

# POWER CHARGE INDIFFERENCE ADJUSTMENT: *A Primer*

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$$\bullet R_1 = \frac{C_p + (NS \times P_1)}{kWh_B + kWh_{DL}}$$

– **Added Net Short position (NS) x Price Paid by the IOU to fill it (P<sub>1</sub>)**

$$\bullet IR = \frac{C_p - (MPB \times G_p)}{kWh_B + kWh_{DL}} = \frac{C_p}{kWh_B + kWh_{DL}} - \frac{(MPB \times G_p)}{kWh_B + kWh_{DL}}$$

– **Net short costs are not included in the Indifference Rate Calculation**

$$\bullet R_2 = \frac{C_p + (NS \times P_1) - \left( P_{act} \times \frac{kWh_{DL} \times G_p}{kWh_B + kWh_{DL}} \right) - (IR \times kWh_{DL})}{kWh_B}$$

– **Bundled Service Rate After Departure:** (PCIA-eligible Portfolio Cost + cost of filling the Net Short position – Revenues received by IOU for the sale of the Departing Load customers' share of PCIA-eligible Portfolio – PCIA and CTC paid by Departing Load customers) ÷ Remaining Bundled Service Load

$$\bullet R_2 - R_1 = \frac{kWh_{DL}}{kWh_B} \times \frac{G_p}{kWh_B + kWh_{DL}} \times \left[ MPB - P_{act} + \left( P_1 \times \frac{NS}{G_p} \right) \right]$$

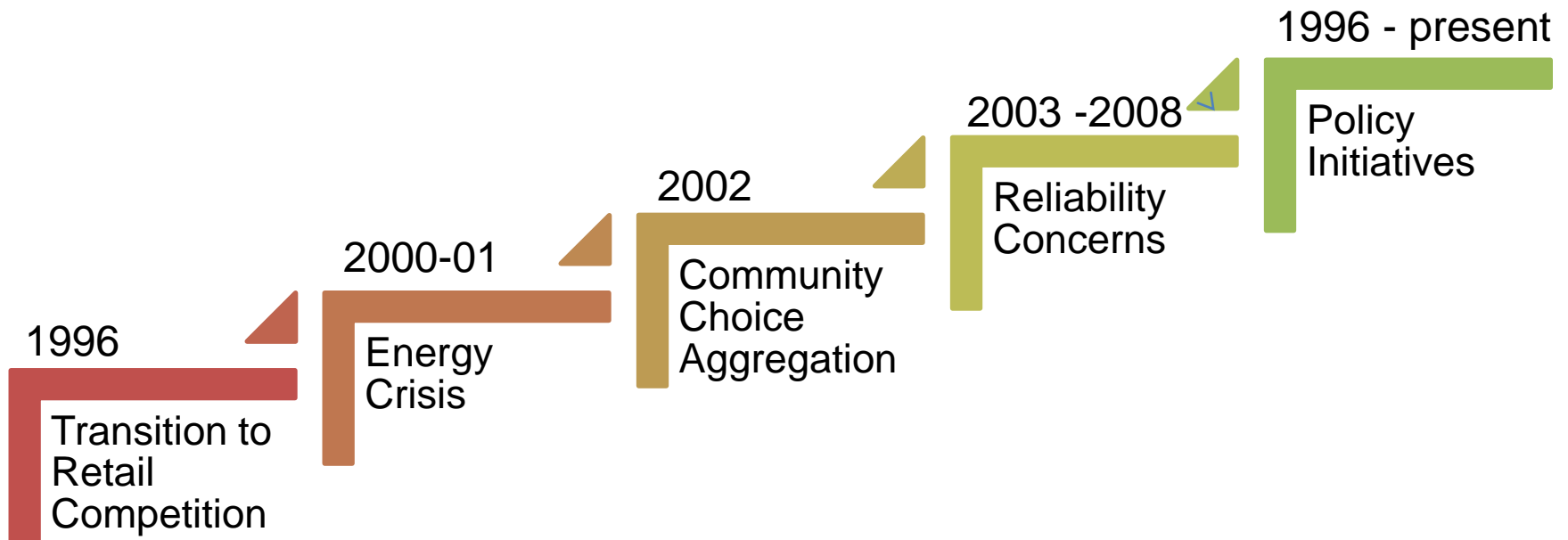
# Overview

- What is the PCIA?
- How is the PCIA calculated?
- How does the PCIA affect a CCA and its customers?
- What are the key issues in the CPUC's PCIA rulemaking?
- Will the PCIA ever end?

# WHAT IS THE PCIA?

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# Nonbypassable/Departing Load Charges



# Nonbypassable Charges: Impact

5.674¢/kWh

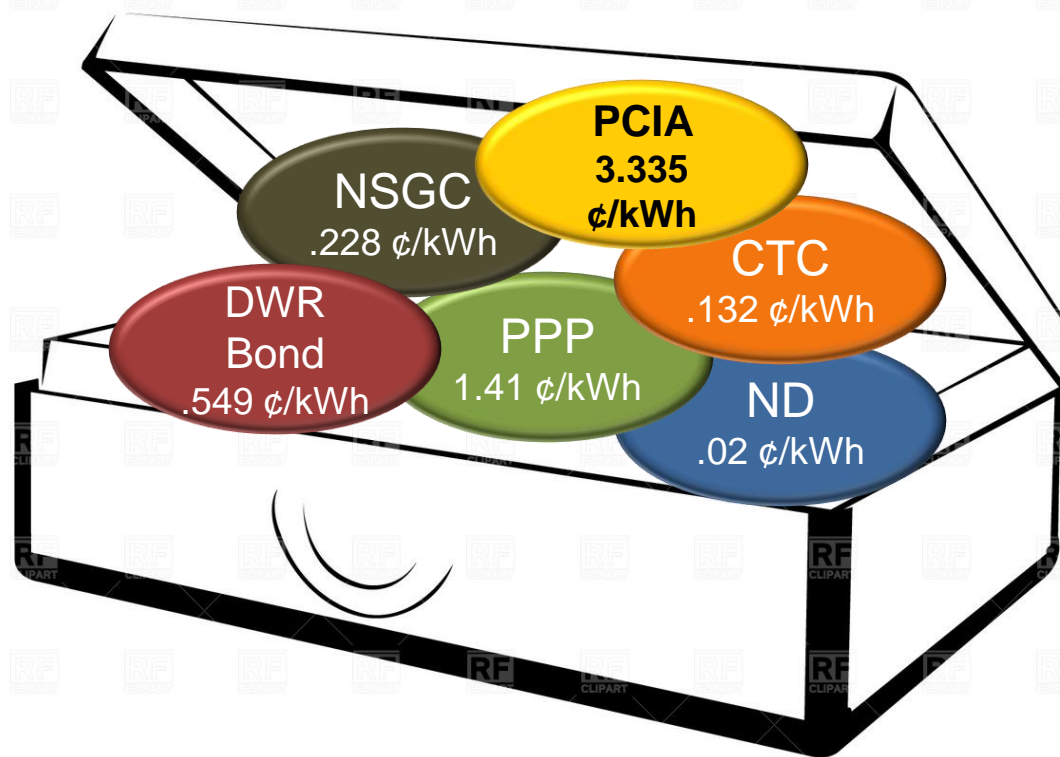


Illustration source: PG&E Rate Schedule E-1

# CCA PCIA Statutory Foundations

## No “Cost Shift” or “Cost Increase”

“The implementation of a community choice aggregation program shall not result in a shifting of costs between the customers of the community choice aggregator and the bundled service customers of an electrical corporation.” AB 117 - §366.2(a)(4)

“Bundled retail customers of an electrical corporation shall not experience any cost increase as a result of the implementation of a community choice aggregator program. The commission shall also ensure that departing load does not experience any cost increases as a result of an allocation of costs that were not incurred on behalf of the departing load.” SB 350 - §366.3.

# CCA PCIA Statutory Foundations

## Scope of CCA Customer Cost Responsibility

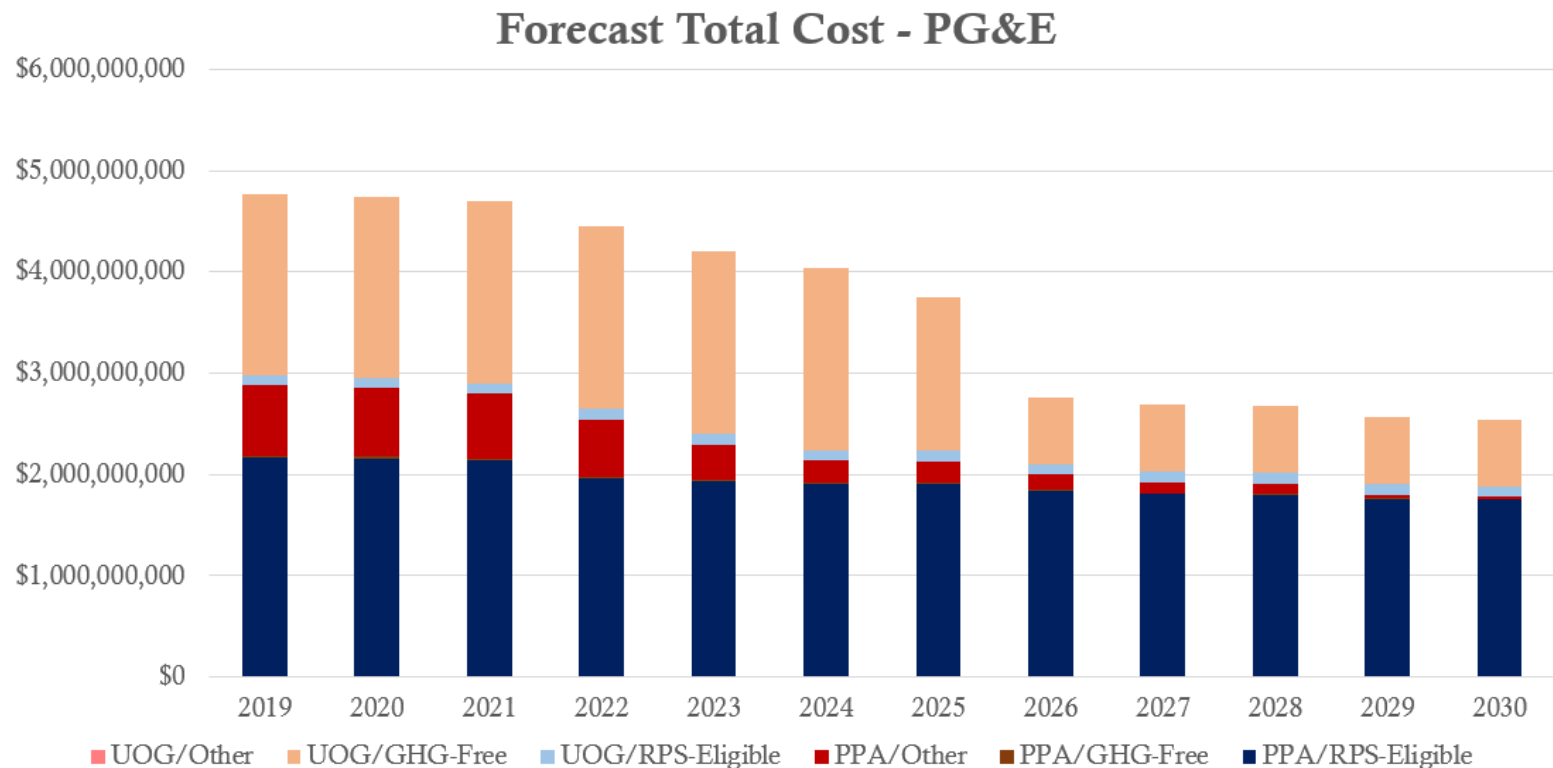
To avoid cost shifts, the Commission may allocate to CCA customers the “estimated net unavoidable electricity purchase contract costs attributable to the customer” .... “reduced by the value of any benefits that remain with bundled service customers, unless the customers of the community choice aggregator are allocated a fair and equitable share of those benefits ....” AB 117 §366.2(f)(2), (g)

“[A]ny incremental [post –SB 350] renewable energy integration resources....” (provided §454.51(c) (CCAs may self-provide)

“[A]dditional [post-SB 350] procurement is authorized for the electrical corporation in the integrated resource plan or the procurement process ....” §454.52(c)



# PCIA- Eligible Costs PG&E

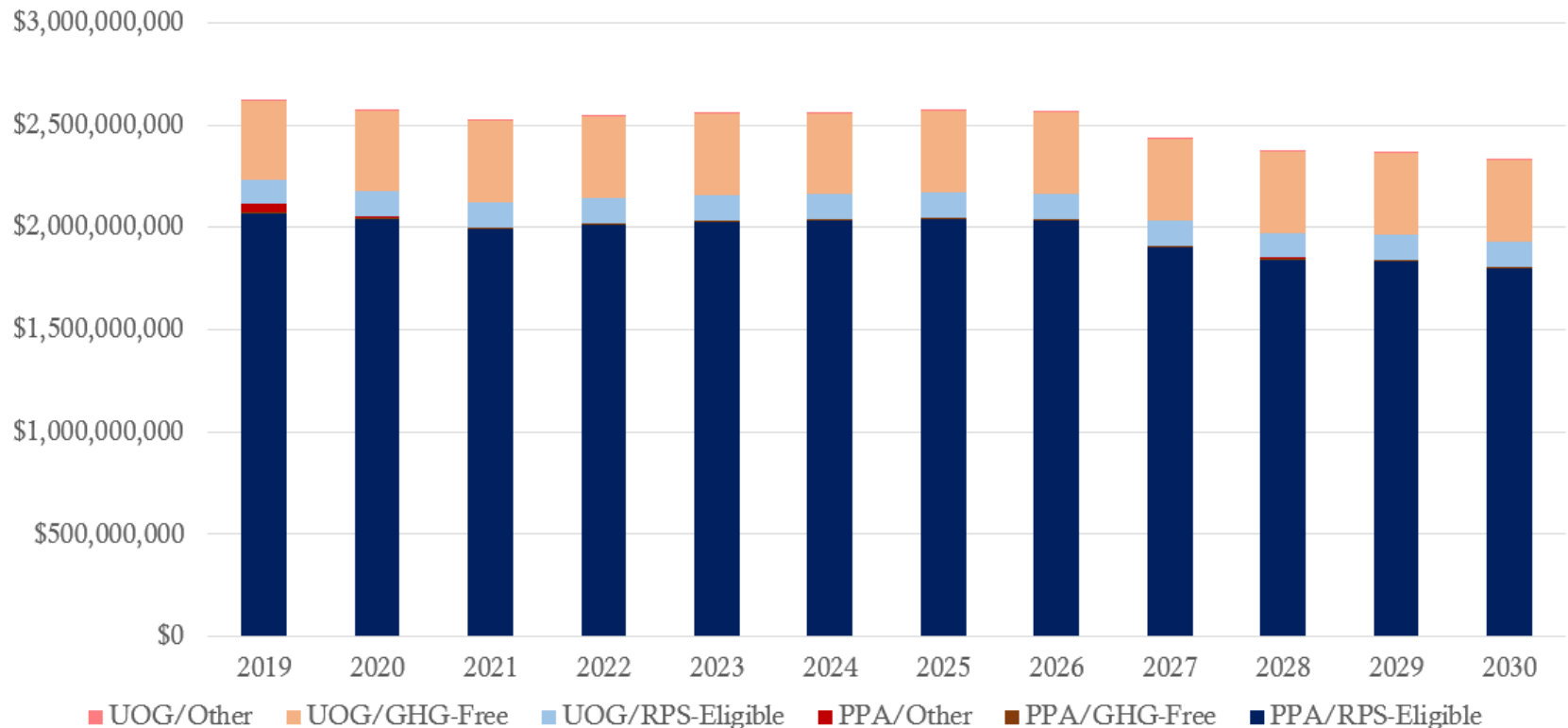


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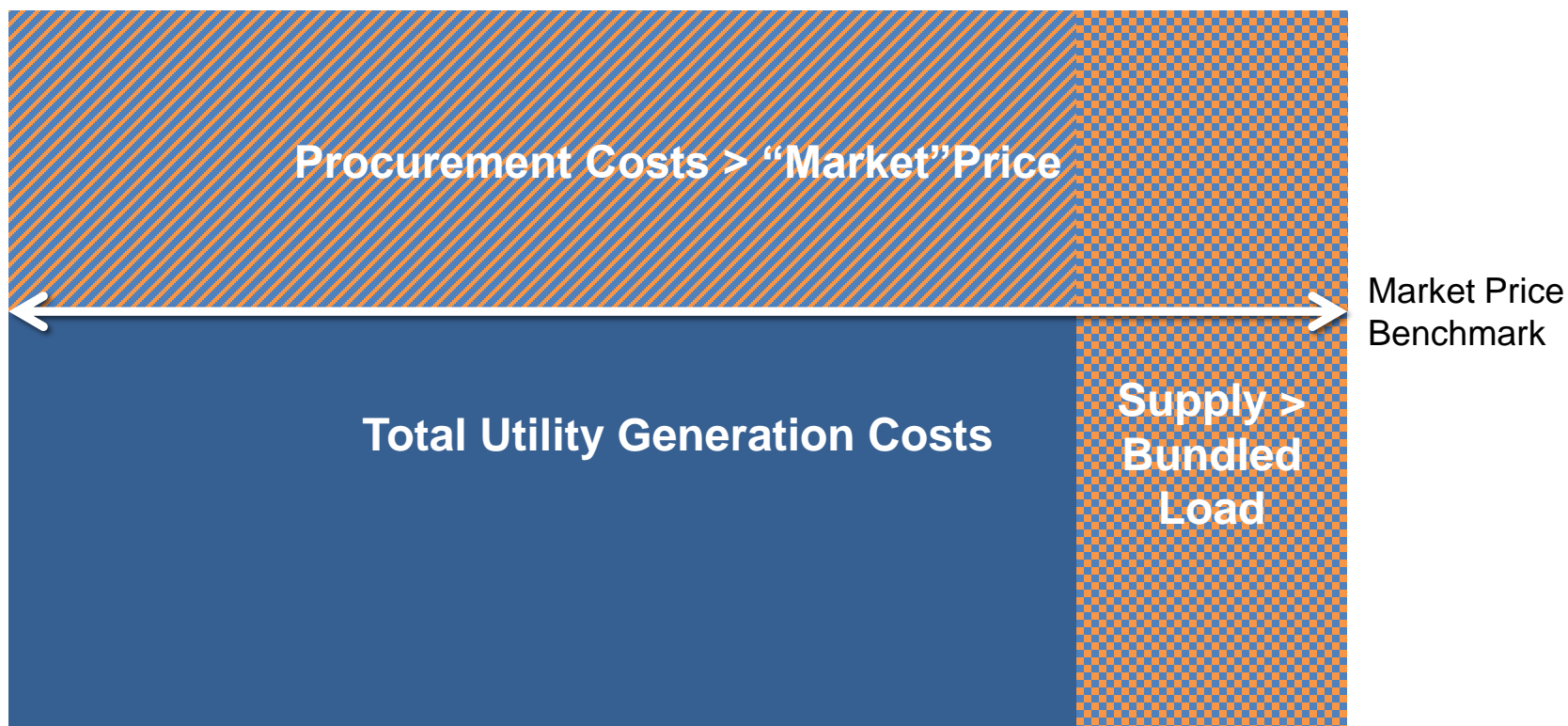
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### Forecast Total Cost - SCE



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# The PCIA Recovers “Stranded” Costs



# HOW IS THE PCIA CALCULATED?

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# PCIA = Stranded “Above Market” Costs



Forecast in Annual Utility  
Energy Cost Recovery Account (ERRA) Proceeding

# Portfolio Value

Sum of Market Price Benchmark \* Product Volume

Product	PCIA MPB	Volume	Value
Energy	\$35.00 MWh	1000	\$35,000
Capacity	\$3.3 MWh	1000	3,300
RPS Attribute	\$16.00 MWh	300	4,800
Portfolio Value			\$43,100

Assuming, e.g., “Net Costs” of \$72,000 and a “Portfolio Value” of \$43,100, the total stranded costs (PCIA costs) are \$28,000 (40%).

Total PCIA costs are allocated by customer class and rate schedule using a generation cost allocator.

Forecast costs are not subject to true-up to actual costs.

# PCIA-Eligible Costs are “Vintaged”

- A departing load customer takes cost responsibility for commitments that have been made by the utility when the customer departs
- Current vintaging methodology provides only rough justice
  - Focuses on the year, rather than the date, of departure
  - Ignores changes in commitments after departure
  - Ignores UOG capital investment after departure
- Each vintage and each rate schedule has a different PCIA rate

# Illustration: PG&E Vintaged Rates

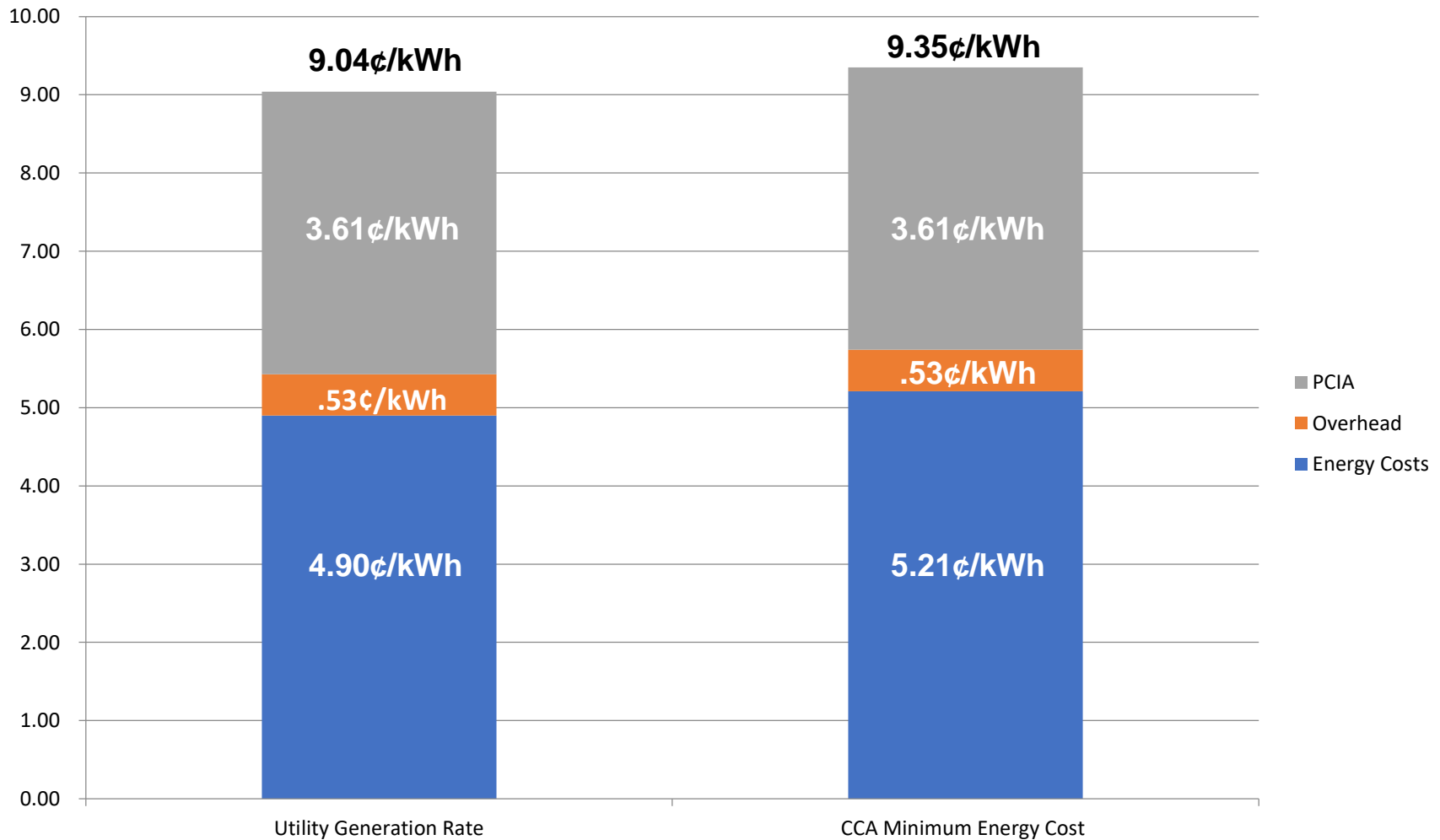
Rate Group	Proposed PCIA Rates by Vintage										System Average PCIA Rate by class	Proposed Class Average Bundled Generation
	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018		
Residential	0.02948	0.03348	0.03472	0.03594	0.03623	0.03625	0.03611	0.03617	0.03619	0.03618	0.03611	0.09047
Small L&P	0.03543	0.04024	0.04173	0.04320	0.04355	0.04357	0.04341	0.04347	0.04350	0.04349	0.04337	0.09070
Medium L&P	0.02385	0.02709	0.02809	0.02908	0.02931	0.02933	0.02922	0.02926	0.02928	0.02928	0.02912	0.09571
E19	0.01906	0.02164	0.02244	0.02323	0.02342	0.02343	0.02334	0.02338	0.02339	0.02339	0.02297	0.08667
Streetlights	0.02473	0.02809	0.02913	0.03016	0.03040	0.03041	0.03030	0.03035	0.03037	0.03036	0.03023	0.07356
Standby	0.03063	0.03479	0.03608	0.03735	0.03765	0.03767	0.03753	0.03758	0.03761	0.03760	0.03760	0.06556
Agriculture	0.03768	0.04279	0.04438	0.04595	0.04631	0.04633	0.04616	0.04623	0.04626	0.04625	0.04624	0.08168
E20 T	0.01688	0.01916	0.01987	0.02057	0.02074	0.02075	0.02067	0.02070	0.02072	0.02071	0.01974	0.07383
E20 P	0.01810	0.02055	0.02131	0.02206	0.02224	0.02225	0.02217	0.02220	0.02222	0.02221	0.02161	0.07892
E20 S	0.01891	0.02148	0.02228	0.02306	0.02324	0.02325	0.02317	0.02320	0.02322	0.02321	0.02269	0.08333
System Average PCIA Rate by Vintage	0.01943	0.02152	0.02918	0.02377	0.03181	0.03466	0.03245	0.03250	0.03125	0.03200	0.03111	



# HOW DOES THE PCIA AFFECT A CCA AND ITS CUSTOMERS?

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# PCIA Affects Price Competition



# WHAT ARE THE KEY ISSUES PENDING IN THE CPUC'S PCIA RULEMAKING?

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# PCIA Issues

- Which products and attributes in the utility portfolio should be valued by the MPB?
- What values should be assigned to these products and attributes?
- Should the forecast of the PCIA be subject to true-up to “actual” values?
- Should the PCIA be subject to a cap or “collar” to mitigate rate shock and increase stability, predictability and certainty?
- How should the utilities realign their supply with load as their share of the retail market declines?
- How should the utilities be required to make their portfolio supplies available to other load-serving entities that pay for them?
- How can the utilities increase the value they realize from portfolio sales?

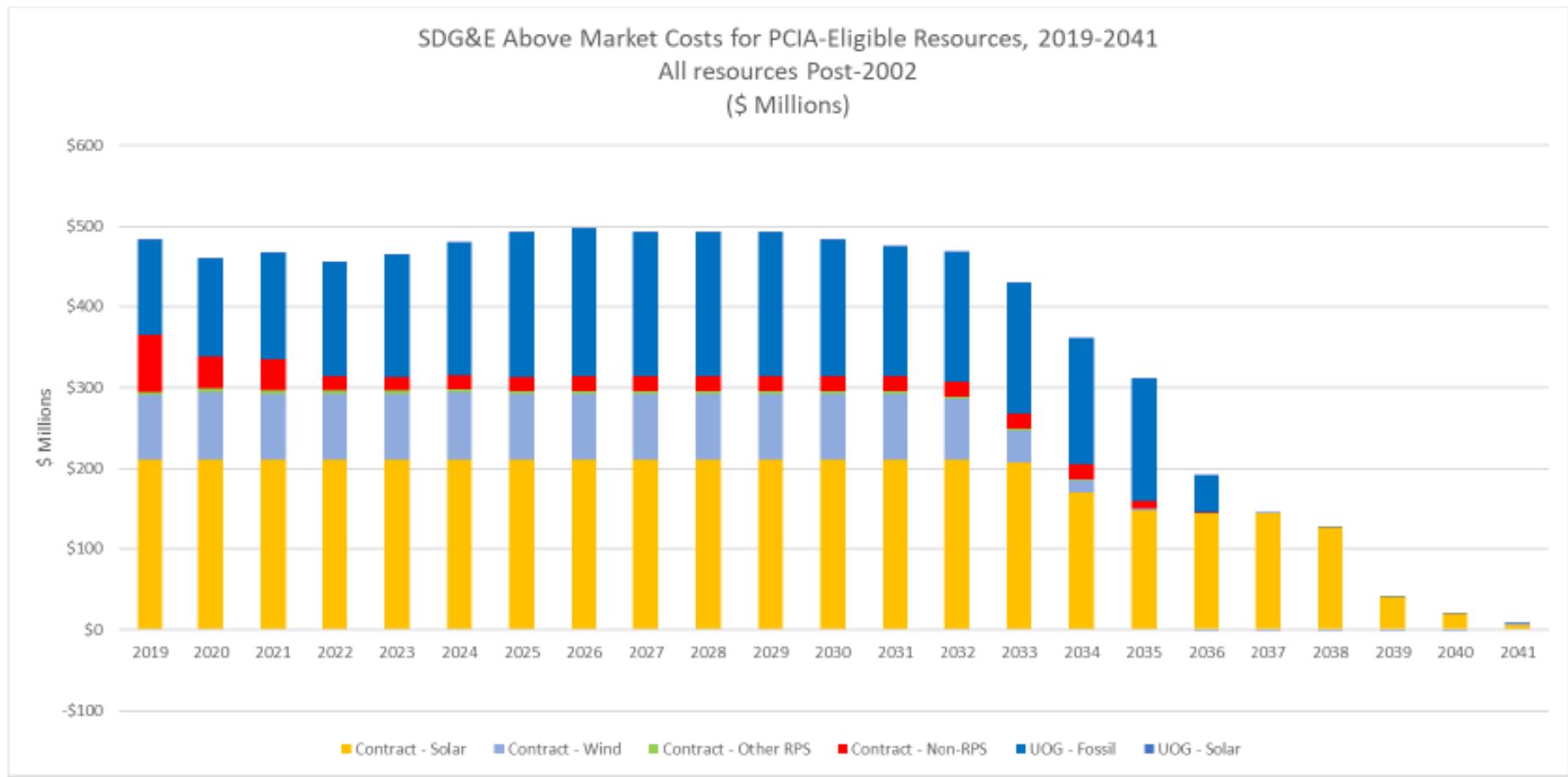
# PCIA Issues (cont'd)

- Are there measures available to reduce PCIA-eligible costs for all customers?
- How should the utilities be required to forecast departing load?
- How should energy purchased by the utility be “attributed to” departing load?
- Should the utility offer a pre-payment option to allow an LSE or customer to pre-pay its long-term PCIA obligation based on a forecast?

WILL THE PCIA EVER  
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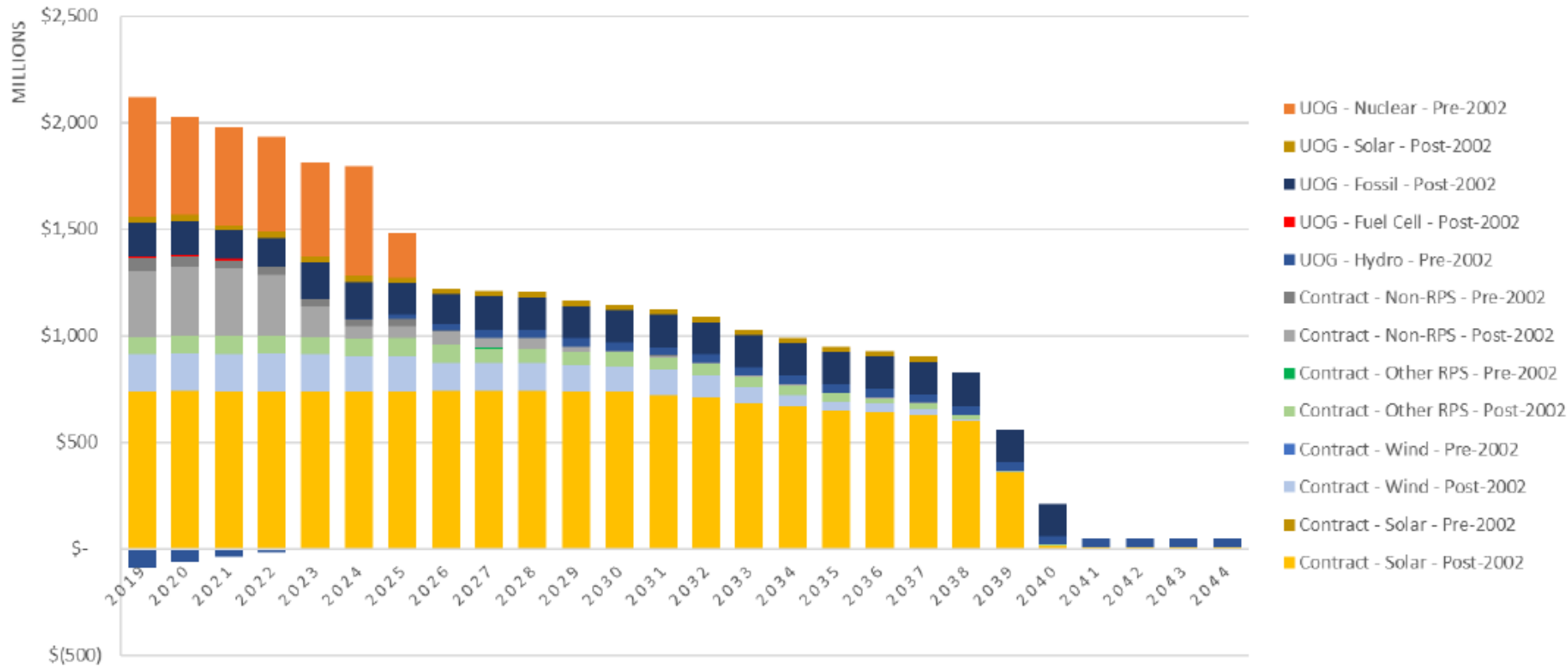
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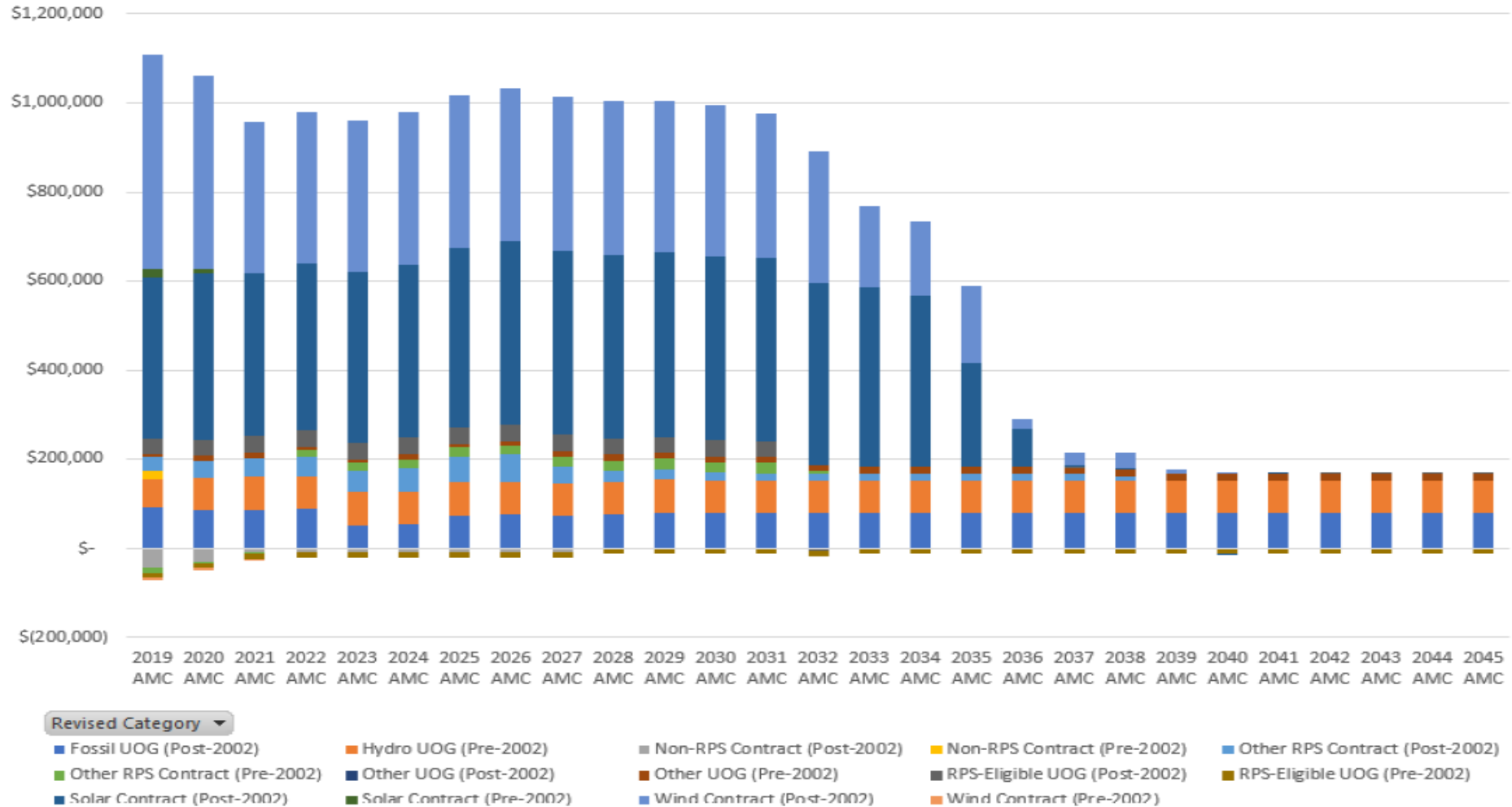
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### PG&E ABOVE MARKET COSTS FOR PCIA-ELIGIBLE PORTFOLIO USING 2018 PCIA BENCHMARKS, 2018-2044 (MILLION \$)





### SCE's "Above-Market" Costs for PCIA-Eligible Portfolio, 2019-2045 (\$'000)



Source: PG&E Exhibit IOU-5-R

# Thank you!

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