





# **Customer Program Advisory Group**

SVCE Board of Directors Meeting September 13, 2017

# Advisory Group Goal

 Enlist additional customer and stakeholder involvement in the analysis, development and recommendation of program goals and investments



# Other CCE Customer Advisory Functions

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CCE	MCE	Sonoma Clean Power	Peninsula Clean Energy	East Bay Community Energy	
Name	Community Power Coalition	Community Advisory Committee	Citizen Advisory Committee	Community Advisory Committee	
Membership	<ul><li>~25 members</li><li>No term limits</li><li>Invited by staff</li></ul>	<ul> <li>7-11 members</li> <li>4 year terms</li> <li>Members apply and are selected by Board of Directors</li> </ul>	<ul><li>15 members</li><li>Serve 1-3 year terms</li><li>Members apply and are selected by</li></ul>	<ul><li>9 members</li><li>4 year terms</li><li>Members apply and are selected by Board of Directors</li></ul>	

Member - Must work or reside Representation in service area - Represent organizations & stakeholders (trade groups, unions, environmental,

social justice

groups)

- Members are customers and technical experts from relevant sectors (energy, engineering, finance, ratepayer advocacy, etc.)
- Must work or reside Members represent in service area advocacy groups, faith, labor, union, - Represent

**Board of Directors** 

solar industry and geographically individual residential diverse areas customers - Relevant Chairs sits as nonbackground or voting member of expertise in energy, the Board outreach

CCE	МСЕ	Sonoma Clean Power	Peninsula Clean Energy	East Bay Community Energy
Meeting Format	- Monthly webinar	<ul><li>Meets as needed</li><li>Brown Act</li><li>Required by JPA</li></ul>	- Meets monthly - Brown Act	<ul><li>Meets as needed</li><li>Brown Act</li><li>Required by JPA</li></ul>
Role	<ul> <li>Provide input on community priorities such as Energy Efficiency rebates, Low-income solar installs, local generation build outs</li> <li>Community liaisons</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Reviews programs, budget, rates, and advises Board on general planning and business issues</li> <li>Reviews contracts over \$100k</li> <li>May direct staff for research and analysis</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Provide feedback on policy and operational objective</li> <li>Discuss GHG reduction programs</li> <li>Policy advocacy</li> <li>Community liaisons</li> <li>Reviews Board agenda</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Provides input on operations, policies, program funding</li> <li>May review draft budget and give recommendations to Board</li> <li>Reviews Board agenda</li> </ul>
Support	- Dedicated full-time staff member	- Staff - CEO - General Counsel	- Staff - CEO - Board Clerk	<ul><li>Staff</li><li>CEO</li><li>Board Clerk</li><li>General Counsel (occasional)</li></ul>

# **Customer Advisory Group Purpose**

#### Option 1:

**Outbound Outreach** members provide an additional channel to share information about **CCE** programs

### Option 2:

**Informal Ad Hoc Customer Advisory Group - Provides** input on policy and programs, serves for a limited time and purpose

### Option 3:

**Formal Customer Advisory Group – Provides technical – Reviews contracts** input on SVCE programs, and provides recommendations for approval to the board, longer-term, monthly meeting

### Option 4:

**Operational Oversight** and investments, makes recommendations to **Board of Directors** 

Outreach

**Decision-making** 

### Proposed Approach

- Form an Advisory Group
  - Ad hoc or formal, CEO appointed OR
  - Ad hoc or formal, BOD subcommittee for appointment (Brown Act)
- 15+ participants on a volunteer basis
- Representative of customer type, demographics and geography:
  - Residential Customers
    - Community and neighborhood groups
    - Qualified individuals with expertise in related fields
  - o Commercial, Industrial, and Agricultural Customers
  - o Trade Associations and Industry Partners
    - Chamber of Commerce
    - Building, engineering, architectural, design, and developer community
    - Transportation and planning community
- Monthly meetings until the group achieves its goal, at which point the group is retired or formed into a new advisory body



## Timeline & Next Steps

- September/October 2017 Develop outline, recruit applicants and select facilitator
- November 2017 Interview and select applicants
- December 2017/January 2018 Kick-off meeting to define charter
- June 2018 Report to the Board of Directors the recommendations from the Advisory Group

