

Board of Directors Regular Meeting Board Retreat

November 16, 2023



Agenda

- Call to Order / Roll Call
- Public Comment (for items not on the Agenda)
- Action to set the Agenda and Approve Consent Items 1-5
 - Consent Public Comment
- Regular Agenda
- Adjournment





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Why Organizational Development?

Building organizational capabilities

- Time to convene, align, and build organizational strength
- Maximize internal potential to achieve future successes
- Open-minded and generative collaborations
 "I wonder if"

Leadership and staff performance

- Stay grounded on shared goals and vision while navigating recent leadership transitions and rapid growth
- Equip individuals and teams with tools and readiness to embrace uncertainty

Strategic unity

- Clear strategy direction and understanding
- Readiness to plan and implement strategy

Actionable Results

- Thorough analysis of PCE's current state
- Find essential opportunities for organizational evolution and growth
- Set aspirational and achievable goals for how to best work to drive performance
- Prelude to effective strategic planning



Evolution Framework

Sept - Oct 2023 Nov - Dec 2023 Jan - Feb 2024 Mar -Aug 2024 Late 2024 -Early 2025

Organizational Assessment Strategize Priorities

Organizational Roadmap













Alignment on Medium Term Future Identify Organizational Development Areas

Next Strategic Planning



Segment 1 - Futures Exercise

PCE has been in exponential growth since its inception and is now moving into its next stage of organizational maturity. What does and/or should growth mean or look like for PCE in the next 5-7 years?

Consider:

- 1. Electricity
- 2. Customer impact
- 3. Industry/market impact



Segment 2: Organizational Assessment



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Initial High-Level Analysis

*Read left-right to see how further addressing needs could feed into organizational strengths and support possible goals.

Needs Internal Goals Strengths Individual People and talent growth Work-life balance Professional growth Technology for operations Analytical, problemand marketing solving culture Develop cross-Innovative and collaboration systems and entrepreneurial approach processes Highly specialized and Cohesion high-functioning teams **External Goals** Communication Diverse expertise and Strategic discussion experiences Inclusive leadership Proactive approach to Reach all community growth members and distribute Collective passion and goal energy solutions and orientation benefits equitably Organizational Transform the energy Shared passion and sector at a national scale Building momentum for Learning and electrification and creative problemdecarbonization efforts at solving across a global scale departments

Initial Pathway Exploration

The **SOAR** framework is an alternative perspective to the SWOT analysis. While SWOT assesses the organization's current state, SOAR is forward-thinking and focuses on pathways to your desired future state. *Read top-down to see how organizational strengths might create causal linkages to results.



Strategic Priorities







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Segment 3 - Discussion

Priority 1: Deliver 100% renewable energy annually by 2025 and on a 99% time-coincident basis by 2027.

 How do we balance industry leadership, innovation, and what is possible within current market constraints and economic realities?



PCE's Procurement Puzzle

PRIORITIES

Serving Load

Compliance

ECO Plus/100

Renewable 100% Annual

Renewable 24/7 Hourly

Financial Stability / Affordability

PRODUCTS/INSTRUMENTS

Energy

RPS/REC

RA

MTR

GHG Free

RPS/REC

RPS/REC

RPS/REC

"24/7 Products"

Procurement Strategies

Who?

Where? What?

When?

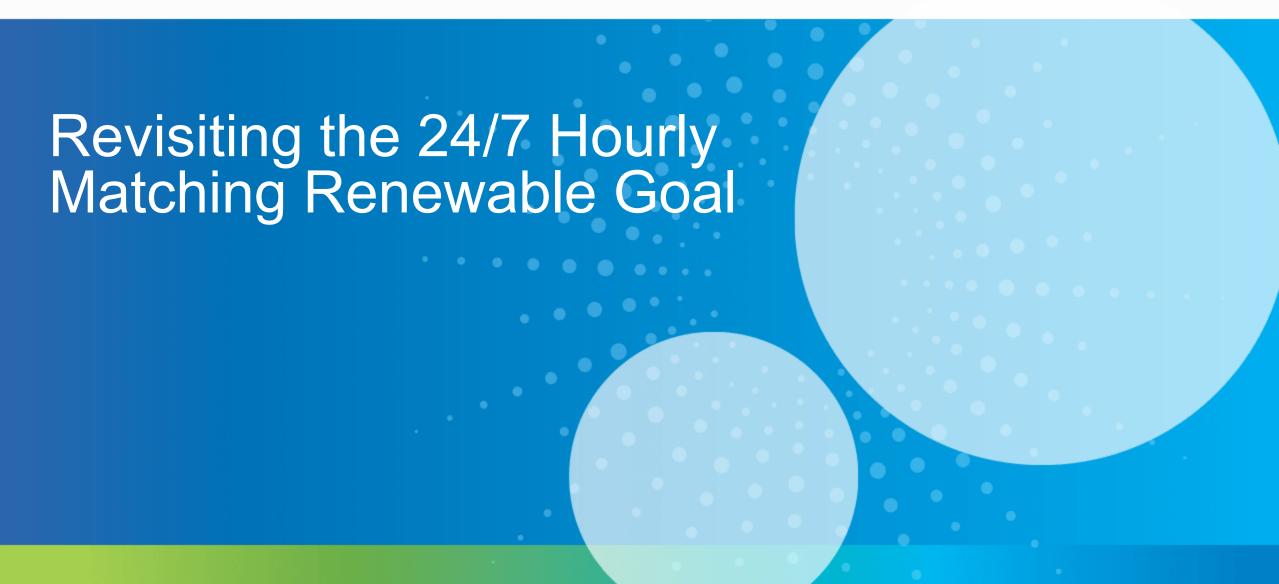
How?

Cost of Energy

±Risk

< Revenue (Rates)





Purpose

STRATEGIC PRIORITY:

- In November 2022, PCE's Board of Directors approved the strategic priority of delivering 100% renewable energy on a 99% time-coincident basis by 2025.
- In June 2023, the Board updated the strategic priority to delivering 100% renewable energy annually by 2025 and on a 99% time-coincident basis by 2027.

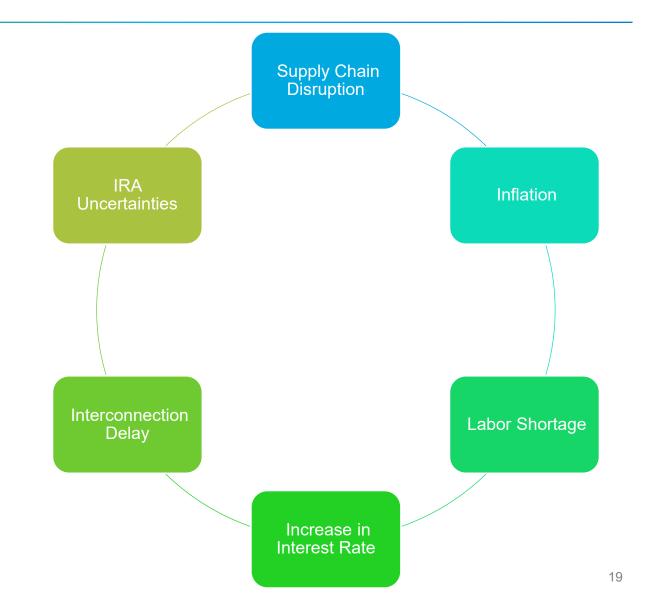
Market conditions have drastically changed in the past two years, which warrants the need to revisit PCE's current strategic goals:

- Understand the financial and risk implications of meeting the goals under adjusted assumptions
- Set framework and priorities to guide procurement, and
- Recalibrate the strategic goals if deemed appropriate

Background

 Staff's 2022 analysis (published in the white-paper) was based on early-mid 2022 market conditions

 But Market has not materialized in the direction we expected



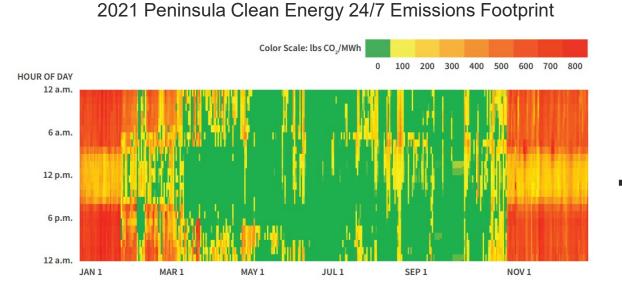
Why Does the 24/7 Strategy Matter?

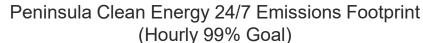
- Nearly eliminates PCE's emission footprint
- Facilitates displacement of grid-level fossil fuel generation
- Improves grid reliability by bringing on new clean & storage resource capacities
- Establishes PCE as a leader in sustainability and innovation

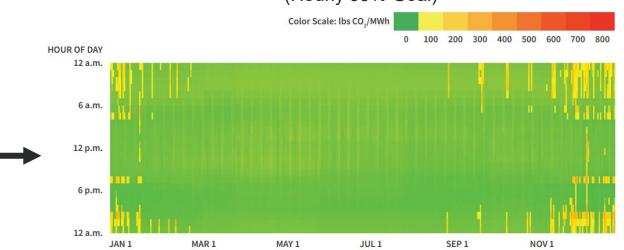
In general, the 24/7 strategy promotes a mechanism in the power industry to combat climate change, which could lead to larger benefits such as preventing sea level rise, wildfire, extreme weather events and reduce health impacts to society.

Hourly Matching Concept Review

The 24/7 goal is to match our electricity supply to customer load each hour on a planning basis





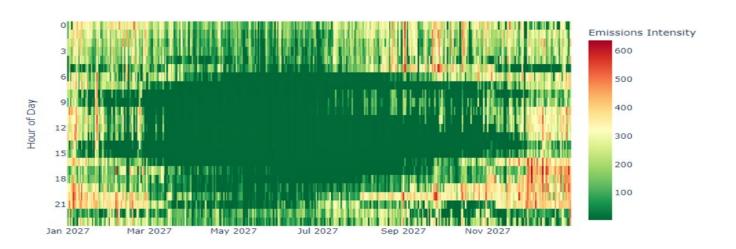


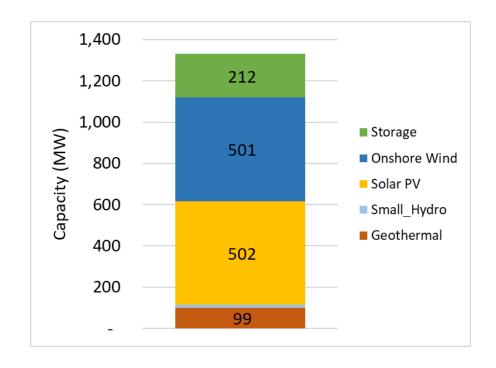
24/7 Hourly Matching Current Status

With <u>existing</u> contracted resources in our portfolio:

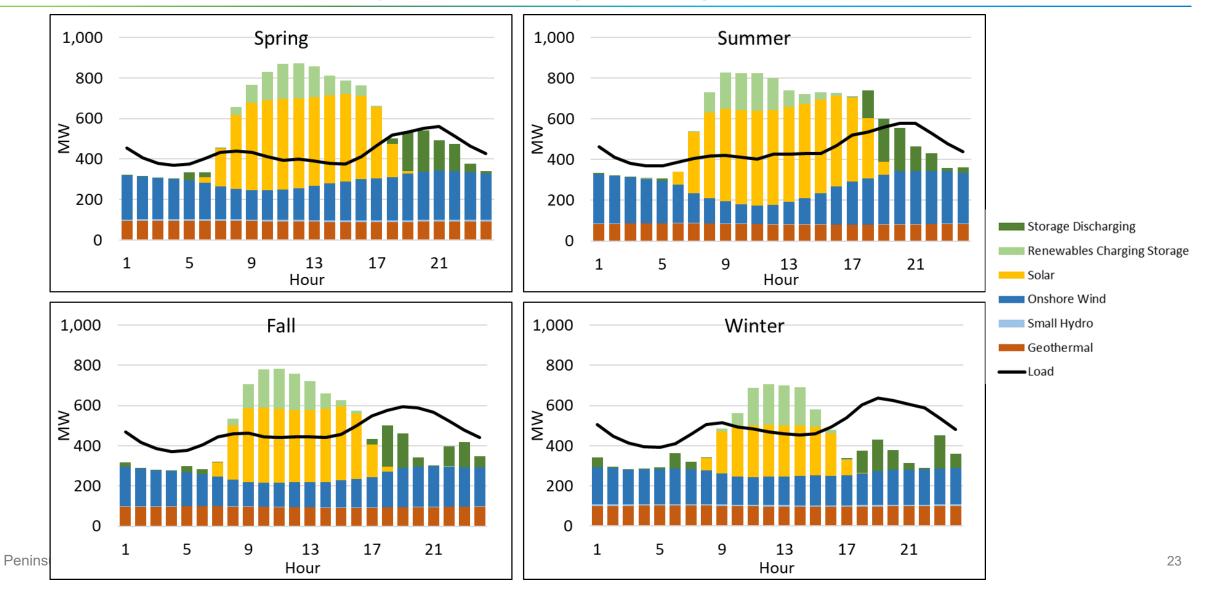
83% hourly renewable matching by 2027*

* Note: Assuming contracted projects will be on schedule





Seasonal Supply Stack (2027)

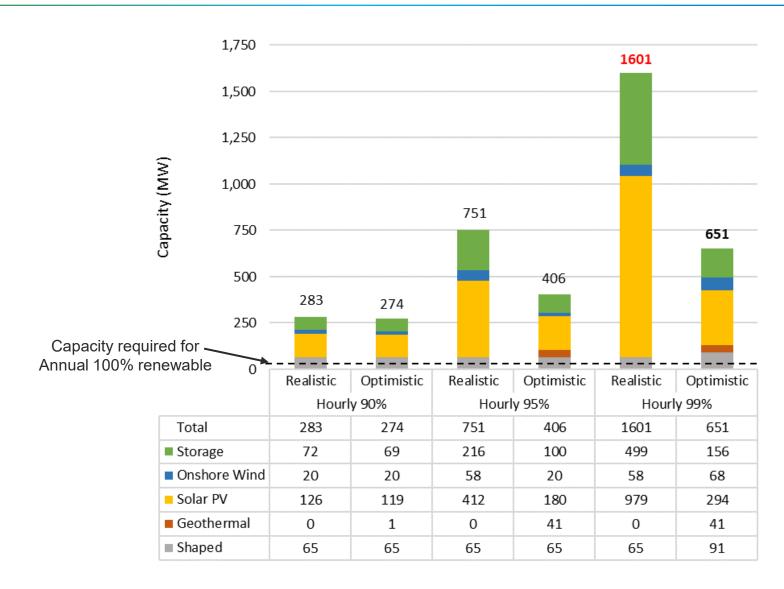


Refining PCE's 24/7 Strategy

- Since June, staff has worked on several analysis with focuses on:
 - Resource Availability: What resources would be available in 2027?
 - Market Uncertainty: What are the forecasted future price ranges for energy, RA, and REC?
 - Reselling Excess Products: Can we sell our excess products? What are the best ways to sell the excess products?
 - Cost and Risk: What's the best way to evaluate the cost and risk impact for different time-coincident percentages?

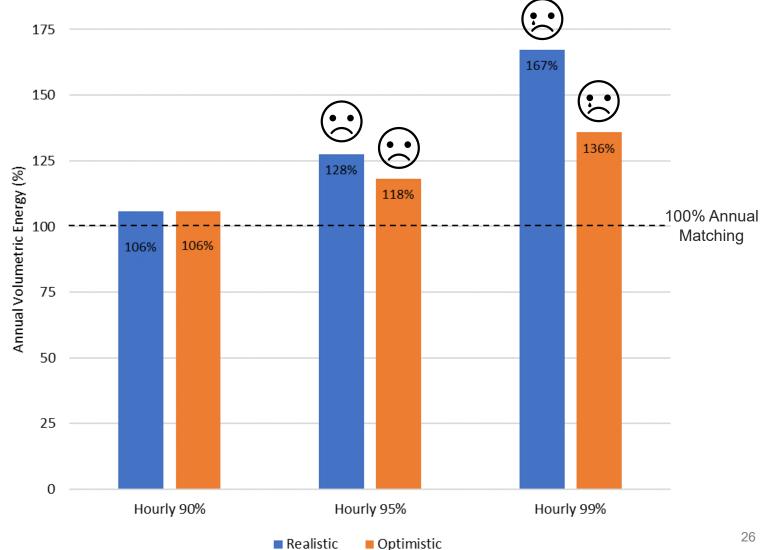
Resources Availability: Additional Capacity Needed by 2027

- Under the Realistic scenario, PCE will need to procure significant amount of additional capacity to achieve higher timecoincident targets
- Under the Optimistic scenario, a more desirable set of available resources significantly reduces overprocurement. This scenario is unlikely for 2027.

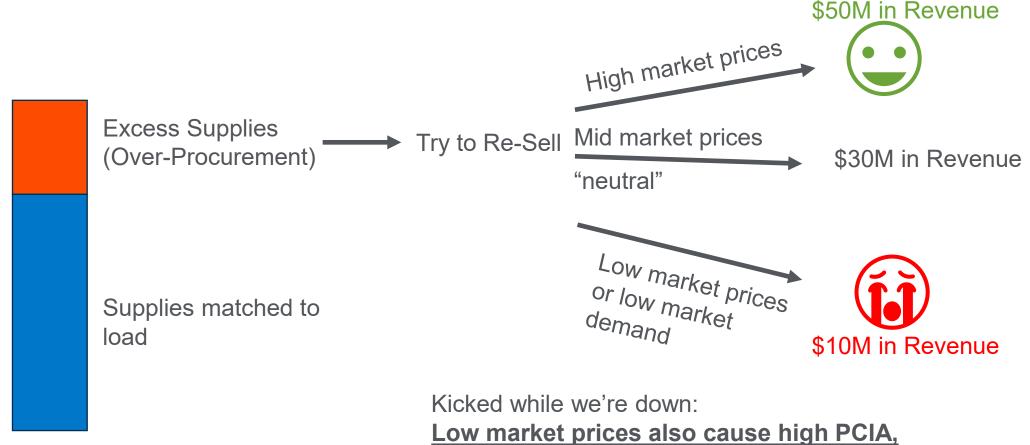


Over-Procurement in 2027 with the Current 24/7 Target

 Higher time-coincident target results in more over-procurement, especially under the Realistic scenario.



Why is Over-Procurement Risky?



which means we'd lose money from both poor sales of over-procurement and lower customer revenue

PCE's Current 24/7 Goal is Challenged

CHALLENGE: Lack of Desirable Resources Available in 2027

- Limited supply of wind, geothermal, shaped-product, long-duration storage
- Record-high prices



Significant Over-procurement at High Prices



RISK: Inability to sell excess products or selling excess at low market prices

Other Challenges & Risks

- Delays in project development and commercial operation
- Changes in law that forces PCE to additional procurement of resources (in addition to the 24/7 needs)
- Disconnect between real-time operations and the planning target
- Maintaining the 24/7 goal after the target year and challenges with finding perfect replacements

General Conclusions

- Meeting the 99% time-coincident target in 2027 is going to be extremely challenging.
- Continuing to procure heavily in the current market with lack of best-fit resources will significantly increase PCE's exposure to future market with excessive over-procurement, potentially resulting in high cost to PCE and our customers.
- A more risk-conscious strategy is needed to balance achieving a high timecoincident renewable target and keeping cost & risk at a reasonable level.

Next Steps

Staff, in consultation with the Procurement Subcommittee, will continue to refine the 24/7 renewable strategy and return to the Board in Q1 of 2024 with recommended amendments to the strategic priority for consideration and approval.



Segment 4: Discussion of Key Priority #2 Support Decarbonization of Member Agency Communities by 2035 (1 hour)

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Segment 4 - Discussion

Priority 2: Contribute to Peninsula Clean Energy member jurisdictions reaching the State's 2045 goal to be 100% greenhouse-gas free for transportation and building electrification by 2035.

 What innovative strategies can we deploy to meet our 2035 decarb goal, with focus on demand response and distributed energy resources (DERs), and solutions that meet load modification and reliability goals?



Agenda

1. Decarbonization Goal History

2. 2035 Decarbonization Feasibility Analysis & Plan

3. Distributed Resources

Decarbonization Strategic Goal History

Original Goal from 2025 Strategic Plan

Contribute to San Mateo County reaching the state's goal to be 100% greenhouse gasfree by 2045.

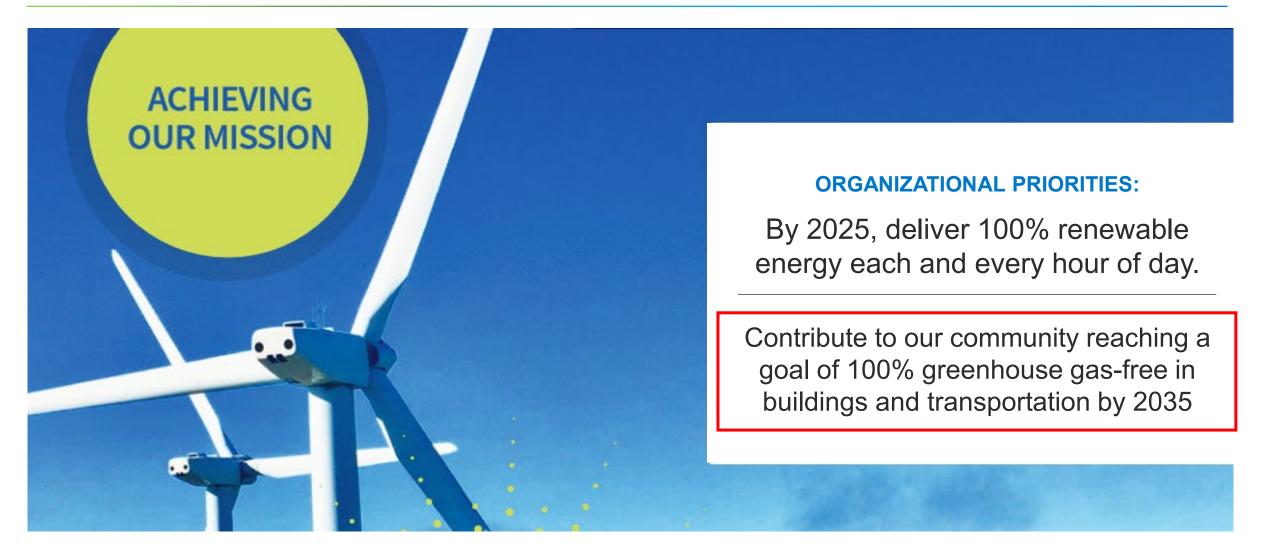
Sept. 2021: CAC recommendation

Contribute to Peninsula Clean Energy service territory reaching the state's goal to be 100% greenhouse gas-free by 2035. And take all necessary steps to meet this goal, as it is required by the climate emergency we all face.

Sept 2021: Board adopted goal

Direct Peninsula Clean Energy to adopt a goal of 100% greenhouse gas free by 2035. And direct staff to return with a plan for achieving that goal.

In Public Communications



2035 Goal Advisory Committees

Board Sub-committee

Rick DeGolia

Jeff Aalfs

Dave Pine

Laura Parmer-Lohan

Advisory Committee

Jeff Aalfs Board of Directors, Peninsula Clean Energy

Jeff Byron Former CEC Commissioner

Nancy Ryan Former CPUC Commissioner

Mary Anne Piette Division Director, Lawrence Berkeley National Lab

Diane Bailey Executive Director, Menlo Spark

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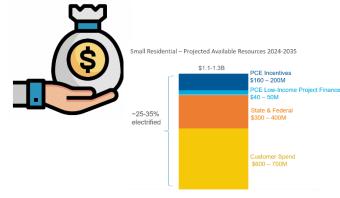
James Russell Energy Transition Director, CLEAResult

Justin Zuganis Director of Decarbonization, SVCE

2035 Feasibility Analysis & Plan

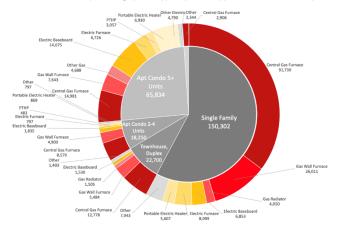


Market Conditions & Tech Innovation

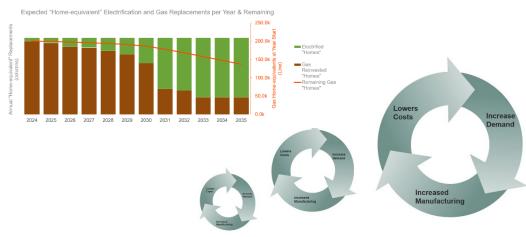


Sources of capital

Primary Heating System Type by Home Type - San Mateo County



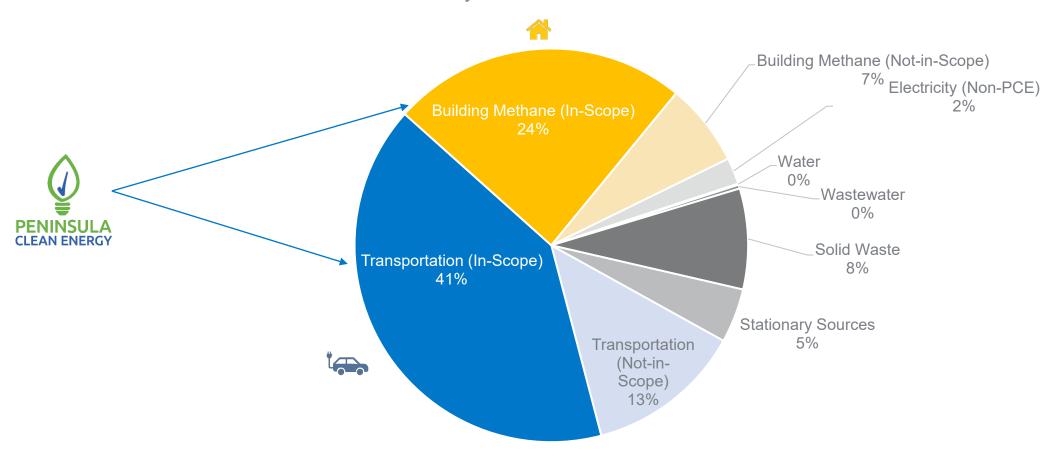
Detailed Characterization & Costs



Adoption Rates & Scaling Strategy

PCE Scope: Where PCE can Impact

San Mateo Countywide Greenhouse Gas Emissions,



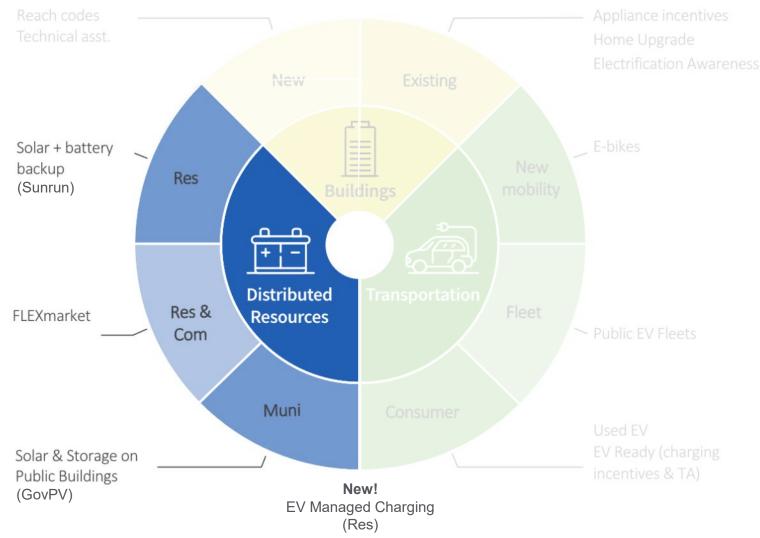
Total: 4.1 MMTCO2e/yr as of 2019 (by 2021 reduced ~13% by PCE energy supply)

2035 Goal - Conclusions

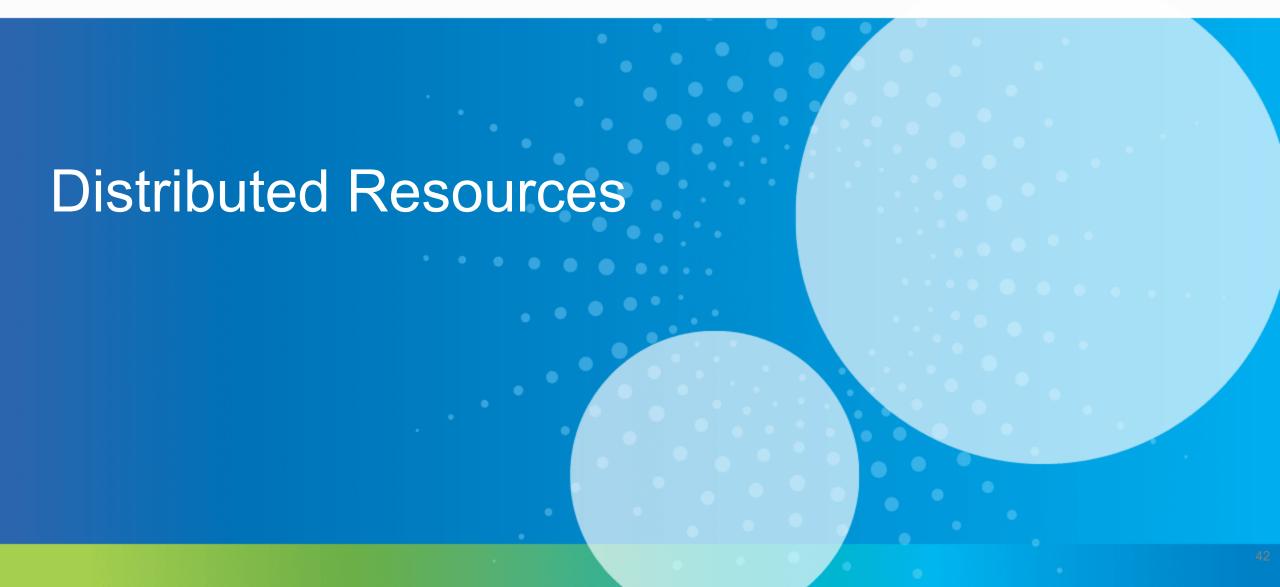
Given current market conditions, funding and financing availability, current rate structures and policy status, achieving 100% GHG reduction by 2035 in PCE's service territory is infeasible.

- What PCE <u>can</u> achieve:
 - Private Vehicles: ~50-60% vehicles electrified, ~70-80% EV port need (not DCFC)
 - Small Residential: ~25-35% homes electrified
 - Assuming stable external funds, aggressive finance, and modest PCE budget growth
 - All resources must be leveraged (incentives, DR value, finance, etc.)
 - Assuming no rate reform (identified as a major policy need)

Programs Portfolio







Key Questions

1. Do PCE's Distributed Resources fit with customer needs and PCE's decarbonization objectives?

2. Any missing critical elements for the program?

3. Should any aspect be reprioritized?

Distributed Energy Resources Definition

assets on the distribution grid, typically close to load, and usually behind the meter, which can be used individually or in aggregate to provide value to the grid and individual customers.









What PCE is trying to solve for

1. High Utility Rates

- PG&E territory has some of the highest utility rates in the country
- o Adversely impacting customer economics, trust and electrification benefits

2. Power Outages

 Frequent power outages are creating both real and perceived customer problems resulting in reticence to electrify

3. Access to Capital

Developing approach to deployment of solutions at scale



PCE DER Objectives

- Provide grid benefits, especially peak shaving to reduce wholesale costs and carbon intensity, aiding further penetration of renewables
- Provide resilience
- Lower operating costs for customers
- Make electrification more economically beneficial
- Deepen PCE-customer relationships and foster retention
- Reduce PCE costs and support self-sufficient business model

DER Plans In-Progress

Expand GovPV & add storage



New residential Solar + storage



Scale EV managed charging & FLEXmarket



Develop & deploy addl. storage methodologies



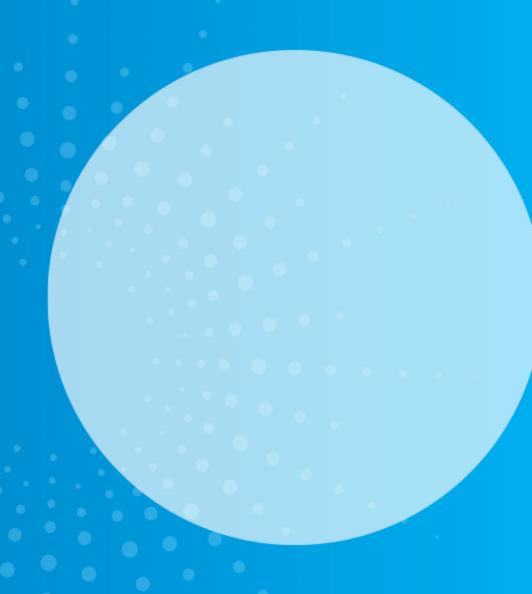
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Backup



Programs: Strategic Plan Goals & Objectives

STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

- 1. Contribute to Peninsula Clean Energy member jurisdictions reaching a goal to be 100% greenhouse gas free for transportation and buildings by 2035.
- 2. Implement robust energy programs that reduce GHG emissions, align energy supply and demand, and provide benefits across the community.

OBJECTIVES

- 1. Signature Programs: Develop market momentum for electric transportation and initiate the transition to clean energy buildings
- 2. Distributed Energy Resources: Support strategic decarbonization and local power development
- 3. Community Benefits: Deliver tangible benefits throughout our diverse communities
- 4. Innovation and Scale: Leverage leadership, innovation, and regulatory action for scaled impact

Programs: Recent Highlights

1. Buildings & Appliances

- State-leading effort with 19 agencies adopting building & EV codes
- 10x acceleration in 2023, est. 2,000 heat pumps

2. Electric Vehicle Charging

- Innovation in approach, \$4,000 ave per port (vs PG&E \$18k)
- o 2/3rds in multifamily, highest need segment
- EV managed charging pilot in-progress

3. Distributed Resources

- GovPV Round 1: 12 sites, 1.7 MW solar, CYQ1 2024, \$17M lifetime saving
- GovPV Round 2: ~30-40 sites, 6-16 MW, RFP in-progress







Highlights – Underserved Communities

1. Electric Vehicles: 346 vehicles

- \$3.6 million in savings over 10 years
- 18,000 MT CO2 over 10 years

2. Home Upgrade: 200 homes completed

- Home repairs plus electrification
- 2024 ramp-up: more homes, whole-home retrofits

3. E-Bikes: nearly 600 bikes

- Extremely popular
- >50% of trips displace car trips



Innovation Pilots

1. EV Managed Charging

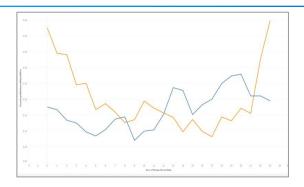
- Support grid: shift charging out of evening peak
- Major opportunity: 7 kWh/EV, current: 40,000, future: 600,000+
- Through the vehicles: telematics based

2. Electrification Guidelines @100A & 120V HPWH

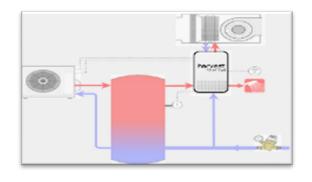
- Advanced design guidelines (electrification without panel upgrades)
- Lower install costs

3. Advanced home system pilot (Harvest Thermal)

- Major innovation, combined space & water heating, "grid aware"
- 4 of 4 installs completed, data collection in progress
- Average install cost \$22-23,000
- o 70-90% reduction in home emissions









Segment 5: What does it Mean to Shift to a More **Customer-centric Approach Across** our Agency? (30 mins)

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Segment 5 - Discussion

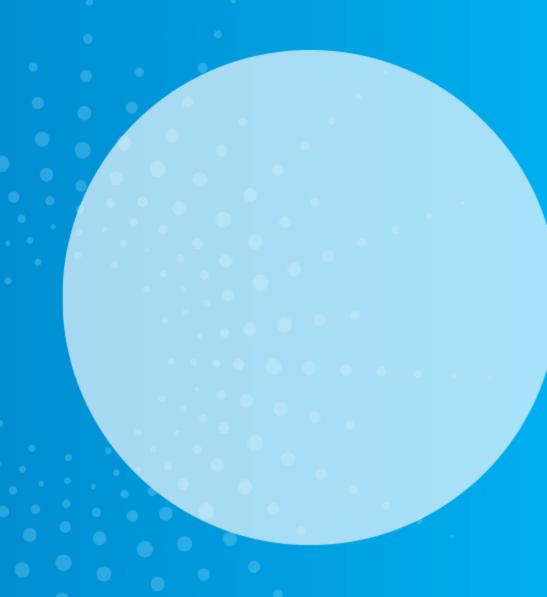
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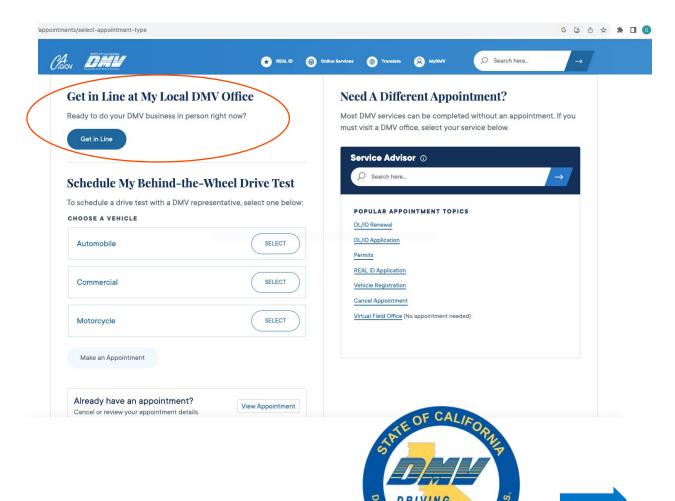
Goals

- Customer-centricity overview
- Strategic questions for the Board
- Review brand audit findings

Case study



DMV case study



Ways DMV removed friction from the customer experience:

- 1. Simple, accessible website
- 2. Virtual ability to "get in line" same day visits with clock that shows you how long until your number waits
- 3. Each agent at each station knows who you are
- 4. Get in and out quickly



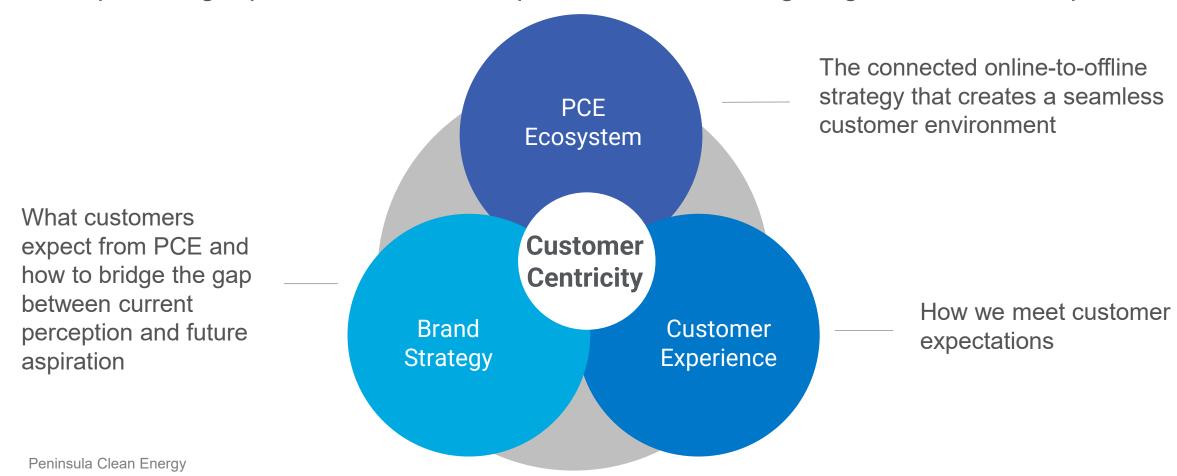
Customer-centricity is table stakes

"75% of consumers expect a consistent experience across channels (web, mobile, inperson, social) and 73% are likely to switch brands if they don't get it."

-Deloitte

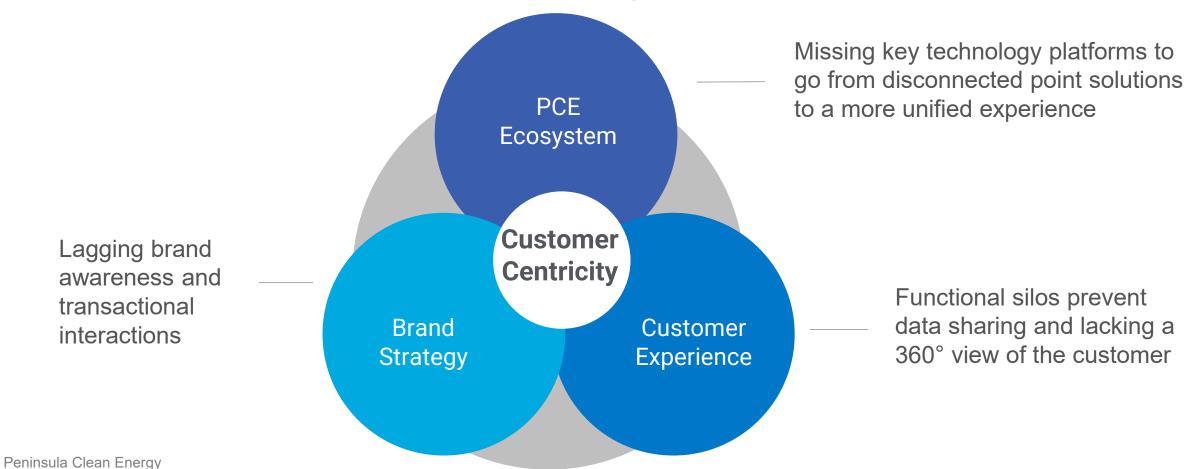
Building blocks

Customer centricity is the culture, framework and business strategy based on providing a positive customer experience and building long-term relationships.



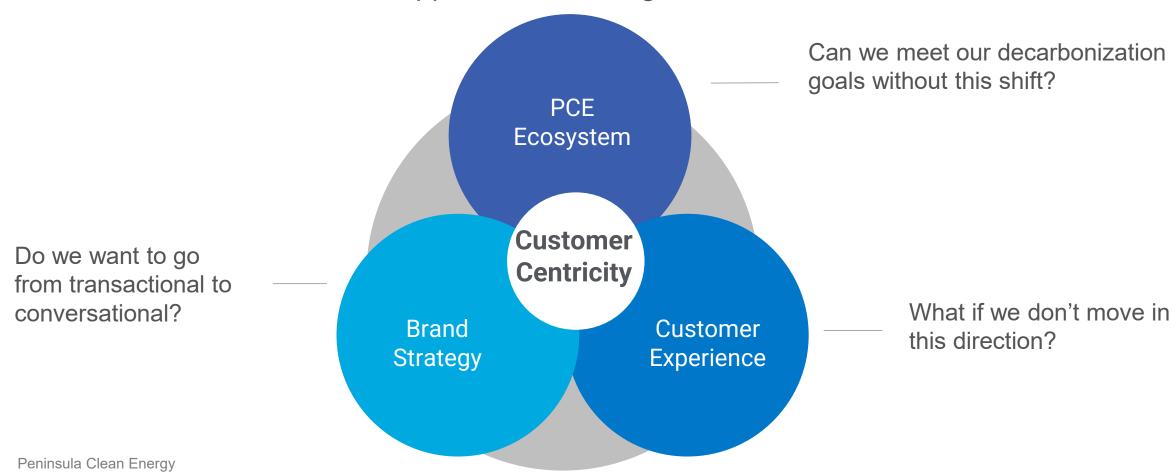
Core challenges

Alignment, strategy and investment are needed to operationalize a customer-centric approach to serving customers.



Board questions

Alignment, strategy and investment are needed to operationalize a customer-centric approach to serving customers.



How it could look to a PCE customer



Brand opportunities

Findings from Q2 brand audit



Current Approach

Brand Identity

'Peninsula' doesn't represent all current (or future) coverage areas (ie: Los Banos)

"The logo looks like a gas flame or incandescent bulb. And the colors are not ADA compliant."

"Name and logo could better represent our positioning as a trusted guide"

"Peninsula Clean Energy is a long name, so we often shorten it to PCE, which is very easily confused with PG&E."

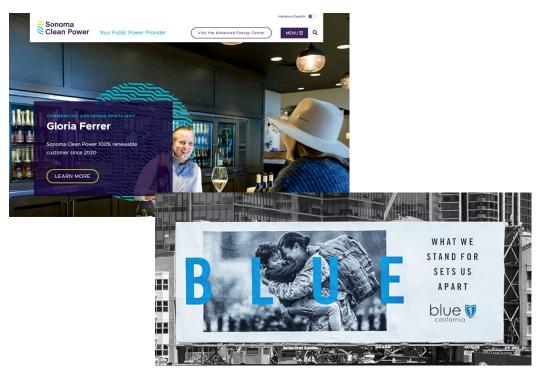




Current Approach

Brand Imagery

- Place more emphasis on people and community-members
- Makes it more ownable, differentiated, creates a stronger connection with customers



- Current focus is mostly equipment and technology
- Less human, approachable, or differentiated



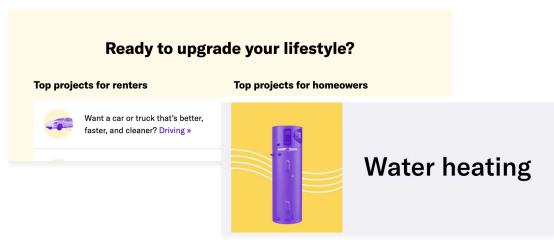




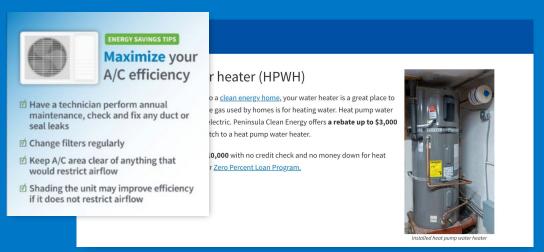
Current Approach

Messaging

- Can focus more on customers and the outcomes they care
- Can be aspirational
- Creates more of an emotional connection
- Can pair nicely with more artistic imagery

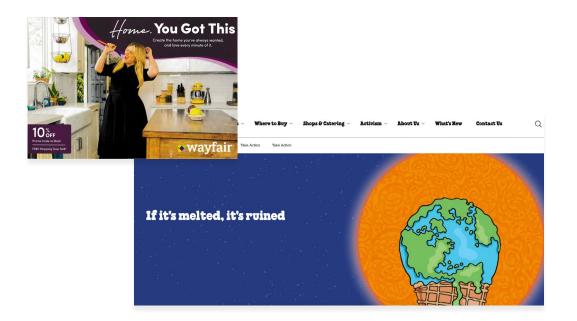


- Current focus on products and process isn't customer-centric
- Rational, literal focus doesn't create emotional connection
- Showing actual equipment doesn't feel onbrand



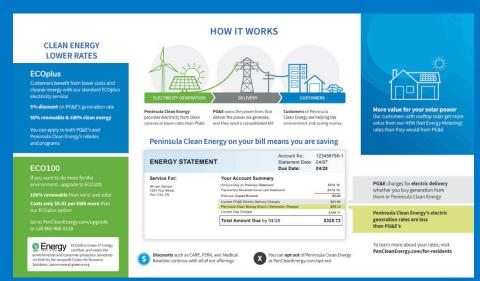
Tone of voice & personality

- Can be more inspirational vs. informational
- Could be more straightforward and streamlined
- Opportunity to infuse more of a brand personality



Current Approach

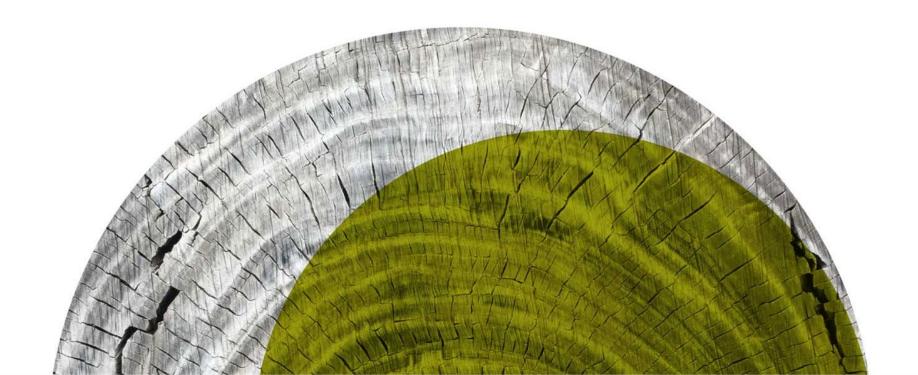
Formal and technical, with lots of information







Next Steps



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