -- well, I do have some
23 things to add -- but thank you very much for that
24 presentation, Chris. I think you covered the main points.

25 I just kind of want to emphasize that this is a

1 tool for local jurisdictions who are really interested in
2 doing a solar ordinance, to do so in a way that really
3 aligns also with state policy. So as you heard earlier
4 from Mazi, solar is cost effective. A lot of local
5 jurisdictions have kind of realized that and wonder why are
6 there new buildings being built without it then? And so
7 they're really interested in doing, for carbon reasons and
8 for just cost saving reasons, want to see homes with solar
9 on top.

10 So what this is, is providing a tool for a local
11 jurisdiction to kind of enable them to do that in a way
12 that really kind of aligns with what's going on with the
13 rest of the state too. So I think that's all I would add.

14 MS. DIFRANCO: Hi, so Rachel DiFranco, City of
15 Fremont. I just want to say a lot of thanks to Ken and
16 the folks at the CEC, Ingrid, and also to Fayrahn
17 (phonetic) and the Air District for working on this. The
18 City of Fremont actually has been part of the drafting and
19 review of the documents.

20 And so we're the first out the gate to take this
21 model ordinance and actually bring it to our City Council.
22 We brought it to our City Council Tuesday night and it was
23 approved. We did make a few small tweaks to it and so I
24 just wanted to talk through a couple of considerations for
25 the model ordinance.

1 So Fremont's in Climate Zone 3, as is most of
2 the Bay Area. We use the prescriptive system sizing and
3 then a percent TDV for any buildings over 4,500 square
4 feet.

5 What we looked at was really the fact that we
6 have a lot of new residential development in Fremont,
7 coming over the next few years before the next building
8 code update cycle. And so we really wanted to make sure we
9 were aligning with what the 2019 code might be. And really
10 trying to get solar on a lot of this new residential
11 development before we missed the boat. So we were looking
12 at how could we do this in a way that would be easy enough
13 from a implementation perspective and would align with what
14 the state is doing? Thinking about 2019 and also being
15 able to utilize the cost effectiveness study that was
16 already done, so we weren't having to do it on our own.

17 We looked originally at what some of the other
18 cities had done, under the 2013 Building Code cycle. And a
19 lot of them had required a watts per square foot PV
20 requirement between one and one-and-a-half to two watts per
21 square foot. Some of them looked at residentially only,
22 some of the addressed non-residential as well.

23 And we were almost ready to go in our 2016
24 Building Code Update and then we heard about what the
25 Energy Commission was doing with the model ordinance. So

1 we decided to hold off. We did adopt a couple of other
2 Reach Codes related to non-residential lighting and also
3 related to electric vehicle readiness. And so those were
4 filed with the Building Standards Commission and the
5 California Energy Commission. And this model ordinance for
6 solar was approved by City Council on Tuesday night. And
7 now will have to go for a second reading and go through the
8 process of filing with the state agencies as well. So
9 it'll probably be effective in I don't know, maybe about
10 four months.

11 But a couple of considerations is in the
12 mandatory requirements for solar ready buildings in the
13 2016 Code there were some exceptions. And that said if you
14 already have the soft of minimum solar system size, then
15 the readiness requirements don't apply to your building.
16 And we said well we want to think about these fact that
17 these are minimum system sizes. And a resident going into
18 a new building may decide that they want to have an
19 electric vehicle as well and they want to supply that
20 electric vehicle with energy from their PV system. They
21 may want to expand the PV system that comes equipped on
22 their new home.

23 So we looked at how can we incentivize that? How
24 can we make sure there's still solar readiness, even with a
25 minimum system size. So we included the solar readiness

1 requirements for any of the solar area required under the
2 CEC code section that addresses that.

3 And then in addition we wanted to make sure that
4 our residential development would be addressed pretty fully
5 by this ordinance. And so we do have a lot of units coming
6 in over the next handful of years that are above three
7 stories, so going to four and five stories. So we included
8 residential occupancies in Group R1, R2 and R3. So that
9 was pretty much anything five stories and below.

10 And then finally I just want to mention there
11 were a couple of other considerations that we built in. We
12 said that at the earliest feasible time, after the
13 prospective purchaser is identified, the developer or
14 builder shall provide the option of an expanded system size
15 beyond the minimum mandatory system requirements. So that
16 gives the resident or prospective purchaser that option to
17 expand the system size.

18 And then also to accommodate for future system
19 expansion, the developer or builder shall provide for an
20 interconnection pathway as detailed like I said, under the
21 solar readiness requirements. And then the applicant is
22 encouraged to utilize micro-inverter or other equivalent
23 expandable technologies in the initial system design.

24 And that they are encouraged to design as an all-
25 electric building energy system to accommodate for the

1 greatest possible building energy use offset through the
2 use of solar PV.

3 So if anyone has any questions about that, I have
4 a couple of copies of the draft ordinance. And it's also
5 available in the City of Fremont. If you go to our agenda
6 from the April 18th Council meeting, you'll find my staff
7 report and the ordinance attached there.

8 MR. MEYER: If you want to give that to us, we
9 can actually put it on the docket as well.

10 MS. DIFRANCO: Sure. Does anyone have direct
11 questions for me, no? Thank you.

12 MR. RIDER: I just want to congratulate you on
13 the record for getting that done.

14 MS. BROOKS: Hi. I'm Allison Brooks and I'm
15 Executive Director of something called the Bay Area
16 Regional Collaborative. And we help coordinate the four
17 regional agencies in the Bay Area: Air District, MTC, the
18 Metropolitan Transportation Commission, the Association of
19 Bay Area Governments and the Bay Conservation Development
20 Commission.

21 And we've been working with Ken and have a set of
22 partners working on -- we're very interested in supporting,
23 as regional agencies, a cohort of jurisdictions in the Bay
24 Area to help them move through a process in passing solar
25 ordinances. And I want to commend Rachel's great work.

1 Freemont is a leader on this and we want to get a lot of
2 other cities on board and pass this in a relatively quick
3 timeframe if we can.

4 I think it would be great to have more of a sense
5 of urgency on moving through this process. And I would
6 encourage you, maybe if you could provide some set times.
7 It's kind of unclear what the process is for accepting. We
8 have a whole set of questions we're going to submit via the
9 system, not right now. And just having some clarity on the
10 process for comments and when that revised draft will
11 actually be completed. You give a kind of a vague June,
12 July timeframe.

13 And I guess I'm just encouraging some sense of
14 urgency around -- the Air District just passed a really
15 visionary audacious Clean Air Plan. And they're interested
16 in working with jurisdictions in the Bay Area in
17 particular, to help meet these aggressive energy targets
18 that we have. And I think we all need to be trying to work
19 a little quicker.

20 But I want to thank Ken for his partnership on
21 this.

22 MR. MEYER: Yeah, I appreciate your comments. We
23 wanted to give enough time for people to have substantive
24 comments and actually get them in. We also realize that
25 sometimes people like to read other people's comments and

1 then fill in the blanks they thought were missing. But if
2 people think that a two-week comment period would be
3 acceptable, we could always move that up. But we wanted at
4 least put out like a more reasonable timeframe for people.

5 Unfortunately, also there's a sort of a
6 coincidence between this and some other 2019 Building
7 Standards work that we have to make sure that we balance.
8 But if people are interested in a quicker comment period
9 and sort of getting on to this faster, we can definitely
10 look at that.

11 MS. BROOKS: (Off mic) I don't know if
12 (indiscernible) feedback is being incorporated into a new
13 revised draft, and what that timeframe might be?

14 MR. MEYER: Yeah, I'll have to check Ken's
15 schedule to see how he's doing. (Laughter.)

16 But no, the idea is just like once we see the
17 comments, we'll look at how substantive they are. If it's
18 something that we can very quickly more forward on, that
19 would be our intent. But we don't want to set an
20 artificial timeline where if there are some really good
21 ideas brought up, that we want to actually take to
22 fruition.

23 We don't want to cut things out because there
24 just wasn't time in it. But it's definitely something we
25 see as essential, because every local ordinance that goes

1 through with PV that we can learn from before our standards
2 become effective, it's one more piece of information that
3 gives us a better product at the end.

4 So did anyone else want to speak on the floor? I
5 know I think Pierre and Nehemiah had wanted to talk as
6 well. So does one of you want to jump up or is there
7 anyone else? Okay. We have some online as well, so okay.

8 MR. DELFORGE: Pierre Delforge in NRDC. I'd like
9 to commend the Commission, and Ken in particular, and all
10 staff for bringing together this model ordinance. I think
11 this is a great initiative that we completely support. It
12 provides an opportunity for city leadership, a glide path
13 towards ZNE, and its cost effective homeowners an
14 opportunity to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in a way
15 that saves people money on their bills.

16 What we'd like to propose in the same spirit is
17 an extension or maybe a companion approach for doing the
18 same thing for solar hot water. The Commission's proposal
19 focuses on offsetting most of the electricity used in a
20 dual-fuel building. But that does not address the energy
21 used for water heating and space heating, which is
22 basically natural gas mostly in California, which is
23 responsible for a similar amount of greenhouse gases in
24 California, as all the electricity used by residential and
25 commercial buildings in California.

1 So it's the other side of the coin or the pie, if
2 you want, that is not being addressed. And we think this
3 is an overlooked opportunity as there are cost effective
4 technologies available today to provide significantly lower
5 carbon heat in buildings, particularly with heat pumps,
6 compared to current natural gas systems.

7 So we propose to add a renewable water heating
8 provision to either this or a separate model ordinance,
9 which could be met with a number of options. It could
10 either be met through heat pump water heating and
11 additional PV, or through solar thermal. Or even just
12 through additional efficiency from the whole building
13 perspective without any incremental water heating
14 requirements, other than code.

15 The heat pump option would consist of a high
16 efficiency electric heat pump water heater instead of a gas
17 tankless water heater and additional panels to cover the
18 annual energy use of the water heater. And it's the
19 combination of that heat pump, plus the additional PV that
20 makes it a unique opportunity to make it very cost
21 effective for homeowners, because the cost of PV
22 electricity is cheaper than the cost of grid electricity.

23 So basically it means powering that heat pump
24 with cheaper electricity. And our current analysis, we've
25 done a preliminary analysis, the IOUs and the Davis Energy

1 Group, and (indiscernible) I want to thank them very much
2 for working on this. And they will do more rigorous and
3 in-depth analysis, but our preliminary analysis indicates
4 life cycle savings on the order of 10 percent over the life
5 of a 30-year life. Source energy reductions by 30 percent,
6 and a greenhouse gas reduction by 50 percent for water
7 heating energy.

8 And again that's roughly the half of the gas use
9 in residential buildings in California is for water
10 heating. So this is a really significant opportunity to
11 reduce greenhouse gases and an opportunity for city
12 leadership. And the additional benefit in addition to
13 energy efficiency of greenhouse gases is, as we talked at
14 length today, is the Grid stability and duck curve and
15 renewable integration.

16 So our proposal is focused on water heating,
17 instead of all-electric buildings just because water heater
18 is a load barrier to overcome. There's no -- as Bob -- oh,
19 he's still here -- it probably has less consumer acceptance
20 challenges, because a water heater is a water heater.
21 People don't really care what water heater they use.

22 And but, of course, builders would be completely
23 free to build all-electric if that's one of the most cost
24 effective ways to achieve that local code. And it's very
25 likely it would be more cost effective, given the gas

1 connection fees costs that are involved.

2 So we will refine our proposal and cost analysis
3 and submit it as part of our comments. And we also look
4 forward to seeing the ROU analysis that will provide a
5 climate zone by climate zone cost effectiveness and
6 compliance analysis. So we encourage the CEC to consider
7 this de-carbonization opportunity for Reach Codes and local
8 government leadership. Thank you.

9 MR. MEYER: Thank you very much, Pierre.

10 MS. DICARLO: Good afternoon, Yvette DiCarlo,
11 with the Bay Area Air Quality Management District. As our
12 regional partner, BARC had mentioned, we will be providing
13 some more detailed comments and there was a lot to think
14 about this morning. So of course we're going to refine
15 those a bit.

16 Just a few points I wanted to make in terms of
17 today's discussion, is a few things that we were hoping
18 would be included in the analysis that there may be
19 opportunity for, are major renovations. Not just new
20 construction, but where can major renovations be included
21 in this, as well as commercial.

22 When we talked about EV readiness, that was such
23 an important point today about charging during the daytime.
24 But we didn't see commercial in here and hope that there's
25 no opportunity to include that as well. We'd like to see

1 thermal included, solar thermal.

2 Some of the definitions, like TDV and standard
3 test conditions hopefully could be a little bit more
4 clarified, and they may have been in the updated version.
5 I'm not sure. I was just looking at a previous version.

6 And also some accountability for natural gas that
7 was mentioned earlier in terms of including those avoided
8 costs.

9 We'd also like to better understand is this
10 intended to be more streamlined for local governments. And
11 we assume that there's going to be flexibility, just like
12 Rachel was able to take advantage of, so what's the cost
13 effective threshold for any modifications? How is that
14 going to be accepted by the CEC when those come forward?

15 And also, because we're up against the 2019
16 Standards, it takes while for local governments to bring
17 these forward to their councils, so is this going to be
18 upgradable? And do you see this being upgraded in the next
19 year or two years when those come about. So those are just
20 some general questions and comments for today.

21 MR. MEYER: Okay. So thank you very much

22 MS. DICARLO: Thank you.

23 MR. HUNT: Marshall Hunt, Pacific Gas and
24 Electric. Thank you, Chris, for recognition of our good
25 work and I'd like to also recognize the statewide Reach

1 Code team. Chris Kush of SCE, is our leader. And I'm very
2 happy that he takes over the leadership from Javier
3 Mascowl. (phonetic) Others in the team, or course, are
4 SoCalGas and San Diego Gas and Electric. LADWP joins us.
5 Plus we have guests like Barry Hooper from San Francisco
6 and then we have staff support from Misti this year. And
7 it's very good that this team has been working together as
8 long as it has. We'll be having a website up soon.

9 And Misti, when do you think that will be, the
10 website?

11 MS. BRUCERI: We are hoping within the next
12 couple of weeks, but I will say by the end of May at the
13 very latest.

14 MR. HUNT: Okay, the end of May, and it will be
15 local ordinances.

16 MS. BRUCERI: Local energy codes.

17 MR. HUNT: Oh, thank you, local energy codes. So
18 we hope to continue our good work and thank you for your
19 recognition of it.

20 MR. MEYER: Thank you, Marshall, and thank you,
21 Chris, for coming up.

22 MR. NESBITT: George Nesbitt, HERS Rater. A
23 couple of cautionary tales, the City of Berkeley has long
24 led a building energy conservation ordinance that was
25 hopelessly out of date, so they required less than the

1 energy code for upgrades. That's assuming they actually
2 enforced it.

3 I had a customer who I figured she spent about \$2
4 million on an addition remodel of her house. The City of
5 Berkley didn't enforce their energy conservation ordinance.

6 The City of Oakland has had a green building code
7 ordinance, or a green certification ordinance for years
8 now, the problem is they enforce it at the planning level.
9 And it's not enforced at the building department level.

10 So as a green rater, I could charge people. I
11 could have actually used the same form, just changed the
12 address, charged them hundreds of dollars, and it wouldn't
13 have matter, because no one cared. I just figured my soul
14 wasn't worth that.

15 So, and of course we have lots of issues with the
16 energy code as it is, with enforcement. We know people
17 aren't pulling permits. But even when they're pulling
18 permits, building departments don't understand the code.
19 They don't enforce the code. Even as a contractor, I have
20 not been required to submit installation certifications.

21 MR. MEYER: No, thank you, George. And just to
22 echo, if people haven't heard it before, there's a lot of
23 discussion internally on sort of increasing compliance.
24 Because as you can imagine, all of you here and others,
25 spent a lot of time working in improving the building

1 standards, local ordinances, everything. And as a CEQA
2 NEPA guy myself, I spent years in both writing documents
3 and in compliance. There's nothing more frustrating than
4 spending years working on a project and having none of the
5 mitigation actually completed or completed correctly. So
6 that's something that we're looking at a lot harder here
7 and people are trying to find ways of increasing
8 compliance. So no, thank you very much for your comments.

9 Do we have anyone else? Okay. We have some
10 people on the phone.

11 MR. WICHERT: This is RJ Wichert, Building
12 Standards Office. So we have a couple of comments and then
13 we have a couple of verbal questions from online.

14 The first comment is from Neal De Snoo of the Bay
15 Area Air Quality Management District. He has a few
16 questions. I'll just go through them all and then I can
17 repeat them if we need to. "Can PG&E's model be made
18 available, so we may test different assumptions? Can it be
19 updated to incorporate the assumptions used in the ZNE
20 modeling from this morning? Will this model be updated
21 when 2019 draft codes are available, and who is doing the
22 commercial BC? When will it be available?"

23 I can repeat that if you want.

24 MR. MEYER: Oh we'll have to sort of punt on
25 that, on to PG&E. Ken, can you answer that one?

1 MR. RIDER: I wasn't sure if he was talking about
2 something from earlier or this in particular? We don't --
3 I mean, we have an energy use study that we have out there.
4 And the assumptions are going to be wildly available, but I
5 don't know if it talks about a model, but if you would like
6 to respond?

7 MR. HUNT: So there was a lot of questions. So
8 I'd please ask the questioner to contact me, mbh9@pge.com.
9 I'll work with a statewide team and our team to get those
10 questions answered. And if he has any other problems with
11 that email we can straighten it out, I'm sure.

12 MR. MEYER: Yeah, and I think there might have
13 been a little confusion.

14 When the 2019 Standards become effective, PV will
15 be likely required. This is sort of where we're proposing
16 it has to get all the way through our process and approved.
17 But local PV ordinances, it would at that point not be
18 necessary in the form they are now. So Reach Codes and
19 local ordinances are going to probably look a lot different
20 after 2020. So I think that, we would just sort of update
21 with a new model, based on where we're going at that point.

22 MR. SHIRAKH: Can I please answer that?

23 MR. MEYER: Yeah. Please, Mazi.

24 MR. SHIRAKH: It's Mazi again, as I have
25 mentioned after the 2019 Standards are adopted there's

1 going to be some minimum PV requirements. But most of the
2 Reach Codes will probably go beyond that to get to a lower
3 EDR target. So you know, the chances are larger PV systems
4 along with storage will be installed to meet the goals for
5 those Reach Codes.

6 MR. MEYER: Yeah, and as Mazi also spoke with
7 earlier, just we have to remember that bigger isn't always
8 better. Bigger can be much better if it's thought out well
9 with your utility, with your loads of those individual
10 houses, with storage, things of that nature. What we don't
11 want to do is have the inadvertent consequences of people
12 finding out from NEM compensation that their system is not
13 actually getting compensated at the rate that they had
14 figured that it was on their initial look. So that's why
15 we always want to be sort of cautious on the sizing.

16 MR. WICHERT: So next, we're going to be going to
17 Sean Armstrong. Sean, I'm going to unmute you now. Go
18 ahead.

19 MR. ARMSTRONG: Hello. Thank you very much. So
20 I am waiting for the all-electric Reach Code, model code
21 building to be presented. I think that we saw it in
22 comments almost universally that that is the focused
23 interest of everyone who's paying attention to AB 32, or
24 the variety of subsequent laws that have come afterwards.

25 So I continue to be surprised after all these

1 years of requests and urgings and legal coordination and
2 subsequent laws that today's presentation doesn't show what
3 an efficient all-electric building looks like. And while I
4 applaud adding PV to buildings, because that is my passion,
5 the Energy Commission's responsible for energy efficiency
6 first. And so I'm waiting for an energy efficient all-
7 electric building to be presented. And I think that adding
8 PV to a gas-powered building causes problems. And I'm
9 struggling to understand why that continues to be a focus
10 at all. Why is that something that people even study?
11 It's not important. We already know that we have to stop
12 using gas, all of it, everywhere.

13 So I really want to see the Energy Commission
14 respond to all of the requests for an all-electric building
15 type supported through Reach Codes in just the standard.
16 That being, I mean of course, the gas standard within the
17 code as opposed to an electric standard, which Rachel
18 Golden spoke to earlier.

19 So that's my basic comment. I'm disappointed in
20 the Reach Codes that are being presented. They don't solve
21 or address the legal goals that we have. I can't
22 understand why that it hasn't happened yet, but if anyone
23 needs support, of course, I'm here to help. But I really
24 think the Energy Commission needs to take leadership on
25 this. And it's past due.

1 MR. SHIRAKH: Sean, this is Mazi. I don't
2 understand the statement you just made that it's a building
3 shell (phonetic) made for a gas home? Can you explain what
4 that means? I've heard that a couple of times today.

5 We're proposing a set of standards for walls,
6 attics, windows and everything. And it could work for
7 either gas or mixed fuels, so I don't understand what kind
8 of distinction is there.

9 MR. ARMSTRONG: Well, I think that you guys have
10 made the distinction in two important places. One is in
11 setting a standard, so that we're always comparing against
12 the gas building. That is how you had it set up, not my
13 choice.

14 And the second place is, as I commented earlier,
15 with the assumption that gas is always available to the
16 building for space heating, specifically, which is a
17 mismatch with how buildings are built. But that is your
18 guidance still within the ACM is that if there's gas
19 anywhere, somewhere around, we're supposed to as CEAs say
20 that, that is providing gas to the space heating system.
21 When that's not necessarily not even remotely correct, from
22 a scientific perspective.

23 So I look at the thumb being put on the scales to
24 support gas buildings both as a standard, by not providing
25 an all-electric standard building for us to work with, for

1 a prescriptive code. You have a gas version, but not a
2 prescriptive code. I'm saying I don't see the support.

3 And I think that we could agree that you have not
4 presented today what an all-electric efficient building
5 would look like from a TDV perspective. What it would look
6 like if gas is not available to the building, which is a
7 totally legitimate situation out there for all-electric
8 buildings. It's support is what I'm asking for. For what
9 everyone is asking for as well, is all-electric buildings.
10 Show us what that looks like. Show us the cost
11 effectiveness. Show us the options, the technical
12 strategies.

13 MR. SHIRAKH: So it would be a building with
14 high-performance attics, high-performance walls with a heat
15 pump for a space heater and a heat pump for water heating.
16 Though currently when we model it like that there is a
17 slight penalty for the heat pump water heating. But we're
18 working to resolve that issue. Other than that --

19 MR. ARMSTRONG: But I have not heard you say that
20 you set the standard as gas not available for space
21 heating. When you run that analysis, all of your numbers
22 change, and you guys don't present that analysis. It's a
23 legitimate analysis. Rural areas around here, you have a
24 choice between propane water heating or electric water
25 heating. And people in rural areas that do not have

1 natural gas available to their buildings choose to have
2 electric heat pumps. It just happened last week for a
3 farmer that I'm a friend with.

4 In that real world scenario, you guys never show
5 it, but it'd also be relevant to bring it into the cities
6 where hypothetically natural gas is available on the
7 street. But maybe it isn't because it's a new construction
8 subdivision. Where is the analysis showing us, if we don't
9 put gas in the street and it's not there in the first
10 place, what are the cost effective strategies? As an
11 efficiency measure.

12 MR. RIDER: Sean, if I could focus you here, I
13 don't think I understand what you mean in the local
14 ordinance context. So in this local ordinance we're
15 proposing, we're essentially saying comply with the 2016
16 Code, add PV on top of it. What would you propose -- the
17 PV sizing is static kind of like discussed earlier between
18 mixed-fuel home and electric home. What are you suggesting
19 you would like to see in context of a local, like a model
20 local ordinance? I'm not really clear on that.

21 MR. ARMSTRONG: Well, when you run your TDV
22 analysis of what is a cost effective amount of solar to put
23 in, you're not running it with the assumption that gas is
24 not available for space heating. When you do run it that
25 way, the domestic water heater is compared against the

1 propane 82 percent efficient water heater, in the TDV
2 standard. And it shows then terrific cost effectiveness
3 for putting in a heat pump water heater.

4 But you don't perform that analysis. That is
5 never in the slides. It's what I can show to all my
6 developers. It's what I show to building officials. It's
7 what I show to the CAT program and the California Multi-
8 Family Homes Program. We get fantastic compliance numbers
9 out of setting gas not available for space heating for an
10 all-electric building. And I have not seen that analysis
11 yet from the staff and I think that when you perform it, it
12 will show a whole other range of cost effectiveness that
13 comes out of it that will support the all-electric
14 building.

15 Do you understand what I'm saying?

16 MR. RIDER: I just don't understand it in context
17 of a local ordinance or a model local ordinance, which is
18 kind of where the discussion is right now. So I mean, in
19 terms of a local ordinance wouldn't adopt its own TDV
20 values or I just don't exactly what -- I understand what
21 you mean in a larger context, Sean, but just in the context
22 of a local model ordinance I don't understand your comment.

23 MR. ARMSTRONG: Well, the simple thing rather
24 than getting to the technical vis-à-vis, I think that there
25 should be a local ordinance that's a model from the Energy

1 Commission, that is an all-electric building.

2 MR. MEYER: Sean, this is Christopher. I think
3 as I said before, just as with the work that was done by
4 utilities, by Misty and others, to bring forth this PV
5 model ordinance, if they wanted to bring one that added
6 solar thermal, if they wanted to bring one that was an all-
7 electric option, the Energy Commission would be ecstatic to
8 see that. So we would support that local model ordinance
9 just as we support the PV ordinance that was brought
10 forward as a model.

11 We're just looking at the PV as the model
12 ordinance that we're talking about today. And future ones,
13 based on that would be just as welcome.

14 MR. ARMSTRONG: I hope that is the case. I just
15 don't look to gas companies to propose an all-electric
16 ordinance. And PG&E and SDG&E, which are both listed as
17 authors of this, and stood up to accept thank yous for it,
18 they are gas companies. And I've seen the presentations
19 from PG&E and SoCalGas arguing forcefully against all-
20 electric buildings and even solarization just in the last
21 calendar year.

22 So I'm not going to encourage anyone to look to
23 them for an all-electric code. I really was looking to the
24 Energy Commission staff to devote some energy to it,
25 because you've heard so many comments of people who are

1 asking for it.

2 MR. MEYER: Okay. No, thank you, Sean.

3 MR. ARMSTRONG: Thank you.

4 MR. WICHERT: So next we're going to go to Rachel
5 Golden. Rachel, I'm going to unmute you now. Go ahead.

6 MS. GOLDEN: Great, thank you. This is Rachel at
7 the Sierra Club. This is another great presentation, and
8 especially exciting to see the slides of all the cities
9 with Reach Codes across the state. We really appreciate
10 the Energy Commission and utility staff and other partners
11 for taking the initiative to develop this kind of tool to
12 help our local jurisdictions go beyond the 2016 code.

13 And we reviewed NRDC's proposal and we want to
14 voice support for it. And we believe it's important to
15 include renewable water heating in this model PV ordinance
16 or to create an additional PV ordinance that includes
17 renewable water heating. As (indiscernible) said in the
18 presentation, many cities are already moving forward with
19 solar ordinances in Reach Codes.

20 And by modifying this ordinance to include
21 renewable water heating, we feel that the Energy Commission
22 can really help cities think more ambitiously and go much
23 further than they may have gone, otherwise gone, given
24 their own staffing and resource and time limitations.

25 So we feel that this type of expanded PV

1 ordinance that includes renewable water heating gives
2 cities the opportunity for a new construction to achieve
3 greater, much greater greenhouse gas reductions and energy
4 efficiency improvements, while still being cost effective
5 across the climates zones. And we'll also support the deep
6 de-carbonization direction that our building staff really
7 needs to go into, to comply with our short and long-term
8 climate goals.

9 Thank you. And thanks to NRDC for taking the
10 lead in developing this proposal.

11 MR. MEYER: No, great. Thank you very much.

12 And just when people are putting their comments
13 in, just it might be helpful for us to give sort of an up
14 or down of what your feeling is as far as having one
15 ordinance, one model local ordinance that starts expanding
16 or just have additional pieces. So do we try to get more
17 analysis and add water heating in or do we get the PV
18 ordinance available as soon as possible and look at other
19 modules as adding to that?

20 So if you guys would give us some feedback on
21 that, I can tell you my gut says that we try to get the PV
22 one available as soon as possible. But Fremont doesn't
23 seem to really be worried about that, as I jest. But and
24 then go with additional ones after that, but we definitely
25 want to hear what people's thoughts on that are.

1 MS. DIFRANCO: If I could just respond real
2 quick? So from the perspective of Fremont we jumped the
3 gun, because we'd been waiting already a while on this. Ad
4 so we took the draft in their form and worked with what we
5 had to work with. And I would recommend not trying to
6 build in so much that this ends up extending out until
7 2018. And then soon enough, we're rolling up into the next
8 code cycle and it doesn't matter anyway.

9 For us, it was the most important piece was
10 getting this in as soon as possible, because there is an
11 administrative process that takes time before it's actually
12 effective anyway. So we won't be enforcing this probably
13 until August. And we have a lot of projects in the
14 pipeline that we want to try to make sure that this
15 ordinance will cover.

16 So for us that was the big piece. And I would
17 say that it really is important to think about all of the
18 efficiency pieces and how they overlap. And I think that
19 it lends itself to the bigger discussion of what we do with
20 the ZNE policy in 2019. But for this piece, in particular,
21 I would say focus on it being a PV ordinance. And at the
22 local level you can build in whatever you want, as long as
23 you can prove it's cost effective.

24 MR. MEYER: Okay, thank you.

25 SEIA?

1 MR. CAIN: Joe Cain, with SEIA. First, I would
2 say I haven't had a chance to review the language, but I
3 would certainly applaud the Commission and other
4 contributors to working and developing the model ordinance.
5 I think it's a really great effort and will be a very
6 valuable effort. I would also concur that though the PV
7 one would probably be of a top priority. And working in
8 something else, perhaps for thermal or energy storage,
9 whatever it else may be could be an incremental step after.

10 Also, I mean in terms again for thanking the
11 Commission for the things you've done. The solar ready
12 roofs, we were able -- I worked with other proponents to
13 move the residential solar ready roof into the
14 International Energy Conservation Code as an appendix
15 chapter that required talking the proponent into not giving
16 up after the first efforts and going to an appendix
17 chapter. And then in this last cycle, in the 2018, we have
18 solar ready roofs in the commercial IECC.

19 So this gives me -- the sooner this is developed,
20 the sooner we can start talking about what we might be able
21 to do on the national stage. So I know this is a
22 California meeting, but this is very helpful and I want to
23 thank you.

24 MR. MEYER: Thank you very much.

25 Nehemiah?

1 MR. STONE: Nehemiah Stone, Stone Energy
2 Associates. You're asking for up or down on the two
3 equations. I think it depends on your timing on getting
4 that second piece. I would support going forward as
5 quickly with the PV draft ordinance, as long as the water
6 heating one followed quickly behind it. If it's going to
7 take a long time, then I would prefer to see you do both at
8 the same time.

9 The other comment I wanted to make is I haven't
10 read what you've done. I haven't read the draft ordinance,
11 but the problem that George talked about is a real problem.
12 And that's that the local ordinance gets surpassed, as you
13 guys adopt the next code. And the local don't make that
14 change. I would strongly suggest that you put in your
15 model ordinance that this ordinance expires the day that
16 the 2019 Standards become effective.

17 MR. MEYER: Yeah, and (indiscernible) that's part
18 of our (indiscernible) --

19 MR. STONE: It's your responsibility to fix the
20 problem. (Laughter.)

21 MR. MEYER: No, thank you very much.

22 MR. STONE: I'm not Dictator, sorry.

23 MR. CHANGUS: Jonathan Changus with the Northern
24 California Power Agency, and I'm dangerously close to
25 speaking outside of my knowledge base, so I will attempt to

1 raise the issue as broadly as I can, for the purposes of
2 hoping to see some direction.

3 With regards to local ordinances and Reach Codes,
4 NCPA members and other POU's are in an interesting spot, as
5 being both government as well as utilities. And having an
6 interest of supporting a variety of state objectives when
7 it comes to climate change as you've heard me speak to
8 earlier.

9 I think what we've seen some challenges with
10 trying to adopt Reach goals that go beyond the codes and
11 standards are that they may try and go beyond the codes for
12 the purposes of GHG reductions. And based on your TDV
13 methodology, at least what we've seen previously, that does
14 discourage some all-electric or some electric end uses from
15 being able to go forward for the primary purpose of GHG
16 reductions, which we've been told numerous times are the
17 top priority of Chairman Weisenmiller, and what we're
18 trying to accomplish here.

19 And so I think there is a broader conversation
20 for those local utilities in which TDV doesn't necessary
21 pencil out for them on trying to go some electric end uses
22 in both new residential, but I think in a bigger issue
23 we're talking about existing. And I know the cost
24 effectiveness in the energy math there doesn't always work
25 out. But we have to come to some sort of agreement on how

1 we're supposed to then meet the state GHG goals. And make
2 improvements to the existing buildings to reduce their
3 carbon footprint, if it doesn't pencil out on our cost
4 effectiveness or our energy calculations.

5 Those are at conflict. And then our EE goals
6 ironically are in conflict with our GHG goals. And I don't
7 believe that's anyone's intention. And yet that's the
8 practical impact we're seeing, not only in some of the NCPA
9 member communities, but in some other ones as well.

10 So I don't have answers at this point. I will
11 work to provide some more detail in our written comments.
12 And look forward to a dialogue with other stakeholders as
13 well as the staff to see what can be done in those
14 circumstances whether it's a change fundamentally to TDV,
15 or if it's some flexibility on how you go about improving
16 some of those local ordinances. We'd really like to find a
17 common solution.

18 MR. MEYER: Great. No, thank you.

19 Yeah, basically just to say really quickly that
20 as you saw, how many local ordinances were passed that went
21 through local government. We just looked at the energy
22 diminution standpoint of it without this model ordinance,
23 both withheld from the utilities. You know, PG&E and
24 Edison, SDG&E and others just had worked with those people
25 to get the cost effectiveness done on very specific sets.

1 Some areas might have to go to that level. We're
2 not saying that we're looking at replacing all of that
3 independent work with this model ordinance. This is just
4 for a step stool to make that a little bit easier. But we
5 do recognize that there are some people that are going to
6 be outliers.

7 A little bit of a teaser, we are looking not for
8 this one, but for Title 24, Part 11 for 2019, looking at
9 giving local jurisdictions the ability to model what the
10 impacts at a higher carbon cost is. So we're looking at
11 that as an option that will be built in to the next go
12 around. So that people can look at if they want to have
13 what is a cost effectiveness, what are things, if carbon
14 was at \$250 or \$300 dollars per ton? And be able to look
15 at that for not Part 6, but for Part 11, for the Reach
16 Codes.

17 So that's something we're looking at building in
18 to the model, so that that allows local jurisdictions to
19 meet some of their climate goals. And it allows them to go
20 to places that are harder for us to go with the constraints
21 that we're under.

22 But we've been hearing a lot of that from Pierre
23 and others, and Martha's been helping us with puzzling
24 through some of those solutions. So we appreciate
25 everyone's working, but that's where we're going to be

1 going and we'll talk about that a little bit later in, on
2 our July workshop.

3 Is there anyone else who would like to speak? If
4 not, I just want to thank everyone. I know some of you
5 traveled a little bit to get here and that the
6 conversations have been very useful for me and I'm sure for
7 my staff as well, to help us focus in.

8 As I say, this is just a more of a 10,000-foot
9 overview of things. We're going to have a much more in-
10 depth conversation on EDR and sort of our 80 percent
11 progress towards the ZNE goals on March 23rd. (sic)

12 And then, as you'll see the schedule that has
13 published, it gives you all of the other subject matters
14 that'll be in the other workshops. And as I say it's like
15 towards the end we'll have a little bit more discussion on
16 the Part 11, Title 24 Part 11, in July. So again, once
17 again thank everyone.

18 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: We've already marched past
19 that. Never mind.

20 MR. MEYER: Yeah, no. I'm sorry, I meant to
21 meant to say May. I hope I did, but it has been known to
22 happen.

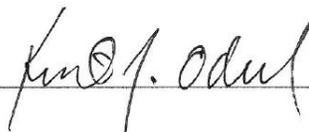
23 So thank you, everyone. Yeah, just get your
24 comments in as soon as possible and we'll start working a
25 way on those things and see if we can sort of push the

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