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# Decarbonization through Customer Engagement

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#### **OUR MISSION**

We Motivate and Enable Energy Users and Providers to Accelerate the Clean Energy Ecosystem



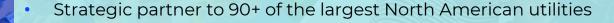
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#### **OUR PURPOSE**

To Create a More Sustainable Future



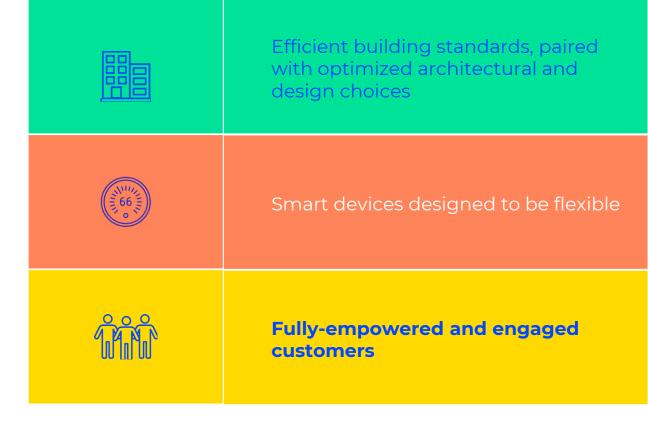
Uplight is the leading provider of end-to-end customer-centric technology solutions dedicated solely to serving the energy ecosystem



- Integrated software suite for all utility partners that connects and optimizes every energy action and channel
- Deploys a proven suite of vertical program solutions for utilities' critical strategic initiatives
- Incubated and brought together through M&A a suite of products that can be sold as a platform offering

Scale Growth Efficiency Stability

There are many actions required to achieve California's decarbonization goals. Customer engagement is key.



Our experience shows that customers want insight into their energy experience and value certainty, comfort, and control. Technology makes it possible.



Personalization pays off. High perceived personalization is correlated with higher satisfaction, engagement, and energy savings actions.





Had 28% higher utility satisfaction ratings



Were 24% more likely to take action on email tips and 11% more likely to take advantage of utility rebates.



Were 11% more likely to report they notice differences in their bill when trying to save energy.



Fully engaging customers requires action on several fronts.





- **Provider Incentives** Incentives encourage investment
- **Planning Processes** Demand-side resources should be included
- Access to Markets Federal and state policies need alignment
- Eauity All customers should benefit, not just early adopters
- **Customer Data Use** Security and privacy matter



### Areas for provider leadership

- **Dispatch Architecture** DER operators must control resources efficiently and as a portfolio
- **Performance** modeling Improved modeling increases trust for planning and operating
- **Customer Experience** DER adoption depends on positive customer experiences

## **DERMS Integrations**

Seeing positive

movement

- Energy providers are increasingly investing in technology
- **Cost Reductions** Technology costs are declining
- Rate Design Time-of-use plans and other rate structures are growing in popularity



