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## Title 24 2022 TDV Updates

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### Agenda

### + Updates to TDV Since Previous Workshop

### + Sensitivities to be presented today

- Retail Rate Adjustment in Electricity TDV
- Methane Leakage in Natural Gas TDV
- + Under Development: Refrigerant Leakage



## **Retail Rate Adjustment**





### + What is the retail rate adjustment?

- The retail rate adjustment component is included to build total TDV up as a cost test from the perspective of the building owner; it closes the gap between volumetric utility marginal costs and volumetric retail rate forecasts.
- The retail rate adjustment represents the fixed costs that are required to operate a utility.

#### + Does a "flat" retail rate adjustment mean that it is a fixed charge?

No, it is not a fixed charge. While the retail rate adjustment does not vary between hours, it is applied on a volumetric basis (\$/kWh). This reflects typical retail rate structures that recover fixed costs largely on a volumetric basis. If a building reduces its energy consumption by 25%, the total retail rate adjustment "costs" to the building will similarly decrease by 25%.

### + Why has the retail rate adder historically been "flat"?

 This spreads volumetric cost recovery for utility fixed costs across all hours evenly, similar to volumetric retail rate design. Even in hours where the marginal cost of electricity is zero or negative, retail rates still recover fixed costs based on volumetric consumption



- TDV is meant to represent a participant cost test and customer bill impacts, forecasted over a 30-year time horizon
- Actual retail rates vary significantly between utilities and over time, due to impacts from rate design principles, outlined in Bonbright's principles of rate design
- + TDV does not intend to predict retail rate design. TDV represents the forecast of a combination of the utility marginal cost of service plus the forecast of utility recovery of system fixed costs

### **Standard Rate Design Principles**

- 1. Recovery of the revenue requirement
- 2. Fair apportionment of costs among customers
- **3.** Price signals that encourage efficient use
- 4. Customer understanding and acceptance
- 5. Practical and cost effective to implement
- 6. Rate and bill stability
- 7. Provision of revenue stability
- 8. Avoidance of undue discrimination

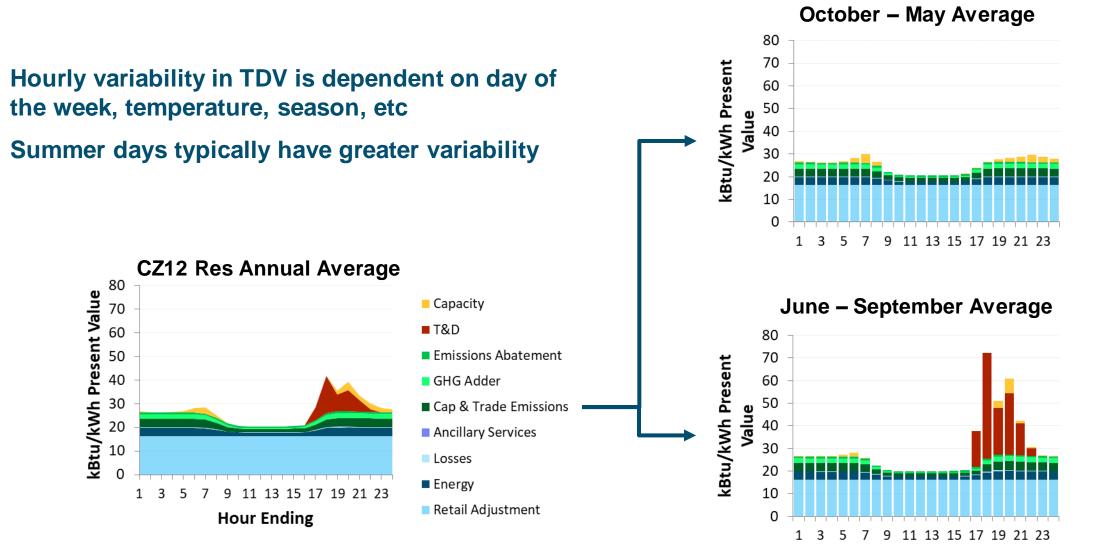
From Bonbright's Principles of Public Utility Rates

The challenge and complexity of rate design is that these principles are often in conflict with each other



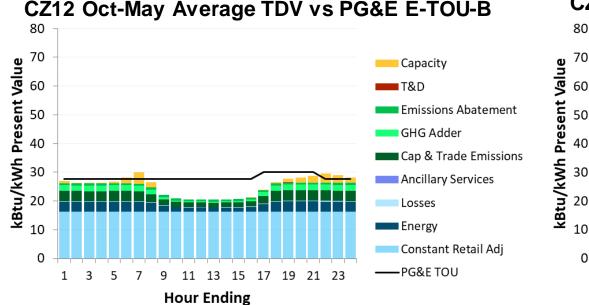
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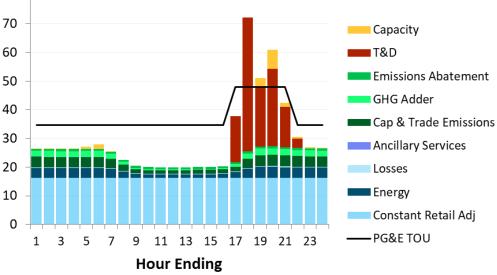




- + TDV has generally higher hourly variability than existing retail rates, including TOU rates
- + These charts show the average seasonal days. Note that TDV is an hourly metric, and many days have significantly greater hourly variation
- + Difference between low cost mid-day hours, and evening peaks provide signal for load shifting



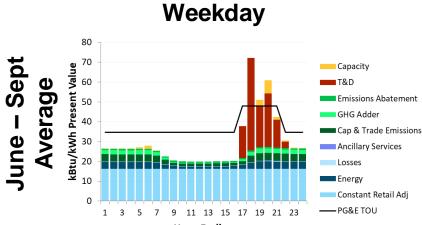






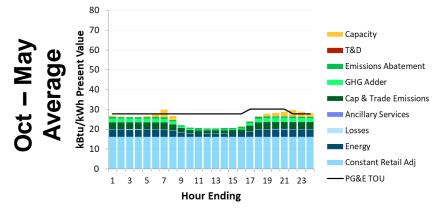
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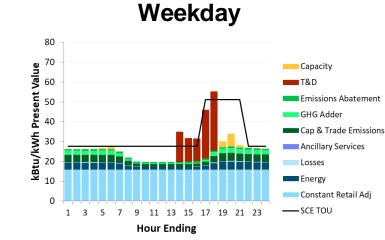
+ TDV with flat retail adder provides strong signal compared to existing IOU TOU rates



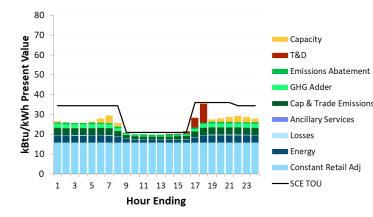
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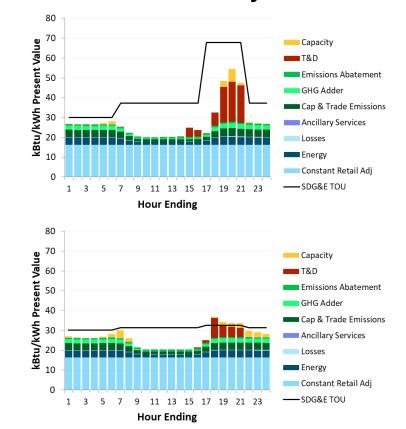




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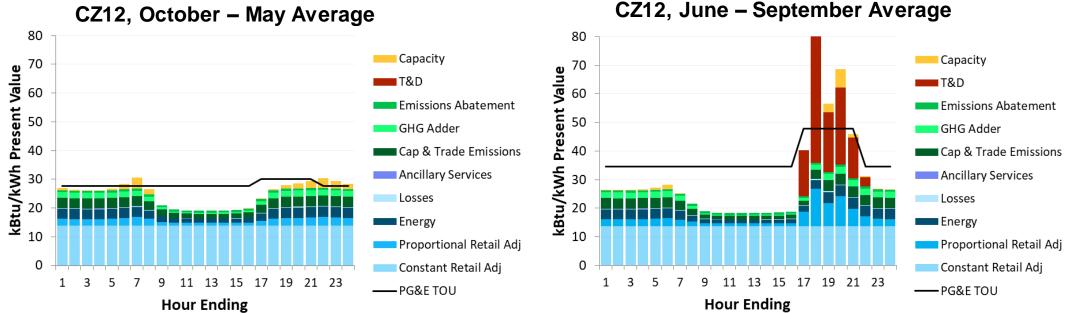
### CZ7, SDG&E TOU-DR1 Weekday





## **Partially Scaled Retail Rate Adjustment Option**

- + Stakeholders suggested scaling a portion of the retail rate adder to utility system costs that vary by hour, potentially enhancing the value of energy storage/load shifting while not overly diminishing signal for energy efficiency and photovoltaics
- This option proposes scaling 15% of the retail rate adjustment component to the hourly utility + system costs
  - 15% selected based on sensitivity analysis to balance impact on different measures •



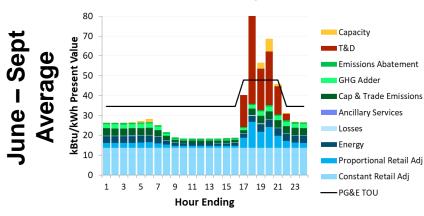
#### CZ12, October – May Average

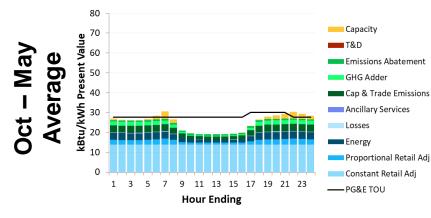
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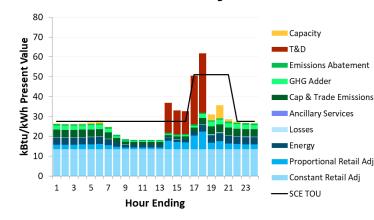
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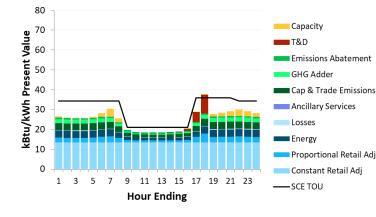
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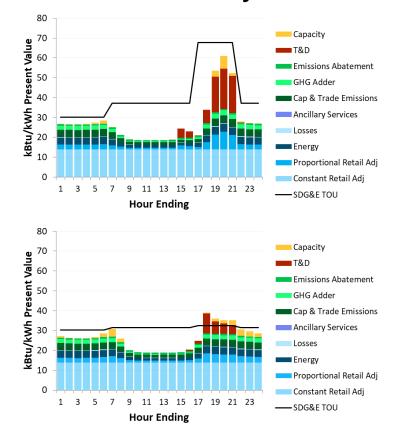


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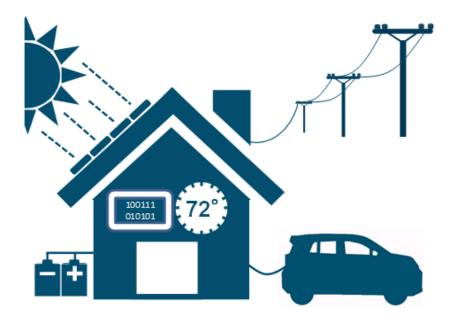
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+ Presentations from Bruce Wilcox, NORESCO will show results of various building design measures with Flat and 15%-Scaled retail adjustment





## **Methane Leakage Emissions**





## **Methane Leakage Sensitivities**

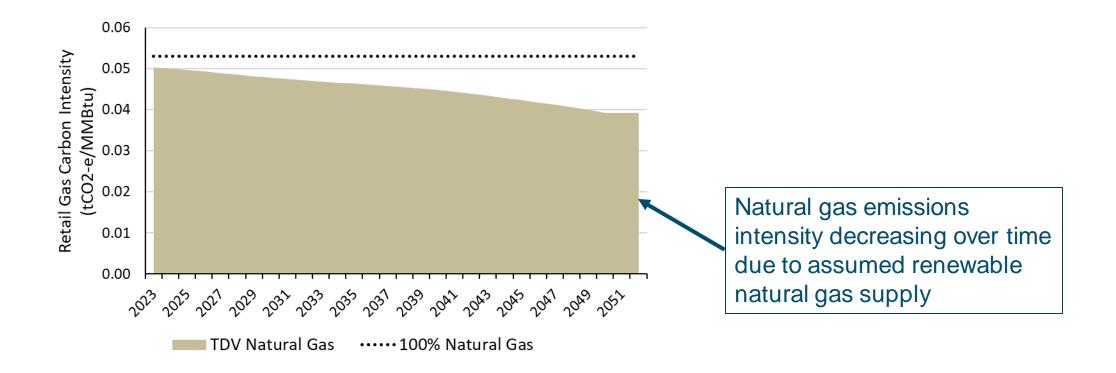
# + Two sensitivities considered on methane leakage

- Without Methane Leakage
  - This was how results were presented at previous workshop
- With Methane Leakage
  - Methane leakage included in emissions cost component of natural gas TDV





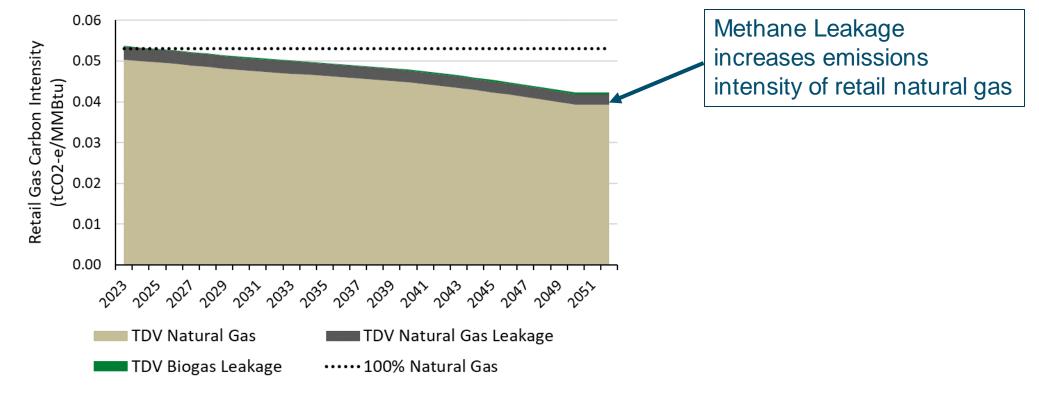
 Previously presented Natural Gas TDV results did not include emissions component of methane leakage





### + Leakage rate of 0.7% yields an increase in emissions intensity of 6.4%<sup>1</sup>.

- Emissions-related costs make up about 25% of annual natural gas TDV, so this yields a small overall impact
- + Biogas leakage in the gas distribution system is considered, but makes a minimal impact



<sup>1</sup>A100 year GWP of 25 converts to a factor of 9.1 for leaked methane on a per MMBtu basis. GWP is calculated on a mass basis: 1 kg of combusted methane yields ~2.75kg of CO<sub>2</sub> For explanation of conversion, see: https://static.berkeleyearth.org/memos/fugitive-methane-and-greenhouse-warming.pdf

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## **Refrigerant Leakage Emissions**





## **Including Refrigerant Leakage Emissions in TDV**

- Framework for including refrigerant leakage emissions in TDV is under development
- Important to include as non-combustion emission source along with methane leakage
- Including these emissions in the TDV framework allows a comparison of the total CO<sub>2</sub>-e emissions between all-electric and mixed-fuel buildings, and more importantly, incentivize the use of lower-GWP refrigerants
  - Low-GWP heat pumps (ex. CO<sub>2</sub> heat pump water heaters) are becoming available in the market and should get credit for climate benefits

### + To be determined:

- How to balance trade-offs of refrigerant choice with energy characteristics of building standards
- Is there a stable enough market for this to be included in TDV
- Are there redundant pathways to incentivize low-GWP refrigerants (ex. SB 1477 or ARB actions)



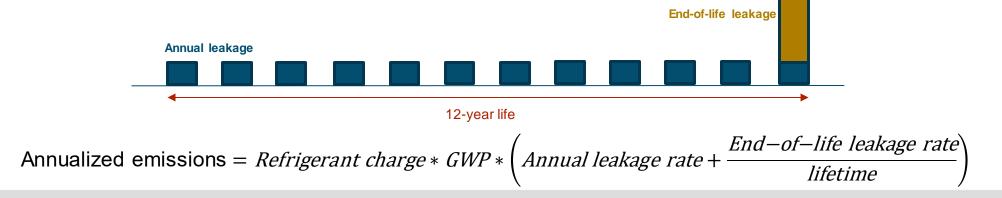


### + TDV impacts of refrigerant leakage can be calculated based on data available from California ARB

- Determine refrigerant leakage based on equipment type, sizing
- Compute the CO<sub>2</sub>-e of lifecycle refrigerant leakage based on established GWP factors
- Value in TDV in alignment other CO<sub>2</sub>-e emissions cost components, and add to the total building TDV score
- Reduction from the baseline refrigerant leakage would count as credits

### California Air Resources Board Refrigerant Leakage Database

Appliance	Typical refrigerant	Refrigerant GWP	Average refrigerant charge	Average annual leakage	Average end-of-life leakage
Central A/C	R410A	2088	7.5 lbs	5%	80%
Air-source ducted heat pump	R410A	2088	8.2 lbs	5.3%	80%
Heat pump water heater	R134A	1430	2.4 lbs	1%	95%
Heat pump clothes dryer	R134A	1430	0.88 lbs	1%	100%





## **Thank You!**

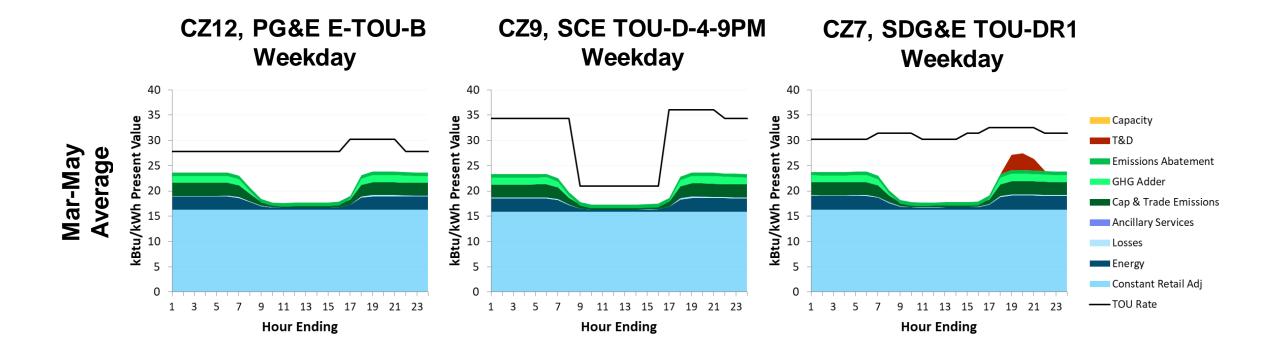






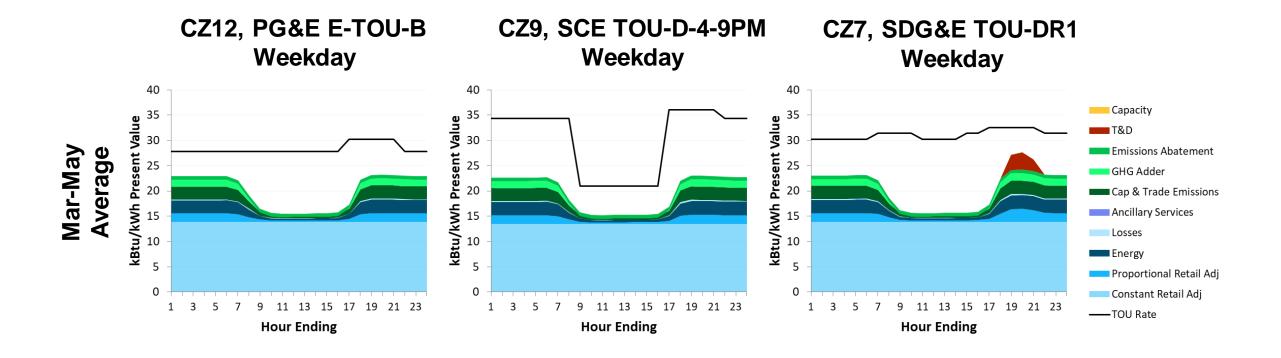


### **Spring Residential TDV vs TOU Retail Rate Flat Retail Rate Adjustment**





### **Spring Residential TDV vs TOU Retail Rate 15% Retail Rate Adjustment**





- Including refrigerant leakage in TDV provides strong signals for Low-GWP refrigerants, but has some limitations due to market availability
- + Some appliances, such as CO<sub>2</sub> heat pump water heaters, are currently available
- + Lower-GWP refrigerants for other appliances are available, but not yet commonly used in the US
- + The most promising near-term low-GWP refrigerant for use in residential heat pumps are <u>lower-GWP HFCs</u>, such as HFC-32
  - These refrigerants are generally mildly flammable, so different installation practices are required.
  - Fire Code and Mechanical Code currently don't allow mildly flammable HFCs
- + For other, smaller heat pumps such as water heaters, the most promising option is <u>HFOs</u>, which are similar to HFCs but have a very low GWP
- Another option being used in some places, such as Europe and India, is <u>hydrocarbons such as propane</u> – but have flammability issues

#### Low-GWP refrigerant alternatives

Refrigerant	GWP	Appropriate for
HFC-32	675	HVAC Heat Pumps
HFO-1234yf	4	All heat pumps except HVAC
R-290	3	All
R-744 (CO2)	1	All heat pumps except HVAC



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## **Previous Workshop Slides**





### **Previous Workshop**

### + Title 24 2022 Time-Dependent Value Development

- Background
- Policy Framework
  - AB32, SB32, SB100
- Scenarios
- + Draft TDV Values
- + Draft Source Energy Metrics
- + Non-combustion emissions
  - Refrigerant gases
  - Methane



## **Time-Dependent Value (TDV) Background**

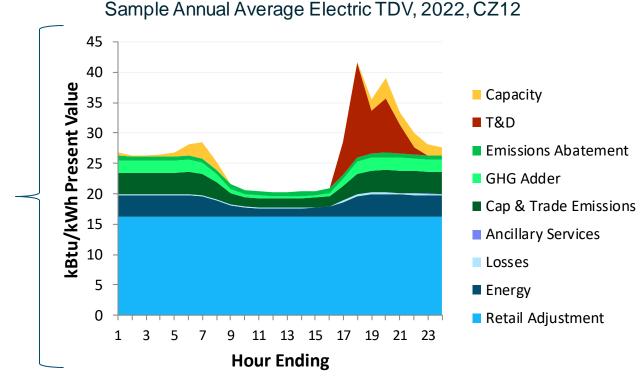




### What are TDVs?

- + The TDVs are a long-term forecast of hourly electricity, natural gas and propane costs to building owners and are used for cost-effectiveness activities in Title 24 Building Code
- + The TDVs answer the question of what is cost-effective in the long term, as required by the Warren-Alquist Act

- Time-differentiation reflects the underlying marginal cost of producing and delivering energy
- Area-correlation reflects underlying marginal cost shapes correlated with each climate zones weather file



Similar for natural gas and propane



## What are TDVs used for?

### + Two main uses for TDVs

- 1. Cost-effectiveness analysis in the CASE studies (Codes And Standards Enhancement studies) used to adopt new building measures in the prescriptive standard
- 2. Code compliance for buildings that wish to vary from the prescriptive standard using the ACM (alternative calculation methodology). TDVs are embedded in California Building Energy Code Compliance software (CBECC)



#### + Why do we use statewide average electricity and natural gas retail rate levels?

• With this approach, the code has similar overall stringency statewide and there can be similar construction practices across the state. Note that there are still variations for climate.

### + Why don't we use the actual retail rate structures that are in place?

- We want the building code to be relatively stable over time and from cycle to cycle, the TDVs reflect a 'perfect' marginal cost of service which is a long-term signal for retail rates
- By using the underlying system marginal costs we are reflecting building measures that provide the greatest underlying value to the energy system, even if retail rates are flat or have a different time of use period



## **Frequently Asked Questions (2)**

### + Why are the units of TDV in kBtu/kWh and kBtu/therm if they measure cost-effectiveness?

- The TDVs are calculated in lifecycle dollars per unit of energy (\$/kWh, \$/therm) in each hour and climate zone in California
- For the building code compliance, they are converted to different units of kBtu/kWh and kBtu/therm using fixed multipliers



### + What are the source energy factors used for?

 Beginning in the 2022 Title 24 code cycle, the CEC is considering adding an additional metric to measure source energy. The source energy metric would be used to set a maximum source energy consumption in the building. This is complimentary to the measurement of cost-effectiveness.

#### + Why include non-combustion emissions?

Beginning in the 2022 Title 24 code cycle, the CEC is considering adding the effect of high Global Warming
Potential (GWP) gasses including refrigerants and methane leakage. With the interest in heat pumps, this allows
greater compliance to be placed on low-GWP options and potentially better leak-prevention and disposal.



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## **TDV Policy Assumptions**





## **California's Deep Decarbonized Future**

- + By 2020: return GHGs to 1990 levels (AB 32, 2006)
- + By 2030: 40% below 1990 levels (SB 32, 2015)
- + By 2050: 80% below 1990 levels (EO B-30-15 and EO S-3-05)
- + By 2045: Carbon neutrality (EO B-55-18) not included

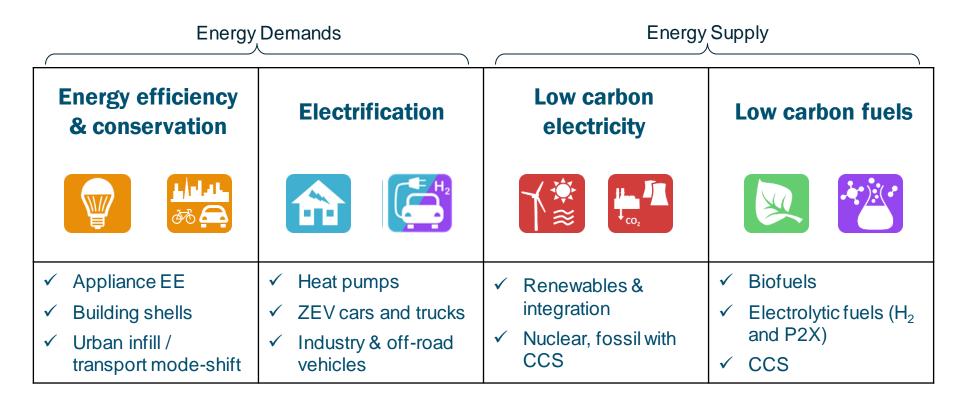
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California Historical GHG Emissions and GHG Scenarios





- + New Buildings will exist in the future energy system which is fundamentally changing
  - Demand-side; efficiency, electrification of buildings and vehicles, storage
  - Supply-side; renewable and decarbonized generation, biofuels





## **Major Policy Targets**

### + Major policy included in Title 24

- California electricity sector targets set by SB100 to achieve 60% RPS by 2030, and 100% decarbonized by 2045
- California emissions reductions goals AB32 (1990 levels by 2020), SB32 (40% below 1990 levels by 2030), 80 x 50 (80% below 1990 levels by 2050)
  - We have not included Gov. Browns Executive Order for statewide carbon neutrality by 2045

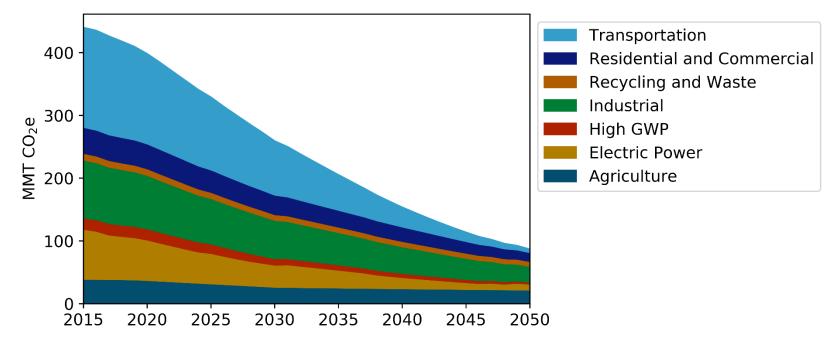
### + Key Input Assumptions to reflect the policy landscape

- Assumes a statewide economy that meets 2030, 2050 emissions reduction goals
- Included impacts on the grid
  - Significant change in generation resource portfolio to decarbonize electricity generation
  - Increase in loads due to significant transportation electrification, some building electrification
- Updated cost of emissions abatement in the electricity system
- Introducing biofuel into natural gas pipeline, and reduced pipeline throughput



### + Emissions decline in all sectors to reach 80 x 50 target

CA GHG Emissions in Slower Building Electrification Scenario





 In addition to building electrification, gas efficiency and renewable natural gas are utilized to reduce GHGs from buildings.

- Only very high efficiency natural gas appliances are installed by 2025.
- Renewable Natural Gas is blended in the pipeline, with 10% biomethane blended by 2030 and 19% by 2050, with 7% renewable hydrogen blend by 2050.
- + From CEC Pathways study, we decided to use the 'Slower Building Electrification" Scenario which has a mix of electrification and biofuel
  - 2018 CEC PATHWAYS Study Available <u>HERE</u>. Publication forthcoming of chosen scenario forthcoming in Future of Natural Gas PIER Research.

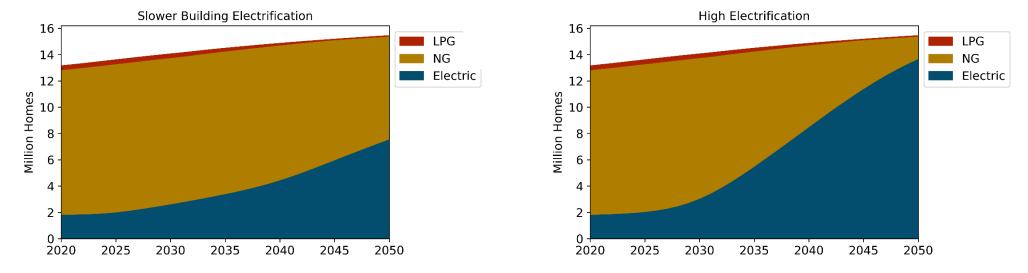
### + Comparison to Energy Futures Initiative Study (2019)

- EFI (2019) assessed strategies to meet the 2030 goal with 40% reductions in all sectors, so not directly comparable to a combined 40% reduction by 2030.
- EFI study achieved 40% in buildings with greater assumed gas energy efficiency, greater rates of electrification including all new all-electric construction by 202afdsfasfkal0, and similar utilization of RNG to the CEC PATHWAYS scenario.

2018 CEC Deep Decarbonization in a High Renewables Future: Updated Results from the California PATHWAYS Model <a href="https://ww2.energy.ca.gov/2018publications/CEC-500-2018-012/CEC-500-2018-012.pdf">https://ww2.energy.ca.gov/2018publications/CEC-500-2018-012/CEC-500-2018-012.pdf</a> for



- + "Slower Building Electrification" scenario reflects a mid-range level of building electrification among scenarios that meet the economywide GHG reduction goals (40% below 1990 levels by 2030 and 80% by 2050).
  - About 18% of homes are electrified by 2030 and 49% by 2050.
  - Assumes a rollover rate of ~75% for existing buildings



### **Selected Scenario**

# Natural Gas TDV Scenario Analysis

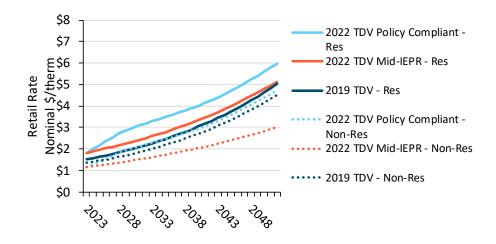
### + Policy Compliant

- Uses retail rate forecasts from 2019 CEC Future of Natural Gas study – Multi-Prong with Slower Building Electrification scenario
- Includes CPUC-approved rate increase, has some assumed reduced throughput due to building electrification (conservative compared to other scenarios), has biofuel and H2 costs
- Source energy is lower due to renewable fuel

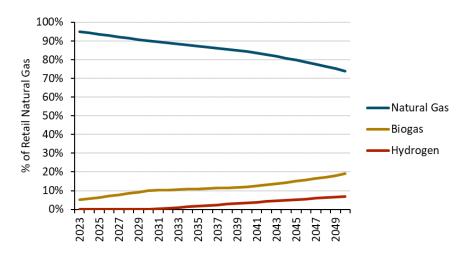
### + Mid-IEPR

- Uses 2019 Preliminary IEPR Mid-Demand retail rate forecasts
- Does not include recent CPUC approved retail rate increases over the next 3 years
- Forecast is for 8 years, and then trended to 2050

#### Natural Gas Retail Rates for each Scenario



#### Source Energy – Share of Fossil Natural Gas





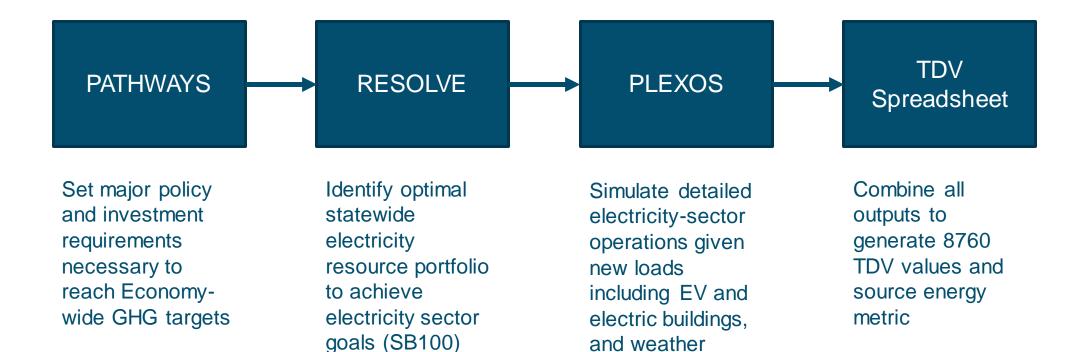
# **TDV Development**





### **Modeling Framework**

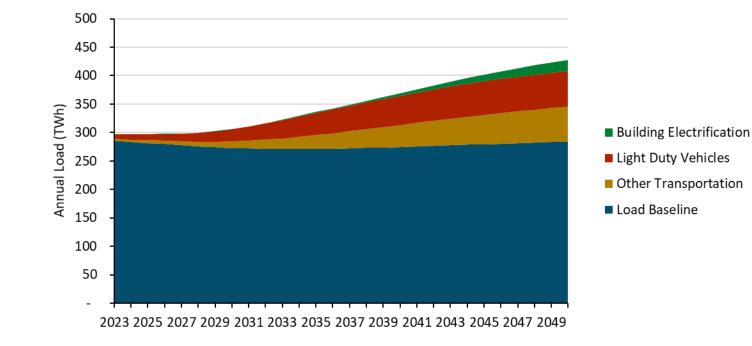
### New CEC Weather Files





### **Annual Load Forecast**

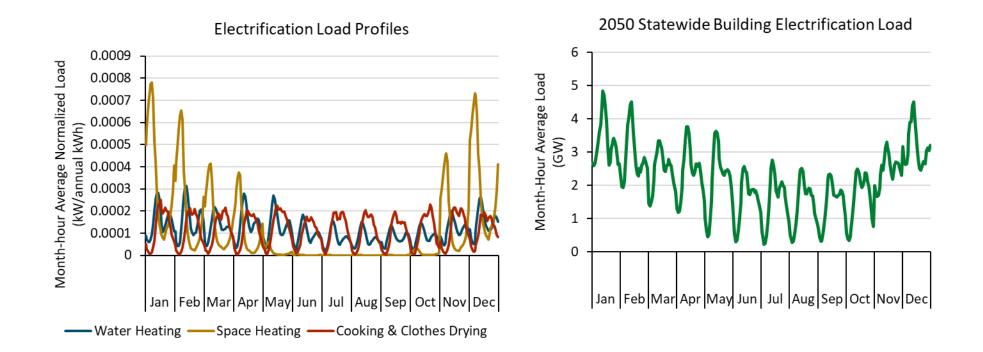
- Annual load forecast taken from this scenario to determine an optimal system plan to meet the new load
  - Baseline load decreases over time with energy efficiency, despite population increases projected for California
  - New load added from transportation, building electrification





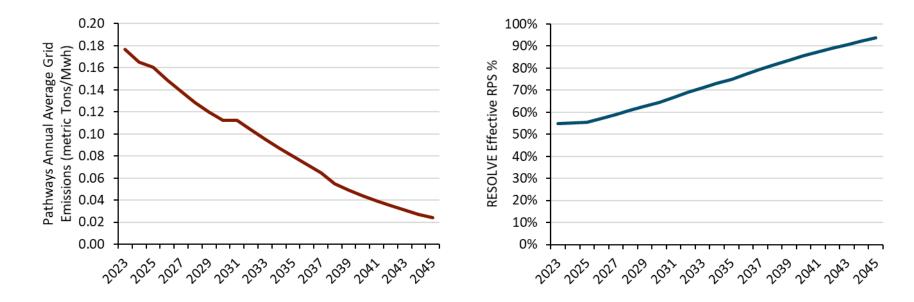
# **Building Electrification Load Profile**

- Hourly building electrification load shapes developed using parametric building simulations across 16 climate zones in new CTZ year
- + Scaled up by end-use, by PATHWAYS scenario annual forecasted load



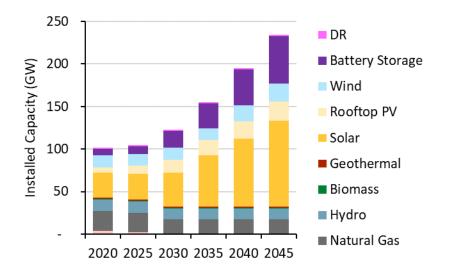


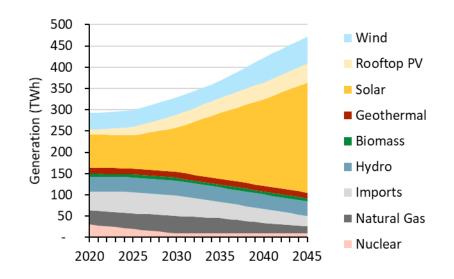
- RESOLVE is a resource procurement model that determines the optimal electricity generation plan to meet statewide energy procurement targets
- + GHG emissions target comes from PATHWAYS, consistent with statewide emissions scenario
- + RESOLVE procures renewable resources to serve all electricity load while meeting the GHG constraint. As an effect of this constraint, the RPS% exceeds near-term current state targets





- + To meet SB100 goals in 2045, as well as emissions targets, RESOLVE builds significant amounts of renewable resources and storage
- + This analysis is based on the publicly available 2018 CEC statewide RESOLVE model, with updated cost information

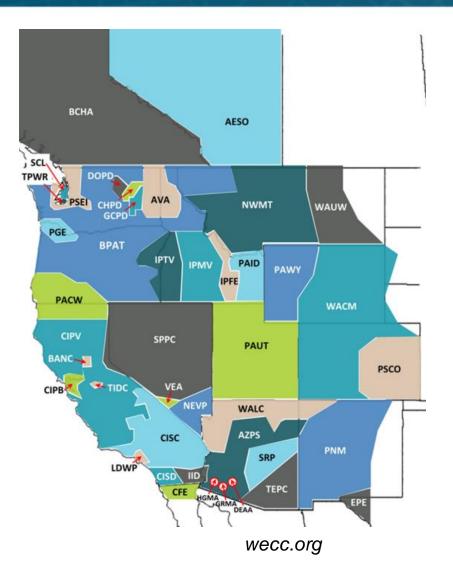






# **Avoided Energy Costs**

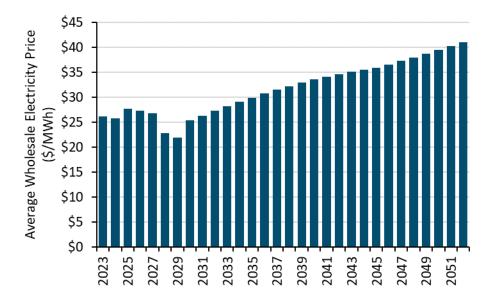
- + New production simulation run in PLEXOS model
- Model footprint is entire Western Interconnection to reflect the impacts of interzonal trade, transmission, and generation on California energy prices
- + CEC and E3 updated inputs to IEPR PLEXOS model
  - Changes in annual load due to efficiency, transportation electrification, building electrification
  - Changes in hourly load due to new weather year
  - Changes in supply side generation mix to meet SB100
  - Update renewable generation shapes to match new weather year

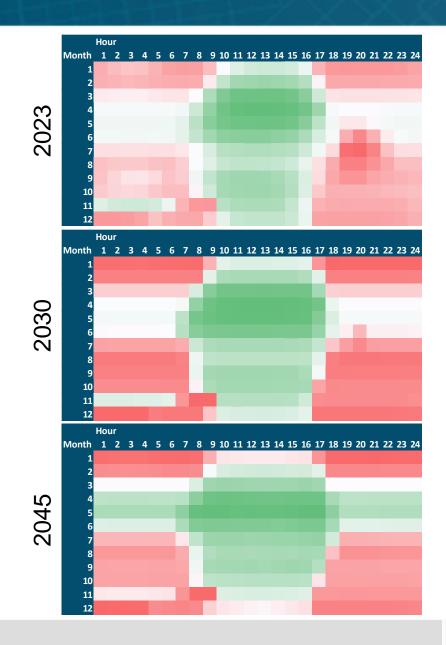




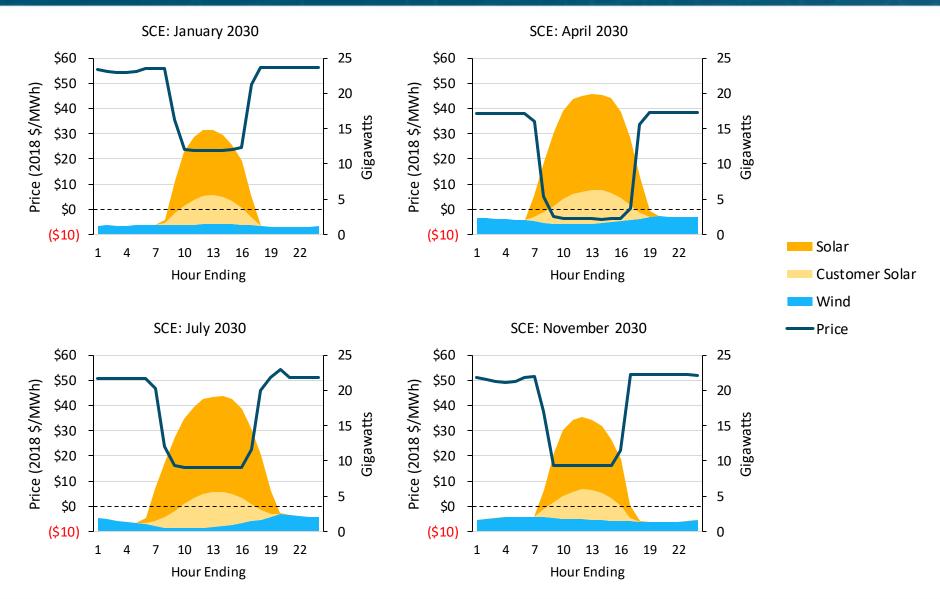
# **Wholesale Electricity Price Forecast**

- Marginal energy price shape generated from PLEXOS production simulation modeling at CEC
- + SB100-compliant portfolio calculated with RESOLVE model
- + Ran PLEXOS for 2023-2030 and 2045, interpolating prices for complete 2023-2052 scope



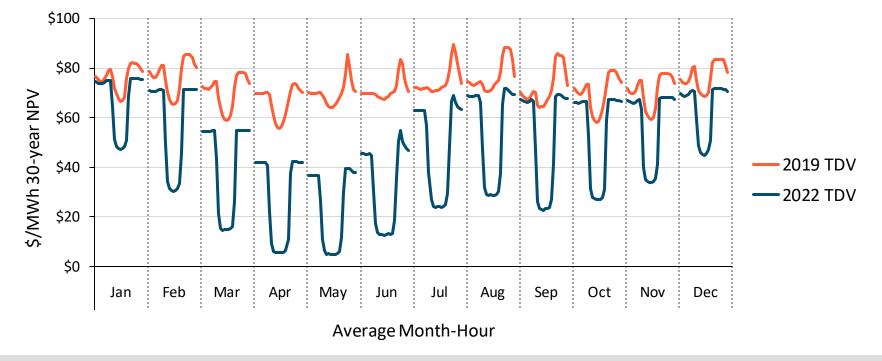


## PLEXOS Energy Price Shape Example: SCE 2030





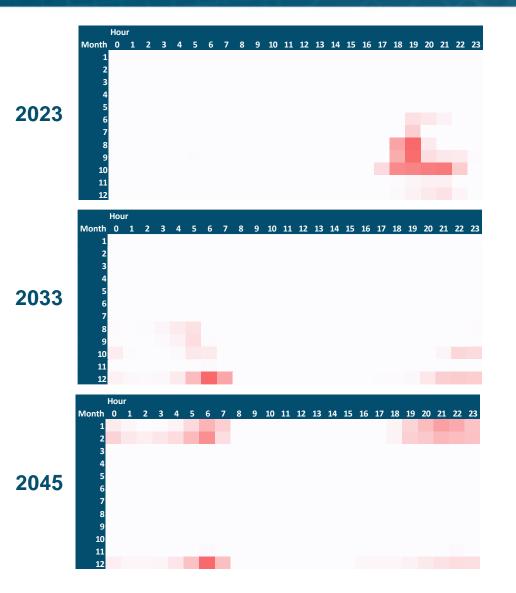
- + Higher buildout of solar in PLEXOS drives down midday prices
- Abundant near-zero variable cost resources solar, wind, and storage contribute to lower prices overall – particularly with Spring's low loads, high solar, and hydro runoff
- + Storage discharge reduces peak prices in morning and evening "shoulder hours"





# **Generation Capacity**

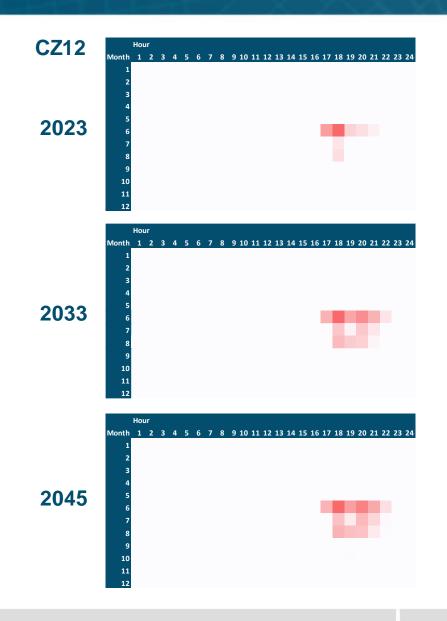
- + System Net Peak expected to transition as renewable penetration increases
  - 2023 summer evenings
  - 2033 mornings after batteries dispatch
  - 2045 winter periods of low renewable energy availability
- With significant solar and storage, early morning before sun rises will be capacity defining event





## **T&D** Capacity

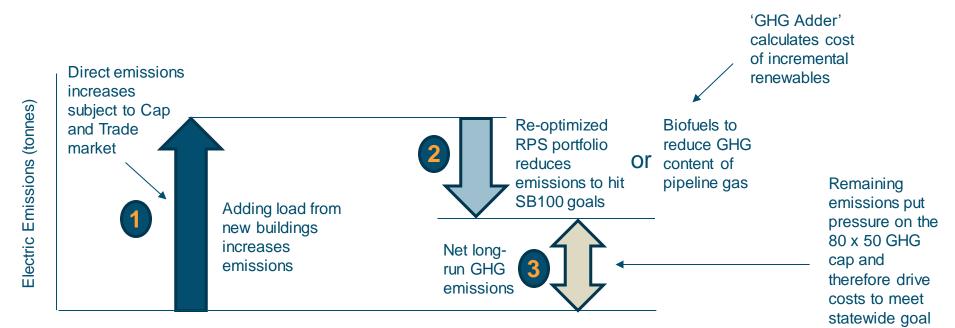
- New weather year used in for T&D Allocator model, along with regional rooftop PV penetration forecasts
- + Peaks generally remain in historical patterns
- T&D avoided costs are calculated using weighted average from the latest utility GRCs, consistent with 2019 CPUC Avoided Cost Calculator
  - Transmission: \$24.47/kW-yr
  - Distribution: \$102.54/kW-yr





### + Three emissions cost streams for electricity

- 1. Cap and Trade Emissions: Direct plant emissions from directly serving load
- 2. GHG Adder: Additional cost of procuring the necessary supply-side resources to achieve the electricity-sector long run emissions intensity target. Replaces previous 'RPS Adder' field
- 3. Emissions Abatement: Economy-wide cost of abating remaining emissions after supply-side actions have been taken



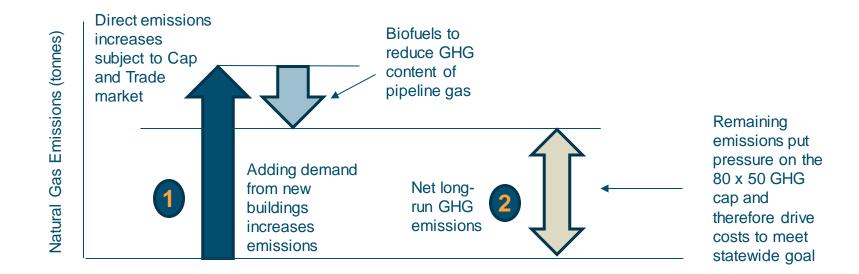


### + Two emissions cost streams for natural gas

1. Cap and Trade Emissions: Direct emissions from non-renewable gas delivered (net of RNG)

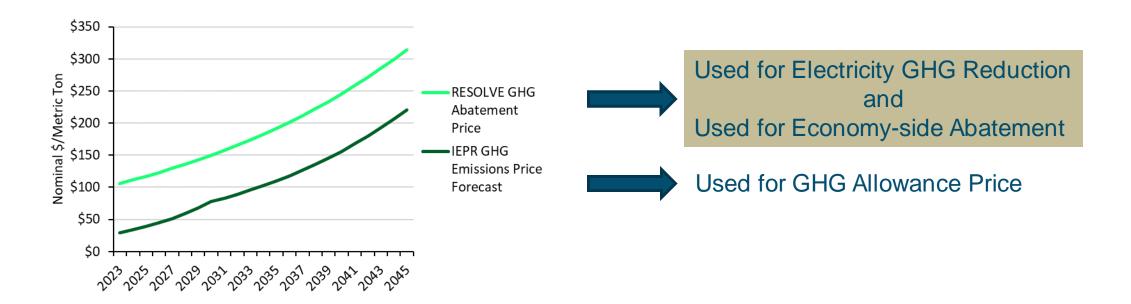
Additional cost of procuring renewable natural gas included in the commodity price.

2. Emissions Abatement: Economy-wide cost of abating remaining emissions after supply-side actions have been taken





- Cap and Trade Emissions: Cost from IEPR GHG Allowance Price forecast; direct cost of emissions from combusting natural gas, factored into retail rates
- Emissions Abatement: Assumed that in a SB32-compliant future, cheapest economy-wide incremental emissions reduction is from electricity supply side, so RESOLVE GHG Abatement price is used.
   Represents cost of meeting state economy-wide emissions target

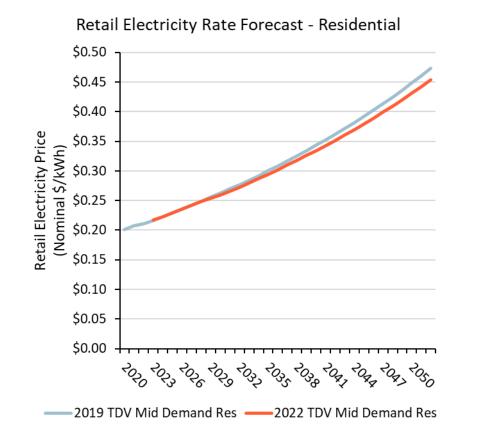


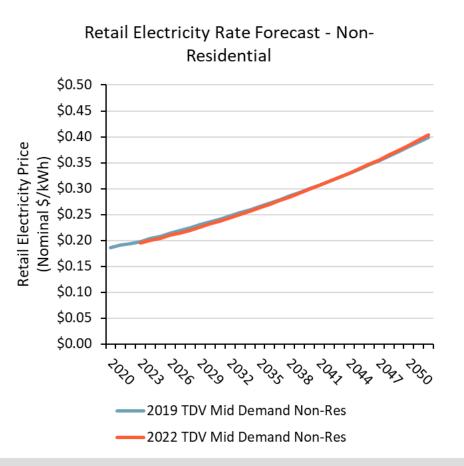


# **Electricity Retail Rate Adjustment**

### + Little change in electricity retail rate forecasts from 2019 TDV

- 2019 TDV used Mid Demand case from 2015 IEPR
- 2022 TDV uses Mid Demand case from 2019 IEPR







### Energy+Environmental Economics

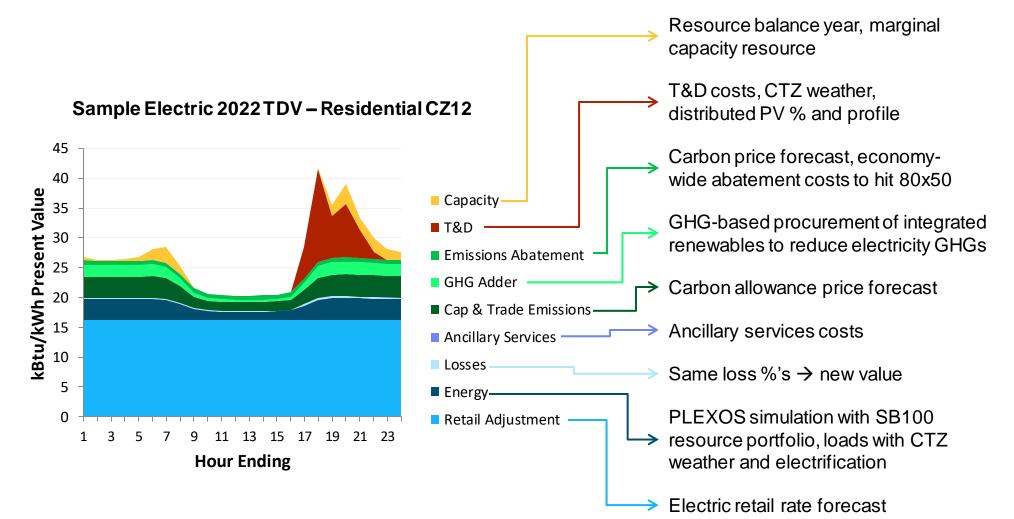
# **Title 24 2022 TDV Results**





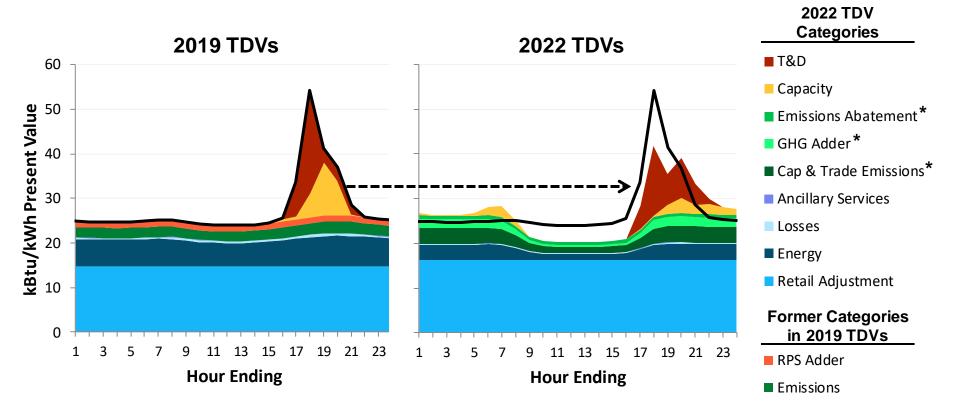
# **Updated Inputs to Electricity TDV**

#### Updates for 2022 TDVs



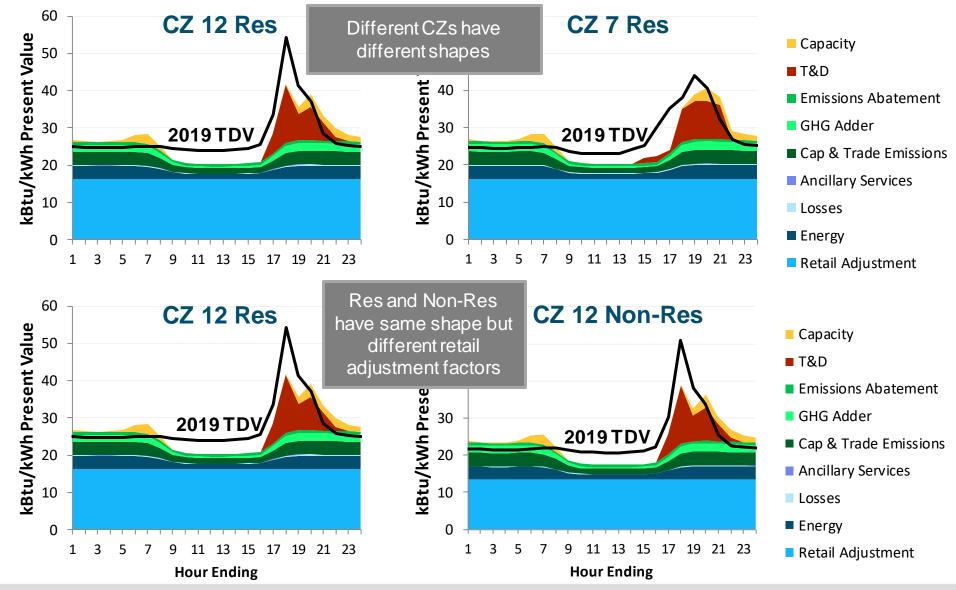


- Increase in renewable generation, decrease in natural gas commodity cost drive down wholesale energy costs
  - Decrease in volumetric costs is supplemented with fixed costs through retail rate adder
- + Decrease in TDV in middle of day

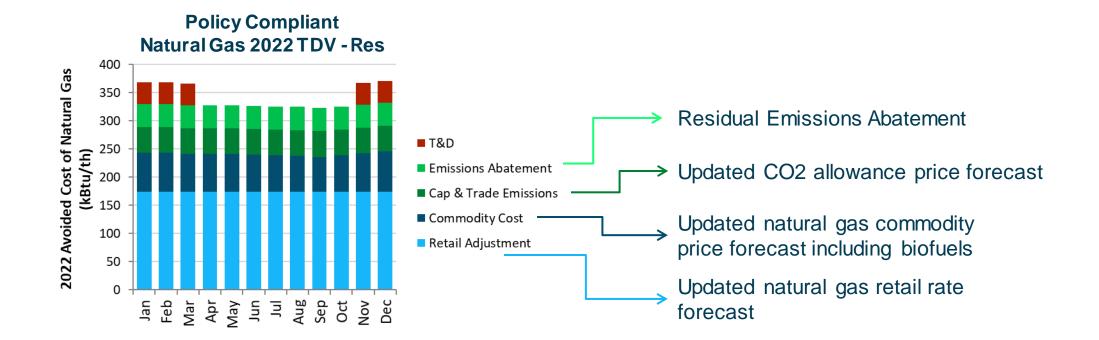




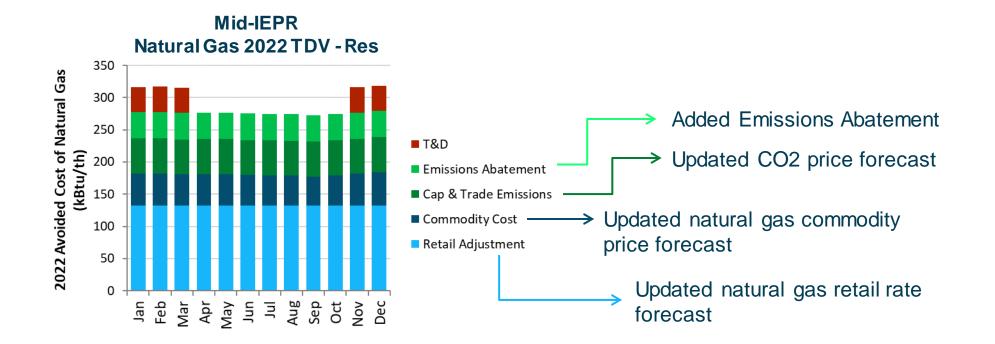
### **Comparisons between TDVs**





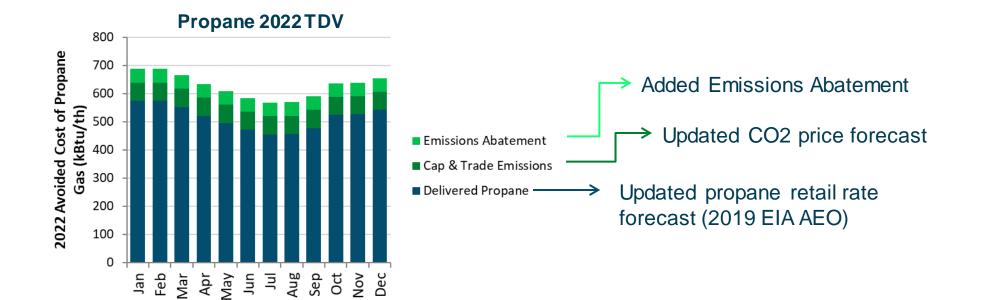






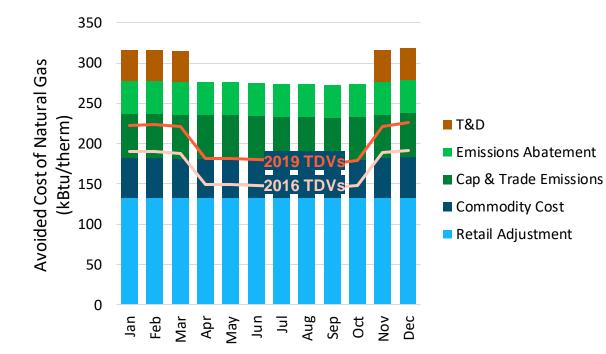


# **Updated inputs to Propane TDV**

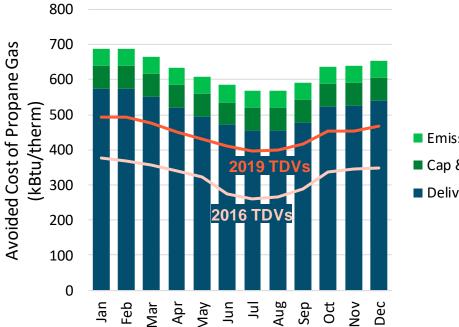




### Natural Gas TDV 30-year NPV Residential, CZ12



### Propane Gas TDV 30-year NPV Residential, CZ12





# Energy+Environmental Economics

# **Source Energy Metric**



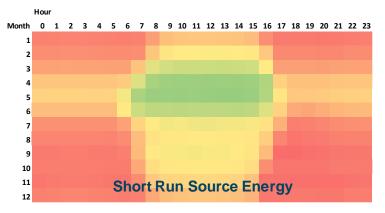


- Secondary evaluation metric to encourage efficient consumption of input fuels, by calculating the total input fuels for a unit of end-use consumption
- + Defined as Btu of depletable fuels, averaged over the lifetime of a building or measure
  - Renewable energy (ex: wind, solar) and renewable fuels (ex. biogas, hydrogen) are defined as having zero marginal source energy in this definition
- + As natural gas is the only thermal generation that could be on the margin, the source energy metric correlates with emissions
- + For electricity end-uses, long run marginal source energy is used
  - Factors in supply-side interventions that will occur as a result of incremental load
    - Ex. given a 50% RPS, if 1,000 MWh of new annual load is added, a corresponding 500 MWh of new renewable energy must be
      procured and delivered
    - The new renewables will offset some of the initial increase in generation

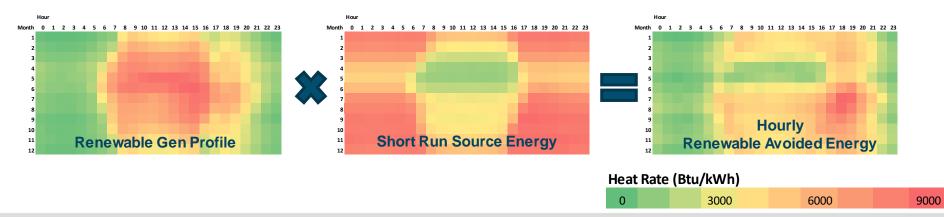


# **Formulation - Electricity Source Energy**

 Implied short run marginal source energy calculated based on hourly wholesale energy price forecast (from PLEXOS)

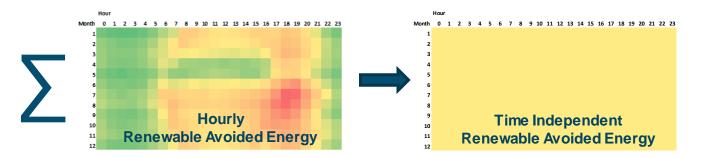


 Avoided source energy from incremental renewable generation is calculated based on hourly profile of new renewable portfolio and short run source energy

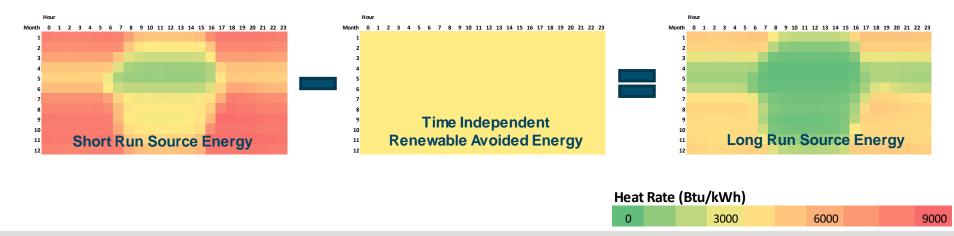




+ Renewable avoided source energy is generalized to an annual number (renewables integration does need to occur in same hour as new load)



 Avoided source energy from incremental renewable is calculated based on hourly generation of incremental renewables and short run source energy





# 8760 Long-run Source Energy Factors

### + Based on achieving an RPS Portfolio over time consistent with SB100

### + Average of month and hour, Btu/kWh

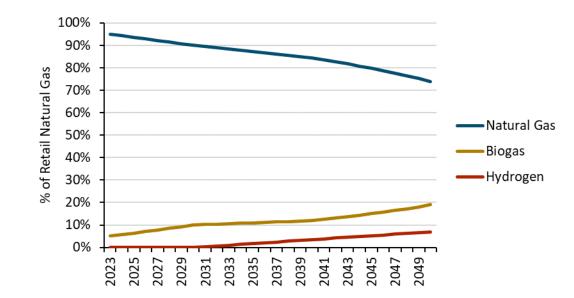
#### Source Energy with minimum @ zero

Hour

Month	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
1	4282	4245	4229	4231	4269	4314	4333	4336	3239	2087	1787	1717	1694	1725	1816	2024	3537	4399	4399	4398	4397	4395	4379	4357
2	3719	3704	3694	3698	3713	3730	3739	3736	1590	734	625	603	600	617	647	736	1391	3757	3759	3758	3757	3757	3751	3735
3	2751	2743	2738	2740	2754	2764	2768	1701	477	223	188	179	178	182	190	250	776	2668	2720	2721	2720	2716	2710	2703
4	1271	1268	1267	1268	1271	1274	1220	402	76	15	4	0	0	0	0	8	112	1097	1320	1321	1318	1300	1288	1283
5	853	850	849	849	851	853	469	90	25	7	4	5	2	1	4	23	132	643	1075	1074	1051	988	936	924
6	1560	1545	1543	1542	1545	1529	645	172	92	72	63	60	61	61	71	121	313	980	2022	2323	2009	1849	1716	1645
7	3412	3409	3408	3407	3409	3411	2712	939	375	193	169	156	156	162	178	270	614	1510	3780	3894	3740	3591	3472	3449
8	3994	3982	3976	3977	3990	3995	3751	1370	415	237	212	212	213	224	256	409	939	3291	4227	4222	4193	4095	4043	4031
9	4591	4548	4506	4506	4545	4595	4566	1758	298	145	116	70	123	162	238	522	1475	4672	4732	4725	4694	4643	4619	4601
10	4439	4416	4402	4409	4433	4458	4466	2622	578	371	309	305	306	321	362	631	3321	4540	4534	4533	4525	4508	4491	4477
11	4803	4749	4722	4718	4751	4809	4842	4479	1614	1143	1123	1076	1072	1106	1212	1700	4836	4900	4901	4901	4901	4900	4886	4833
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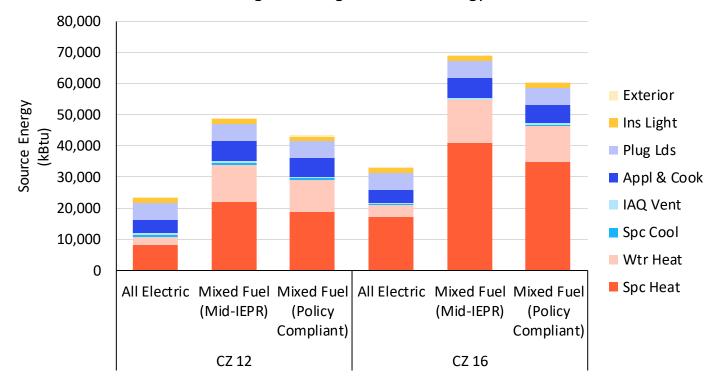


- + Propane source energy is simple unit conversion (100 kBtu/th)
- + In retail natural gas blended biogas and hydrogen are counted as 0 Btu/th
  - Blended RNG assumption results in lifetime source energy of 86-88 kBtu/th
  - Includes compression losses + LUAF





+ All electric end uses, especially heat pumps, have lower source energy than analogous natural gas end uses in mixed fuel home



Long Run Marginal Source Energy



# **Non-Combustion Emissions**





- All heat pumps have refrigerants, and nearly all refrigerants in use today are very potent greenhouse gases- up to ~2000x stronger than CO2
  - This comparison to CO2 is known as the Global Warming Potential (GWP)
- These refrigerants only contribute to global warming when they leak, but leakage is inevitable, and can account for a significant portion of lifecycle emissions from an all-electric building
  - Air conditioners use refrigerants too, so mixed-fuel buildings have leakage as well
- Including these emissions in the TDV framework will allow us to compare the true lifecycle emissions between all-electric and mixedfuel buildings, and more importantly, <u>incentivize the use of lower-GWP</u> <u>refrigerants</u>
  - Lower-GWP refrigerants are available, but are not widely used in the US, and often require different installation practices as they can be mildly flammable





# **Background on including High GWP emissions**

- On the natural gas side, it is also important to account for the potential for <u>avoided methane</u> <u>leakage</u> through building choices
  - It is well-known that the natural gas system has leaks, particularly during the production and storage stages
- Methane has a 100-year GWP of 25, so leaking methane causes significantly more global warming than burning it
- + The difficult question is: how much methane leakage could we avoid through electrification?



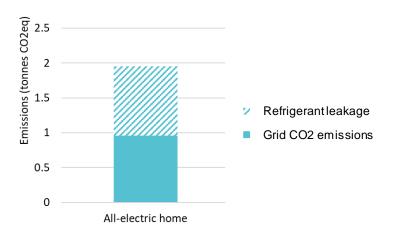


## **Proposed Mechanism for Non-Combustion Emissions Accounting**

- + Establish for the baseline building types the CO2e for both of the non-combustion emission sources in consideration; refrigerants and methane
- + In CBECC-Res and CBECC-Com:
  - Compute the CO2e of lifecycle refrigerant and methane emissions
  - Multiply by the GHG Abatement factor for TDV
  - Add to the TDV score based on electricity, natural gas, and propane energy use
- Reduction from the baseline non-combustion emissions would then count as a TDV trade-off so that lower non-combustion emissions would be considered in building design tradeoffs

Refrigerant leakage is a significant portion of the GHG emissions from an allelectric home

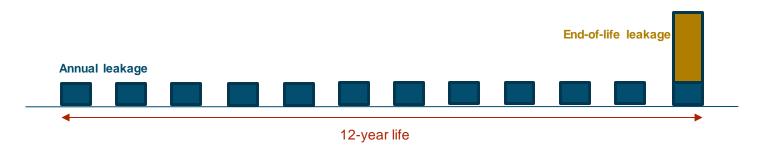






- The California Air Resources Board has compiled data on average leakage rates for appliances that use refrigerants
  - Leakage happens both during operation and at end-of-life
- This allows us to calculate <u>lifecycle</u> refrigerant leakage emissions for any building
  - These numbers are of course average, as some buildings will leak more than others

Appliance	Typical refrigerant	Refrigerant GWP	Average refrigerant charge	Average annual leakage	Average end-of-life leakage
Central A/C	R410A	2088	7.5 lbs	5%	80%
Air-source ducted heat pump	R410A	2088	8.2 lbs	5.3%	80%
Heat pump water heater	R134A	1430	2.4 lbs	1%	95%
Heat pump clothes dryer	R134A	1430	0.88 lbs	1%	100%



### Annualized leakage = (Annual leakage rate) + (End-of-life leakage)/lifetime



# **Lower-GWP refrigerants**

- + Lower-GWP refrigerants are available, but not yet commonly used in the US
- + The most promising near-term low-GWP refrigerant for use in residential HVAC heat pumps is <u>lower-GWP HFCs</u>, such as HFC-32
  - These refrigerants are generally mildly flammable, so different installation practices are required.
  - Fire Code and Mechanical Code currently don't allow mildly flammable HFCs
- + For other, smaller heat pumps such as water heaters, the most promising option is <u>HFOs</u>, which are similar to HFCs but have a very low GWP
- Another option being used in some places, such as Europe and India, is <u>hydrocarbons such as propane</u> – but flammability is an obvious issue
- + <u>CO2 can be used as a refrigerant</u>, but requires much higher system pressures, so is currently only viable for smaller systems such as automobiles and heat pump water heaters

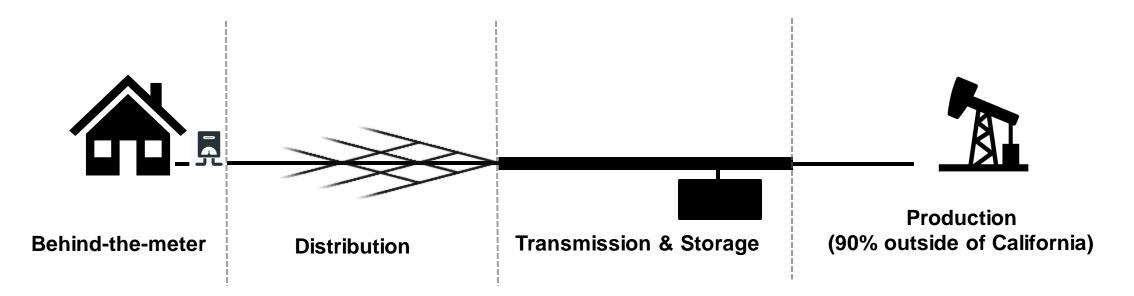
#### Low-GWP refrigerant alternatives

Refrigerant	GWP	Appropriate for	
HFC-32	HFC-32 675		
HFO-1234yf	4	All heat pumps except HVAC	
R-290	3	All	
R-744 (CO2)	1	All heat pumps except HVAC	



## + Key question: how much do changes in building natural gas consumption change methane leakage?

## Sources of leaks in the natural gas system





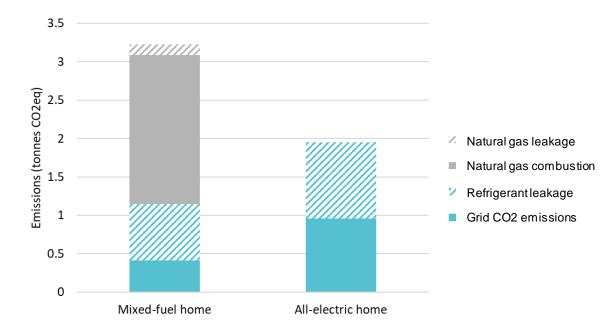
# **Estimating methane leakage**

- + We looked at a broad range of studies on methane leakage
- + None of them answer exactly our question: <u>how much leakage could be avoided by electrifying an</u> appliance or home in California?

Source	Description	Leakage rate
CARB Inventory- behind- the-meter only	Includes both new and existing homes	0.5%
CARB Inventory	All leakage sources in CA	0.7%
LA Basin Study (He, 2019)	LA Basin only; attempts to quantify correlation with consumption	1.4%
Alvarez (2018)	US-wide estimate including production emissions. Not all of this leakage will be marginal.	2.3%



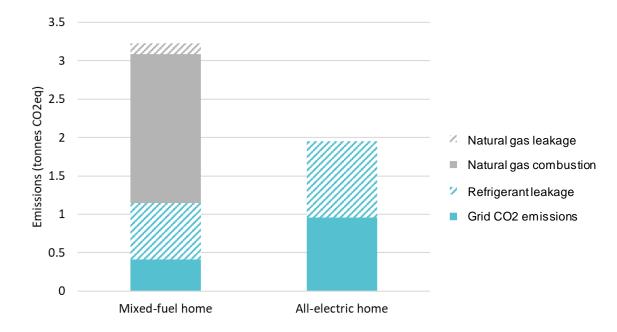
- We examined sample CBECC results for a single-family home in CZ12 (Sacramento), to compare the emissions from all-electric and mixed-fuel homes when leakage emissions are included
- Air conditioners in mixed fuel homes also have refrigerant leakage
- Overall, the all-electric home in this example emits about 40% less GHGs, once leakage emissions are accounted for.





## Key takeaways

- All-electric homes emit significantly less GHGs, even when refrigerant and methane leakage is accounted for
- Low-GWP refrigerants have a significant potential to reduce lifecycle emissions, and therefore could be significantly incentivized through TDV
- We will further investigate the potential for electrification to reduce leakage in new homes; the CARB leakage rate of 0.7% is our starting point

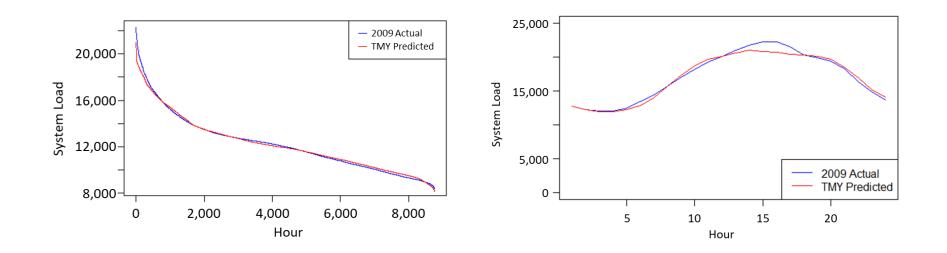






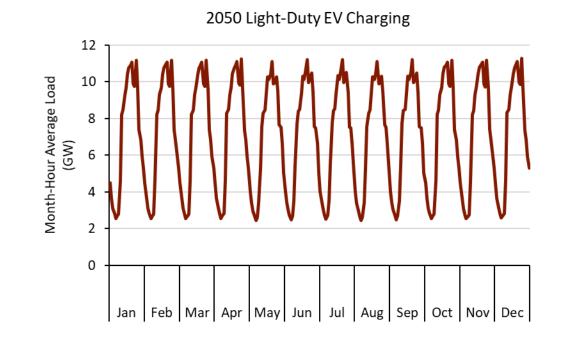


- + Weather/load prediction algorithm updated from previous code cycles
- Regression model for each balancing authority is trained using historical weather data and load data
- + New weather year characteristics are used to predict hourly load for each balancing authority
- + Load profiles are normalized and scaled up by annual baseline load



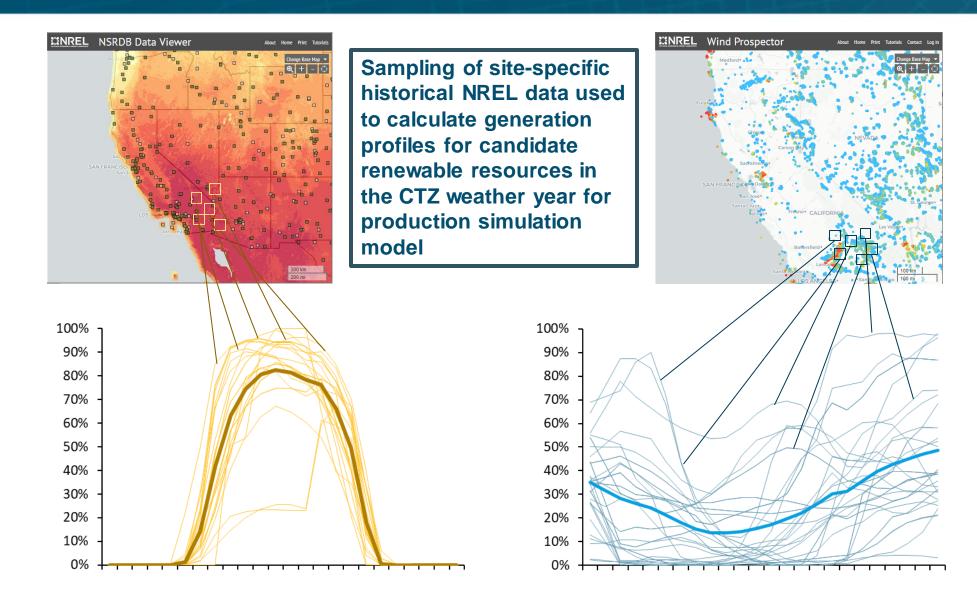


- + Load shape generated by E3 EV Load Shaping Tool, scaled up to PATHWAYS annual average loads
- + Assumes distribution of EV types (BEV, PHEV, etc), and models driving behavior with historical trip data from the National Household Travel Survey (NHTS)





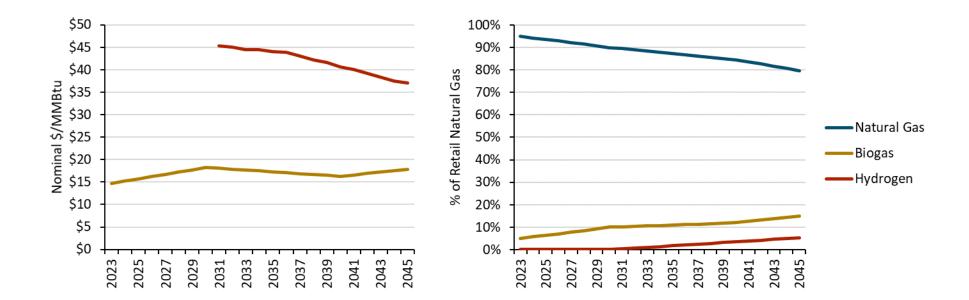
# **Weather-Matched Renewable Generation**





## + To decarbonize retail natural gas, biogas and hydrogen are blended in

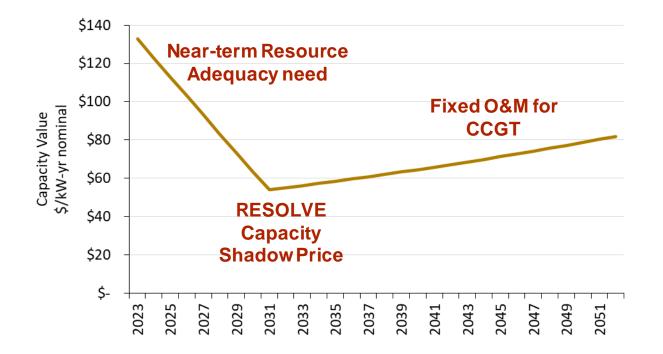
- 10% biogas by 2030
- 7% hydrogen by 2045 (assumed off-grid renewable generation for hydrogen)
- + The renewable natural gas blend is reflected in both commodity cost and emissions





## + Marginal capacity price tracks with transition system net peak

- 2023 resource balance year, based on new CT
- 2030 based on RESOLVE capacity shadow price
- Beyond 2030 transitions to the cost to keep CCGTs operating to meet winter energy constraints





## + Ancillary Services

Continue to use 0.5% of energy

## + Losses

 Continue to use utility-specific loss factors retained from 2019 TDV analysis

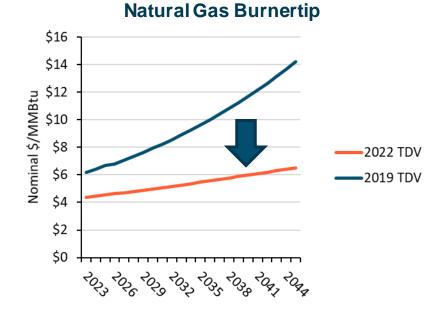
Description	PG&E	SCE	SDG&E
Summer Peak	1.109	1.084	1.081
Summer Shoulder	1.073	1.080	1.077
Summer Off-Peak	1.057	1.073	1.068
Winter Peak	0.000	0.000	1.083
Winter Shoulder	1.090	1.077	1.076
Winter Off-Peak	1.061	1.070	1.068
Generation Peak	1.109	1.084	1.081
Transmission Peak	1.083	1.054	1.071
Distribution Peak	1.048	1.022	1.043



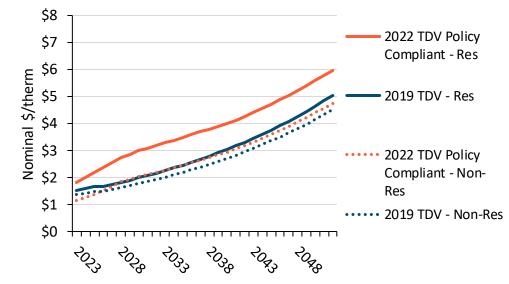
# Natural gas retail rate forecasts (Policy Compliant Scenario)

## + Natural gas commodity price has decreased since 2019 Code Cycle

- Natural gas commodity and burnertip price forecast from 2019 Preliminary IEPR (average of PG&E Backbone and SCG Needles)
- + Natural gas retail rates based on 2019 CEC Future of Natural Gas study Multi-Prong with Slower Building Electrification scenario
  - Retail rates increase compared to 2019 code cycle due to recently approved safety upgrade costs, somewhat decreased throughput, some blend of biogas and hydrogen



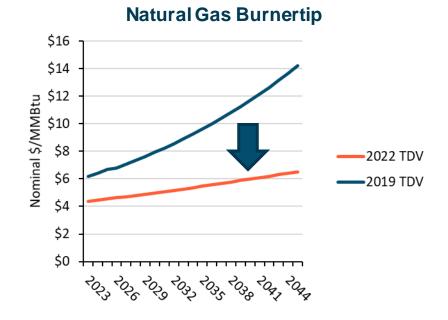
#### Natural Gas Retail Rates

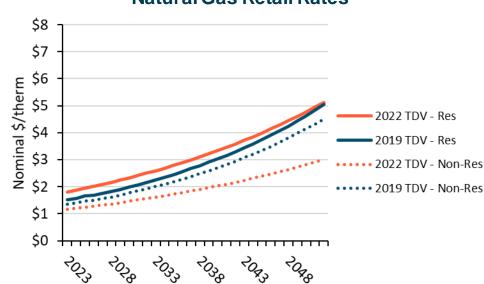




## + Natural gas commodity price has decreased since 2019 Code Cycle

- Natural gas commodity and burnertip price forecast from 2019 Preliminary IEPR (average of PG&E Backbone and SCG Needles)
- + Natural gas retail rates based on 2019 Preliminary IEPR Mid-Demand Retail Rate Forecast
  - Residential retail rate forecast has increased compared to 2019 code cycle
  - Non-residential retail rate forecast has decreased compared to 2019 code cycle



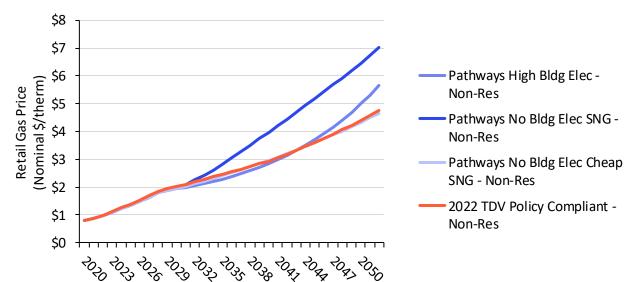


#### **Natural Gas Retail Rates**



# **Retail Rate Forecast Comparison**

- Retail Rate forecast scenario is conservative compared to other PATHWAYS scenarios that meet emissions targets
  - Alternatives are increased synthetic natural gas, or high building electrification, both of which are expensive
  - This scenario compensates for less decarbonization in the building sector with larger, more expensive reductions in other sectors



#### Retail Gas Rate Forecast - Non-Residential



# **Natural Gas Scenario Comparison**

- Policy Compliant yields higher retail gas rates, which translates to higher TDVs
- The difference between scenarios is larger for Non-Res

