

Building Decarbonization and the CPUC

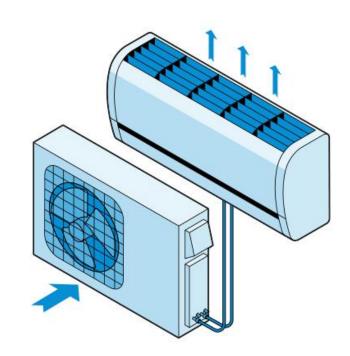
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Energy Efficiency Branch



Building Decarbonization Policy Context

- AB 3232 (Friedman): Requires CEC to produce plans (with CPUC) to reduce buildings emissions by 40% by 2030.
- **SB 1477 (Stern):** Allocates \$50 million/year for BUILD and TECH programs, 1/3rd for low income customers. Administered by CPUC.
- SB 350 (DeLeon): Requires 50% RPS by 2030, doubling of energy efficiency
- Governor Brown Executive Order to decarbonize electricity by 2045





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1. Implementation of SB 1477

- Authorizes the CPUC to select a program implementer for BUILD and TECH programs
 - A. BUILD = Building Initiative for Low Emissions
 Development
 - B. TECH = Technology and Equipment for Clean Heating
- May set rules and guidelines for program implementation, including design, participant eligibility, incentive levels, evaluation protocols
- 1/3rd of funds must target low income customers





Habitat for Humanity all electric, ZNE home, Santa Ana. Photos: Orange County Register



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2. Pilot programs for post-fire rebuilding

- Considers consistent, unified statewide approach for fire victims to rebuild homes all electric
- CPUC approved a PG&E program in Sonoma and Mendocino counties for all electric rebuild, but only because a CCA (Sonoma Clean Power) is a partner.
- Sonoma Clean Power's funding not subject to 3-prong rule.



Photo: Sonoma Magazine



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3. Building and Appliance codes and standards

 CPUC will consider specific program policies, procedures, and rules to incent builders to choose Title 24 compliance pathways that maximize GHG reductions.

4. Develop a Building Decarbonization Policy Framework

- Development of a coherent and comprehensive set of Commission rules, policies, and procedures to accelerate the reduction of GHG from buildings.
- Draw on lessons learned from the smaller-scale programs authorized by SB 1477 to scale up, including rate design.





Electrification Pilots

Advanced Energy Rebuild – Sonoma and Mendocino Counties







- For victims of the 2017 fires
- Up to \$17,500 in incentives for all electric rebuilds for fire victims.
- One single point of contact, one application



Electrification Pilots

San Joaquin Valley

- In San Joaquin Valley, \$50 million program focuses on 1,600 residents (11 communities) without natural gas.
- Homes reliant on propane or wood are incentivized to receive heat pump appliances.
- Project is an alternative to building new natural gas lines



Photo: Self Help Enterprises



Mobilehome Decarb Questions

- What data or information can you offer to the proceeding regarding the value and potential for increased use of electric technologies in MHPs?
 - Is it practical to shift MHPs to increased use of **electric** water heaters?
 - Is it practical to shift MHPs to increased use of **electric space heaters**?
 - To what extent do MHPs use **electric stoves**, and would it be practical to increase the use of electric stoves?
 - To what extend can mobilehomes use electric technologies developed for houses, and to what extent do mobilehomes need different electric technologies?



Mobilehome Decarb Questions (cont...)

- What is the potential for going all electric in mobile home parks?
 - If even one mobilehome in a park requires gas service, then a gas main is needed – would it be practical for mobilehome parks to be built in the future without gas main lines?
 - If the costs of all-electric mobilehome technology are high in the short term, is it possible that those costs would fall in the longer-term as the technologies are adopted more widely?
 - If the Commission directs future work on market transformation to prioritize electric technologies for mobilehomes (as per SB 1477), then could the costs of those technologies decline?
 - If special all-electric rates become available, then would it be more cost effective for MHPs to adopt all-electric technologies?



Mobilehome Decarb Pilot?

- Would it make sense to have an all-electric mobilehome pilot?
 - If so, how would you design that pilot?
 - How would you target that pilot?