SDG&E EPIC-3 Application Overview
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Outline

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• Overview of Proposed EPIC-3 Application
• Highlights of Selected EPIC-3 Projects
Accomplishments in EPIC Projects

EPIC-1

• 5 projects proposed and approved
• 5 projects launched
• 2 have demonstration stage completed
• 3 nearing completion of demonstration stage
• Final reports expected in 2017

EPIC-2

• 6 projects proposed and approved
• 6 projects launched
• 5 nearing completion of demonstration stage
• 1 beginning demonstration stage
• Final reports expected in 2017
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Shown by primary category; some projects map to more than one category

Renewables & DER Integration

• Integration of Battery and Photovoltaic Systems into Utility Operations
• Energy Storage Performance Evaluation

Grid Modernization & Optimization

• Application of Advanced Metering Infrastructure Data To Advanced Utility System Operations
• Safety Training Simulators with Augmented Visualization
• Unmanned Aircraft Systems with Advanced Image Processing for Electric Utility Inspection and Operations
• Repurposing Post Electric Vehicle Batteries for Utility Commercial, and Mass Transit Applications

Customer Focused Services

• Demonstration of Multipurpose Mobile Battery for Port of San Diego and/or Other Applications
Project 2: Energy Storage Performance Evaluation

Concern, Problem, or Gap to be Addressed
• Vanadium Redox Flow (VRF) Batteries are an alternative to more conventional battery technologies that are being deployed. VRF battery systems offer the prospect of better suitability for some use cases and duty cycles.
• A comparative demonstration is needed to determine the advantages and disadvantages of VRF and Lithium-Ion (Li-Ion) batteries in various situations.

Technology or Strategy to be Demonstrated
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EPIC Primary or Secondary Principles Met
• State energy storage, renewable portfolio, and distributed resource planning (DRP) mandates. Improved reliability and reduced costs
Basic Configuration of VRF

- Electrolyte Tanks
- Pumps
- Cell Stack
- Heat Exchanger
- Grid
- AC
- DC
- PCS
- piping
- wiring
- Secondary container
- foundation
VRF Battery
Project 5: Unmanned Aircraft Systems with Advanced Image Processing for Electric Utility Inspection and Operations

Concern, Problem, or Gap to be Addressed
• Technology advancements in monitoring, measurement and inspection can help reduce labor-intensive efforts to maintain and operate the power system infrastructure.
• Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) have emerged as a useful tool in a variety of utility applications.

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• This project will build on SDG&E’s existing base of experience in UAS applications and demonstrate new applications.
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• Improve reliability, reduce costs, and increase employee and public safety.
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  - The battery system could be transportable to other applications during other periods.
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EPIC Primary or Secondary Principles Met

- AB628 Energy Management Plan (EMP), clean energy, customer choice, operational excellence.
EPIC-3 Program Overview

Public web site at www.sdg&e.com/epic

Thank you for your time
Appendix: Descriptions for All SDG&E EPIC-3 Projects
Project 1: Integration of Battery and Photovoltaic Systems into Utility Operations

Concern, Problem, or Gap to be Addressed
• Increasing numbers of battery systems are being installed for a variety of functions, including peak shaving, smoothing intermittent PV output, and others
• To maximize the value of battery systems, suitable communication and control infrastructure is needed to enable rapid dispatch of alternative battery functions as operating needs change throughout daily or other use cycles

Technology or Strategy to be Demonstrated
• Alternative communication and control options for high-speed communications with distributed PV and battery systems
• Advanced concepts for integration of PV and batteries into distribution operations
• Recommendations regarding best practices and commercial adoption

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Project 3: Application of Advanced Metering Infrastructure Data to Advanced Utility System Operations

Concern, Problem, or Gap to be Addressed
• As a voltage sensor network, 5-minute voltage data obtained from 320,000 meters could enhance SDG&E’s ability to meet its operations, planning, and regulatory activity needs.
• Use of AMI date for phase identification could also improve SDG&E’s planning and operations abilities.

Technology or Strategy to be Demonstrated
• Demonstrate two critical capabilities of the AMI system: use as a voltage sensor network and as a phase identification tool
• Prospective use cases include validation of system models, verification of voltage compliance and of DER hosting capacity, determination of PV impacts and mitigation solutions, and improvement of volt/VAR and CVR practices

EPIC Primary or Secondary Principles Met
• State energy storage, renewable portfolio, and distributed resource planning (DRP) mandates. Improved reliability and reduced costs.
Concern, Problem, or Gap to be Addressed
• Training simulators can provide valuable simulated experience to electric workers, analogous to flight simulators used to train pilots.
• Advanced training simulators will help electric utility crews train for day-to-day operations in a safe manner.

Technology or Strategy to be Demonstrated
• This project will demonstrate simulator technologies using augmented reality tools.
• Determine the following: practical simulator designs, effectiveness of alternative solutions, data transfer to workers via mobile applications, and recommendations of which solutions should be pursued commercially.

EPIC Primary or Secondary Principles Met
• Employee safety at utilities; workforce readiness for evolving system infrastructure.
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Concern, Problem, or Gap to be Addressed
• Post-EV stationary energy storage applications have required extensive refurbishment and integration costs to meet their non-transportation requirements. Also, dynamic electric rate communications pathways for EV charging can provide price signals for customer-owned stationary and V2G battery discharge optimization.

Technology or Strategy to be Demonstrated
• Stationary installation of used battery packs and existing OEM hardware will be tested to provide electric services for light rail, such as: Energy efficiently (downhill & arrival regenerative breaking); Demand mitigation (uphill and departure demand); and Renewables integration (dynamic price optimization).

EPIC Primary or Secondary Principles Met
• Reliability, affordability, and safety.
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Background

SCE will continue to administer its EPIC Portfolio, as part of its broader Advanced Technology efforts.

- SCE will conduct EPIC demonstrations at its Advanced Technology Fenwick Laboratory Facility, Equipment Demonstration Evaluation Facility and in the field.

Portfolio Implementation & Accomplishments:

**2012-2014 Portfolio**
- 15 Projects
- 7 Projects have been completed

**2015-2017 Portfolio**
- 12 Projects
- 1 Project has completed
## Investor Owned Utility EPIC Framework

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• SB 32  
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• Prepare for Emerging Technologies  
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• Workforce Development  
• CA Economic Resiliency |
| **Customer Focused Products and Services Enablement** | • Leverage the SmartMeter Platform to Drive Customer Service Excellence  
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• Integrate Demand Side Management for Grid Optimization | | • SB 350  
• CSI  
• Peak Reduction  
• Electric Transportation  
• Vehicle-to-grid Integration |

**Cross Cutting/Foundational Strategies & Technologies**  
Smart Grid Architecture, Cybersecurity, Telecommunications, Standards
High Profile Potential Projects

1. **Cybersecurity for Industrial Control Systems**: Potential joint project by PG&E, SCE and potentially the CEC and would build on the successes of the CES-21 Program. The CES-21 Program is a joint research collaborative project between PG&E, SCE, SDG&E and Lawrence Livermore National Lab (LLNL), improving machine-to-machine automated threat response. This project would further improve machine-to-machine automated threat response by demonstrating adaptive controls and dynamic zoning for ICS and enhancing visual interfaces of the simulation engine. The project would leverage the CES-21 Program’s machine-level threat intelligence, physical test bed environment, as well as the simulation engine to expand the IOUs cyber threat response capabilities in order to take the concept of machine-language threat intelligence and advances it to enable dynamic response in the face of an attack.
High Profile Potential Projects

2. **SA-3 Phase III Field Demonstration**: The objective of this potential project is to successfully demonstrate a modern substation automation system for a transmission substation by adopting scalable technology that enables advanced functionality which meets NERC Critical Infrastructure Protection (CIP) compliance and IT cybersecurity requirements. This potential demonstration project will build on the prior accomplishments of the SA-3 Phase II MacArthur Pilot (occurred under the DOE-funded Irvine Smart Grid Demonstration), the SA-3 Phase 3 Lab Demonstration under EPIC 1 and the System Intelligence and Situational Awareness project under EPIC 2. This potential project is complementary to SCE’s Grid Modernization SA-3 deployment efforts, which are focused on distribution substations.
High Profile Potential Projects

3. **Smart City:** This project would build on the learnings of ISGD and the IGP. This potential demonstration would leverage ongoing distributed control architecture and improved planning processes that includes increased understanding of customer technology adoption and increased integration with City planning and DER permitting processes. The goal is to provide more efficient buildout of infrastructure, streamline joint processes, such as permitting and interconnections for Solar PV and energy storage systems.
The Grid of Things™: The always there, always on platform that enables all the products and services customers need to engage with and use energy
PG&E’s Vision for EPIC:

- PG&E continues to be strongly committed to the EPIC Program and the value it provides to our customers
- EPIC’s main goals align closely with PG&E’s “Grid of the Future” strategy
- EPIC offers the opportunity to cost-effectively develop and demonstrate innovative technologies which can advance PG&E’s core values of safety, reliability, and affordability while advancing California’s clean energy policies

EPIC Project Selection and Execution Approach

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<td>Alignment to Utility Strategies &amp; Customer Needs</td>
<td>Ensures the issue(s) addressed by projects solve relevant concerns faced by PG&amp;E’s customers, while also having a clear path to production if the technology is proven ready to scale</td>
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<td>Alignment with Innovation Characteristics</td>
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<td>Projects are overseen via matrix-style governance through PG&amp;E’s Program Management Office (PMO) that maintains overall accountability of the EPIC portfolio</td>
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PG&E is focused on Technology, Demonstration and Deployment (TD&D) Projects that address emergent grid needs while continuing to provide safe, reliable and affordable services and also advance California energy policies in a cost-effective manner.

The EPIC program has 4 key investment areas of focus:

- Renewables & Distributed Energy Resource Integration
- Grid Modernization & Optimization
- Customer Service & Enablement
- Cross-Cutting / Foundational Strategies & Technologies
Proposed EPIC 3 Projects Align with EPIC Principles

Enhance program targeting and combinations of DER technologies to enable easier IDER / IDSM adoption; Increase adoption of EV and Storage

Expand operational capabilities (DERMS / ADMS) to optimize the grid through the use of DERs
Test transactive technologies and new DER Market Operations

Improve understanding of DER grid impacts, location-specific protection settings
Leverage sensor technology to improve active monitoring of Grid Assets

Move maintenance / outage mitigation from reactive to proactive leveraging advanced data analytics approaches

Enable more dynamic and DER-oriented rates, including valuation of DER grid services at a granular level to enable improved understanding of DER location based impacts / future potential tariffs

Improve protections against bad actor access in critical facilities (e.g. rogue wireless access points, cyber-physical coordinated security)

Improve field worker safety, efficiency and access to real-time information
Develop foundational technologies to enable Drone utility use cases

Increase Adoption Of DER Products
Renewables & DER Integration
Condition Monitoring & Remote Assets
Proactive Grid Maintenance

Customer Service & Enablement
Grid Modernization & Optimization
Modernize Asset Investments

Enable New Products & Tariffs
Cross-Cutting / Foundational
Improved Field Tools
Cybersecurity

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Glossary
- DER: Distributed Energy Resources
- IDER: Integrated Demand Energy Resources
- IDSM: Integrated Demand Side Management
- ADMS: Advanced Distribution Management System
- DERMS: Distributed Energy Resources Management System
- EV: Electric Vehicle
- Grid: Power distribution network
- DER: Distributed Energy Resources
To Date, PG&E has completed **16 EPIC Projects**
- Final reports can be found at [www.pge.com/epicfinalreports](http://www.pge.com/epicfinalreports)

EPIC 3 proposes **43 projects**, summaries can be found in the Appendix
- This includes two projects from Advice Letter 5015-E which were declined by the CPUC solely due to failure to meet the CPUC’s “immediacy guidelines” for new projects that arise between EPIC triennial reviews.
- PG&E included the Advice Letter in the Appendix of our EPIC 3 Application to ensure these projects would move forward, as long as there was no other reason to hold on the project outside of timing.

Example of Projects Included:

### Renewables and DER Integration

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### 3.03 DERMS / ADMS Advanced Functionality: Leverage DERMS to facilitate enhanced visibility/control over DERs & other grid assets; incorporate additional technologies into DERMS and increase DER coordination through aggregation for optimized dispatch, including DR & EV Integration, VVO functionality, direct resource aggregation, and load cycling. Project may also explore dispatch DERs for restoration switching use cases leveraging estimated time of restoration forecasts.

### Grid Modernization and Optimization

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1. PG&E recommends supporting DACs through CEC’s market facilitation activities and the IOUs other market facilitation approved programs (e.g., SGIP, EE, DR)
   - Note that a program rule and budget change would be needed for IOUs to participate in market facilitation through EPIC

2. PG&E will also add additional visibility and outreach for DACs into the EPIC work through an expanded focus on encouraging Diverse Suppliers that have technologies that match what the utilities are proposing to demonstrate:
   - Continue outreach to DACs to raise awareness of opportunities to either apply for EPIC funds or benefit from the results
   - Provide a workshop to diverse suppliers on the overview of the EPIC program portfolio and clarify how they can participate when RFPs open
   - Proactively invite DACs to the EPIC workshops held bi-annually by the EPIC program administrators

PG&E will enhance our DAC outreach and targeting in order to ensure our EPIC projects meet the needs of our customers, including providing direct benefits to customers, residents and businesses in DACs, while taking into consideration that:

- Technologies which are at the demonstration phase are often largely unproven, and therefore can present risks that may be inappropriate or premature for DAC outreach or targeting
- Our EPIC DAC targeting should emphasize the benefits of the project to DAC customers, residents, employees and businesses, even if the location of the project is outside a DAC.
Grid Control & Market Operations

Expand operational capabilities (DERMS/ADMS) to optimize the grid through the use of DERs

Leverage transactive technologies and test new DER market operations

### DERMS and/or ADMS Advanced Functionality

**3.02 Utility Aggregated Resources w/ Market Participation:** Develop and demonstrate multi-technology Distributed Energy Resource (DER) aggregation (e.g. Solar, Storage) for wholesale market operations with potential to explore multiple uses including distribution support, retail, and/or T&D interfaces for control center operations

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### Transactive Energy Market

**3.04 Multi-Nodal Distributed Digital Ledger:** Demonstrate/evaluate a multi-nodal digital distributed ledger (e.g. Blockchain) as an enabling technology that may facilitate greater efficiency, transparency in customer transactions & customer security (including potential use cases, such as rate roaming, localized microgrid energy exchanges, asset data and credit tracking)

**3.05 Virtual DER Markets for Capacity and Other Attributes:** Demonstrate autonomous distributed economic dispatch in the context of DER markets for capacity and other attributes, exploring a locally-sited optimization algorithm that could respond to various market signals that either exist today or may exist in the future in coordination with neighboring DERs (optimize DER dispatch decisions to maximize value and reduce redundant costs)

### Enhanced VVO

**3.12 Advanced Volt/Var Optimization (VVO) Functionalities:** Demonstrate enhanced algorithms to leverage Volt Var Optimization (VVO) for grid management services. Potential use cases include distribution capacitors to reduce transmission congestion and leveraging distributed smart inverters (further improve grid stability)
### Energy Storage – Behind-the-Meter

**3.06 Auto ID BTM Storage**: Identify Behind the Meter storage devices with interval and/or voltage data to understand their behavior with respect to charging and discharging (grid safety and potential to leverage during peak hours)

### Energy Storage – Utility Scale

**3.07 Utility Scale Storage For Load Balancing**: Demonstrate phase load balancing by leveraging large, utility-owned batteries, which may use smart inverters to test the ability to use the load from the energy storage device to shift load between phases (operational efficiency vs. manually moving loads to rebalance them improves reliability by optimizing asset utilization across the phases)

**3.08 Second Life Batteries For Grid Needs**: Reuse battery systems from EV applications and/or other hybrid vehicle battery systems in the industry for utility grid support, with functions such as demand response and/or frequency regulation (lower cost energy storage, support EV business case with residual value)

### Energy Resilience

**3.11 Location-Specific Options for Reliability and/or Resilience Upgrades**: Develop a processes and specification that can be tested to evaluate multiple-DER technology configurations that could potentially serve as location-specific options for distribution system reliability and/or resilience upgrades, such as distributed battery storage, distributed solar and other distributed generation, microgrid controllers, and isolation and protection equipment enabling islanding (reduced operating costs, improved local reliability, supports DER adoption)
DER Impact Analysis

**3.01 Automated DER Impact and Long Term Dynamics Evaluation:** Automate the DER impact and long term dynamics evaluation process (reducing DER study timeline/cost, improving understanding and management of voltage impacts caused by multiple DERs on a single circuit as well as its impact on LTC operations, potentially leading to improved hosting capacity within the distribution system)

**3.09 Dynamic Near-Term DER Load Forecasting:** Demonstrate an algorithm leveraging smart inverter data with other data streams (e.g., local weather, customer demographics, customer usage) that can better predict customer gross and net usage/load, Distributed Energy Resource (DER) generation, back-feed at distribution assets, and impact on system level or local short-term energy supply needs (reduce generation purchasing buffer, reduce distribution operating cost, further insight for distribution planning)

**3.10 Grid of the Future Scenario Engine:** Wide-scale distribution and/or transmission grid simulator for analyzing multiple scenarios and potential future stressors to the grid, such as changes in usage behavior, increased DER integration rates and more, to facilitate better informed grid planning

Electric Vehicles

**3.28 Real Time Load Based Charging:** Demonstrate a “smart” Electric Vehicle (EV) charging application by coordinating and staggering residential EV charging with the aim of avoiding potential distribution system issues caused by numerous EVs in a local area that are charging at the same time (support EV growth while maintaining grid reliability and avoiding costly upgrades)

**3.42 Electric Load Management for Ridesharing Electrification:** Evaluate the charging load profile and grid impacts of Electric Vehicle (EV) charging used for the new rideshare use case and assess ability to manage the resulting load using active demand management

*Project proposed via 5015-E Advice Letter*
Enable New Customer Products and Tariffs
Enable more dynamic and DER-oriented rates, including valuation of DER grid services at a granular level to enable improved understanding of DER location based impacts / future potential tariffs.

Metering Technology

3.25 Electric Grid Monitoring Meter (EGM): Demonstrate a modular-designed meter to reduce equipment costs for meter replacements, monitor the electric grid operations and report real time outage and restoration, and also function as a SCADA metering point during the critical and initial 10-30 minutes of a power outage (report power conditions via voltage values, enable additional insight into outages via additional last gasp data, affordability).

3.26 Predictive Data Analytics for Proactive Meter Replacement: Create and demonstrate an algorithm for remotely diagnosing meter health, helping to target and prioritize meter replacements (reduce truck rolls, better targeted issue resolution)

3.27 Multi-Purpose Meter (MPM): Demonstrate a meter that can measure energy consumption for multiple customers and/or multiple uses, in the place of multiple single-use and/or sub-meters (reduced operational and asset costs, enable future DER and smart city options)
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### Customer Facing Tools

**3.29 Advanced Customer Bill Scenario Calculator:** Demonstrate an online tool with a streamlined graphical user interface to allow customers to more easily understand how behavioral changes and technology investments may affect their energy bill

### Advanced Pricing / Rates / Tariffs

**3.30 Connected Device Real-Time Pricing-Based Control:** Technology demonstration of real-time pricing service impacts upon sending signals to connected devices to control their operation based on pricing signals and/or grid conditions

**3.31 Real-Time DER Price Signals:** Design and demonstrate a locational net benefit rate design structure for DERs in order to valuate DER grid services to incentivize optimal DER siting and dispatch

### Power Quality

**3.32 System Harmonics for Power Quality Investigations:** Leverage SmartMeter™ data to assist in identifying system harmonics that may cause power quality issues for customers (more proactive issue resolution, improve operational efficiency)
3.17 Generic Universal Distribution Controller (UDC) for Relay, Regulator, LTC, Capacitor, Interrupter Control: Demonstrate a UDC that can act as a generic controller for use in electric distribution line equipment with enough generic input/output and software flexibility to be used as a capacitor controller, voltage regulator controller, an LTC controller, or a distribution relay (reduced hardware, vendor and operating costs through standardization)

3.23 Enhanced Distribution Line Equipment Device Settings Management: Demonstrate the increased efficiency, quality assurance, and flexibility of expanding existing technology at PG&E used currently to manage transmission and substation distribution protection relay device settings to all distribution line equipment relays and controllers
### Advanced Condition Monitoring and Remote Diagnostics

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<td>Demonstrate equipment that can be quickly and safely mounted on the casing of a pole-top distribution transformer to enable monitoring of equipment health, and potentially test new communication devices to deliver sensor data through FAN (transformer preventative maintenance, improved understanding of &quot;plug and play&quot; equipment installation)</td>
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<td><strong>3.14 Maintenance Prioritization for Imminent Asset Risk:</strong></td>
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<td>Develop and demonstrate new algorithms for determining and actively monitoring transformer health and performance based on synchrophasor and/or other data to detect conditions such as arcing, breaker mis-operation, proper reclosing, total fault energy over time (Transmission Asset Monitoring, enhanced predictive failure analytics)</td>
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<td><strong>3.19 Unified Network Solution:</strong></td>
<td>Demonstrate a platform for unified communication using the service and availability of one network to the benefit of the other networks (such as SCADA, land mobile radio, smart meter, Field Area Network)</td>
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Emerging Grid Technologies

3.15 Proactive Wires Down Mitigation: Identify a falling conductor in sub-second response time to enable proactive circuit isolation prior to the conductor making contact with the ground (wire down safety)

3.20 Data Analytics for Predictive Maintenance: Develop predictive maintenance algorithms for identifying potential asset failures before they occur by using SmartMeter™ voltage data and other utility data sources at service points downstream of equipment (reduce unplanned outages; use cases to be explored include primary side loose neutrals, overloaded or near-failure transformers, and stressed or near-failure cables)

3.21 Advanced Vegetation Management: Model tree growth rate and historical vegetation related outages to recommended proactive, targeted mitigations using LiDAR and other remote sensing data for reliability planning, vegetation management and resource allocation

3.22 Abnormal State Configuration Risk and Mitigations: Create and demonstrate an algorithm for understanding the comparative risk of PG&E’s abnormal state configurations to proactively prioritize mitigation of these issues (reduce outage risk)

3.24 Automatic Power Factor (PF) Management: Demonstrate an algorithm to achieve automatic power factor management to keep power factor within the mandated CAISO guideline (affordability over current approaches)

*3.43 Service Issue Identification Leveraging Momentary Outage Information: Demonstrate approach to proactively identify potential service issue problems related to locations with frequent momentary outages, which may be caused by imminent failures of conductors, insulators, transformers and/or vegetation contact

*Project proposed via 5015-E Advice Letter

Reactive to Proactive Grid Maintenance

Move maintenance / outage mitigation from reactive to proactive leveraging advanced data analytics approaches
Cybersecurity

3.33 Cyber-Physical Integrated Security: Demonstrate a unified security solution which matches physical access to system access to aid in the blocking of unauthorized access to PG&E’s critical infrastructure.

3.34 Local Wireless Security For Critical Facilities: Develop and demonstrate a next-generation wireless security solution which would monitor airwaves around PG&E’s electric facilities to detect rogue access points installed within physically secured generation/substation facilities, which could provide bad actors access to the critical infrastructure networks.

3.35 Advance Security of Internet of Things (IoT) Communications: Demonstrate an open architecture standard for secure communications between a utility and customer devices using third party communications channels (e.g. home internet connections, cellular networks, and private-built field area networks).

3.36 Cybersecurity for Industrial Control Systems (ICS): Joint EPIC Administrator collaborative project: Builds on foundational CES-21 learnings, potential demonstrations include adaptive controls and dynamic zoning for industrial control systems and enhanced visual interfaces of the simulation engines that include converged network and grid models.

Cybersecurity

Improve protections against bad actor access in critical facilities (e.g. rogue wireless access points, cyber-physical coordinated security).
## Improved Field Tools

Leverage augmented reality, “SIRI”-type functions, and other associated field workforce tools to improve field access to real-time information

Develop foundational technologies to enable Drone utility use cases

### Advanced Tools For Field Work

**3.37 Augmented Reality:** Demonstrate technology to visualize grid and asset data integrated with GIS, superimposed on a device to provide real-time support and guidance for asset investigations / maintenance

**3.38 Voltage Checks:** Tool to provide remote voltage checks for field workers to identify low or no power situations while on-site without the need to call the central office or manually measure the line

**3.40 Advanced Field Reference Tool:** Voice guided and/or free-form entry reference for field workers to ask questions and receive guidance based on PG&E’s equipment libraries, safety practices, and other critical documentation

### Advanced Outage Restoration

**3.39 Optimized Dispatch For Restoration Events:** Optimize outage dispatch to support restoration operations by optimizing crew movements and responses (Algorithm could be trained for weather, traffic, expected job length, current crew locations, etc. May also provide logistics support to the Emergency Operations Center to reduce the number of calculations/decisions being made)

### Drone Enablement and Operational Use

**3.41 Drone Enablement and Operational Use:** Demonstrate a foundational utility-focused drone control management system and improved charging techniques, as well as drones for operational use cases such as advanced condition-based monitoring and transmission line power harvesting
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Proposed budget leveraged CPUC guidance to calculate the approved CPI index in D.15-04-020, resulting incl. 2.065% annual escalation rate is based on data available at the time of this filing, for third quarters of 2014, 2015 and 2016. 2017 CPI data for the third quarter of 2017 rate was not available at the time of writing this application; therefore, this rate may be updated by the CPUC to reflect the third quarter 2017 rate.

Proposed budget does not deduct accumulated interest, given PG&E follows this process through Annual Electric True Up process.

*Note: Proposed budget in above table, does not account for PG&E request for $7M increased budget, which would be sourced by leveraging unspent EPIC 1 funds.
### PG&E’s Historical EPIC Project Portfolio: EPIC 1 Portfolio

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PG&E’s EPIC 3 Application Overview

## 1. EPIC Investment Framework
- Captures overarching EPIC guiding principles of safety, reliability and cost-effective / affordable energy policy attainment and demonstrates linkage between Investment Plans and key policy goals. The framework outlines the primary investment areas, similar to previous EPIC Investment Plans
- PG&E collaborated with Administrators, EPRI and industry stakeholders to gain input on the proposed portfolio

## 2. RD&D Vision & Strategy
- Address emergent grid needs while continuing to provide safe and reliable services for our customers and advance California energy policies in a cost-effective manner. This aligns with PG&E’s Grid of the Future strategy.
- Four lens approach for selecting and executing projects: (1) Policy/Regulatory Alignment; (2) Alignment to Strategies and Customer Needs; (3) Alignment with Innovation Characteristics; and (4) Alignment to Project Governance Considerations

## 3. 2018-2020 Project Portfolio
- The proposed projects are organized into the four investment areas:
  1. Renewable & DER Integration
  2. Grid Modernization / Optimization
  3. Customer Service / Enablement
  4. Cross Cutting / Foundational. Projects also account for the learnings from the previous Investment Plan cycles (e.g. Advanced DERMS functionality)

## 4. Administration and Governance
- Proposed 2018-2020 Budget, including assumptions made
- PG&E proposed modifications to previous CPUC Decisions
- Request for approval of projects in Advice Letter 5015-E (if not yet approved or determined “not imminently needed” before the approval of this EPIC 3 proposed portfolio)

## 5. Metrics, Measurement & Evaluation
- To measure the success of a project and identify expected benefits at full scale, projects leverage CPUC adopted metrics (D. 13-11-025) and are included in project final report that is shared publically

## Appendices
- Summary of EE/DR Pilots
- Summary of Stakeholder Feedback from Public Workshops
EPIC Project Supplier Participation Information

EPIC Project Supplier Participation Process
PG&E has established process to inform interested parties of PG&E’s EPIC Portfolio Contract Opportunities, including EPIC:

Pre-Qualify
- Follow COAs on PG&E website: [www.pge.com/bidopportunities](http://www.pge.com/bidopportunities)
- Community-Based Orgs receive notifications of posted COAs and they distribute to their members

Participate in RFP
- After pre-qualifying via COA, suppliers will be invited to RFP

Winning Supplier Selected
- PG&E will follow standard procurement process to score and select winning bidder

Diverse Supplier Participation
PG&E Diverse Supplier information, including qualification criteria, can be found online at the below link or email SupplierDiversityTeam@pge.com: [www.pge.com/diversitysupplier](http://www.pge.com/diversitysupplier)

*Where a unique or specific expertise or capability is identified for an individual project, PG&E may employ sole source procurement procedures following CPUC established evaluation guidance (D.13-11-025) and PG&E’s established procurement processes.*
IOU Contact Information

• SCE EPIC Information and Contacts:
  – EPIC Website: [www.sce.com/wps/portal/home/regulatory/epic/](http://www.sce.com/wps/portal/home/regulatory/epic/)
  – Email: Advancedtechnology@sce.com

• PG&E EPIC Information and Contacts:
  – EPIC Website: [www.pge.com/epic](http://www.pge.com/epic)
  – Email: EPIC_info@pge.com

• SDG&E EPIC Information and Contacts:
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  – Email: FGoodman@semprautilities.com
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2018 – 2020 Triennial Investment Plan

Sara Kim, Erik Stokes

EPIC Investment Plan Stakeholder Workshop
California Public Utilities Commission
September 8, 2017
Clarification on Intellectual Property
Intellectual Property

Public Resources Code § 25711.5 provides directives for the treatment of intellectual property (IP) generated by CEC awards.

• Requires the CEC to establish IP terms that balance the potential benefit to the state from those terms and the effect those terms may have on the state achieving its energy goals.

The Commission incorporated the Legislature’s directives to CEC into the EPIC program in D.13-11-025.

• The Commission recognizes that the CEC has the discretion to grant licenses to load-serving entities (LSE).
• The Commission did not order the CEC to require that grantees give licenses to the State; that requirement is meant for IOUs only.
• Instead, the Commission states that the CEC will establish IP terms in accordance with PRC 25711.5.
Intellectual Property

CEC’s IP terms require the grantee to provide the CEC and the Commission a license to IP developed under the agreement.

CEC held a workshop in September 2016 to solicit input from stakeholders on how to increase participation in EPIC from the private sector.

- IP rights were consistently cited as a concern by stakeholders.
- Private companies are dissuaded from applying for or accepting EPIC funds because of the potential for granting LSEs unlimited rights to all IP developed under EPIC.
- Lack of clarification would have a negative impact to the efforts to achieve state energy goals.
Intellectual Property

CEC seeks to clarify its IP terms
• The intent is to potentially grant LSEs with a license only for models and analytical tools that can inform grid planning and decision making that benefit EPIC ratepayers.

Example:
• EPIC Project Validated and Transparent Energy Storage Valuation and Optimization Tool

Clarification is consistent with Commission decision.
• “Consistent with state law and our decision concerning the fair licensing of intellectual property (IP) to load-serving entities (LSEs) or other utility competitors serving ratepayers, to the extent the grantees proprietary and competitive interests are appropriately and adequately protected, the licensing of IP must be done on fair, reasonable, and non-discriminatory terms…” (Ordering Paragraph 50 of D.13-11-025)

Clarification does not change existing royalty terms.
Clarification on Inflation Adjustment
Inflation Adjustment

CPUC Decision 12-05-037, Ordering Paragraph 7 states, “The total collection amount shall be adjusted on January 1, 2015 and January 1, 2018 commensurate with the average change in the Consumer Price Index, specifically the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers for the third quarter, for the previous three years.”

The CEC and IOUs proposed different escalation rates in their Investment Plan applications and clarification is requested on which rate to use.
Inflation Adjustment

CEC and the IOUs estimated escalation for the 2018-2020 Investment Plan using similar approaches.

There are a couple key differences in how the CEC and IOUs estimated escalation.

IOU Approach:
• Used a national CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) from the Social Security Administration to estimate escalation.
• Used the CPI-W change from the previous three years (2014 – 2016) to estimate an annual growth rate for 2018 – 2020.
• Annual growth rate was calculated to be 0.684%, or an average annual inflation rate of 2.065% over the 3-year period.

CEC Approach:
• Used California Department of Finance inflation projections for CPI-W.
• Annual growth rate was calculated to be 2.871%, or a 3-year growth rate of 8.862%
Inflation Adjustment

Advantages of CEC Escalation Approach:

• Uses an index specific to California, prepared by DOF for state budgeting
• Uses more accurate and sophisticated economic modeling to forecast inflation for the investment period.
  • IOU approach takes a simple 3-year historical average and forecasts out.
  • IOU average includes outlier deflation year of 2015 (gasoline price plummeted).
California Energy Commission

Electric Program Investment Charge
2018 – 2020 Triennial Investment Plan

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EPIC Investment Plan Stakeholder Workshop
California Public Utilities Commission
September 8, 2017
California’s pursuit of a low-carbon future hits a critical milestone in 2030.

- The Clean Energy and Pollution Reduction Act sets targets for energy efficiency and renewable generation for 2030.
- SB 32 updated the Global Warming Solutions Act to require GHG reductions of 40 percent below 1990 levels by 2030.

To reach these targets, the pace of technological progress in the energy sector will need to increase exponentially.

California’s leaders are developing and implementing policies to create the needed “market pull” for clean energy technologies.
GHG Reductions Require Significant Energy System Transformation

Progressive GHG and Renewable Portfolio Goals

- Intermittent Renewables vs Dispatchable Generation
- Increased Distributed vs. Central Station Generation
- Predictable vs Transactive Loads
- Incorporating Two-way Distribution Flow
- Maximizing Electric/Alt. Fuel vs Gasoline/Diesel
- Electrification of Industry, Commercial, Residential

Addressing Climate Risk, Resiliency, Safety, Costs, and Aging Infrastructure
The EPIC program seeks to optimize linkages between technologies, markets, and policies to drive the electricity sector’s transformation.
EPIC Program Areas

Applied Research and Development
Applied Research and Development includes activities to support pre-commercial technologies and approaches at applied lab-level or pilot-level stages.

Technology Demonstration and Deployment
Technology Demonstration and Deployment involves installation and operation of pre-commercial technologies or strategies at a scale that will reflect actual operating, performance, and financial characteristics and risks.

Market Facilitation
Market Facilitation supports strategic initiatives at key stages of a new technology's development to increase the likelihood of market adoption and commercial success.
Investment Plan Development

The EPIC 2018 – 2020 Investment Plans were developed through an open process with multiple rounds of stakeholder engagement.

The four EPIC administrators held three joint workshops to obtain stakeholder feedback on the proposed plans:

- PG&E Hosted – March 9, 2017 in San Francisco
- CEC Hosted – March 14, 2017 in Sacramento
- SCE Hosted – March 24, 2017 in Westminster

Comments were summarized and responded to in each respective Administrator’s Investment Plan.
Investment Plan Development

In addition to the scoping workshops, five topical workshops were held to inform the Investment Plan development

- Distributed Energy Resources
  - March 13, 2017
- Incorporating Community Focused Equity in Research Funding
  - March 20, 2017 in Fresno
  - March 27, 2017 in Los Angeles
- Climate Science Research
  - March 16, 2017
  - April 11, 2017
Comparison Exhibit

On September 1, 2017 the EPIC Administrators submitted to the CPUC, a Joint Comparison Matrix of the EPIC Proposed 2018 – 2020 Investment Plans

The Comparison Matrix provides an apples-to-apples comparison of each administrator’s proposal, including:

• Scope and focus of the project/initiative
• Policy and legislation drivers for the project/initiative
• Applicable coordination with CPUC proceedings
• How the project or initiative avoids duplication

The EPIC Administrators are committed to on-going collaboration to ensure that projects/funding initiatives are complementary and not duplicative
California Energy Commission’s EPIC 2018 – 2020 Investment Plan
Preparing for the Next Stage of the Electricity System’s Transformation

Affordable Zero Net Energy Buildings

Building a Resilient Electricity System

Taking Action at the Local Levels

Creating a Market for Energy Storage

Cultivating an Energy Innovation Ecosystem
Disadvantaged Community Efforts

Energy Commission is committed to expanding benefits from EPIC funded projects to Disadvantaged Communities (DACs)

Funding Strategies:
• Target 25 percent of TD&D funds to projects located in and benefiting DACs
• Solicitation preference points
• Funding set-asides

Outreach and engagement:
• DAC focused workshops for Investment Plan development
• Continued outreach via attending events, outreach materials in different languages, and how-to-apply presentations
• CEC’s SB350 Proceeding
  • Low-Income Barriers Study – December 2016
  • Low-Income Barriers Study Implementation – ongoing
EPIC 3 Strategic Themes

1. Advance Technology Solutions for Continued Energy Savings in Buildings and Facilities
2. Accelerate Widespread Customer Adoption of Distributed Energy Resources
3. Increase System Flexibility and Stability from Low-Carbon Resources
4. Increase the Cost-competitiveness of Renewable Generation
5. Create a Statewide Ecosystem for Incubating New Energy Innovations
6. Maximize Synergies in the Water-Energy-Food Nexus
7. Develop Tools and Analysis to Inform State Energy Policy and Planning
8. Catalyze Clean Energy Investment in Underrepresented and Disadvantaged Communities
Advance Technology Solutions for Continued Energy Savings in Buildings and Facilities

This theme focuses on technology advancements to drive cost and performance improvements of energy efficiency components:

• Accelerate adoption and increase cost effective options in existing and future buildings/industries.
  • Solid state lighting features, cost effective building envelopes, standardized control platforms, plug load controls
  • Factory built homes
• Focus on hard-to-reach market sectors
  • Including disadvantaged communities
• Transition from traditionally natural gas equipment to electricity.
  • Climate appropriate, high efficiency heat pumps
  • Industrial decarbonization strategies
• Looking towards the future
  • Transition to DC applications
Theme Highlights:

• Cost-effective and sustainable retrofits to highly energy efficient buildings and communities
• Advancing microgrids to the tipping point of commercial adoption.
• Improving the business proposition of integrated distributed storage
• Developing and demonstrating the most promising Advanced Energy Communities with a second EPIC Challenge
Increase System Flexibility and Stability from Low-Carbon Resources

Theme Highlights:

- Accelerate broad adoption of automated DR capabilities to provide grid flexible response services
- Enable electric vehicle-based grid services
- Increase value of DERs and renewables to the transmission and distribution systems
- Defining and demonstrating locational benefit and best configurations of grid-level energy storage
Increase the Cost-competitiveness of Renewable Generation

This theme seeks technology advancements needed to open new market opportunities for renewables:

• Increase the economic potential of renewables within California
• Enable renewables to compete in grid service markets
• Develop technologies whose unique attributes can create new uses and markets for renewables
Create a Statewide Ecosystem for Incubating New Energy Innovations

This theme seeks to leverage, align and expand California’s existing assets to build a more efficient statewide energy innovation ecosystem that will:

• Provide a more systematic approach to move new energy inventions through the “technological valley of death”
• Overcome barriers to broader and more diverse clean energy entrepreneurship
Maximize Synergies in the Water-Energy-Food Nexus

This theme focuses on technology advancements to reduce the energy intensity in water supply and treatment, reduce energy and/or water use in the food and agriculture sector and optimize management practices intended to accomplish the following:

• Develop, test and demonstrate low energy intensity treatment processes for conventional and non-conventional water sources (disinfection, system optimization)
• Develop and demonstrate strategies and management practices to reduce carbon intensity of wastewater treatment
• Demonstrate cost-effective options for water and energy efficiency in agriculture and food processing to reduce carbon intensity
Develop Tools and Analysis to Inform State Energy Policy and Planning

This theme focuses on creating actionable tools and scientific analysis to inform policymakers and other stakeholders by:

• Identifying pathways for achieving California’s energy and climate goals
• Increasing the resiliency of the electricity system to climate change and extreme weather events
• Evaluating strategies to mitigate the impacts of the electricity system on the environment and public health and safety
Catalyze Clean Energy Investment in Underrepresented and Disadvantaged Communities

This theme seeks to increase investment, deployment, and adoption of clean energy innovations in low-income and disadvantaged communities by:

• Developing data-driven tools for energy projects targeting disadvantaged communities
• Scaling-up emerging technology solutions best suited to the needs of disadvantaged communities
• The Energy Commission is committed to allocate 25 percent of Technology Demonstration and Deployment funds for projects located in disadvantaged communities
Questions