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### **Electrification Analysis**

#### **Overview and Approach**

In this analysis, we investigate how all-electric buildings will perform from a lifecycle economic basis relative to their mixed-fuel counterparts. Consistent with the other economic analysis of Title 24, we use the Time Dependent Valuation (TDV) metric as a measurement of overall cost-effectiveness. This task makes use of the new TDV values that were updated for the use in the 2019 Title 24 code cycle. There are several key questions to be addressed in this analysis.

First, we compare identical homes that use mixed-fuel to those that use allelectric to assess the difference in lifecycle cost with the standard TDV values. This analysis answers the question of whether we expect the buildings to cost more for the participants to operate over the life of the building. This is also the question that is asked in the Title 24 Alternative Calculation Method (ACM) for buildings that would like to be all-electric, but need to pass Title 24. For the purposes of the analysis, we use the prescriptive standard appliances in the mixed-fuel home. For the all-electric home, we replace the gas furnace with a heat pump for space heating and the natural gas water heater in the prescriptive home with a heat pump water heater. The other gas appliances (stove, oven, dryer) are replaced with conventional electric appliances. These appliances are not within the scope of Title 24, but assumptions about them are necessary to estimate the total electricity consumption of the home. Second, we assess those factors that significantly affect the relationship between the TDV results of the mixed-fuel and all-electric homes in order to identify those conditions that would result in a lower expected lifecycle cost for an all-electric home than the mixed-fuel home. The fundamental factor is the difference between the electric and natural gas retail rate levels. We capture this by assessing the change in the estimated consumer bills as a function of the following key factors:

- 1. **Carbon price.** The carbon price is a key factor because the mixed-fuel and allelectric homes have different greenhouse gas emissions levels.
- 2. **Retail rate escalation rates.** The trajectory of retail electric and natural gas prices is an important driver of the lifecycle differences in cost. We model these as changes in electric resource planning decisions, including the amount of energy efficiency that is achieved.

Varying these underlying factors results in a changing set of TDVs that increase or decrease the TDV gap between mixed-fuel and all-electric homes. For a given set of retail rate escalation assumptions (Table 1), we vary the carbon prices across a reasonable range and identify the carbon price that makes the lifecycle TDV budget for an all-electric home equivalent to that of a mixed-fuel home. We also compare the lifecycle carbon footprint between the mixed-fuel and allelectric home with assumptions consistent with the underlying TDV framework.

| Table 1. Electric Retail Rate Escalators Relative to Mid-IEPR Forecast, by Carbon Price |                                        |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |  |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--|
|                                                                                         | Carbon Price (\$/ton CO <sub>2</sub> ) |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |  |
| Year                                                                                    | 10                                     | 30   | 80   | 200  | 250  | 350  | 450  | 600  |  |
| 2020                                                                                    | 100%                                   | 101% | 106% | 117% | 122% | 132% | 141% | 155% |  |
| 2021                                                                                    | 100%                                   | 102% | 106% | 118% | 122% | 132% | 141% | 155% |  |
| 2022                                                                                    | 101%                                   | 102% | 107% | 118% | 123% | 132% | 142% | 156% |  |
| 2023                                                                                    | 101%                                   | 103% | 108% | 119% | 123% | 133% | 142% | 156% |  |
| 2024                                                                                    | 102%                                   | 104% | 109% | 120% | 124% | 133% | 142% | 156% |  |
| 2025                                                                                    | 103%                                   | 105% | 110% | 122% | 127% | 138% | 148% | 164% |  |
| 2026                                                                                    | 104%                                   | 106% | 111% | 123% | 128% | 139% | 149% | 164% |  |
| 2027                                                                                    | 105%                                   | 107% | 112% | 124% | 129% | 139% | 150% | 165% |  |
| 2028                                                                                    | 107%                                   | 109% | 114% | 126% | 131% | 141% | 151% | 166% |  |
| 2029                                                                                    | 109%                                   | 111% | 115% | 127% | 132% | 142% | 151% | 166% |  |
| 2030                                                                                    | 111%                                   | 113% | 118% | 129% | 133% | 143% | 152% | 166% |  |
| 2030+                                                                                   | 111%                                   | 113% | 118% | 129% | 133% | 143% | 152% | 166% |  |

Third, we assess the difference in construction costs that would bring the total lifecycle costs of switching to all-electric homes from a mixed-fuel home to be equivalent. A comparison of total costs (including both construction costs and lifecycle operating costs) answers the question of whether all-electric would be lower cost overall. The difference in construction costs would include the higher costs of heat pump appliances that were modeled, and the reduced costs of an all-electric home through reduced natural gas plumbing, any costs of a new gas connection above the allowed interconnection costs, and the cost of required testing of natural gas for health and safety.

# Energy simulation and TDV results for mixed-fuel and all-electric homes

With the support of Ken Nittler and Bruce Wilcox our team simulated three prototype residential homes (2,100 sqft, 2,700 sqft, and multifamily) in each of the 16 California climate zones in a mixed-fuel and all-electric configurations. In each case, the buildings are identical except for the natural gas and electric appliances. The all-electric homes use heat pump water heaters and heat pump space conditioning along with standard electric cooking, and clothes dryer. The most recent version of CBECC is used to do the simulation analysis which includes a new heat pump water heater simulation model. Detailed specifications of the home are provided in Appendix A.

Table 2 shows the energy consumption results of the building simulation and the total TDV values for 2,100 sqft mixed-fuel and all-electric prototypes in each climate zone.

| Climate |       | Mixed-Fu | el         | All-Electric |        |            |
|---------|-------|----------|------------|--------------|--------|------------|
| Zone    | kWh   | Therms   | TDV (kBtu) | kWh          | Therms | TDV (kBtu) |
| CZ01    | 3,899 | 476      | 214,683    | 9,331        | -      | 267,803    |
| CZ02    | 3,870 | 385      | 193,396    | 8,151        | -      | 226,202    |
| CZ03    | 3,779 | 286      | 170,581    | 7,091        | -      | 204,482    |
| CZ04    | 3,829 | 314      | 177,414    | 7,403        | -      | 209,343    |
| CZ05    | 3,758 | 263      | 165,111    | 7,004        | -      | 202,432    |
| CZ06    | 3,792 | 224      | 158,278    | 6,440        | -      | 183,699    |
| CZ07    | 3,736 | 181      | 141,501    | 5,902        | -      | 164,815    |
| CZ08    | 3,926 | 188      | 157,353    | 6,169        | -      | 178,929    |
| CZ09    | 4,126 | 206      | 186,231    | 6,545        | -      | 212,168    |
| CZ10    | 4,232 | 213      | 191,288    | 6,768        | -      | 218,969    |
| CZ11    | 4,946 | 331      | 256,484    | 8,721        | -      | 293,099    |
| CZ12    | 4,054 | 348      | 220,403    | 7,854        | -      | 253,419    |
| CZ13    | 5,079 | 307      | 260,390    | 8,500        | -      | 292,459    |
| CZ14    | 4,925 | 328      | 244,109    | 8,827        | -      | 277,188    |
| CZ15    | 8,111 | 132      | 322,048    | 9,827        | -      | 350,080    |
| CZ16    | 4,034 | 604      | 247,492    | 11,270       | -      | 346,698    |

### Table 2. Total kWh, Therms, and lifecycle TDVs for three types of homes by climate zone (2,100 sqft)

The dominant driver of the relatively high energy performance of all-electric buildings is the performance of the latest heat pump technologies for space and water heating. Given the importance of this technology, the California building simulation engine, CBECC, has been updated with a more sophisticated simulation of heat pumps and heat pump water heaters in particular. Given the relatively high performance of heat pump electric appliances, and the increase in renewable energy goals to meet electricity demand (50% by 2030), the relative GHG emissions is significantly lower for the electric appliances. One of the goals and key metrics for increased efficiency and self-generation measures in the Title 24 California building energy code is reducing greenhouse gas emissions (GHGs). Building electrification may be a path to meet this goal, so it is important to develop a method to estimate a building's lifecycle GHG emissions. Our approach focuses on the primary drivers behind emissions savings and makes use of the detailed analyses already in place to estimate emissions in the Time Dependent Valuation to make it accurate within the bounds of uncertainty. In the methodology, we recognize where simplifications are made explicitly.

In particular, the approach recognizes two key aspects of electricity emissions as the primary drivers of air emissions changes attributable to building electrification. First, there is a short-term impact that is based on the generation dispatch in each hour, day, and year that is measured by the marginal emissions rate using production simulation. Second, there is a longterm impact that captures the change in renewables development due to a change in efficiency.

+ Generation dispatch. The change in electricity demand due to Title 24 measures will change emissions at the marginal emissions rate. This rate varies by time based on the generators dispatched to meet load, and the associated emissions rates of those power plants that will change their production with a variation in load demand. The marginal emissions rate is simulated using PLEXOS by the CEC staff and the simulation includes interactions of California's grid with other states, varying time of electricity demand with seasons, weekdays and holidays. In addition, the load levels are calibrated to reflect temperatures around the state which are used in the building simulation so that the

marginal emissions rates are consistent with the simulated effects of building measures.

+ Renewable development. The impact of a load reduction program on new infrastructure development over time, and in particular the impact on new investment in renewable generation development since the renewable portfolio standard (RPS) program is based on a percentage of retail sales.

In order to get the correct economic value of the State's demand-side resources, detailed assumptions are already made about both generation dispatch and renewable development. Therefore, since the work has been completed to develop TDV, a reformulation of the same information can provide an estimate of air emissions that accounts for both of the primary drivers.

Therefore, our methodology is to estimate the GHG reductions in two steps. For the short term impact, we use the underlying simulated marginal emissions rate in each hour over the life of the building as the impact on emissions. Load reductions will reduce emissions at this marginal rate, and load increases will increase emissions at this rate. For the long term impact, we use the share of energy that is to be produced with renewable resources. For load reductions we reduce the amount of renewables that would be built at the RPS percentage, and for load increases, we increase the amount of renewables at the RPS percentage. With this approach, the formula for estimated GHG savings in buildings is the following;

Lifecycle GHGs = Sum (hr, year) [Load(hr, year) \* 1-RPS Percentage (year)]

Table 3 compares the carbon emissions intensity of mixed-fuel and all-electric homes for each climate zone.

| Table 3. Lifecycle CO2 emissions per square foot by fuel supply and home size |                                  |              |           |                    |           |           |  |  |  |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|-----------|--|--|--|
| Climate                                                                       | Lifecycle CO <sub>2</sub> (tons) |              |           |                    |           |           |  |  |  |
|                                                                               | м                                | ixed-Fuel To | tal       | All-Electric Total |           |           |  |  |  |
| Zone                                                                          | 2100 Sqft                        | 2700 Sqft    | 6960 Sqft | 2100 Sqft          | 2700 Sqft | 6960 Sqft |  |  |  |
| CZ01                                                                          | 114                              | 119          | 422       | 71                 | 76        | 311       |  |  |  |
| CZ02                                                                          | 97                               | 109          | 398       | 62                 | 70        | 299       |  |  |  |
| CZ03                                                                          | 79                               | 86           | 361       | 54                 | 59        | 277       |  |  |  |
| CZ04                                                                          | 85                               | 96           | 373       | 56                 | 64        | 286       |  |  |  |
| CZ05                                                                          | 75                               | 81           | 358       | 53                 | 58        | 278       |  |  |  |
| CZ06                                                                          | 70                               | 81           | 353       | 52                 | 59        | 285       |  |  |  |
| CZ07                                                                          | 62                               | 71           | 343       | 48                 | 54        | 277       |  |  |  |
| CZ08                                                                          | 65                               | 76           | 359       | 50                 | 58        | 294       |  |  |  |
| CZ09                                                                          | 71                               | 83           | 371       | 54                 | 63        | 305       |  |  |  |
| CZ10                                                                          | 73                               | 87           | 377       | 56                 | 66        | 313       |  |  |  |
| CZ11                                                                          | 97                               | 116          | 424       | 67                 | 80        | 334       |  |  |  |
| CZ12                                                                          | 92                               | 108          | 402       | 60                 | 70        | 307       |  |  |  |
| CZ13                                                                          | 94                               | 113          | 419       | 66                 | 79        | 333       |  |  |  |
| CZ14                                                                          | 100                              | 119          | 438       | 73                 | 86        | 356       |  |  |  |
| CZ15                                                                          | 94                               | 112          | 454       | 84                 | 100       | 405       |  |  |  |
| CZ16                                                                          | 139                              | 161          | 522       | 89                 | 103       | 405       |  |  |  |

Figure 1 and Figure 2 show the carbon emissions of space heating and water heating end-uses for 2,100 sqft homes in each climate zone. Similar relationships are found for the larger building prototypes.

### Figure 1. Lifecycle $CO_2$ emissions from space heating in mixed-fuel (natural gas space heating) and all-electric homes (electric space heating), by CZ - 2,100 sqft







The cost of all-electric homes, measured using TDV consistent with California Building Energy Code, shows that despite the much higher efficiency of the heat pump appliances, the consumer cost to operate these appliances is somewhat higher for the all-electric end use. Figure 3 and Figure 4 show the comparative TDV performance of space heating and water heating end-uses for 2,100 sqft homes in each climate zone.



### Figure 3. Lifecycle TDV for space heating in mixed-fuel (natural gas space heating) and all-electric homes (electric space heating), by CZ - 2,100 sqft



Figure 4. Lifecycle TDV for water heating in mixed-fuel (natural gas water heating) and all-electric homes (electric water heating), by CZ - 2,100 sqft

#### Analysis of the CO<sub>2</sub> Price and Sensitivity Analysis

Based on the building simulation and TDV analysis there is a gap between the expected utility bills of mixed-fuel and all-electric buildings, with all-electric buildings being higher, but a significantly lower level of GHG emissions. This is primarily driven by the relatively lower cost of natural gas as a fuel for some end-uses. However, the greater efficiencies of heat pump technology, which can have very high energy factors by gathering energy from the environment, counteract the higher costs of electricity.

As an example, Table 4 and Table 5 show characteristics on the consumption and carbon emissions of two homes of identical size (2,100 sqft) and located in climate zone 12, one mixed-fuel and the other all-electric. In this example, switching from mixed-fuel to all-electric would result in a TDV increase of 15% from 220,403 kBtu to 253,419 kBtu. In units of cost, this is a difference of \$5,718 of higher costs over the life of the building and \$24 per month on average. Lifecycle  $CO_2$  emissions on the other hand will see a 35% decrease with such a switch, dropping from 92 to 60 tons. For this building, a carbon price of \$245/ton would be necessary to result in an equivalent lifecycle building cost.

| Table 4. Lifecycle energy consumption and $CO_2$ emissions in mixed-fuel – 2,100 sqft prototype home |       |        |                      |         |  |  |  |  |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|--------|----------------------|---------|--|--|--|--|
| Mixed-Fuel Home, CZ12 – 2,100sqft                                                                    |       |        |                      |         |  |  |  |  |
| End Use                                                                                              | kWh   | Therms | Tons CO <sub>2</sub> | kBtu    |  |  |  |  |
| Heat                                                                                                 | 156   | 182    | 33                   | 44,054  |  |  |  |  |
| Cool                                                                                                 | 187   | -      | 2                    | 33,996  |  |  |  |  |
| HVAC Other                                                                                           | -     | -      | -                    | -       |  |  |  |  |
| Water                                                                                                | -     | 123    | 22                   | 24,612  |  |  |  |  |
| Appliance                                                                                            | 947   | 44     | 15                   | 38,069  |  |  |  |  |
| Other                                                                                                | 2,764 | -      | 21                   | 79,671  |  |  |  |  |
| Total                                                                                                | 4,054 | 348    | 92                   | 220,403 |  |  |  |  |

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| Table 5. Lifecycle energy consumption and $CO_2$ emissions in all-electric – 2,100 sqft prototype home |       |        |                      |         |  |  |  |  |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|--------|----------------------|---------|--|--|--|--|
| All-Electric Home, CZ12 – 2,100sqft                                                                    |       |        |                      |         |  |  |  |  |
| End Use                                                                                                | kWh   | Therms | Tons CO <sub>2</sub> | kBtu    |  |  |  |  |
| Heat                                                                                                   | 1,804 | -      | 14                   | 45,569  |  |  |  |  |
| Cool                                                                                                   | 180   | -      | 2                    | 35,938  |  |  |  |  |
| HVAC Other                                                                                             | 85    | -      | 1                    | 2,145   |  |  |  |  |
| Water                                                                                                  | 1,011 | -      | 8                    | 27,837  |  |  |  |  |
| Appliance                                                                                              | 2,011 | -      | 15                   | 62,259  |  |  |  |  |
| Other                                                                                                  | 2,764 | -      | 21                   | 79,671  |  |  |  |  |
| Total                                                                                                  | 7,854 | -      | 60                   | 253,419 |  |  |  |  |

The conditions of the above tables were consistent with the 2019 TDV Update's Base Case, which includes the CEC IEPR's carbon price forecast. Sensitivities testing the impact of carbon prices were run to find a carbon price, such that the all-electric home reached parity with mixed-fuel in terms of kBtu.

Figure 5 compares the lifecycle TDV value for 2,100 sqft for each climate zone for mixed-fuel and all-electric homes, in addition to the 'gap' between each prototype. This analysis is also completed for the 2,700 sqft prototype and the multi-family home with information in Appendix B.



#### Figure 5. Lifecycle TDV of mixed-fuel and all-electric homes – 2,100 sqft prototype

The gap between the mixed-fuel and the all-electric home is based, in part, on the assumption of the cost of  $CO_2$  allowances. The TDV values assume the mid-IEPR case for  $CO_2$  costs. As a sensitivity we vary the carbon price to calculate the carbon price that would result in the same lifecycle costs.

As there is a demonstrable reduction in a building's lifecycle carbon emissions associated with electrification, an increase in carbon price may close the lifecycle TDV gap between mixed-fuel and all-electric buildings. In order to find the carbon prices that would enable such parity, we generated a number of TDV sets with varying carbon prices. The current TDV model uses retail rate adders that were created by adjusting IEPR's rate forecast with the CPUC RPS Calculator to a scenario with the current 50% RPS target and doubling of energy efficiency targets. This same methodology was followed to produce retail rate adders under a range of carbon prices. Each carbon price (adjusted for inflation over the TDV model's 30 years) and corresponding retail rate adder were input into the TDV model to produce a set of 30-year residential electric and natural gas TDVs for each carbon price.

The building simulation energy consumption shapes for mixed-fuel and allelectric homes are multiplied by each set of TDVs and summed to get the energy consumption in TDV units by carbon price. The difference between the TDV consumption of equivalent mixed-fuel and all-electric buildings is plotted against the corresponding carbon price.

Figure 6 shows the reduction in the gap as a function of the carbon price for each climate zone. The intersection points are highlighted which identify the points where the expected lifecycle costs are equivalent between 2,100 sqft mixed-fuel and all-electric homes. These analyses are repeated for the 2,700 sqft and multi-family prototypes which show similar results. The breakeven CO<sub>2</sub> prices are shown as the x-intercept of each line in Figure 6 for the 2,100 sqft prototype and for all prototypes in Table 6.



### Figure 6. Base Scenario net lifecycle TDV values of all-electric homes compared to mixed-fuel homes, by embedded carbon price and CZ - 2,100 sqft

| equivalent to mixed-fuel, by building prototype and climate zone |                                                                                 |            |            |  |  |  |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|------------|--|--|--|
| Climate                                                          | Carbon Price Required for Mixed-Fuel TDV to Exceed All-Electric<br>TDV (\$/ton) |            |            |  |  |  |
| Zone                                                             | 2,100 Sqft                                                                      | 2,700 Sqft | 6,960 Sqft |  |  |  |
| CZ01                                                             | \$288.76                                                                        | \$275.54   | \$458.41   |  |  |  |
| CZ02                                                             | \$225.55                                                                        | \$201.54   | \$444.14   |  |  |  |
| CZ03                                                             | \$301.50                                                                        | \$279.46   | \$475.32   |  |  |  |
| CZ04                                                             | \$260.09                                                                        | \$267.41   | \$560.32   |  |  |  |
| CZ05                                                             | \$365.58                                                                        | \$334.09   | \$508.64   |  |  |  |
| CZ06                                                             | \$290.37                                                                        | \$241.63   | \$457.58   |  |  |  |
| CZ07                                                             | \$316.49                                                                        | \$286.20   | \$433.42   |  |  |  |
| CZ08                                                             | \$292.74                                                                        | \$238.98   | \$510.84   |  |  |  |
| CZ09                                                             | \$315.82                                                                        | \$254.69   | \$570.74   |  |  |  |
| CZ10                                                             | \$324.61                                                                        | \$273.19   | \$614.88   |  |  |  |
| CZ11                                                             | \$284.32                                                                        | \$249.11   | \$614.19   |  |  |  |
| CZ12                                                             | \$245.25                                                                        | \$218.96   | \$532.80   |  |  |  |
| CZ13                                                             | \$268.33                                                                        | \$250.21   | \$595.93   |  |  |  |
| CZ14                                                             | \$271.94                                                                        | \$250.68   | \$522.09   |  |  |  |
| CZ15                                                             | \$475.11                                                                        | \$435.29   | \$616.93   |  |  |  |
| CZ16                                                             | \$422.41                                                                        | \$424.08   | \$691.10   |  |  |  |

Table 6. Breakeven carbon price required for lifecycle TDV of all-electric to be

In order to test the significance of electric retail rates on the relationship between carbon price and the TDV electrification gap, we repeated these analyses by using retail rate adders corresponding to a 1xAAEE scenario. The 1xAAEE scenario serves as a proxy for lower electric retail rates, as the lower buildout of energy efficiency generally translates to lower rates. Reducing electricity rates in turn reduces electric TDVs, while natural gas TDVs remain constant, narrowing the lifecycle TDV gap between mixed-fuel and all-electric homes. However, at carbon prices above \$350/ton CO<sub>2</sub>, energy efficiency becomes more economical than the marginal gas generation, so for climate

zones in which the base scenario breakeven carbon price exceeds \$350/ton (CZ5, CZ15, CZ16), the 1xAAEE scenario breakeven carbon price is greater than that of the base scenario.





While a sensitivity that decreases electric rates by a simple percentage relative to the base scenario would apply a more uniform change to all climate zones, the results of this sensitivity consistently show that lower electricity rates reduce the carbon price needed to close the lifecycle TDV gap between mixed-fuel and allelectric homes. Table 7 shows a comparison of breakeven carbon prices for the two scenarios for 2,100 sqft homes. Note that negative deltas (when prices in the base scenario exceed those in the 1xAAEE) occur when carbon prices are at a level at which 1xAAEE electric TDVs are greater than base scenario electric TDVs, as shown in Figure 7.

| Table 7. Sensitivity Analysis of Breakeven Carbon Price for Electrification - 2,100 sqft |                                  |           |          |  |  |  |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------|----------|--|--|--|
|                                                                                          | Breakever                        | CO₂ Price |          |  |  |  |
| Climate Zone                                                                             | Base Scenario 1xAAEE<br>Scenario |           | Delta    |  |  |  |
| CZ01                                                                                     | \$288.76                         | \$280.09  | \$8.67   |  |  |  |
| CZ02                                                                                     | \$225.55                         | \$208.67  | \$16.88  |  |  |  |
| CZ03                                                                                     | \$301.50                         | \$294.60  | \$6.90   |  |  |  |
| CZ04                                                                                     | \$260.09                         | \$247.64  | \$12.45  |  |  |  |
| CZ05                                                                                     | \$365.58                         | \$368.37  | -\$2.79  |  |  |  |
| CZ06                                                                                     | \$290.37                         | \$281.66  | \$8.71   |  |  |  |
| CZ07                                                                                     | \$316.49                         | \$311.73  | \$4.76   |  |  |  |
| CZ08                                                                                     | \$292.74                         | \$284.31  | \$8.43   |  |  |  |
| CZ09                                                                                     | \$315.82                         | \$310.99  | \$4.83   |  |  |  |
| CZ10                                                                                     | \$324.61                         | \$321.01  | \$3.59   |  |  |  |
| CZ11                                                                                     | \$284.32                         | \$275.08  | \$9.24   |  |  |  |
| CZ12                                                                                     | \$245.25                         | \$231.46  | \$13.79  |  |  |  |
| CZ13                                                                                     | \$268.33                         | \$257.23  | \$11.10  |  |  |  |
| CZ14                                                                                     | \$271.94                         | \$259.91  | \$12.03  |  |  |  |
| CZ15                                                                                     | \$475.11                         | \$494.73  | -\$19.62 |  |  |  |
| CZ16                                                                                     | \$422.41                         | \$434.24  | -\$11.83 |  |  |  |

Figure 8 shows the impact of carbon price on the lifecycle TDV gap between 2,100 sqft mixed-fuel and all-electric homes for the 1xAAEE scenario. Figure 6 shows the comparable figures for the base scenario. 1xAAEE breakeven carbon prices for all three building prototypes are summarized in Table 8.



### Figure 8. 1xAAEE Scenario net lifecycle TDV values of all-electric homes compared to mixed-fuel homes, by embedded carbon price and CZ - 2,100 sqft

| climate zone |                                                                                 |            |            |  |  |  |
|--------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|------------|--|--|--|
| Climate      | Carbon Price Required for Mixed-Fuel TDV to Exceed All-Electric<br>TDV (\$/ton) |            |            |  |  |  |
| Zone         | 2,100 Sqft                                                                      | 2,700 Sqft | 6,960 Sqft |  |  |  |
| CZ01         | \$280.09                                                                        | \$264.93   | \$479.32   |  |  |  |
| CZ02         | \$208.67                                                                        | \$181.79   | \$462.49   |  |  |  |
| CZ03         | \$294.60                                                                        | \$269.62   | \$499.22   |  |  |  |
| CZ04         | \$247.64                                                                        | \$256.17   | \$600.64   |  |  |  |
| CZ05         | \$368.37                                                                        | \$331.73   | \$540.70   |  |  |  |
| CZ06         | \$281.66                                                                        | \$226.16   | \$478.42   |  |  |  |
| CZ07         | \$311.73                                                                        | \$277.31   | \$448.91   |  |  |  |
| CZ08         | \$284.31                                                                        | \$223.01   | \$542.08   |  |  |  |
| CZ09         | \$310.99                                                                        | \$241.47   | \$613.44   |  |  |  |
| CZ10         | \$321.01                                                                        | \$262.42   | \$667.12   |  |  |  |
| CZ11         | \$275.08                                                                        | \$235.44   | \$668.02   |  |  |  |
| CZ12         | \$231.46                                                                        | \$202.19   | \$568.81   |  |  |  |
| CZ13         | \$257.23                                                                        | \$237.25   | \$645.98   |  |  |  |
| CZ14         | \$259.91                                                                        | \$236.01   | \$559.27   |  |  |  |
| CZ15         | \$494.73                                                                        | \$448.14   | \$672.68   |  |  |  |
| CZ16         | \$434.24                                                                        | \$435.80   | \$775.81   |  |  |  |

Table 8. 1xAAEE Sensitivity Breakeven carbon price required for lifecycle TDV of all-electric to be equivalent to mixed-fuel by building prototype and climate zone

#### **Total Lifecycle costs of All-Electric Homes**

In addition to different operating costs, all-electric homes can be expected to have differences in construction costs. There are a number of factors that contribute to the differences in the construction cost depending on the situation. On the one hand, there are differences in the costs of the electric appliances. In particular, the cost of heat pump water heaters is greater than their natural gas equivalents. On the other hand, there are construction cost differences. All-electric homes may require a larger capacity panel and electricity service. All-electric will also reduce costs from avoiding the plumbing of natural gas lines both within the home, and in some cases in the street where natural gas service connection exceeds the allowable costs under utility interconnection Rule 15. Given the uncertainty, we calculate the break-even cost that would result in equivalent total lifecycle costs for mixed-fuel and allelectric.

The following analysis shows the total gap in total lifecycle cost between allelectric and mixed-fuel homes based on the 2,100 sqft prototype. The results for the 2,700 sqft and multifamily homes are provided in the appendix. In order to break even on a total lifecycle basis, all-electric would have to cost from \$3,737 to \$17,183 less to construct per home in order to break even.

Table 9 also shows the average monthly bill difference over the assumed 30year life of the building. This cost ranges from \$15 to \$71 per month higher utility bill for the all-electric home.

| Table 9. Lifecycle cost gap between all-electric and mixed-fuel homes – 2,100 sqft prototype |            |              |               |  |  |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|--------------|---------------|--|--|
| Climate Zone                                                                                 | Mixed-Fuel | All-Electric | Lifecycle Gap |  |  |
| CZ01                                                                                         | \$37,183   | \$46,383     | \$9,200       |  |  |
| CZ02                                                                                         | \$33,496   | \$39,178     | \$5,682       |  |  |
| CZ03                                                                                         | \$29,545   | \$35,416     | \$5,872       |  |  |
| CZ04                                                                                         | \$30,728   | \$36,258     | \$5,530       |  |  |
| CZ05                                                                                         | \$28,597   | \$35,061     | \$6,464       |  |  |
| CZ06                                                                                         | \$27,414   | \$31,817     | \$4,403       |  |  |
| CZ07                                                                                         | \$24,508   | \$28,546     | \$4,038       |  |  |
| CZ08                                                                                         | \$27,254   | \$30,990     | \$3,737       |  |  |
| CZ09                                                                                         | \$32,255   | \$36,747     | \$4,492       |  |  |
| CZ10                                                                                         | \$33,131   | \$37,925     | \$4,794       |  |  |
| CZ11                                                                                         | \$44,423   | \$50,765     | \$6,342       |  |  |
| CZ12                                                                                         | \$38,174   | \$43,892     | \$5,718       |  |  |
| CZ13                                                                                         | \$45,100   | \$50,654     | \$5,554       |  |  |
| CZ14                                                                                         | \$42,280   | \$48,009     | \$5,729       |  |  |
| CZ15                                                                                         | \$55,779   | \$60,634     | \$4,855       |  |  |
| CZ16                                                                                         | \$42,866   | \$60,048     | \$17,183      |  |  |

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# Appendix A. CBECC Documentation

The CBECC-Res Compliance Software was used to simulate building energy consumption for every hour in a year. This appendix details the specific assumptions that were used as inputs to CBECC-Res. Building simulation runs were completed by Enercomp, Inc. in CBECC-Res Compliance Software version 838r561.

For energy efficiency measures, we tried to set up measures to represent the 2019 prescriptive standards. To do this, we started with the 2016 prescriptive requirements and added the following measures:

- + R19 below deck for a higher performance attic
- + QII
- Windows with U-factor 0.29, SHGC 0.23 for cooling climates, SHGC 0.50 for mild climates
- + Doors with U-factor 0.20

Our mixed-fuel home included the following technologies:

Tankless instantaneous gas water heater with EF of 0.82 (standard from 2016)

- Gas space heater meeting federal minimum standards (central furnace 0.78 AFUE, Central AC 14 SEER/11.7EER)
- + Gas stove and clothes dryer

Our all-electric home included the following technologies:

- + Electric heat pump water heater, Model AO Smith HPTU 50, (EF 3.6)
- + Electric heat pump space heater meeting federal minimum standards (central split heat pump 8.2 HSPF, Central AC 14 SEER/11.7EER)
- + Electric stove and clothes dryer

# Appendix B. Results for 2700 and 6960 sqft Prototypes

Table 10 shows the energy consumption results of the building simulation and the total TDV values for 2,700 sqft mixed-fuel and all-electric prototypes in each climate zone.

| Table 10. Total kWh, Therms, and lifecycle TDVs for mixed-fuel and all-electric homes by climate<br>zone (2,700 sqft) |            |        |            |              |        |            |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|--------|------------|--------------|--------|------------|
| Climate                                                                                                               | Mixed-Fuel |        |            | All-Electric |        |            |
| Zone                                                                                                                  | kWh        | Therms | TDV (kBtu) | kWh          | Therms | TDV (kBtu) |
| CZ01                                                                                                                  | 4,490      | 480    | 232,580    | 9,953        | -      | 282,970    |
| CZ02                                                                                                                  | 4,516      | 424    | 227,245    | 9,150        | -      | 258,594    |
| CZ03                                                                                                                  | 4,386      | 299    | 190,755    | 7,777        | -      | 223,224    |
| CZ04                                                                                                                  | 4,492      | 350    | 216,172    | 8,399        | -      | 252,553    |
| CZ05                                                                                                                  | 4,361      | 270    | 183,703    | 7,645        | -      | 218,224    |
| CZ06                                                                                                                  | 4,445      | 251    | 185,522    | 7,326        | -      | 208,304    |
| CZ07                                                                                                                  | 4,354      | 200    | 162,831    | 6,680        | -      | 185,768    |
| CZ08                                                                                                                  | 4,666      | 213    | 188,993    | 7,119        | -      | 207,944    |
| CZ09                                                                                                                  | 4,955      | 236    | 225,601    | 7,643        | -      | 248,786    |
| CZ10                                                                                                                  | 5,115      | 245    | 233,458    | 7,940        | -      | 259,629    |
| CZ11                                                                                                                  | 6,053      | 387    | 311,394    | 10,338       | -      | 348,299    |
| CZ12                                                                                                                  | 4,874      | 399    | 268,406    | 9,107        | -      | 301,127    |
| CZ13                                                                                                                  | 6,220      | 363    | 316,791    | 10,159       | -      | 352,280    |
| CZ14                                                                                                                  | 6,042      | 380    | 298,565    | 10,442       | -      | 333,733    |
| CZ15                                                                                                                  | 9,652      | 154    | 383,879    | 11,589       | -      | 413,740    |
| CZ16                                                                                                                  | 4,789      | 694    | 292,589    | 12,931       | -      | 407,657    |

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Table 11 shows the energy consumption results of the building simulation and the total TDV values for 6,960 sqft mixed-fuel and all-electric prototypes in each climate zone.

| Table 11. Total kWh, Therms, and lifecycle TDVs for mixed-fuel and all-electric homes by climate<br>zone (2,700 sqft) |            |        |            |              |        |            |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|--------|------------|--------------|--------|------------|
| Climate                                                                                                               | Mixed-Fuel |        |            | All-Electric |        |            |
| Zone                                                                                                                  | kWh        | Therms | TDV (kBtu) | kWh          | Therms | TDV (kBtu) |
| CZ01                                                                                                                  | 21,022     | 1,484  | 923,879    | 41,020       | -      | 1,185,673  |
| CZ02                                                                                                                  | 21,495     | 1,321  | 955,517    | 39,301       | -      | 1,178,813  |
| CZ03                                                                                                                  | 21,036     | 1,136  | 864,019    | 36,338       | -      | 1,074,396  |
| CZ04                                                                                                                  | 21,530     | 1,178  | 924,179    | 37,493       | -      | 1,184,288  |
| CZ05                                                                                                                  | 21,081     | 1,116  | 859,704    | 36,562       | -      | 1,077,543  |
| CZ06                                                                                                                  | 21,549     | 1,003  | 856,271    | 35,132       | -      | 1,032,776  |
| CZ07                                                                                                                  | 21,259     | 962    | 809,602    | 34,124       | -      | 973,686    |
| CZ08                                                                                                                  | 22,855     | 956    | 903,430    | 35,813       | -      | 1,091,723  |
| CZ09                                                                                                                  | 23,720     | 972    | 969,713    | 37,040       | -      | 1,188,832  |
| CZ10                                                                                                                  | 24,337     | 976    | 984,005    | 37,916       | -      | 1,221,989  |
| CZ11                                                                                                                  | 26,568     | 1,224  | 1,173,851  | 43,378       | -      | 1,459,817  |
| CZ12                                                                                                                  | 23,303     | 1,253  | 1,076,680  | 40,107       | -      | 1,329,195  |
| CZ13                                                                                                                  | 27,110     | 1,172  | 1,188,949  | 43,243       | -      | 1,455,199  |
| CZ14                                                                                                                  | 26,293     | 1,224  | 1,119,574  | 43,564       | -      | 1,353,938  |
| CZ15                                                                                                                  | 36,835     | 777    | 1,402,203  | 48,133       | -      | 1,592,124  |
| CZ16                                                                                                                  | 22,232     | 1,929  | 1,071,523  | 50,938       | -      | 1,539,838  |

Figure 9 and Figure 10 show the carbon emissions of space heating and water heating end-uses for 2,700 sqft homes in each climate zone.



### Figure 9. Lifecycle CO2 emissions from space heating in mixed-fuel (natural gas space heating) and all-electric homes (electric space heating), by CZ - 2,700 sqft

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Figure 10. Lifecycle CO2 emissions from water heating in mixed-fuel (natural gas water heating) and all-electric homes (electric water heating), by CZ - 2,700 sqft

Figure 11 and Figure 12 show the carbon emissions of space heating and water heating end-uses for 6,960 sqft homes in each climate zone.



### Figure 11. Lifecycle CO2 emissions from space heating in mixed-fuel (natural gas space heating) and all-electric homes (electric space heating), by CZ - 6,960 sqft





Figure 13 and Figure 14 show the comparative TDV performance of space heating and water heating end-uses for 2,700 sqft homes in each climate zone.



### Figure 13. Lifecycle TDV for space heating in mixed-fuel (natural gas space heating) and all-electric homes (electric space heating), by CZ - 2,700 sqft



Figure 14. Lifecycle TDV for water heating in mixed-fuel (natural gas water heating) and all-electric homes (electric water heating), by CZ - 2,700 sqft

Figure 15 and Figure 16 show the comparative TDV performance of space heating and water heating end-uses for 2,700 sqft homes in each climate zone.



### Figure 15. Lifecycle TDV for space heating in mixed-fuel (natural gas space heating) and all-electric homes (electric space heating), by CZ - 6,960 sqft



Figure 16. Lifecycle TDV for water heating in mixed-fuel (natural gas water heating) and all-electric homes (electric water heating), by CZ - 6,960 sqft

Figure 17 compares the lifecycle TDV value for 2,700 sqft for each climate zone for mixed-fuel and all-electric homes and the 'gap' between the two prototypes.



Figure 17. Lifecycle TDV of mixed-fuel and all-electric homes – 2,700 sqft

Figure 18 compares the lifecycle TDV value for 6,960 sqft for each climate zone for mixed-fuel and all-electric homes and the 'gap' between the two prototypes.



#### Figure 18. Lifecycle TDV of mixed-fuel and all-electric homes – 6,960 sqft

Figure 19 and Figure 20 show the reduction in the TDV gap between mixed-fuel and all-electric homes as a function of the carbon price for 2,700 sqft and 6,960 sqft buildings, respectively, for each climate zone.



### Figure 19. Base Scenario net lifecycle TDV values of all-electric homes compared to mixed-fuel homes, by embedded carbon price and CZ - 2,700 sqft





Table 12 shows the average monthly bill difference over the assumed 30-year life of a 2,700 sqft building.

| Table 12. Lifecycle cost gap between all-electric and mixed-fuel homes – 2,700 sqft prototype |            |              |               |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|--------------|---------------|--|--|--|
| Climate Zone                                                                                  | Mixed-Fuel | All-Electric | Lifecycle Gap |  |  |  |
| CZ01                                                                                          | \$40,283   | \$49,010     | \$8,728       |  |  |  |
| CZ02                                                                                          | \$39,359   | \$44,789     | \$5,430       |  |  |  |
| CZ03                                                                                          | \$33,039   | \$38,662     | \$5,624       |  |  |  |
| CZ04                                                                                          | \$37,441   | \$43,742     | \$6,301       |  |  |  |
| CZ05                                                                                          | \$31,817   | \$37,796     | \$5,979       |  |  |  |
| CZ06                                                                                          | \$32,132   | \$36,078     | \$3,946       |  |  |  |
| CZ07                                                                                          | \$28,202   | \$32,175     | \$3,973       |  |  |  |
| CZ08                                                                                          | \$32,734   | \$36,016     | \$3,282       |  |  |  |
| CZ09                                                                                          | \$39,074   | \$43,090     | \$4,016       |  |  |  |
| CZ10                                                                                          | \$40,435   | \$44,968     | \$4,533       |  |  |  |
| CZ11                                                                                          | \$53,933   | \$60,325     | \$6,392       |  |  |  |
| CZ12                                                                                          | \$46,488   | \$52,155     | \$5,667       |  |  |  |
| CZ13                                                                                          | \$54,868   | \$61,015     | \$6,147       |  |  |  |
| CZ14                                                                                          | \$51,711   | \$57,802     | \$6,091       |  |  |  |
| CZ15                                                                                          | \$66,488   | \$71,660     | \$5,172       |  |  |  |
| CZ16                                                                                          | \$50,676   | \$70,606     | \$19,930      |  |  |  |

Table 13 shows the average monthly bill difference over the assumed 30-year life of a 6,960 sqft building.

| Table 13. Lifecycle cost gap between all-electric and mixed-fuel homes – 6,960 sqft prototype |            |              |               |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|--------------|---------------|--|--|--|
| Climate Zone                                                                                  | Mixed-Fuel | All-Electric | Lifecycle Gap |  |  |  |
| CZ01                                                                                          | \$160,016  | \$205,359    | \$45,343      |  |  |  |
| CZ02                                                                                          | \$165,496  | \$204,170    | \$38,675      |  |  |  |
| CZ03                                                                                          | \$149,648  | \$186,085    | \$36,437      |  |  |  |
| CZ04                                                                                          | \$160,068  | \$205,119    | \$45,051      |  |  |  |
| CZ05                                                                                          | \$148,901  | \$186,630    | \$37,730      |  |  |  |
| CZ06                                                                                          | \$148,306  | \$178,877    | \$30,571      |  |  |  |
| CZ07                                                                                          | \$140,223  | \$168,642    | \$28,419      |  |  |  |
| CZ08                                                                                          | \$156,474  | \$189,086    | \$32,612      |  |  |  |
| CZ09                                                                                          | \$167,954  | \$205,906    | \$37,951      |  |  |  |
| CZ10                                                                                          | \$170,430  | \$211,649    | \$41,219      |  |  |  |
| CZ11                                                                                          | \$203,311  | \$252,840    | \$49,529      |  |  |  |
| CZ12                                                                                          | \$186,481  | \$230,217    | \$43,736      |  |  |  |
| CZ13                                                                                          | \$205,926  | \$252,040    | \$46,114      |  |  |  |
| CZ14                                                                                          | \$193,910  | \$234,502    | \$40,592      |  |  |  |
| CZ15                                                                                          | \$242,862  | \$275,756    | \$32,894      |  |  |  |
| CZ16                                                                                          | \$185,588  | \$266,700    | \$81,112      |  |  |  |