

Executive Committee Meeting

February 8, 2021

2. CEO Report



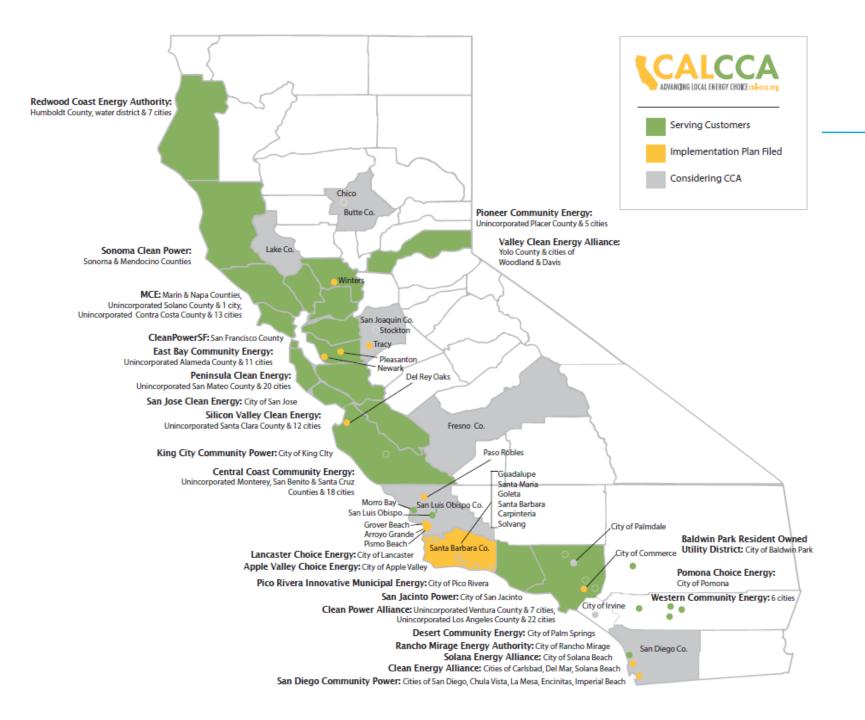
CalCCA PCIA Bill Proposal



January 28, 2021

Bill Proposal: Fair Access to Legacy Energy Resources

- Over the last ten years, millions of utility customers have transitioned from investorowned utility (IOU) electric service to Community Choice Aggregators (CCAs)
- When a customer transitions, the customer continues to share cost responsibility with IOU customers for legacy resources purchased prior to the customer's transition to CCA service
- While all customers bear cost responsibility for legacy resources, only IOU customers
 have the right to access the benefits of these resources, such as renewable energy,
 greenhouse-gas free energy, and resource adequacy
- This bill resolves this inequity by enshrining equal access to benefits into statute and implementing other consensus proposals from the PCIA Working Group 3 co-chair report pissued by GalCCA, SCE, and Commercial Energy



Key Stats:

- √ >10 Million customers
- ✓ 23 CCAs serving load
- ✓ CCAs are projected to be 36% of IOU load in 2022 (65,000 GWh)
- ✓ Projected to be 30% of CAISO total load in 2022
- ✓ As of 12/2020, California Legislators with CCAs in their districts are:
 - 26 Senators
 - 47 Assembly Members

Background: The Winding Road of PCIA

- Early procurement of renewable resources by IOUs has led to significant above-market costs as renewable prices have declined, resulting in billions of dollars of stranded costs
- These resources, while expensive, also produce valuable products renewable energy, greenhouse-gas free energy (e.g. hydro), and resource adequacy. While these were procured on behalf of all customers, only IOUs have the right to meaningfully access these resources.
- This inequity has been long recognized by regulators and stakeholders. The Commission first initiated a proceeding to resolve this issue in 2017, and subsequently directed CalCCA, SCE, and Commercial Energy (the "co-chairs") to work out a consensus proposal
- The joint proposal reflected in this bill was presented to the CPUC in February 2020, but has not been given any procedural consideration in ten months.

What Would This Bill Do?

This proposal would add new sections to the Public Utilities Code that are designed to ensure fair and equal access to the benefits of legacy resources and ensure resources held in IOU portfolios are managed to maximize value for all customers. Specifically, this bill would:

- 1. Provides IOU, CCA, and direct access customers equal right to receive legacy resource products that were procured on their behalf in proportion to their load share if they pay the full cost of those products.
- 2. Requires the CPUC to recognize the value of GHG-free energy and any new products in assigning cost responsibility for above-market legacy resources, in the same way value is recognized for renewable energy and other products.
- 3. Requires IOUs to offer any remaining excess legacy resource products not taken by IOU, CCA, or direct access customers to the wholesale market in an annual solicitation.
- 4. Requires each IOU to transparently solicit interest from legacy resource contract holders in re-negotiating, buying out, or otherwise reducing costs from these contracts.

Benefits of Bill Proposal

- Ensure equal access to legacy resources procured on behalf of the customers of CCAs, IOUs, and ESPs
- Minimize stranded costs by increasing revenues and reducing costs
- ✓ Maximize the value of the portfolio to LSEs required to pay above—market costs
- ✓ Provide greater transparency for IOU

 Peninsula Clean E ptimization efforts

Next steps

- Senator Portantino is authoring the bill
- Other Senators have been approached as co-authors

3. Legislative/Regulatory - Policy 1

4. Strategic Budget Priorities

New Changes in Forecast for PCIA/PG&E Gen Rates

- Over the past 10 days, there have been 2 significant forecast models shared with the CCAs.
 - They were wildly different
 - The first was released around Jan 22 "1st Set of Revised" Rates
 - After further discussion with the consultant, a second was released around Jan 25 "Current Revised" Rates
 - Swing of Net Position of approximately \$150 million over the 5-year outlook period
- Most recent "Current Revised": Improvement from mid-January forecast
 - PCIA Lower on Jan 1, 2022 and Jan 1, 2023
 - o PG&E Gen Rates Higher on March 1, 2021 and Jan 1, 2022
 - These are included in latest forecast
- However:
 - There is not a good forecasting infrastructure
 - Rates and forecasts bounce around significantly
 - Even the ones we are now using could be off...

PG&E Generation Rate Comparison – Budget vs. Mid-January Forecast vs. New Forecast

PG&E Generation Rate	7/1/20	10/1/20	1/1/21	3/1/21	1/1/22	1/1/23	1/1/24	1/1/25
Dudget								
<u>Budget</u>								
Assumption	0.11224	0.11224	0.11448		0.11506	0.11563	0.11621	0.11679
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Change from last adjustment		0.0%	2.0%		0.5%	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%
Cumulative change		0.0%	2.0%		2.5%	3.0%	3.5%	4.1%
Mid-January Update								
			0.10703	0.10004	0.40550	0.10760	0.11630	0.10022
Forecast			0.10703	0.10884	0.10558	0.10769	0.11630	0.10933
Change from last adjustment			-4.6%	1.7%	-3.0%	2.0%	8.0%	-6.0%
Cumulative change			-4.6%	-3.0%	-5.9%	-4.1%	3.6%	-2.6%
Revised Update								
Forecast			0.10703	0.11131	0.11498	0.10751	0.10859	0.10967
Change from last adjustment			-4.6%	4.0%	3.3%	-6.5%	1.0%	1.0%
Cumulative change			-4.6%	-0.8%	2.4%	-4.2%	-3.3%	-2.3%

PCIA Rate Comparison – Budget vs. Mid-January Forecast vs. New Forecast

PCIA Rate	7/1/20	10/1/20	1/1/21	3/1/21	1/1/22	1/1/23	1/1/24	1/1/25
Budget								
Assumption	0.03175	0.05017	0.03444		0.03944	0.03944	0.03944	0.03944
Change from last adjustment		58.0%	-31.3%		14.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Cumulative change		58.0%	8.5%		24.2%	24.2%	24.2%	24.2%
Mid-January Update								
Forecast			0.04237	0.04558	0.04558	0.04558	0.03829	0.02948
Change from last adjustment			33.4%	7.6%	0.0%	0.0%	-16.0%	-23.0%
Cumulative change			33.4%	43.6%	43.6%	43.6%	20.6%	-7.2%
Revised Update								
Forecast			0.04237	0.04576	0.04484	0.04283	0.03597	0.02770
Change from last adjustment			33.4%	8.0%	-2.0%	-4.5%	-16.0%	-23.0%
Cumulative change			33.4%	44.1%	41.2%	34.9%	13.3%	-12.8%

PCIA and PG&E Generation Rates Recap/Summary

PCIA

- Approved June 2020 Budget included October-December 2020 Trigger removed
 - Significant positive in FY21 of approximately \$16 million
- PG&E's PCIA collection shortfall now being spread over 3 years at a higher rate than previously expected
- 2021 Changes
 - Published PCIA rates as of January 1 were 33.4% higher
 - Expected to increase again on March 1 by an additional 8.0%
 - Total of 44.1% increase from December 31 rate
 - Expected to decrease each year through 2025

PG&E Generation Rates

- 2021 Changes
 - Published Generation rates as of January 1 were approx. 4.6% lower than previous
 - March 1 rates were expected to be 4.0% higher (net for 2021 would be down 3.0%)
 - Expected to increase 3.3% on January 1, 2022 before another decrease in 2023

New Savings Initiatives

In anticipation of continuing expected volatility (and low confidence in predictability) in PCIA and PG&E Generation rates, Staff is implementing several changes:

- Adjustment of expense forecast to reflect the updated timing of spending expectations
- Internal policy adjustments to energy procurement

Note: The impact of each category is:

- related to the order that the calculation is done components are dependent on one another
- The total would be the same, but the amount of each change would be different if they were updated in a different order

1. Revised PPA Implementation Plans

Revised plans for PPA various project implementations.

 Updated PPA assumptions based on projects shortlisted in the Fall 2020 RFO and optimized based on timing and cost.

Estimated savings of revised PPA project plan is \$8.3 million

More Cost/(Less Cost)	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	5-year Total
	Forecast (FY)					
Revised PPA Implementation Plans	31,850	(2,667,197)	(1,328,681)	931,398	(5,247,622)	(8,280,252)

2. Eliminated Interim Annual Renewable Targets

Budget had assumed that Renewables Target was 50% through December 31, 2024, then 100% starting in CY 2025

Stair-Step Renewables Target Reporting:

- o 60% in 2021
- o 70% in 2022
- o 80% in 2023
- o 90% in 2024
- 100% in 2025 (unchanged from Budget since this was assumed)

Shortfalls would have been made up by purchase of RECs

Estimated savings of eliminating the stair-step approach is \$28.0 million

More Cost/(Less Cost)	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	5-year Total
	Forecast (FY)					
Revised Renewables Targets	(1,327,391)	(4,306,638)	(7,680,468)	(9,682,645)	(4,981,423)	(27,978,565)

3. RA Penalty – Change in PCE's Internal Policy

- CPUC and CAISO have rules that impose penalties for not meeting RA requirements
 - CPUC has imposed penalties to CCAs
 - CAISO has rarely imposed them, but has the authority to do so
- To date, PCE's standard position has been to pay market prices for RA even if the cost is greater than the penalties
- Other CCAs have adopted a practice to choose the least costly option

Estimated savings of revised internal policy is \$4.4 million

More Cost/(Less Cost)	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	5-year Total
	Forecast (FY)					
RA Penalty instead of Market Prices	-	(422,730)	(2,068,605)	(1,168,030)	(777,560)	(4,436,925)

Estimate of Cost – RA penalty vs. Market Cost

	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	Total	Savings
Cost at Full Market Price	447,850	7,397,200	15,041,575	7,188,850	4,553,075	34,628,550	0
Cost with CPUC Penalty	447,850	6,589,560	10,773,935	4,941,810	3,194,995	25,948,150	8,680,400
Cost with CPUC and 50% CAISO Penalty	447,850	6,974,470	12,972,970	6,020,820	3,775,515	30,191,625	4,436,925
Cost with CPUC and 100% CAISO Penalty	447,850	7,359,380	15,172,005	7,099,830	4,356,035	34,435,100	193,450

Using assumption of 50% CAISO Penalty in our model

More Cost/(Less Cost)	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	5-year Total
	Forecast (FY)					
RA Penalty instead of Market Prices	-	(422,730)	(2,068,605)	(1,168,030)	(777,560)	(4,436,925)

Open Position Cost at Market Price	Current Policy: Fill out RA open position at Market Price					
Open Position Cost with CPUC Penalty New policy to only procure to CPUC Penalty: Fill out open position at market price in months where market price is below CPUC penalty, pay CPUC penalty in other months. Assumes we are not penalized by CAISO.						
Open Position Cost with CPUC and 50% CAISO Penalty	New policy to only procure to CPUC Penalty: Fill out open position at market price in months where market price is below CPUC penalty, pay CPUC penalty in other months. Assumes we are penalized by CAISO for 50% of RA shortage.					
Open Position Cost with CPUC and 100% CAISO Penalty	New policy to only procure to CPUC Penalty: Fill out open position at market price in months where market price is below CPUC penalty, pay CPUC penalty in other months. Assumes we are penalized by CAISO for 100% of RA shortage.					
Open Position Cost with CPUC and Full CAISO Penalty	New policy to procure to CPUC + CAISO Penalty: Fill out open position at market price in months where market price is below CPUC+CAISO penalty, pay CPUC+CAISO penalty in other months					

4a. Energy Program Implementation Timing Adjustments

- Overall: Reduced spending projections by \$11.0M
- FY21 is expected to be \$1.4M below budget (est. of \$5.7M)
- FY22-24 reduced from \$32.2M to \$22.6M
 - Reduced uptake assumptions (EVs, water heaters)
 - Updated timing of EV charging incentive disbursements
 - Eliminated future New EV incentives
 - Delayed Curbside, EV Workforce

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	5-year Total
	Forecast (FY)					
Community Energy Program Cuts	(1,415,137)	(4,600,000)	(4,175,000)	(850,000)	-	(11,040,137)

4b. Other Program Implementation Timing Adjustments

Overall: Reduced spending projections by \$6.9M

Distributed Energy Programs

- FY21 expected to be under budget (reduced by \$0.5 million)
- Energy Resilience Programs
 - Delayed implementation of Future programs
 - Overall: FY22-24 reduced by \$2.2 million
- Continue implementation of current programs:
 - Power on Peninsula Medical Resilience
 - Power on Peninsula
 - DER Evaluation for Municipal Facilities

MarketingPrograms

- FY21 DER Marketing = \$1.0 million reduction
- FY22 DER Marketing = \$1.1 million reduction

Innovation Programs

- Reduced \$250K combined in FY21/FY22
- Reduced \$900K per year in FY23 and FY24

More Cost/(Less Cost)	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	5-year Total
	Forecast (FY)					
Marketing Program Cuts	(1,015,000)	(1,118,198)	-	-	-	(2,133,198)
Innovation Program Cuts	(150,000)	(100,000)	(900,000)	(900,000)	-	(2,050,000)
Distributed Energy Program Cuts	(519,000)	(1,850,000)	(300,000)	-	-	(2,669,000)
Total	(1,684,000)	(3,068,198)	(1,200,000)	(900,000)	-	(6,852,198)

Full-Year FY2020-2021 Forecast — Detailed Includes Expense Delays/Adjustments and Updated PCIA/PG&E Gen Rates

FY 2020-2021 Budget & Forecast	FY 2021	FY 2021	FY 2021	Variance	Variance
	Approved Budget	YTD Actual through December 2020	Forecasted Full Year FY2020-2021	Forecast \$ vs. FY20/21 Budget Fav/(Unf)	Forecast % vs. FY20/21 Budget Fav/(Unf)
OPERATING REVENUES					
Electricity Sales, net	213,552,721	136,568,161	233,742,624	20,189,903	9.5%
ECO100 Premium	2,150,775	1,365,820	2,652,599	501.825	23.3%
Total Operating Revenues	215,703,496	137,933,981	236,395,224	20,691,728	9.6%
OPERATING EXPENSES					
Cost of electricity	197,445,054	117,938,747	209,352,459	(11,907,405)	-6.0%
Personnel	6,236,981	2,717,348	6,033,071	203,910	3.3%
Data Manager	3,420,000	1,688,881	3,402,881	17,119	0.5%
Service Fees - PG&E	1,260,000	626,033	1,256,858	3,142	0.2%
Professional Services	3,068,340	1,304,464	2,732,220	336,120	11.0%
Legal	1,708,230	785,713	1,622,169	86,061	5.0%
Marketing and Noticing	2,873,350	601,398	1,671,018	1,202,332	41.8%
General and Administrative	1,947,282	793,901	1,938,882	8,400	0.4%
Community Energy Programs	7,550,000	836,602	5,655,000	1,895,000	25.1%
Depreciation	133,216	47,724	122,170	11,046	8.3%
Total Operating Expenses	225,642,453	127,340,812	233,786,727	(8,144,274)	-3.6%
Operating Income/(Loss)	(9,938,957)	10,593,169	2,608,497	12,547,454	126.2%
Total Non-operating Income/(Expense)	1,408,000	522,301	1,180,795	(227,205)	-16.1%
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	(8,530,957)	11,115,471	3,789,292	12,320,248	144.4%
CHANGE IN NET POSITION					
Net Position at the beginning of period	195,458,248	189,071,732	189,071,732	(6,386,517)	
Inc/(Dec) in Net Position	(8,530,957)	11,115,471	3,789,292	12,320,248	>
Net Position at the end of period	186,927,291	200,187,202	192,861,023	5,933,732	
Approx. Cash & Cash Equivalents	186,646,421	222,834,244	178,991,238		

FY2020-21 Forecast:

- Revenues are expected to be \$20.7 million above Budget
 - \$27.5 million above in 1H
 - 2H higher PCIA and lower PG&E rates
 - Offset by higher load
- **Expenses** are expected to be \$8.1 million above Budget
 - Energy costs in Q1
- expected to be positive \$3.8 million \$12.3 million better than budgeted loss

Summary of Changes Includes Expense Delays/Adjustments and Updated PCIA/PG&E Gen Rates

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	5-year Total
	Forecast (FY)					
PERATING REVENUES (Plus is more revenue)						
Budget	215,703,496	232,290,968	234,247,659	240,623,184	245,026,768	1,167,892,075
Changes resulting from Mid-January Forecast	18,207,204	(39,332,989)	(30,889,796)	(831,182)	32,819,704	(20,027,060
Change from Revised PCIA/PG&E (Current Revised)	2,484,524	21,297,480	24,405,600	(3,106,324)	(5,497,472)	39,583,808
Total Revenue changes	20,691,728	(18,035,509)	(6,484,196)	(3,937,506)	27,322,232	19,556,749
Updated Revenue	236,395,224	214,255,459	227,763,463	236,685,678	272,349,000	1,187,448,824
PERATING EXPENSES (Minus is reduced cost)						
Budget	225,642,453	235,267,423	239,214,533	236,055,745	248,158,683	1,184,338,837
Changes resulting from Mid-January Forecast	12,538,952	11,383,131	20,153,436	15,774,465	12,110,366	71,960,351
Changes resulting from New Savings Initiatives						
Revised Renewables Targets	(1,327,391)	(4,306,638)	(7,680,468)	(9,682,645)	(4,981,423)	(27,978,565
Revised PPA Implementation Plans	31,850	(2,667,197)	(1,328,681)	931,398	(5,247,622)	(8,280,252
RA Penalty instead of Market Prices	-	(422,730)	(2,068,605)	(1,168,030)	(777,560)	(4,436,925
Community Energy Program Cuts	(1,415,137)	(4,600,000)	(4,175,000)	(850,000)	-	(11,040,137
Power Resources Program Cuts	(669,000)	(1,950,000)	(1,200,000)	(900,000)	-	(4,719,000
Marketing Program Cuts	(1,015,000)	(1,118,198)	-	-	-	(2,133,198
Total changes from New Initiatives	(4,394,678)	(15,064,763)	(16,452,754)	(11,669,276)	(11,006,605)	(58,588,077
Total Expense changes	8,144,274	(3,681,632)	3,700,682	4,105,189	1,103,761	13,372,275
Updated Expenses	233,786,727	231,585,791	242,915,215	240,160,934	249,262,444	1,197,711,111
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Updated Change in Net Position *	3,789,292	(15,802,332)	(13,503,752)	(1,707,256)	24,974,556	(2,249,493

Summary Forecast

Includes Expense Delays/Adjustments and Updated PCIA/PG&E Gen Rates

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	5-year Total
	Forecast (FY)					
OPERATING REVENUES						
	236,395,224	214,255,459	227,763,463	236,685,678	272,349,000	1,187,448,824
Difference from Budget						
OPERATING EXPENSES						
Total Operating Expenses	233,786,727	231,585,791	242,915,215	240,160,934	249,262,444	1,197,711,111
Difference from Budget						
Operating Income (Loss)	2,608,497	(17,330,332)	(15,151,752)	(3,475,256)	23,086,556	
NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXP.)						
Total Nonoperating Income/(Expense)	1,180,795	1,528,000	1,648,000	1,768,000	1,888,000	
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	3,789,292	(15,802,332)	(13,503,752)	(1,707,256)	24,974,556	(2,249,493)
Difference from Budget						
Net Position at the beginning of period	189,071,732	192,861,023	177,058,691	163,554,939	161,847,683	
Net Position at the end of period	192,861,023	177,058,691	163,554,939	161,847,683	186,822,239	
Difference from Budget						
Estimated						
Days Cash on Hand	286	251	221	221	246	
Unrestricted Days Cash on Hand	273	245	215	216	241	
Unrestricted Days Cash on Hand - Per Policy	226	207	185	185	211	

Strategic Objectives - Prioritization

Top 2 Priorities per Strategic Plan

- Design a power portfolio that is sourced by 100% carbon-free energy by 2025 that aligns supply and consumer demand on a 24 x 7 basis
- Contribute to San Mateo County reaching the state's goal to be 100% greenhouse gasfree by 2045

Other Priorities

- Discounted rates from PG&E
- Investment Grade Rating
- 100% Renewable Energy
- Community Programs

Budget/Plan Options for Consideration/Discussion

- Revised PPA Implementation Plans \$8.3 million
- Revised Renewable Targets \$28.0 million
- Revised PCE Policy related to RA Penalty \$4.4 million
- Program Implementation Timing Adjustments
 - Community Energy Programs \$11.0 million
 - Marketing Programs \$2.1 million
 - DER Programs \$2.7 million
 - Innovation Programs \$2.0 million

5. Revised Reserve Policy

Revised Reserve Policy – Discussion/Action

- Current reserve policy is among most conservative of CCAs
- Evaluating whether we want to be more aligned/benchmarked to other CCAs
- Changing the reserve policy metrics would enable more flexibility on spending without violating the policy

Current Reserve Policy

PCE has a very conservative Reserve Policy

PCE will maintain cash reserves at the following funding level:

- Operating / Working Capital Reserve equal to one hundred eighty (180) days of total operating expenses (including power supply expenses) held as unrestricted cash. Unrestricted cash is equal to total cash less:
 - o cash held in restricted accounts (as collateral or by covenant), and
 - estimated future fiscal year commitments for Community Energy programs that have been approved by the Board
- Other alternatives include:
 - Simple Days Cash on Hand
 - Unrestricted Days Cash on Hand
- Note: DCOH is calculated based on assumptions of required deposits forecasts for which could be off

Reserve Policy – Compare to Other CCAs

CCA	Last Audited*	FY21 Budget**	Minimum	Target	Maximum	Rating	Notes
PCE	276	255		180		Baa2 (Moody's)	
3CE	267	227	108	180	270	A (S&P)	
EBCE	99	~100	108	180	270		
CPA	28	36	108	180			Expect to achieve minimum by 2026
SVCE	191***	219	90	180	270	Baa2 (Moody's)	
MCE	149	~168		216		BBB+ (Fitch)	Goal of achieving Reserve Target by 3/2022
SCP	138	147	120	252			
* Based on public documents at last year end financials							
** Estimated based on informal calculations of budget presentations							
*** Base	*** Based on Moody's estimate in rating July 15, 2020						

Revised Reserve Policy

PCE will maintain cash reserves at the following funding level:

- Operating / Working Capital Reserve equal to XXXXXXXXXXXXXX of total operating expenses (including power supply expenses) held as unrestricted cash. Unrestricted cash is equal to total cash less:
 - o cash held in restricted accounts (as collateral or by covenant), and
 - estimated future fiscal year commitments for Community Energy programs that have been approved by the Board
- Summary:
 - Simple Days Cash on Hand
 - Unrestricted Days Cash on Hand

6. Nominations/Appointments – Policy 16