



Electric and Gas Utility Cost Report

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I. INTRODUCTION

Enacted as Assembly Bill (AB) 67 in 2005, Public Utilities Code 747(b) requires the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to prepare a written report on the costs of programs and activities conducted by the four major electric and gas companies regulated by the CPUC. This legislation was enacted in part to determine the effect of various legislative and administrative mandates, and also to provide more transparency into factors driving electric and gas rates.

The report is to be submitted to the Governor and the Legislature by April 1st of each year and is required to include the following:

1. Each program mandated by statute and its annual cost to ratepayers.
2. Each program mandated by the CPUC and its annual cost to ratepayers.
3. Energy purchase contract costs and bond-related costs incurred pursuant to Division 27 of the Water Code (commonly known as Department of Water Resources (DWR) related costs).
4. All other aggregated categories of costs currently recovered in retail rates as determined by the CPUC.

This report is submitted by the CPUC to fulfill these statutory requirements.

Background

The State of California has been a national leader in energy policy, setting innovative mandates for renewable energy, demand side management, and greenhouse gas emissions regulation. With the implementation of these policies, the utilities' cost structures and the rate setting process have become increasingly complex. The funds that each utility is authorized to collect in rates to meet its expenses — commonly referred to as revenue requirements — are approved through several different regulatory proceedings corresponding to various mandates.

The California Legislature passed AB 67 in 2005 to establish an annual reporting requirement that would identify the costs to ratepayers of all utility programs and activities. Like the 2013 AB 67 Report, this year's report provides a detailed narrative of various energy policies in California along with a breakdown of the underlying costs that drive electric and gas rates, including charts and tables showing how these costs and rates have varied since 2005.

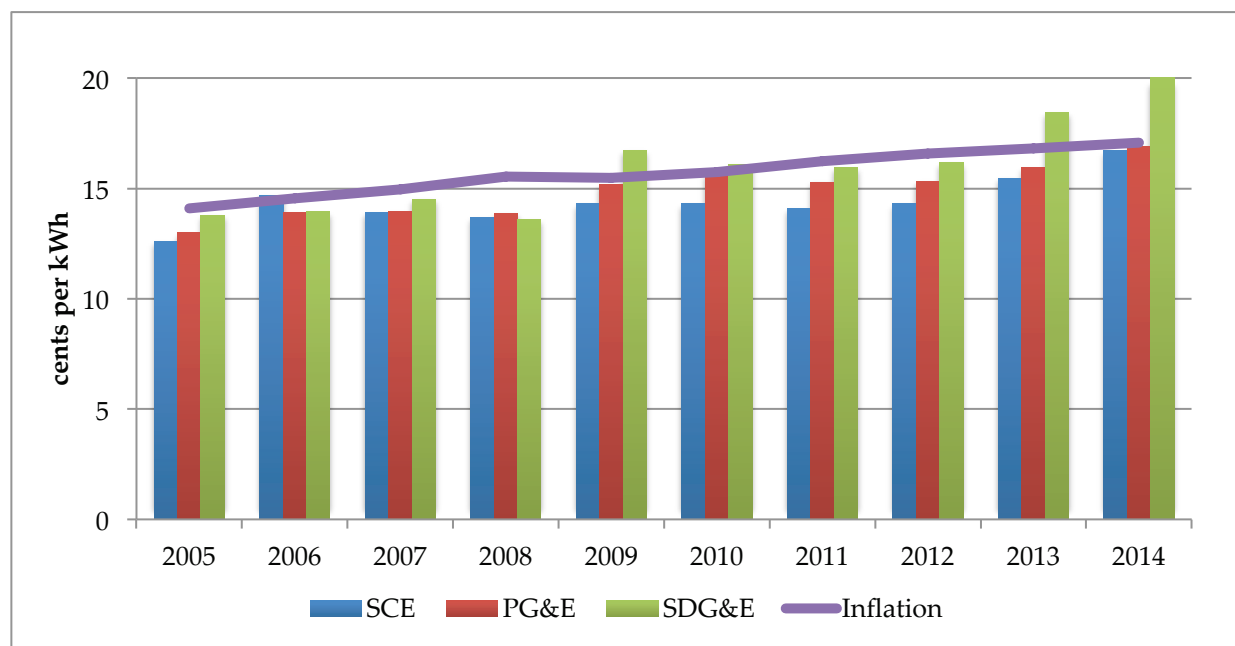
The report presents an analysis of the CPUC-authorized revenue requirements for the four major California investor-owned utilities (IOUs or utilities): Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E), Southern California Edison (SCE), San Diego Gas & Electric (SDG&E) and Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas). Using sales forecasts, rates are set to collect these authorized revenue requirements. Any discrepancies between authorized revenue requirements and actual revenues and expenses are captured through balancing account mechanisms, which true-up the actual revenue to the authorized revenue requirement in the following year. This ensures that the utilities only collect their authorized revenue requirements and that they recover their costs despite the effect of conservation programs on sales.

Overview

Electric Utility Costs

- **System average rate increases have generally tracked inflation.** Through 2013, system average rates increased at an annual average of just over 2%, which is approximately equal to the average annual inflation rate over the same time period. Figure 1.1 shows the trend in average electric rates for the electric IOUs. In 2014, SCE's system average rate was 16.7¢/kWh, PG&E's was 16.9¢/kWh, and SDG&E's was 20.1¢/kWh.¹ The system average rate for SDG&E has increased recently due to a unique combination of factors, including an unusual increase in SDG&E's costs of procuring power as well as a delay in its 2012 General Rate Case which resulted in cost increases being compressed over a shorter period of time. We do not expect this recent trend to continue and anticipate that increases in system average rates will track the average annual inflation rate in the coming years.

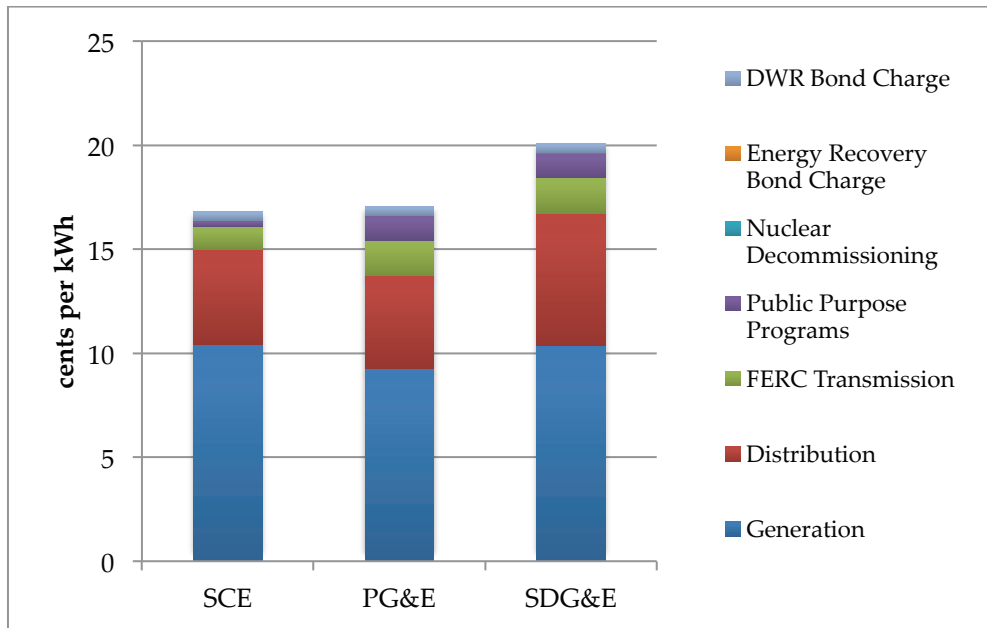
Figure 1.1: Trends in Average Rates



- **Electric generation and energy procurement are a large component of electric rates.** As shown in Figure 1.2, generation, provided through utility-owned generation and purchased power sources, collectively accounts for approximately 55% of the utilities' electric rates.

Figure 1.2: 2014 Rate Components

¹ SCE Advice Letter 3091-E (effective 8/11/14); PG&E Advice Letter 4506-E (effective 10/1/14); SDG&E Advice Letter 2632-E (effective 8/1/14).



- **Demand side management remains a cost effective method to meet new demand.** Demand response and energy efficiency programs provided bill savings over the 2010-2012 program cycle with demonstrated cost effectiveness.² Based upon evaluated lifecycle total costs and benefits during this time period, energy efficiency gas and electric savings exceeded costs by nearly \$1.8 billion (see Figure 4.2). In addition to energy efficiency and demand response, the CPUC has several legislatively mandated distributed generation and integrated demand side management programs, including the California Solar Initiative (CSI) program and the Self-Generation Incentive Program (SGIP).

- **Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) eligible energy remains a small but growing component of the revenue requirements.**³ The IOUs collectively served 22.2% of their retail electricity load with renewable power in 2013. Additionally, the IOUs forecast that 26.9% of their 2014 retail electricity load will be met by renewable power. Since 2003, 10,169 MW of new renewable capacity has achieved commercial operation under the RPS program.⁴ The CPUC approved 32 contracts, representing 646 MW of renewable capacity in 2014. More than 3,529 MW of renewable capacity came online in 2014.⁵

Gas Utility Costs

² Because the current 2013-2015 energy efficiency program cycle is not complete, the CPUC's cost effectiveness evaluation results are not yet available for the current cycle.

³ Please refer to the Renewable Energy Procurement section on page 21 for a list of eligible renewable energy resources.

⁴ RPS procurement figures for 2013 and RPS procurement forecasts for 2014 are sourced from the Annual 33% RPS Compliance Report submitted on August 1, 2014.

⁵ RPS capacity figures sourced from IOU self-reported information submitted to the RPS contract database on February 16, 2015.

- **Total natural gas utility costs in 2014 increased by 6.8% from 2013**, primarily due to an increase in authorized utility operational costs.
- **Natural gas utility revenue requirements for transmission, distribution and storage services increased by 8.7% in 2014 from 2013, and by 28% from 2010**, as gas utilities place greater emphasis on safety and replacing aging infrastructure.
- **Costs authorized by the CPUC for natural gas public purpose programs have increased by 5.6% since 2013**, due to cost increases for energy efficiency programs.

The remainder of this report provides a breakdown of the various electric and gas revenue requirement components and identifies the sources of the greatest increases in costs. Chapters II - V address electric revenue requirements and Chapter VI addresses gas revenue requirements. In addition to the detailed summary tables provided throughout the text, Appendix A provides summaries of the IOU revenue requirements organized by the rate components typically shown on customer bills. Finally, the revenue requirements identified in Appendix A include balancing account adjustments – however, the remainder of this report discusses authorized revenue requirements without these adjustments.

Determining Revenue Requirements

Due to the increasingly varied nature of utility costs and the multitude of energy policy programs, the determination of revenue requirements and the ratesetting process at the CPUC have grown more complex over time. The following forums are used to determine the revenue requirements that the utilities are authorized to collect through rates:

1. **General Rate Cases (GRCs):** GRCs occur on a three year cycle at the CPUC and evaluate the regulated operations of the IOUs as well as determine the reasonableness of their requests for increases in revenue requirement.
2. **Transmission rate cases at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC):** The CPUC is required to allow recovery of all FERC authorized costs.
3. **Energy Resource Recovery Account (ERRA) proceedings:** The CPUC reviews each utility’s fuel and power purchase forecast and, to the extent deemed reasonable, passes through the revenue requirements without any profit or mark-up for the utility. Public purpose charges are also authorized here.
4. Specific program area proceedings in which program budgets are determined.

The utilities earn a rate of return, or profit only, on costs that are utility-owned and capitalized (e.g. assets and equipment). For many cost categories, such as purchased power and fuel, there is no rate of return or profit – the utilities are only reimbursed for these costs from customers as “pass-through” costs.

Categorization of Utility Costs

Utility costs or revenue requirements fall into three major categories: **generation, distribution, and transmission**. While this basic categorization of costs reflects major areas of utility operations or business units, it is also used to determine what portions of utility costs should be paid by different types of customers. For instance, some customers do not receive full or bundled service from the utility, and may generate their own power on site or buy power from a non-utility source (e.g., an Electric Service Provider (ESP), or a Community Choice Aggregator (CCA)).

These customers do not typically pay generation costs and instead pay only transmission and distribution costs; however, in some cases, these customers are required to pay non-bypassable charges for generation procured on their behalf before they departed from bundled service. Additionally, some larger customers receive service at transmission voltage levels and are not charged for use of the utility distribution system. Table 1.3 offers a breakdown of the major components of the electric IOUs' 2014 revenue requirements.

Table 1.3: 2014 Electric IOU Revenue Requirements (\$000)

| | PG&E | SCE | SDG&E |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Generation/Energy Procurement | | | |
| Purchased Power | \$4,445,975 | \$3,708,540 | \$762,688 |
| Utility Owned Generation | \$1,808,238 | \$2,156,302 | \$517,245 |
| Distribution | \$4,003,579 | \$4,158,699 | \$1,137,547 |
| Transmission | \$1,429,364 | \$899,889 | \$412,807 |
| Demand Side Management and Public Purpose Programs | \$643,864 | \$607,641 | \$193,784 |
| Bonds & Fees | \$601,878 | \$474,830 | \$107,949 |
| Total 2014 Revenue Requirement | \$12,517,739 | \$12,005,091 | \$3,132,021 |

Ratebase

The ratebase is the book value, after depreciation, of the generation, distribution and transmission infrastructure owned and operated by the utility. Utilities earn a regulated rate of return (ROR) on ratebase. Other things being equal, a larger ratebase results in higher net income for the utilities.

Depreciation causes the utilities' ratebase for existing assets to decline over time, while building new plants or making capital improvements to existing plants causes their ratebase to increase. Changes in ratebase also result in changes in the depreciation allowance utilities are authorized to collect. As shown in Figure 1.5 below, the result of these competing effects has historically been a net increase in ratebase. Figure 1.5 indicates that between 2005 and 2014, the utilities' ratebase doubled in size from \$24 billion to \$48 billion, triggering corresponding increases in GRC revenue requirements.

Figure 1.4: 2014 Ratebase

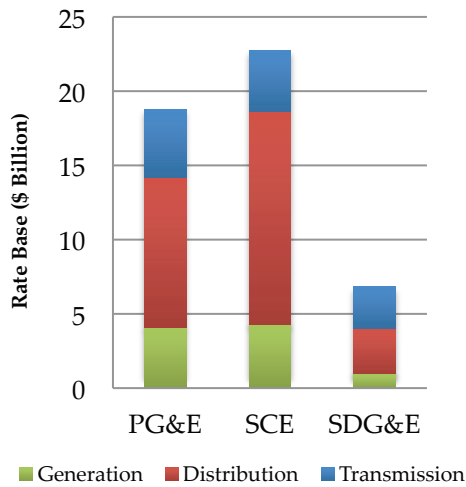
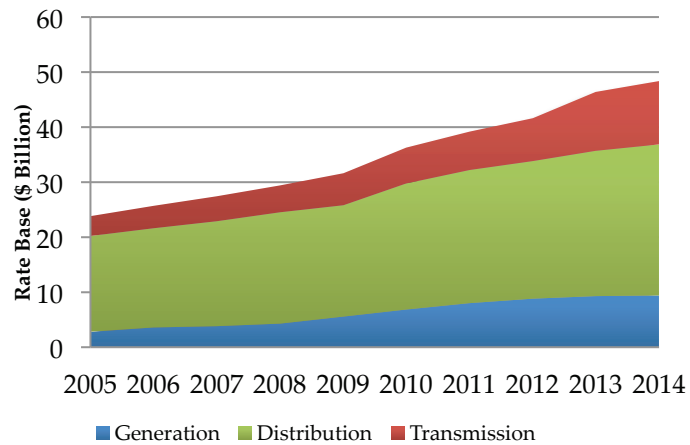


Figure 1.5: Trends in Ratebase



II. GENERAL RATE CASE REVENUE REQUIREMENTS

Costs that utilities can forecast with reasonable accuracy are examined and approved by the CPUC in GRC proceedings. These proceedings are usually on a three-year cycle for the major utilities, although this interval may be longer depending on the timing of the utility request or the scheduling needs of the CPUC. In these GRC proceedings, the CPUC sets a pre-specified revenue requirement for the first year in the cycle, or “**test year**”, with formulaic adjustments for the subsequent “**attrition years**” until the next GRC cycle commences.

The utilities’ authorized revenue requirements typically remain unchanged even if the utilities spend more or less than authorized by the CPUC. GRC ratemaking is aimed at providing the utilities with an incentive to stay within approved, pre-specified budgets. Under this ratemaking treatment, utility profits decline if spending is higher than the GRC authorized revenue requirement, and vice versa.

Approximately 56% of the utilities’ electric revenue requirements are set in GRCs at the CPUC and FERC, while the remaining 44% consists of pass-through costs determined to be reasonable by the CPUC. The transmission revenue requirement determined by FERC in transmission owner rate cases follows similar test year ratemaking treatment.

GRC revenue requirements generally break down into the Distribution, Utility Owned Generation (UOG) and Transmission categories, and each is comprised of the following major cost elements: Operations and Maintenance (O&M), Depreciation, Return on Ratebase and Taxes. Table 2.1 below summarizes the total CPUC-jurisdictional GRC revenue requirements as broken down into these cost categories for the three electric utilities, followed by detailed descriptions of each.

Table 2.1: 2014 General Rate Case Revenue Requirements⁶ (\$000)

| | PG&E | SCE | SDG&E |
|----------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Operations and Maintenance | \$2,063,956 | \$2,391,293 | \$772,724 |
| Depreciation | \$1,110,175 | \$1,586,868 | \$277,554 |
| Return on Ratebase | \$1,243,647 | \$1,441,180 | \$271,980 |
| Taxes | \$771,032 | \$835,597 | \$217,190 |
| Total | \$5,188,810 | \$6,254,937 | \$1,539,448 |

(Excludes FERC determined transmission revenue requirements)

- Operations and Maintenance (O&M):** These costs include all labor and non-labor expenses for utility O&M of generation plants and the distribution system. While the utilities are required to maintain their systems in accordance with safety and reliability standards and industry best practices, the CPUC does not typically dictate how the utilities spend O&M funds. Depending on how the utilities manage various projects, they may spend more or less than the CPUC authorized O&M budget. In November 2014 the CPUC adopted a framework for incorporating risk-based decision making into GRCs that will take place by means of two new procedures: the filing of a Safety Model Assessment Proceeding (SMAP) by each of the large energy utilities which will be consolidated, and a subsequent Risk Assessment Mitigation Phase filing in each utility's GRC wherein the utility uses a reporting format developed in the SMAP proceeding to describe how it plans to assess and mitigate its risks. In the GRC proceedings, the CPUC undertakes a thorough review of O&M separately for generation and distribution related facilities, and for general plant.
- Depreciation:** Capital investment in facilities and assets is financed by the utilities using their own funding sources, allocated in capital budgets. The capital used to finance these assets is returned over specified schedules in the form of a depreciation allowance. Depreciation spreads the ratepayers' cost of the physical electric plant and systems over its useful life. Utilities, ratepayer advocates and other parties provide recommendations on appropriate depreciation schedules for different types of assets in GRCs.
- Rate of Return on Ratebase (ROR):** Because the utilities provide the upfront financing for all capitalized expenditures, the CPUC authorizes a ROR on the invested capital. The ROR is the weighted average cost of debt and shareholder equity, and the CPUC allows a fair and reasonable return sufficient to allow the utilities to obtain financing. Formerly determined in each utility's GRC, the ROR is now determined in a separate cost of capital proceeding. The utilities' actual ROR may be more or less than what is authorized by the CPUC, depending on how well the utilities manage their operations and costs. In most instances, if the utilities keep costs below their authorized revenues, actual ROR will exceed the authorized level.

In addition to the authorized ROR, the CPUC has instituted incentive programs, such as the Efficiency Savings and Performance Incentive mechanism, whereby utility shareholders are eligible to receive payments for achieving good energy savings performance. The utilities do not earn a return on purchased power and fuel expenditures, which, as noted elsewhere in this report, are pass-through costs reviewed in ERRA proceedings.

⁶ Amounts shown include revenues adopted by the CPUC in the utilities' GRCs and additional revenues approved by the CPUC for inclusion in base revenues after the GRC decisions were issued.

Distribution Revenue Requirement

Since 2005, the total distribution revenue requirement, excluding franchise fees and taxes, has increased from \$5.2 billion to \$7.4 billion. Over the same time period, depreciation expenses have experienced the greatest increase, with a 5.0% average annual growth rate. O&M and ROR on ratebase have increased annually by 2.6% and 4.3%, respectively. The

increases in distribution costs are primarily due to capital additions and infrastructure improvements to the distribution system, which have increased ratebase, as discussed on page 9.

Figure 2.2: Trends in Distribution Revenue Requirement

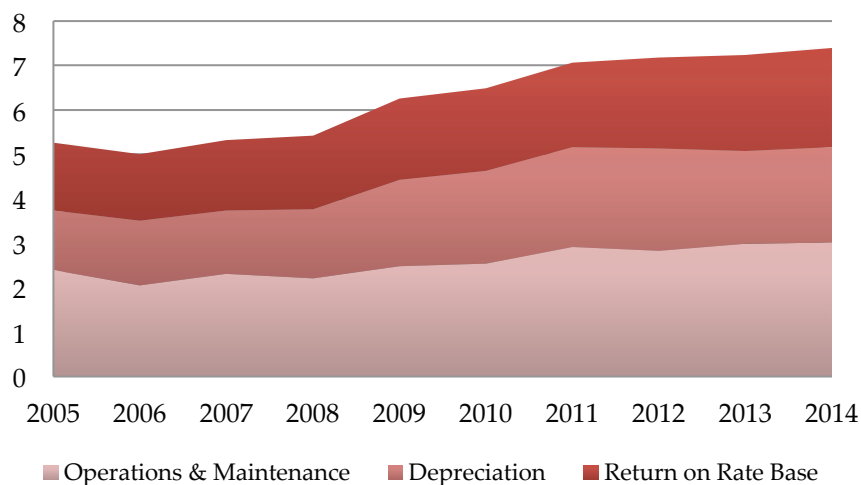


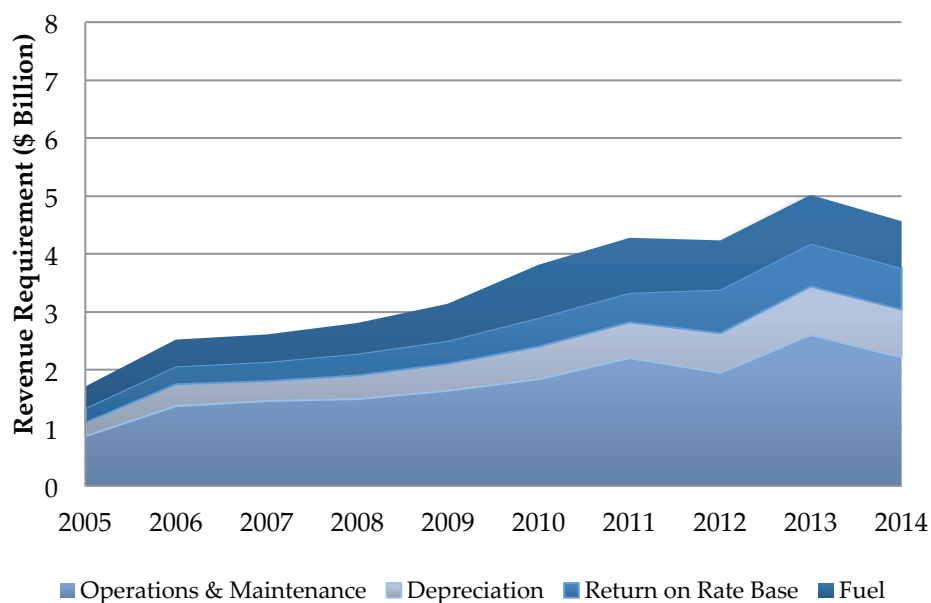
Table 2.3: 2014 Distribution Revenue Requirement (\$000)

| | PG&E | SCE | SDG&E |
|----------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Operations and Maintenance | \$1,142,979 | \$1,358,736 | \$510,457 |
| Depreciation | \$776,287 | \$1,146,776 | \$226,341 |
| Return on Ratebase | \$887,364 | \$1,132,546 | \$217,247 |
| Total | \$2,806,630 | \$3,638,059 | \$954,045 |

Utility Owned Generation Revenue Requirements

The revenue requirement for UOG includes O&M costs, depreciation and return on ratebase related to these facilities. As older generating plants depreciate, costs of owning those plants decrease over time, even though costs of operating them may increase. As new plants are built by the utilities or capital improvements are made to existing facilities, the capital costs of the new plants typically exceed the capital costs of the old plants they replace. As a result, the generation ratebase, depreciation, and ROR tend to increase over time as shown in Figure 2.4.

Figure 2.4: Trends in Generation Revenue Requirement



*Fuel costs are not included in the GRC but are reflected in generation revenue requirements

The recent spikes in UOG revenue requirement in 2011 and 2013 are mainly the result of amortization of large under-collections recorded in the utilities' balancing accounts. These accounts compare authorized generation revenue requirements to actual revenues collected through rates. Any amounts collected above or below authorized revenues are returned to, or collected from, ratepayers. The UOG revenue requirement decreased in 2014 because costs related to the San Onofre Nuclear Generation Station owned by SCE and SDG&E have been categorized as regulatory costs.

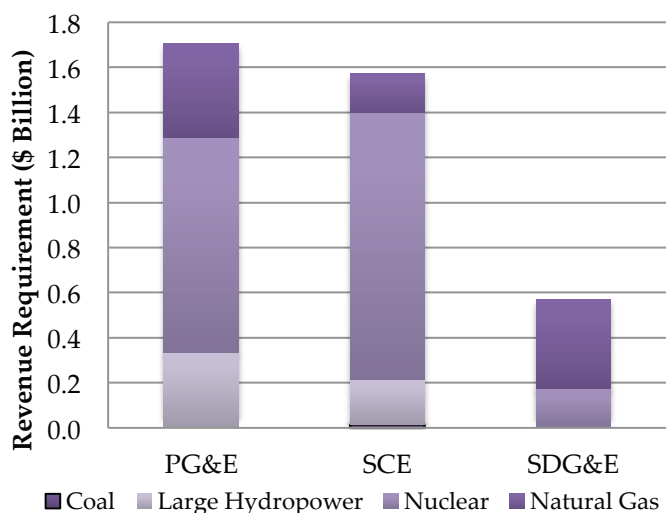
Following electric industry restructuring in the late 1990s and the utilities' divestiture of fossil-fueled generation, UOG (including fuel costs) now accounts for approximately 30% of the combined utility supply portfolio and approximately 15% of their combined revenue requirements.

Table 2.5: 2014 Generation Revenue Requirements (\$000)

| | PG&E | SCE | SDG&E |
|----------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Operations and Maintenance | \$920,977 | \$1,032,557 | \$262,267 |
| Depreciation | \$333,889 | \$440,092 | \$51,213 |
| Return on Ratebase | \$356,283 | \$308,633 | \$54,733 |
| Total | \$1,611,148 | \$1,781,282 | \$368,213 |

PG&E's UOG consists primarily of hydro-electric, nuclear power (Diablo Canyon) and an increasing number of natural gas plants (e.g., the 660 MW Colusa Generation Station, 580MW Gateway Generating Station, and 163 MW Humboldt Bay Generating Station). SCE's UOG portfolio consists primarily of nuclear and natural gas power plants, including the 1,035 MW Mountain View Power Plant and peaker plants. SCE no longer relies on coal since the Mohave Generating Station was taken out of service and SCE sold its share of the Four Corners plant.⁷ SDG&E's UOG includes natural gas plants: the 560 MW Palomar Energy Center, the 96 MW Miramar Energy Facility, the 495 MW Desert Star Energy Center and the 42 MW Cuyamaca Peak Energy Plant.⁸

Figure 2.6: 2014 Revenue Requirements of UOG Sources



Nuclear Revenue Requirement

SCE and SDG&E hold joint ownership in San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGS) and SCE holds partial ownership in Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station in Arizona.⁹ Due to operating issues at SONGS, this facility was taken offline in the first quarter of 2012 and permanently shut down in June 2013. In 2014, SCE and SDG&E were authorized by the CPUC to purchase replacement power to alleviate the capacity shortfall. Ratepayer and SCE/SDG&E shareholder responsibilities for SONGS related costs were decided in a 2014 decision in the SONGS Investigation (OII).

⁷ The CPUC approved SCE's sale of its stake in the Four Corners plant in March 2012, and the sale was closed in December 2013.

⁸ Desert Star Energy Center was purchased from Sempra Natural Gas in October 2011 and Cuyamaca Peak Energy Plant was purchased in January 2012.

⁹ In addition to the list of UOG resources above, SCE also owns and operates a diesel generating facility on Santa Catalina Island. Since the island's load is not connected to the grid, the supply and demand are not included in the forecasts, but the expense is included in the revenue requirements.

Apart from the O&M, depreciation, ROR authorized in GRC proceedings and fuel costs authorized in ERRA proceedings, nuclear generation also results in additional costs, which are collected as separate revenue requirements:¹⁰

- **Fees for disposal and storage of spent nuclear fuel** are required by the US Department of Energy for temporary and permanent storage facilities.
- **Nuclear decommissioning** of generating plants at the end of their operating lives.

Authorized Rate of Return

Figure 2.7: Trends in Weighted Average Rate of Return

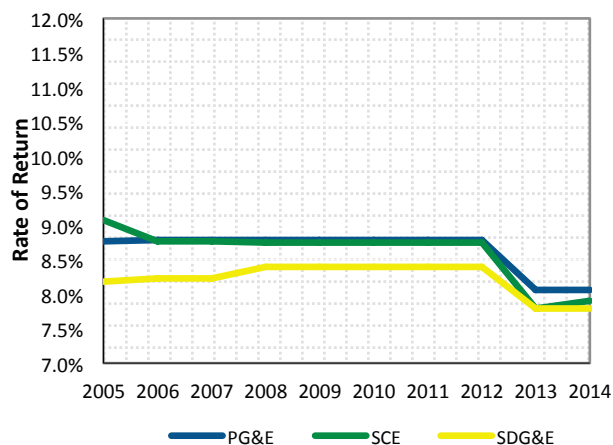


Figure 2.8: Trends in Return on Equity

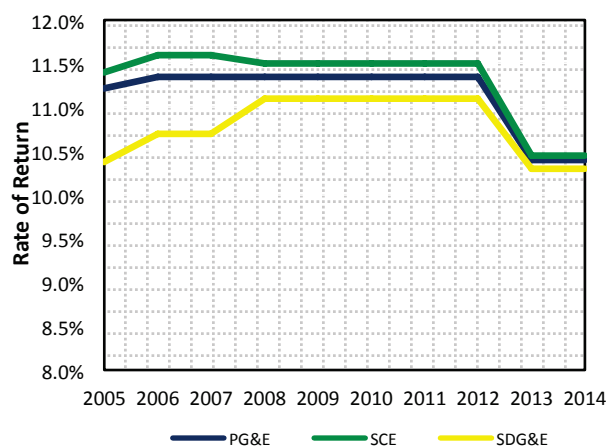


Figure 2.7 illustrates rate of return (ROR) authorized by the CPUC since 2005 for major energy utilities. ROR is the weighted average cost of debt, preferred and common stocks. The figure does not include ROR authorized by FERC for IOU transmission systems; it only includes ROR authorized by the CPUC for UOG and distribution. Figure 2.8 shows trends in the Return on Equity (ROE) component of ROR authorized by the CPUC since 2005. ROE is the utility's net income (less its preferred dividend requirement) over its shareholders' average common equity; ROE measures the earnings available to shareholders compared to their investment.

The utilities are currently required to file a complete cost of capital application every three years. SCE, SDG&E and PG&E filed their most recent cost of capital applications for test year 2013.

The utilities were expected to file test year 2016 cost of capital applications on April 20, 2015. However, the utilities requested and were granted waivers from filing their annual cost of capital applications. The utilities ROR and ROE did not change in 2014 and will not change in 2015 based on the cost of capital.

¹⁰ Nuclear Decommissioning and DOE Decommissioning & Disposal expenses are categorized with Bonds & Fees because they are collected separately.

Transmission Revenue Requirement

Background and Jurisdictional Separation History

As a result of the Energy Policy Act of 1992, unbundling of electrical services was mandated to grant regulatory oversight for the electricity transmission market to the FERC and create open access to the electric transmission grid across the nation.¹¹ The California Independent System Operator (CAISO) was created and given operational control¹² over the California utilities' high voltage transmission lines on January 1, 1998. The CPUC is the constitutionally designated agency to represent the interests of California ratepayers in utility Transmission Owner (TO) rate cases at FERC proceedings, where utilities request changes in their transmission revenue requirements.

Each utility defines its high voltage transmission lines differently. PG&E, SDG&E and SCE respectively define all power lines at and above 60kV, 69kV and 200kV as transmission-level assets that are regulated by the FERC. All other electric power lines and assets remain under CPUC regulatory control and jurisdiction.

Transmission Rate Cases, Achievements, and Trends

The fundamental basis of the CPUC's advocacy role in FERC proceedings is one of containing ratepayer costs in the Transmission Owner (TO) rate case decision-making process.¹³ To this end, the CPUC actively participates in TO rate cases before FERC to advocate for just and reasonable rates in wholesale electric market proceedings. Due to the importance and complexity of these rate cases, CPUC Legal and Energy Division staff examine a multitude of cost of service and capitalization issues for adequacy, cost effectiveness, safety, and prudence.

FERC determines the appropriate amount of transmission revenue requirement for the IOUs. When the IOUs file their transmission revenue requirement requests, the CPUC team, other joint interveners and FERC staff review, analyze and critique the filings while also conducting discovery on the utilities filings to collect evidence and develop a fact-based recommendation on *fair and reasonable* revenue requirement to protect ratepayers. Generally, a FERC Administrative Law Judge facilitates a settlement, unless an impasse in the settlement process necessitates litigation.

In 2014, most of the CPUC's electric FERC-related work consisted of TO rate cases for the electric IOUs. FERC ordered a reduction totaling \$157.8 million¹⁴ to the cost recovery requests filed by the IOUs in these rate cases. These savings are reflected in lower rate increases of electricity

¹¹ FERC Order 888 and 889 (April, 1996) required utilities to open transmission grids for access by all generators on a nondiscriminatory basis and functionally unbundled rates for generation, transmission and ancillary services. The CPUC acceded to this regulatory transfer in its Electric Restructuring Decision D.95-12-063 (Dec. 20, 1995).

¹² The Restructuring Decision (1996) functionally created the implementation of the CAISO through the acceptance of AB1890 (Sept. 24, 1996).

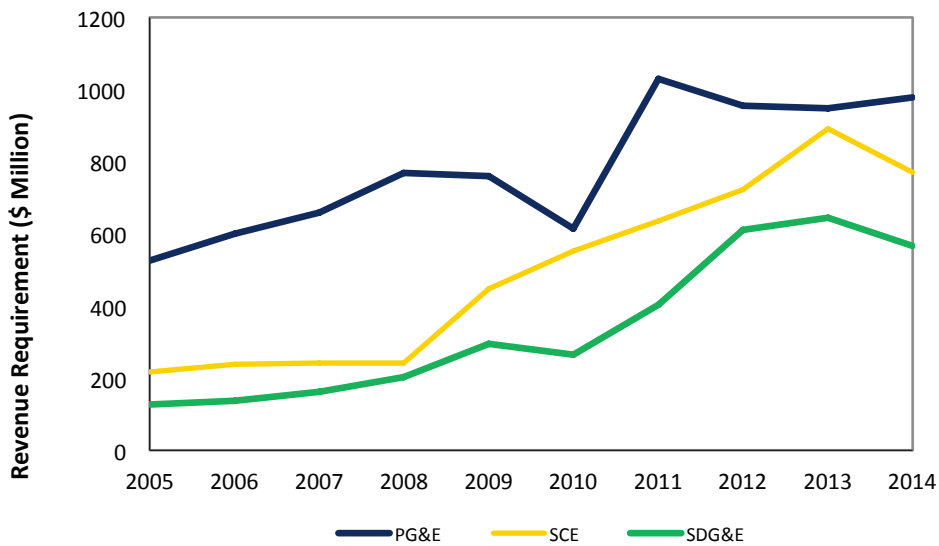
¹³ The CPUC has a statutory duty to represent the interests of California electric and gas consumers before the FERC (CPUC Code, Section 307(b)).

¹⁴ Revenue requirement reductions for the PG&E TO15 case were \$32.4 million (November 2014); SDG&E TO4 Cycle 1 case were \$117.4 million (March 2014); and Trans Bay Cable TO2 case were \$8.0 million (November 2014).

charges for ratepayers. **CPUC representation in FERC rate cases from 2004-2014 has resulted in a cumulative savings of over \$1.264 billion for ratepayers.**

Transmission revenue requirements for the electric IOUs have been trending up since 2003. Much of the increase in the revenue requirements is due to additional transmission plant capital additions which have been built by the utilities. From 2004 – 2014, PG&E’s transmission revenue requirement has increased at a 12.15% annual average rate; SCE’s at a 22.5% annual average rate; and SDG&E’s at a 36.6% annual average rate. These increases are driven primarily by CAISO reliability and RPS mandates.

Figure 2.9: Trends in Transmission Revenue Requirements ¹⁵



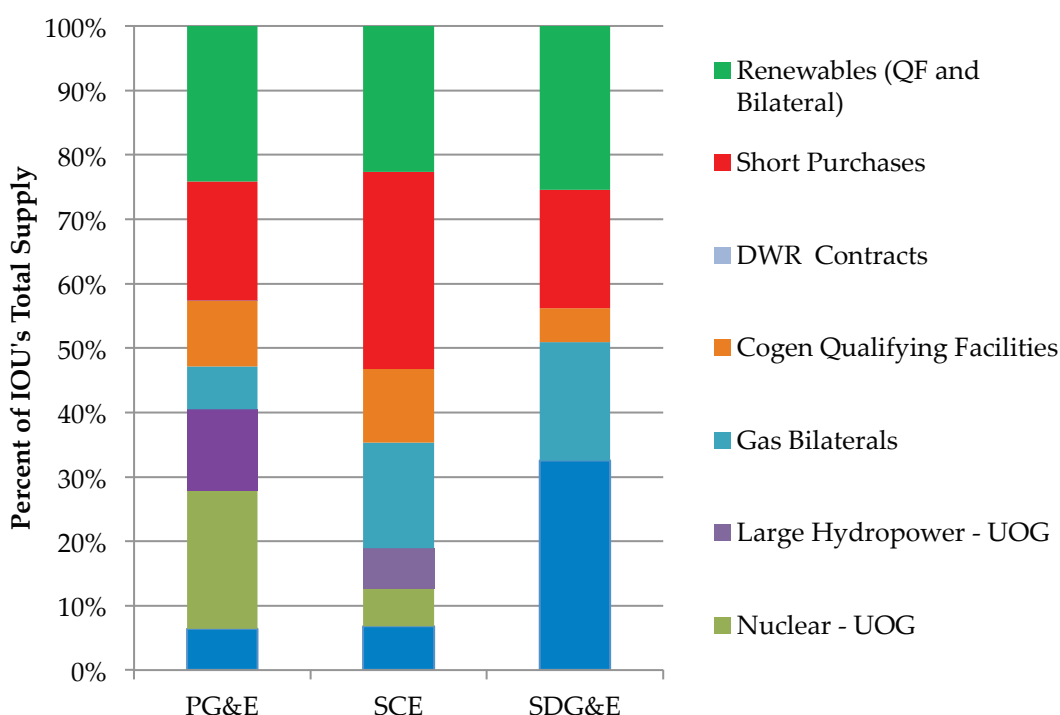
¹⁵ Does not include costs related to Reliability Services or Transmission Access Charge.

III. POWER PROCUREMENT COSTS

The generation revenue requirement includes UOG costs (as discussed in Chapter II), as well as purchased energy and capacity costs. As previously noted, in the late 1990s the utilities divested almost all of their fossil-fueled generating plants during restructuring, and as a result, they have until recently relied primarily on purchased power for incremental electricity needs. This has begun to change in recent years, however, with the expiration of power contracts and the acquisition of new utility-owned natural gas plants.

In 2014, on a forecast basis, purchased power accounted for 69% of the total generation revenue requirement, while UOG comprised about 31%. Power purchase costs represent the largest component of generation costs and accounted for 34% of total revenue requirements. Recovery of these pass-through costs is authorized through ERRA proceedings and there is no mark-up or profit for the utilities on purchased power expenses.

Figure 3.1: 2014 Forecast Energy Supply for Electric Utilities



Background

Heavy reliance on power purchases rather than utility owned power plants began with the enactment of AB 1890 in 1996, which restructured the electric utility industry in California and created the CAISO and the Power Exchange. To create a competitive electricity market in which non-utility suppliers would compete with the utilities in the generation market, the utilities were encouraged to divest at least 50% of their fossil-fueled generation. The CPUC provided a ROR incentive to the utilities to encourage them to divest. As a result, the utilities sold a substantial portion of their fossil-fueled generation.

During the 2000-01 energy crisis, the utilities were highly exposed to spiking market prices for electricity, due in large part to the divestiture of their generating plants. Authorized utility rates (which were frozen at pre-restructuring June 1996 levels) were no longer sufficient for the utilities to cover the high costs of purchased power; PG&E filed for bankruptcy and both SCE and SDG&E faced substantial financial uncertainty. In response, the legislature enacted AB 1X, which authorized the Department of Water Resources (DWR) to enter into power purchase contracts to stabilize the energy markets.

In 2002, the legislature enacted AB 57 to return energy procurement responsibilities to the utilities. The legislation required the CPUC to adopt a Long Term Procurement Plan to ensure sufficient resource availability over time. The legislation also established guidelines for procurement solicitations, cost recovery of power purchases and integrating renewable resources into long term planning. The contracts resulting from these solicitations are reviewed by Procurement Review Groups that the CPUC required the IOUs to create.

AB 380 (2005) further addressed CPUC responsibilities for resource planning, requiring the CPUC, in consultation with the CAISO, to establish resource adequacy requirements to ensure that adequate physical generating capacity would be available to meet peak demand. Consequently, the utilities (and all load-serving entities) are required to maintain a 15-17% planning reserve margin for generating capacity to ensure they have sufficient capacity available or under contract to serve their forecasted load.

In addition, SB 1078 (2002) established the Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) and required the utilities to procure 20% of their electricity demand from renewable resources by 2010. The statute also required each IOU to hold an annual solicitation to procure renewable power. SB 2 (2011) raised the RPS obligation to 33% by 2020.

Following the energy crisis, the CAISO redesigned its market structure and rules. The redesigned system, the Market Redesign and Technology Upgrade (MRTU), went operational in the spring of 2009. With MRTU, the market price is determined using many (approximately 3,000) dispersed locations or nodes instead of the earlier zonal pricing system. It also established local market power mitigation in areas with constrained transmission capacity. These changes were aimed at making the electricity market more efficient by accurately and transparently pricing generation and by prioritizing and optimizing generation siting and/or transmission upgrades.

Types of Purchased Power

DWR Contracts

DWR contracts are long term contracts that the Department of Water Resources entered into on behalf of IOU customers during the energy crisis. Each year, DWR submits its revenue requirement to the CPUC for adoption and subsequent collection from ratepayers through the DWR Power Charge. The total energy provided by DWR has been declining since 2003 as contracts expire. Due to the expiration and/or novation of these contracts, DWR's revenue requirement for all three utilities was negative in 2014 and resulted in a refund of operating reserves

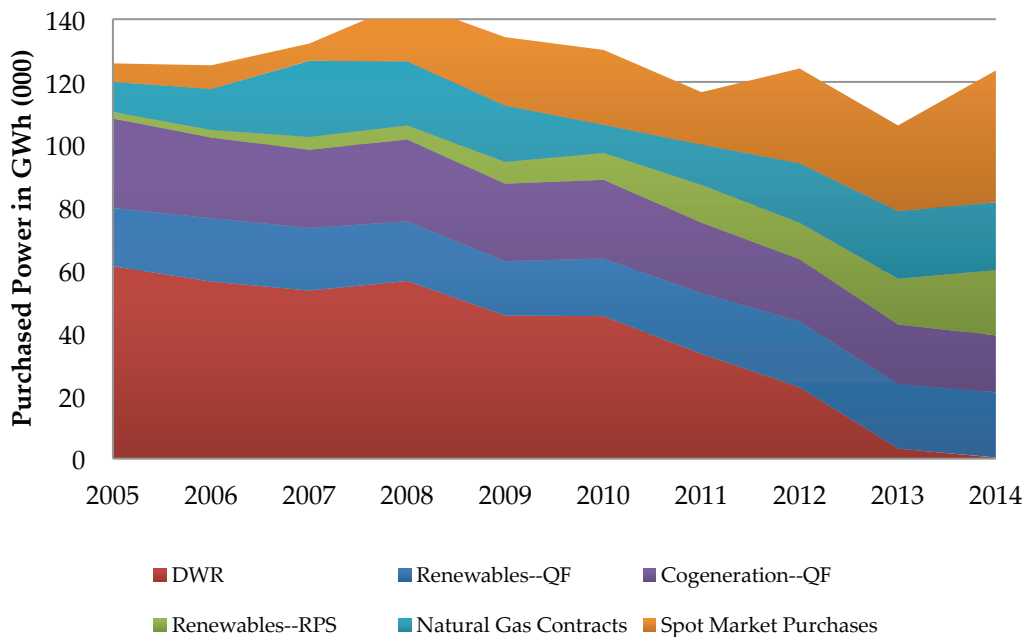
to PG&E, SCE and SDG&E customers.¹⁶ DWR costs have also decreased in recent years due to the declining price of gas. As discussed further below, there is also a DWR bond charge that is collected separately in electric rates.

Qualifying Facilities (QFs)

QFs are generation facilities that qualify to sell power to the utilities under the Federal Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act (PURPA). These facilities must meet FERC's requirements for ownership, size and efficiency to qualify as QFs. PURPA requires IOUs to interconnect with and purchase power from QFs at rates that reflect costs the utility avoids by buying QF power instead of procuring power from other sources. In 2011, the CPUC approved the QF/Combined Heat and Power (CHP) Program Settlement which suspends the “must take” obligation for QFs over 20 MW and establishes new energy prices for QFs.¹⁷

Figures 3.2 and 3.3 break out QF supply and revenue requirements for cogeneration and renewable energy. Since 2005, the total energy supply provided by all QFs, cogeneration and renewable has decreased as older contracts expire, and the QF revenue requirement has decreased by approximately \$1 billion.

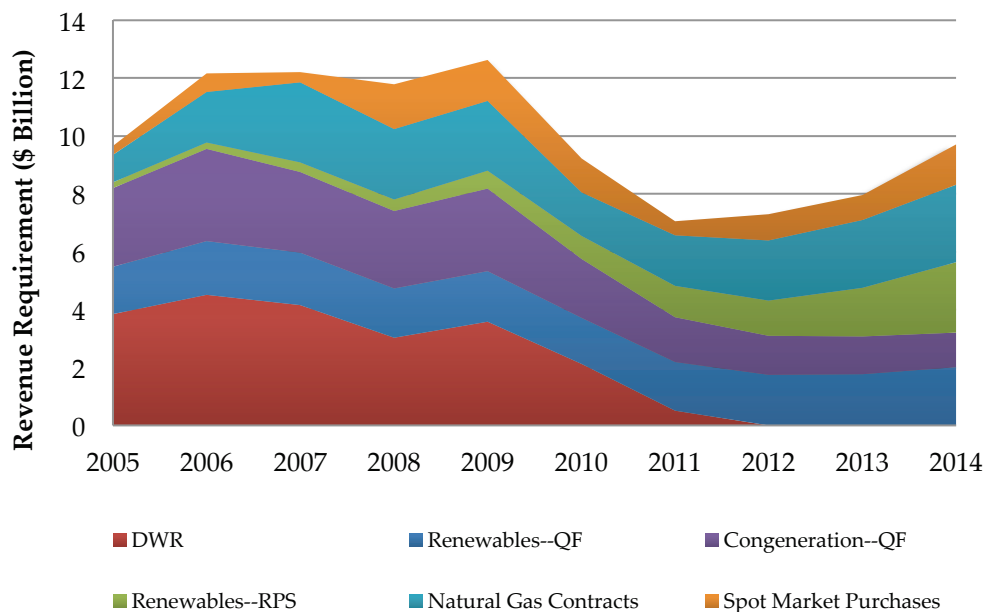
Figure 3.2: Trends in Purchased Power Supply (GWh)



¹⁶ D.13-12-004

¹⁷ QF costs include Competition Transition Charges (CTC). For a breakout, see table in Appendix A.

Figure 3.3: Trends in Purchased Power Revenue Requirements



Bilateral Contracts and Capacity Contracts

Bilateral contracts are a standard method for new energy procurement. These contracts are entered into directly between the utility and an independent power supplier, which may be a generator or a trader. The utilities select new contracts through a Request for Offers (RFO) open solicitation process. These bilateral contracts include capacity contracts, which are necessary for the utilities to maintain a 15-17% planning reserve margin for generating capacity. Capacity contracts pay generators to be available to produce power and ensure that sufficient capacity is available to meet load. Reserve margins in excess of forecasts are necessary to address unplanned outages or unexpected increases in peak loads.

Bilateral contracts represent a larger portion of the utility power procurement portfolio as the utilities replace expiring DWR contracts. Because they include long-term contracts and capacity contracts, bilateral contracts can cost more than spot market purchases or short-term contracts. In comparison, under current market conditions with excess supply, spot and short term purchases are frequently less expensive because the supplier has an existing resource and is willing to sell at less than full cost to minimize losses. With the lessons learned from the energy crisis, the CPUC and the Legislature have determined that the IOUs should not rely heavily on spot market purchases, and instead should have a more diversified portfolio. As a result, the CPUC requires long term resource planning and resource adequacy. The price of long term contracts can be thought of as a “hedging cost” or “hedging premium” over spot market prices to ensure certainty and stability of

prices in the future. Since 2005, the revenue requirements from bilateral contracts have increased over 12% annually, and the average cost (¢/kWh) for bilateral contracts has increased by 2.7%.¹⁸

There are a few factors that help to explain this trend. First, in 2004, CPUC Decisions 04-10-035 and 04-01-050 required load-serving entities to maintain a planning reserve margin of 15% above peak load for all months of the year. These requirements are primarily met through contracts with natural gas fueled generators. Because resources held in reserve are over and above expected load, they may operate infrequently, making them more expensive on a per kWh basis. Second, natural gas prices spiked in 2005 as a result of Hurricane Katrina and again in 2008, which increased the cost of the natural gas resources in those and subsequent years. However, natural gas prices have fallen considerably in recent years. Finally, many bilateral contracts are for new natural gas facilities, which are more expensive than the older, depreciated plants because of the up-front capital costs.

In addition, because approximately 10 percent of electric demand occurs for less than 150 hours per year, a significant amount of electric capacity is only needed for a few peak hours each year. Natural gas fueled generation is often the resource best able to supply peaking and firming capacity because these units can start and ramp-up quickly. Peaking capacity generally costs more per kWh because it is used in only a few peak hours per year and thus capital costs are spread over fewer hours. Increased use of wind and solar generation increases the need for peaking capacity to fill in when, due to variable conditions, wind and solar resources produce less energy. Recently, the utilities have added new peaking capacity to meet overall capacity requirements, particularly in transmission-constrained areas. As a result, UOG and contracted natural gas-fired generation costs are higher than would otherwise be expected in light of recent low gas prices.

Renewable Energy Procurement

SB 1078 established the Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) in 2002, requiring the state to meet 20% of its electricity demand from eligible renewable energy resources by 2010 and to maintain 20% renewables thereafter. Eligible resources include wind, solar photovoltaics, solar thermal, tidal wave, small hydroelectric, geothermal, biodiesel, biomass and biogas. In 2011, SB 2 increased targets to 33% by 2020.

Typically RPS procurement expenditures and contract prices for this report are sourced from the information in Public Utilities Code Section 910 and Public Utilities Code Section 911 (aka the Padilla Report); however, a recent legislative change changed the deadline for the Padilla Report from January to May 1, 2015. Because Energy Division does not have any updated information to report at the time of publication, the RPS procurement expenditures and contract prices presented in this (2014) AB 67 report reflect 2013 data.¹⁹ 2014 RPS procurement expenditures and contract prices will be published in Public Utilities Code Section 910 and the Padilla Report and posted to Energy Division's website on or before May 1, 2015.

The RPS mandate has made renewable energy central to the state's energy procurement planning. However, renewable energy revenue requirements remain a relatively minor component in the total

¹⁸ Bilaterals represent natural gas contracts only.

¹⁹ The Padilla Report on 2013 Renewable Procurement Costs is available at: <http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/NR/rdonlyres/692D7F29-5F32-4691-B31B-7607C2D28639/0/PadillaReport2014FINAL.PDF>

revenue requirement at present: 12.2% in 2013.²⁰ Figure 3.4 illustrates the annual weighted average time of delivery (TOD)-adjusted RPS procurement expenditure for renewable energy in cents per kilowatt hour (cents/kWh) for each of the IOUs.

Figure 3.4: Weighted Average TOD-Adjusted RPS Procurement Expenditures of Bundled Renewable Energy by Year (2003 – 2013)



From 2003 to 2013, the average TOD-adjusted price of contracts approved by the CPUC has increased from 5.4 cents to 8.4 cents/kWh in nominal dollars, or 8.0 cents to 8.4 cents/kWh in real dollars.²¹ One reason for this increase is that the IOUs contracted with existing renewable facilities at the beginning of the RPS program and with mostly new facilities in more recent years in order to meet the 20% and 33% RPS targets. These new facilities typically result in higher contract costs in order to recover the capital needed to develop new facilities.

Other Power Purchases

Additional power purchase and sale mechanisms exist to ensure that the utilities have secured sufficient capacity to balance load across the grid and meet peak load requirements at least cost.

- **Spot Market Purchases:** The term spot market purchases broadly refers to power that the utilities buy from the CAISO’s Day-Ahead and Hour-Ahead markets to balance the system on a day to day basis. IOUs use the spot market to balance their forecasted load requirements for the following day through transactions that may occur in the CAISO market.

²⁰ Renewable energy includes RPS eligible procurement and RPS QFs.

²¹ The CPUC used the Handy-Whitman Index of Public Utility Construction Costs – Transmission Production Plant - Pacific region –bulletin #176 - to calculate the real dollar amounts for year 2013.

- **Net Long Sales:** These are sales that the utilities make when their expected supply exceeds their forecasted load. These sales reduce ratepayer costs by generating revenue from excess capacity not likely to be needed.
- **Inter-Utility or Power Exchange Agreements:** Traditionally, regulated utilities enter into seasonal and long-term inter-utility exchange agreements with other regulated utilities and other load-serving entities. Through bilateral negotiations the specific terms are crafted to best fit the resources and needs of both parties. Payment is typically in the form of non-cash exchanges of capacity and energy balanced to reflect the seasonal and locational value of the power. Different peaking times in the northwest and southwest lead to large-scale transactions.
- **Real Time Market and Reliability Services:** CAISO has certain agreements with generators to provide reliability services. The CAISO spreads the costs of these reliability services among the load-serving entities. In addition, the CAISO buys power in the real time market to balance resources and loads and charges the load-serving entities whose short supply necessitated real time purchases.

Greenhouse Gas Costs and Revenues

Electric utilities have been regulated under California’s Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Cap-and-Trade Program since January 1, 2013. As covered entities under the program, the electric utilities must buy and surrender compliance instruments - offsets and allowances - to the California Air Resources Board (ARB) to account for each unit of GHG emissions. ARB holds quarterly allowance auctions where entities can buy and sell allowances.

The Cap-and-Trade Program increases each utility’s procurement costs. For electric utilities, these costs come in the form of a direct compliance obligation for utility-owned generators and generators under contract (for which they must buy and surrender compliance instruments), as well as indirect costs experienced through wholesale market transactions or power contracts with pricing terms that include GHG emission costs.

ARB allocates some allowances to electric utilities on behalf of their ratepayers. The Cap-and-Trade regulation requires the utilities to sell all of these allowances at ARB’s quarterly allowance auctions. The revenues the utilities receive from the sale of GHG allowances must be used exclusively for ratepayer benefit, consistent with the goals of AB 32, and as directed by the CPUC. Consistent with the direction in SB 1018 (2012), the CPUC has determined the methodologies the utilities should use to return revenues to industrial (“emissions-intensive and trade-exposed”), small business and residential customers.

All GHG costs and allowance revenues were deferred from electricity rates in 2013 while the CPUC finalized program implementation details. Beginning in April 2014 (and May 2014 for PG&E), the electric utilities began introducing Cap-and-Trade-related costs and allowance revenues in electricity rates. In 2014, the utilities included the forecasted 2014 costs and revenues, plus 50 percent of the deferred 2013 costs and revenues. The remaining 50 percent of 2013 costs and revenues will be included in 2015 rates.

In 2014, the electric IOUs collectively introduced approximately \$800 million in GHG costs into rates and returned approximately \$1.2 billion in allowance revenue to customers, as shown in the table below:

Table 3.5: 2014 Summary of Greenhouse Gas Costs and Revenues (\$000)

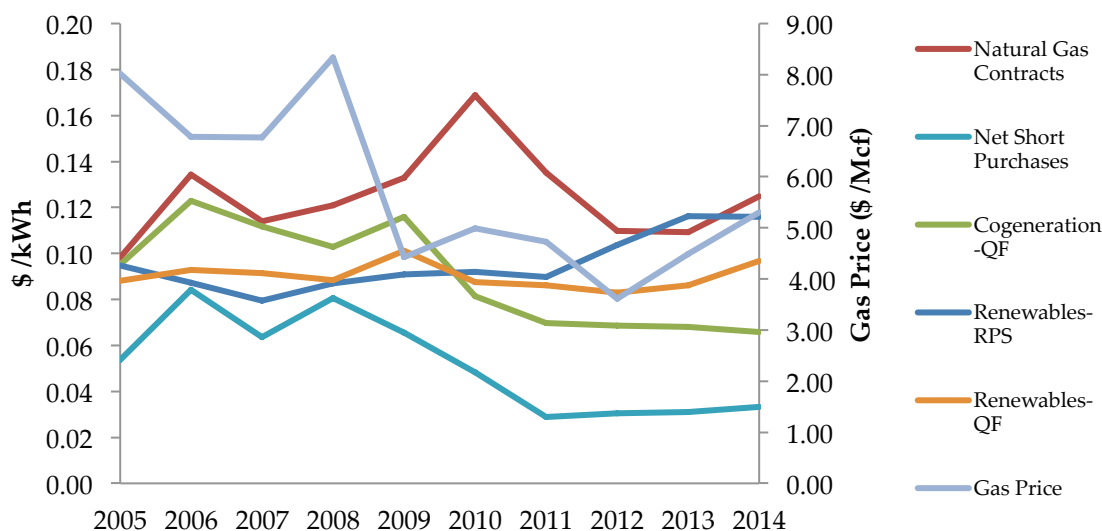
| | PG&E | SCE | SDG&E | Total |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------------|
| GHG Costs in Rates | \$274,000 | \$420,000 | \$107,000 | \$801,000 |
| GHG Allowance Revenue Returned to Customers | (\$447,000) | (\$568,000) | (\$140,000) | (\$1,154,000) |

Other Factors Affecting Generation Costs

Prior sections have described many factors that cause energy generation and procurement costs to vary significantly between different types of procurement and over time. Figure 3.6 shows the average costs of various types of purchased power. Evident in this figure is the significant effect that one factor, natural gas price, has on the cost of many types of generation:

- Natural Gas Prices:** Gas prices cause natural gas generation costs to be more volatile than other forms of generation. Spot market purchases, DWR contracts, natural gas bilateral contracts, cogeneration QFs and spot market purchase power costs fluctuate and track with gas prices, which fell precipitously in 2008. Gas prices spiked after Hurricane Katrina in 2005 (red line) and have shown considerable fluctuation since that time, as shown in Figure 3.6. Renewables contracts generally exhibit more cost stability because they are not pegged to the gas price.

Figure 3.6: Average Cost for Select Purchased Power²²



²² The average cost for each resource represents both energy and capacity. For simplicity, this graph does not include DWR contracts or UOG gas-fired generation.

IV. DEMAND SIDE MANAGEMENT & CUSTOMER PROGRAMS

Demand Side Management (DSM) involves various programs and activities on the customer side of the meter to reduce, curtail or shift demand for electricity through energy efficiency, demand response or self-supply through distributed generation. In 2003, the CPUC and the CEC adopted the Energy Action Plan to establish goals for the state’s energy strategy.²³ The plan established that cost effective energy efficiency and demand response are at the top of the loading order – the preferred means for meeting the state’s growing energy needs – followed by renewable energy and distributed generation.

The revenue requirements for DSM primarily consist of financial incentives to encourage DSM activities and the administrative costs to manage these programs. In order to achieve the goals established in the Energy Action Plan, spending on DSM has experienced a 12.5% average annual increase since 2005 as the California Solar Initiative (CSI) and demand response programs were initiated and energy efficiency programs doubled in size. Benefit/cost studies have shown that in total, the collective costs of energy efficiency and demand response programs are less than the financial savings from reducing the demand for generation. In total, DSM programs combined accounted for 4.3% of the total revenue requirement; however the revenue requirement does not incorporate the energy savings. In 2013, energy efficiency programs alone resulted in over \$900 million in utility-reported net savings to ratepayers.²⁴

In addition to DSM, California also mandates customer programs to provide rate discounts and energy efficiency improvements for low-income customers.

Table 4.1: 2014 Demand Side Management and Customer Program Costs (\$000)²⁵

| | PG&E | SCE | SDG&E | Total |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Energy Efficiency | \$342,455 | \$238,904 | \$95,435 | \$676,794 |
| Demand Response | \$65,849 | \$77,192 | \$0 | \$143,041 |
| California Solar Initiative | \$85,917 | \$73,990 | \$29,667 | \$189,574 |
| Self Generation Incentive Program | \$29,839 | \$28,010 | \$10,035 | \$67,883 |
| Low Income Energy Efficiency | \$94,893 | \$72,737 | \$12,423 | \$180,052 |
| Total | \$618,953 | \$490,832 | \$147,559 | \$1,257,344 |

Energy Efficiency

In 2003, the California Energy Action Plan set energy efficiency at the top of the loading order, determining that the state should maximize all cost-effective energy efficiency investment over both the short and long-term. In D.04-09-060, the CPUC translated this policy into specific annual and cumulative numerical goals for electricity and natural gas savings by utility service territory, which are updated periodically as provided for in that decision. The CPUC-adopted energy savings goals

²³ The Energy Action Plan was updated in 2005 and 2008.

²⁴ Net savings based on 2013 utility reported energy efficiency savings and costs.

²⁵ Based upon the forecasted 2014 program costs

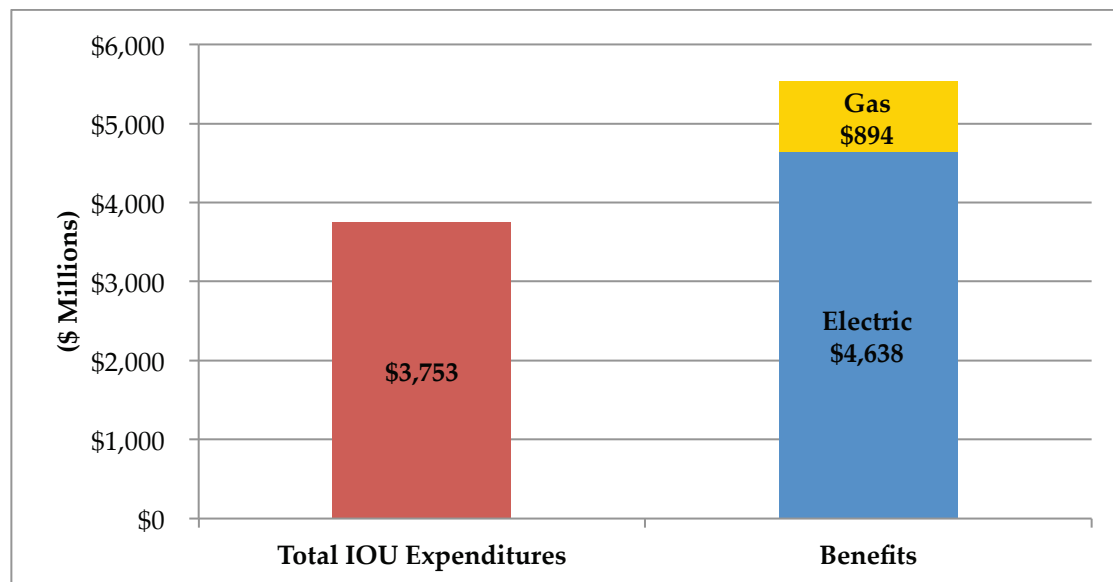
are expressed in terms of annual and cumulative gigawatt hours (GWh), million-therms (MMtherms) and peak megawatt (MW) load reductions.

The gas portion of the energy efficiency portfolios is funded through the gas Public Purpose Program (PPP) component of rates and the electric portion is funded through the Procurement Energy Efficiency Balancing Account (PEEBA) to reflect the avoided generation and transmission and distribution upgrades that result from reduced electricity demand. The aggregated annual budget is approximately **\$1 billion per year for the 2013-2015 program cycle.**²⁶

The CPUC has continued to support investments in energy efficiency across all market sectors in the state. The 2010-2012 energy efficiency portfolio of programs was funded at \$2.9 billion; the IOUs spent approximately \$2.5 billion over the course of the three-year cycle on programmatic efforts that resulted in evaluated program savings of 7,745 GWh, 1,308 MW, and 173 MMtherms.²⁷ The IOUs' program portfolio for the cycle was cost-effective - \$3.7 billion in total costs (which are greater than IOU expenditures alone, as they include costs borne by program participants) returned \$5.5 billion in lifecycle benefits. Like former programs, these programs continue to support residential, commercial, industrial and agricultural sectors to overcome barriers to improving energy efficiency and realize savings for the ratepayer.

In addition to the directly quantifiable savings and benefits, the CPUC has also supported programmatic activities targeted at the long term **transformation of consumer energy markets** through education and training, though the savings benefits associated with these efforts are difficult to quantify and the CPUC has historically elected not to attempt to do so.

Figure 4.2: Expenditures and Benefits from 2010-2012 EE Program Cycle (\$ in millions)²⁸



²⁶ See D. 12-11-015 approving programs and budgets for 2013-2014 program cycle at: <http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/PublishedDocs/Published/G000/M034/K299/34299795.PDF>.

²⁷ See 2010-2012 energy efficiency program cycle evaluation results at <http://eestats.cpuc.ca.gov/Views/EEDataPortal.aspx>.

²⁸Data does not include Energy Savings Assistance Program savings and costs.

Demand Response

Demand response generally refers to the reduction (by end-use customers) of electricity usage during peak periods (or shifting of usage to another time period), in response to a price signal, financial incentive, environmental condition or reliability signal. Demand response saves ratepayers money by **reducing the need to build power plants or avoiding the use of older, less efficient power plants** that would otherwise be necessary to meet peak demand. The reduction in peak demand also lowers the price of wholesale energy and, in turn, retail rates. Demand response goals are met through customer programs and metering infrastructure upgrades.

- **Demand Response Customer Programs:** These utility administered programs are primarily aimed at large commercial and industrial customers that can shed load as an immediate or day ahead response. There are programs for residential customers as well (e.g., AC cycling). Additionally, some demand response programs are arranged by third-party operators also known as “Aggregators” or “Demand Response Providers”. Customers are provided bill credits or payments to participate in the programs and customers are called to curtail load on designated peak days. Demand response programs can meet the needs for system reliability or peak capacity management. The costs for these programs are in administration, incentives, marketing/customer education, measurement/evaluation and pilots. The recent installation of smart meters throughout the utilities’ territories enables all customers to participate in demand response programs. In 2014, the potential capacity reductions resulting from the three electric utilities’ demand response programs were 2,005 MW.

Customer Generation

Over the past several years, the CPUC has taken actions that support the development of customer distributed energy resources and related technologies by providing financial incentives to customers and project developers. Ratepayers fund two Distributed Generation (DG) programs that provide financial incentives to participating customers – the California Solar Initiative (CSI) and the Self-Generation Incentive Program (SGIP). In addition, Net Energy Metering (NEM) provides customer generators with bill credits for power generated by their onsite systems and fed back to the grid.

California Solar Initiative (CSI)

Established in 2006, CSI provides either up-front incentives or performance-based payments for the installation of photovoltaic solar systems up to 1 megawatt (MW) on existing residential homes as well as existing and new commercial, industrial, government, non-profit and agricultural properties within the service territories of the IOUs. The CSI program has a budget of \$2.367 billion over 10 years and a goal of reaching 1,940 MW of installed solar capacity from the general market program and two low-income programs.

- The program will accept new reservations until the end of 2016 or until the incentive budget is spent, whichever occurs first. The CSI program has closed in PG&E and SCE service territories and is no longer accepting applications, as the budgets there have been

exhausted. In SDG&E territory the program is closed for residential applications and program funds are nearly exhausted for commercial applications.

- As of the end of March 2015, an estimated 1,659 MW of solar capacity was installed on the customer side of the meter with an additional 280 MW of capacity pending in CSI applications, bringing the program very close to reaching its overall goal of installing 1,940 MW. A cost-effectiveness study on the CSI program was issued in April 2011.²⁹ This study includes forecasts that solar systems installed under the CSI program through 2012 will result in annualized life-cycle net costs to ratepayers of \$150 million or more.
- The CSI-Thermal Program enacted by AB 1470 in 2007 provides incentives for solar water heating and other solar thermal technologies to residential and commercial customers of PG&E, SCE, SoCal Gas, and SDG&E. The program has a budget of \$250 million and a goal of installing 200,000 systems to displace the use of natural gas in California homes and businesses by 2017.

Self-Generation Incentive Program (SGIP)

Established in 2001, SGIP provides incentives to support distributed energy resources that will result in greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reductions and peak demand reductions. With 739 completed projects, totaling 351 megawatts of capacity,³⁰ SGIP is one of the longest-running distributed generation incentive programs in the country.

- The program was reauthorized by SB 861 (2014) to continue through 2020, and will continue to provide GHG and peak demand reduction benefits well into the future. For larger systems, half of the incentive is paid up-front and half of the incentive is paid based on the performance of the technology over five years.
- Qualifying technologies include wind turbines, waste heat to power technologies, pressure reduction turbines, internal combustion engines, microturbines, gas turbines, fuel cells and advanced energy storage systems. A cost-effectiveness study of SGIP was issued in February 2011.³¹ The SGIP study concluded that most of the evaluated DG technologies are cost-effective. An updated Annual SGIP Impact Evaluation was also released in February 2014.

Net Energy Metering (NEM)

Residential and commercial customers who install small solar, wind, biogas and fuel cell generation facilities (1 MW or less) to serve all or a portion of onsite electricity needs are eligible for the state's net metering program. NEM allows customer-generators to receive a full retail-rate bill credit for power generated by their on-site system that is fed back into the power grid during times when

²⁹ See ftp://ftp.cpuc.ca.gov/gopher-data/energy_division/csi/CSI%20Report_Complete_E3_Final.pdf.

³⁰ See SGIP Quarterly Projects report, here: <http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/PUC/energy/DistGen/sgip/>. Data as of January 1, 2015. Does not include solar PV installations, which were incentivized under SGIP prior to CSI.

³¹ See http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/NR/rdonlyres/2EB97E1C-348C-4CC4-A3A5-D417B4DDDD58F/0/SGIP_CE_Report_Final.pdf

generation exceeds onsite energy demand. The credit is used to offset the customers' electricity bills and may be rolled over to subsequent bills for up to a year. The CPUC released an updated NEM cost-benefit study in October 2013, which found that NEM would result in non-participant ratepayer costs of approximately \$1 billion per year by 2020. The study also concluded that NEM customers were paying, on average, close to the utility's cost of providing service.³²

Low-Income Programs

IOUs provide two ratepayer-funded programs for qualifying low-income customers meeting the income limits at or below 200% of federal poverty guideline. The California Alternate Rates for Energy program (CARE) offers rate discounts off low income customers' energy bills and the Energy Savings Assistance program (ESA) installs energy-efficient measures in income-qualified homes at no-cost to the customer.

Table 4.3: 2014 Low Income Program Costs (\$000)

| | PG&E | SCE | SDG&E | Total |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| CARE Subsidy | \$647,915 | \$358,025 | \$111,293 | \$1,117,233 |
| CARE Administrative Expenses | \$12,090 | \$12,256 | \$4,317 | \$28,818 |
| Energy Savings Assistance Program | \$94,893 | \$94,893 | \$12,423 | \$202,209 |
| Total | \$754,898 | \$465,330 | \$128,032 | \$1,348,260 |

California Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE)

The CARE program was established in 1989 by P.U. Code Sections 739.1 and 739.2, authorizing a 15% rate discount for qualifying low-income customers off their energy bills. In 2001, the minimum CARE rate discount was increased from 15% to 20% by CPUC Decision 01-06-010. In October 2013, AB 327 was passed requiring the IOUs to restructure the CARE rates and to set an effective electric rate discount between 30-35%.

CARE costs have two components—the CARE program management cost and the cost of the subsidy itself. CARE program management costs total approximately \$28 million per year. The CARE subsidy is a much larger amount. All CARE costs, both administrative and subsidy are paid for by non-CARE customers. A higher CARE subsidy does not result in a higher revenue requirement for the utility, but it does increase the rates that non-CARE customers pay.

The cost of the PG&E CARE subsidy in 2014 was approximately \$648 million, compared to \$358 million for SCE and \$111 million for SDG&E. A major reason for this discrepancy is the difference between CARE effective discounts among the three utilities (along with the fact that SDG&E has a significantly lower customer base). In 2014, PG&E's CARE effective discount was 44%, whereas SCE's was 33% and SDG&E's was 39%. We expect the effective discount for all

³² See <http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/NR/rdonlyres/75573B69-D5C8-45D3-BE22-3074EAB16D87/0/NEMReport.pdf>

three utilities to converge at 30-35% over the next several years in compliance with AB 327. The cost of the CARE discount has increased 12% annually since 2005.

Energy Savings Assistance Program (ESA)³³

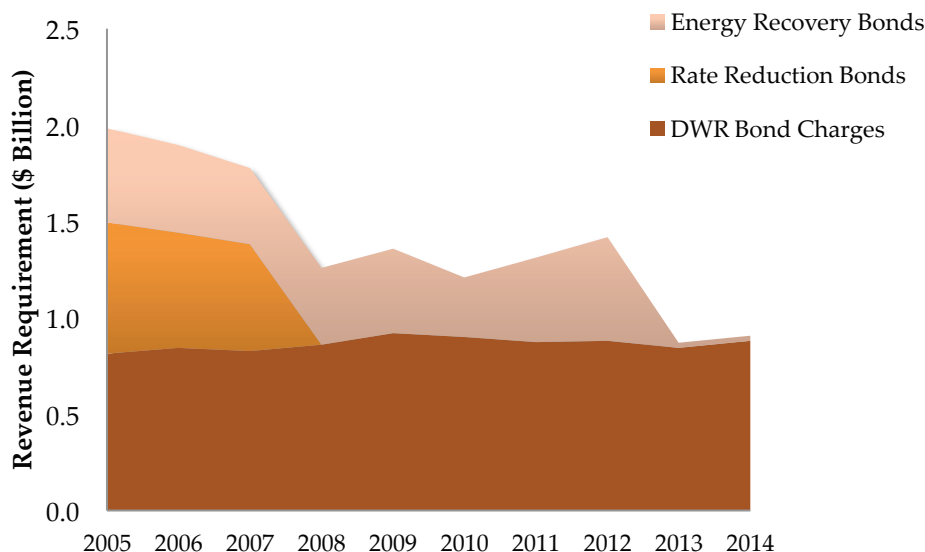
The ESA program is mandated by Public Utilities Code 2790 and has the objective of assisting income-qualified customers in reducing their energy consumption and costs while increasing their comfort, health and safety. The program provides free home weatherization, energy efficient appliances and energy education services. ESA is available to customers living in all housing types (single family, multifamily and mobile homes), regardless of whether they are homeowners or renters. In 2014, the ESA program accounted for 0.6% of the IOUs' total revenue requirement.

³³ Formerly known as the Low Income Energy Efficiency (LIEE) Program.

V. BONDS AND REGULATORY FEES

During the era of electric restructuring, the State and the utilities issued a series of bonds in order to amortize the costs of energy restructuring and the energy crisis of 2000-2001. Since the energy crisis, these bond costs have decreased from a peak of \$2 billion in 2004 to \$0.9 billion in 2014, as illustrated below.

Figure 5.1: Trends in Bond Expenses



Rate Reduction Bonds were issued in 1998 and paid back in full in 2007. AB 1890, the legislation that established the terms of energy restructuring, authorized these bonds to provide an immediate reduction in electric rates. Among other things, the legislation froze electric rates at June 1996 levels and reduced rates for residential and small commercial customers by 10%.

DWR Bonds were issued in 2003 to recover the costs incurred by the State of California to purchase power during the energy crisis. As of September 30, 2014, a \$6.2 billion balance remained outstanding on the DWR bonds.³⁴ The balance is scheduled to be repaid by 2022.

Regulatory Asset/ Energy Recovery Bonds: As part of the CPUC and PG&E bankruptcy settlement agreement, PG&E was authorized to recover \$2.2 billion as a Regulatory Asset. The Regulatory Asset was a separate and additional part of PG&E's ratebase. The Energy Recovery Bonds were issued by PG&E in 2003 to reduce the financing cost of the Regulatory Asset to ratepayers.

³⁴ Department of Water Resources Electric Power Fund Financial Statements, November 17, 2014 p. 16, available at http://www.cers.water.ca.gov/financial_bonds.cfm.

Table 5.2: 2014 Bond Expenses (\$000)

| | PG&E | SCE | SDG&E | Total |
|------------------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| DWR Bond Charges | \$398,573 | \$388,795 | \$92,469 | \$879,837 |
| Rate Reduction Bonds | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Energy Recovery Bonds | \$27,600 | \$0 | \$0 | \$27,600 |
| Total | \$426,173 | \$388,795 | \$92,469 | \$907,437 |

Fees and Incentives

Fees include a variety of charges levied by federal, state and local governments. For example, the CPUC fee reimburses the state for the cost of regulating the utilities. Incentives offer a financial inducement for utilities to achieve certain policy goals that may not be effectively accomplished only through regulatory directives. In total, this entire category of expenses accounted for about 1% of the 2014 revenue requirement.

Table 5.3: 2014 Regulatory Fees (\$000)

| | PG&E | SCE | SDG&E | Total |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| <i>Fees</i> | | | | |
| CPUC fee* | \$20,863 | \$20,840 | Not Reported | \$41,703 |
| Catastrophic Events Memorandum Acct. | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Franchise Fees & Uncollectible Surcharge** | \$0 | \$2,479 | \$4,316 | \$6,795 |
| Environmental Enhancement | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Electricity Program Investment Charge (EPIC) | \$0 | \$32,502 | \$0 | \$32,502 |
| Nuclear Decommissioning | \$44,270 | \$22,727 | \$8,070 | \$75,067 |
| Spent Nuclear Fuel | \$0 | \$6,525 | \$1,058 | \$7,583 |
| Nuclear Decommissioning FF&U | \$0 | \$329 | \$111 | \$440 |
| <i>Incentives</i> | | | | |
| Customer Service & Safety Performance Indicator Awards | \$17,681 | \$0 | \$0 | \$17,681 |
| Total | \$82,814 | \$85,402 | \$13,555 | \$181,771 |

* SDG&E did not include the CPUC fee in the revenue requirements reported here, but does collect this fee as a separate charge on the utility bill.

** PG&E and SCE also collect these fees and charges, but they are not reported separately.

Definition of Fees

- ✦ **CPUC Fee:** This is the annual fee to recover the CPUC's operating costs.
- ✦ **Catastrophic Events Memorandum Account:** An account established to enable a utility to recover the costs associated with the restoration of service and utility facilities affected by a catastrophic event (e.g. an earthquake) or state of emergency declared by federal or state authorities.
- ✦ **Franchise Fees:** Fees paid by a privately owned utility to cities and counties for the right to use or occupy public streets and roads, and for permission to provide service in their jurisdictions. These fees are then redistributed to the cities and counties. In some cases, these fees are included in other cost categories and not separately determined in this report.
- ✦ **Uncollectibles:** Includes accounts receivable that have defaulted or cannot be collected.
- ✦ **Environmental Enhancement:** A (PG&E only) program established by the PG&E bankruptcy settlement to provide environmental enhancement of a dedicated watershed, which was donated to a public trust as part of the settlement.
- ✦ **Electricity Program Investment Charge (EPIC):** In a series of decisions, the CPUC determined that it had a compelling interest in providing ongoing support for the development and deployment of new and emerging energy technologies, despite the sunset of the Public Goods Charge. To address this gap, in May of 2012, the CPUC adopted D.12-05-037, establishing a framework for the deployment of funds to provide ongoing support for the development and deployment of next generation clean energy technologies. The EPIC Program was subsequently codified by the legislature in Senate Bill 96 (Statutes of 2013). The distribution of these funds is administered primarily by the California Energy Commission.
- ✦ **Nuclear Decommissioning:** Nuclear decommissioning funds are established for the safe removal of nuclear facilities from service and the reduction of residual radioactivity to a level that permits termination of the NRC license and release of the property for unrestricted use.

VI. NATURAL GAS UTILITY RATEPAYER COSTS

The CPUC determines the reasonableness of natural gas utility operational costs, gas cost allocation among customer classes and gas rate design for PG&E, SoCalGas and SDG&E. Unlike the process for electric utilities, the CPUC does not set an annual authorized revenue requirement for natural gas utilities' procurement costs. Core gas procurement costs are recovered in utility gas procurement rates which are adjusted monthly.

Natural gas utility costs may be categorized into the following three main components: 1) core procurement costs, 2) costs of transporting and storing gas and providing customer services and 3) costs associated with gas public purpose programs (PPP).

Table 6.1: 2014 Gas Revenue Requirement Summary by Key Components (\$000)

| | PG&E | SoCalGas | SDG&E | Total |
|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|
| Core Procurement | \$1,378,948 | \$1,481,448 | \$194,860 | \$3,055,256 |
| Transportation, Storage | \$2,076,507 | \$2,360,179 | \$314,076 | \$4,750,762 |
| Public Purpose Programs | \$255,754 | \$287,906 | \$38,255 | \$581,915 |
| Totals | \$3,711,209 | \$4,129,533 | \$547,191 | \$8,387,933 |

For 2014, total natural gas utility costs increased by 6.8% from 2013, primarily due to an increase in authorized utility operational costs. Moderate increases in all components occurred between 2013 and 2014. Gas utility transportation and distribution costs increased by almost 9% from 2013 to 2014, as gas utilities place greater emphasis on safety and replacing aging infrastructure. The increase in procurement costs can be primarily attributed to an increase in gas prices that occurred in the first half of 2014. Still, natural gas procurement costs are much lower than in 2010. Natural gas public purpose program costs rose by 5.6% from 2013 to 2014, but remain below 2011-12 levels.

Figure 6.2: Trends in Gas Utility Revenue Requirements (\$000)

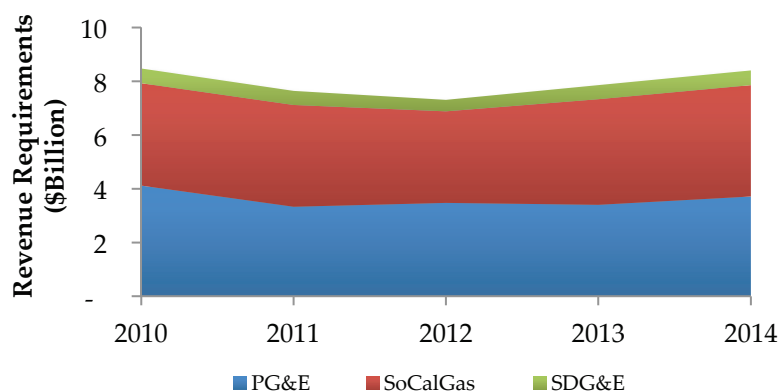


Figure 6.3: Trends in Gas Utility Revenue Requirement Components (\$000)

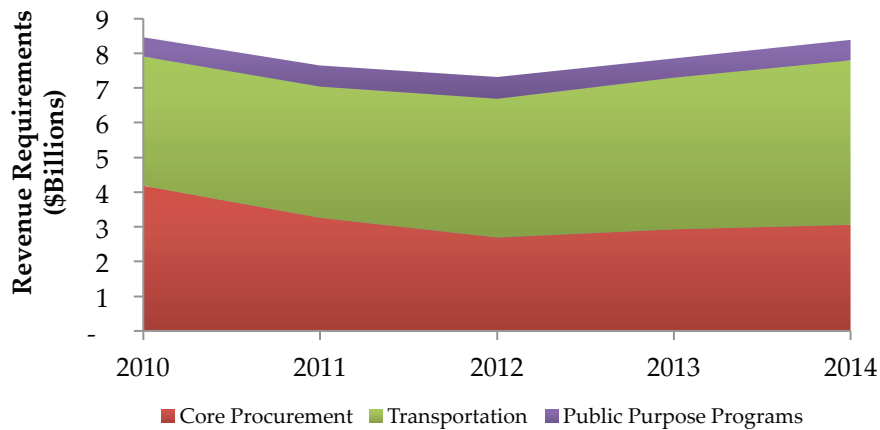


Table 6.4: Percent Change in Gas Utility Revenue Requirements Since 2010

| | Core Procurement | Transportation | Public Purpose Programs |
|----------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| PG&E | -41% | 35% | 4% |
| SoCalGas | -11% | 26% | 7% |
| SDG&E | -4% | 5% | 2% |

Core Gas Procurement

The major natural gas utilities recover core customer procurement costs through a rate component called the gas procurement rate, which is changed every month to reflect the most current price of natural gas. The procurement rates are changed routinely through utility advice letter filings with the CPUC. Core gas procurement costs in 2014 increased by 4.2% from 2013 primarily due an increase in gas prices that occurred in the first half of 2014. Extremely cold weather in some parts of the U.S. in early 2014 drove up gas prices nationally and caused storage levels to significantly fall. Overall, natural gas core procurement costs have decreased by 27% since 2010. In 2014, core gas procurement costs accounted for about 36% of the total utility costs.

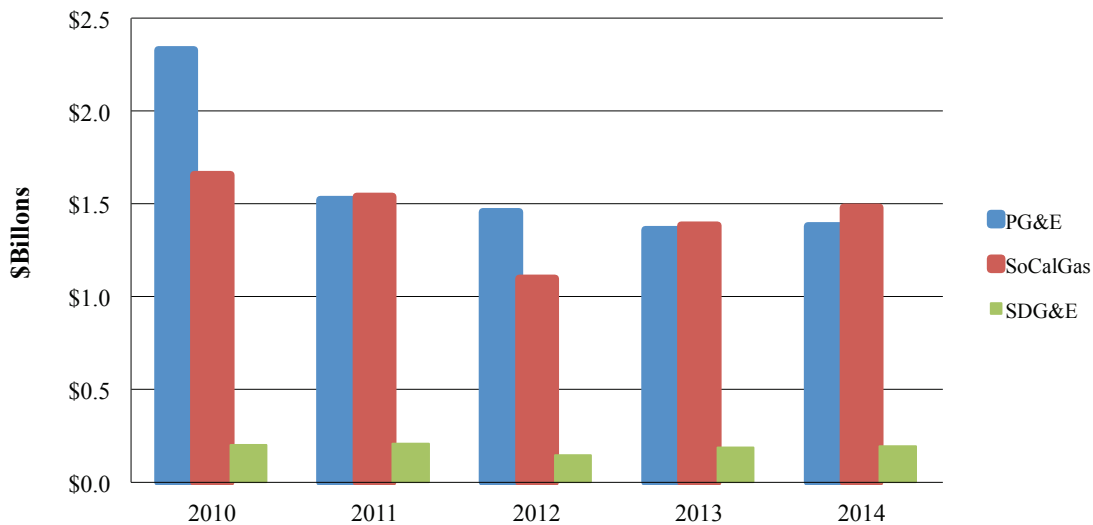
Core gas customers – primarily residential and small commercial accounts – in California have the option to choose between utility gas procurement service and gas procurement service from other entities called Core Transport Agents (CTAs). In 2013, CTA service grew in popularity, particularly in PG&E’s service territory, prompting the passage of a new bill to regulate CTAs under the California Public Utilities Code. However, despite the increase in CTA popularity, the vast majority (over 80%) of core gas customers still receive utility gas procurement service. Almost all larger, “noncore” natural gas consumers--industrial customers or electric generators--procure their own natural gas supplies using non-utility suppliers. Thus, the procurement costs shown in this section

reflect just the costs to the utilities of providing procurement service to core customers, not total procurement costs incurred by consumers in California.

Core procurement costs include the various costs associated with procuring natural gas supplies for a utility's core gas customers, such as the cost of the commodity, interstate pipeline capacity costs, hedging costs and other costs. The major component of core procurement costs is the cost of the commodity itself.

Due to a significant decrease in the price of natural gas since 2010, the state's natural gas utilities' procurement costs have fallen 27%. As the following chart shows, although natural gas utility procurement costs increased slightly in 2014, they were still significantly lower than in 2010. Neither the CPUC nor FERC regulates the wholesale price of natural gas. The decrease in the price of natural gas has resulted from developments in the natural gas commodity market.

Figure 6.5: 2014 Revenue Requirements for Utility Natural Gas Core Procurement (\$000)

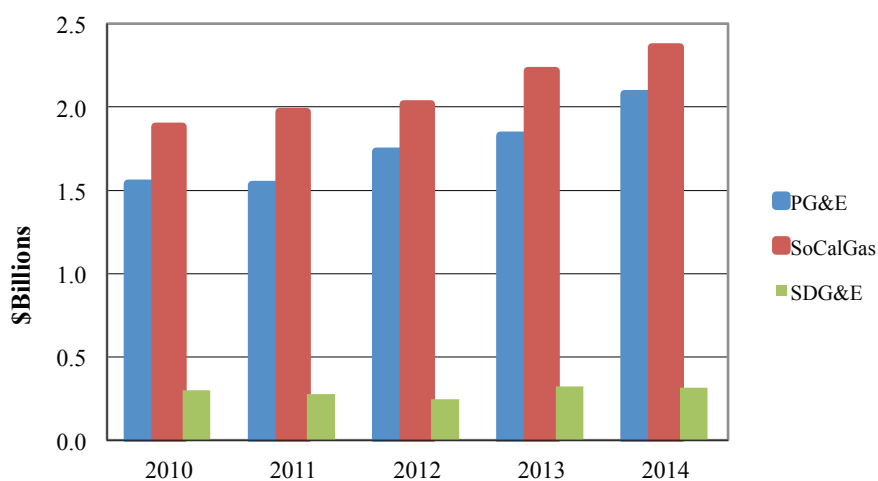


Gas Transportation and Storage Costs

The CPUC authorizes natural gas distribution utilities' revenue requirements for operating their extensive natural gas transmission, distribution and storage systems and for providing various customer services. These costs have steadily increased in recent years. In 2014, gas transportation costs increased by 8.7% and represented about 57% of total utility gas costs. The bulk of these revenue requirements are primarily determined by the CPUC in two types of major proceedings: 1) GRCs for PG&E, SoCalGas and SDG&E and 2) PG&E transmission and storage (GT&S) proceedings.

The following chart shows that increases in total authorized revenue requirements for transmission, distribution, storage and customer services, combined under the “transportation and storage” category, have been fairly steady in recent years, increasing by 28% on average from 2010 through 2014. PG&E's and SoCalGas' costs rose by 35% and 26%, respectively, in that time frame. With the recent emphasis on safety and replacement of aging infrastructure, the CPUC has authorized increased revenue requirements for all of the three major gas utilities with respect to operational costs.

Figure 6.6: 2014 Revenue Requirements for Utility Natural Gas Transportation and Storage (\$000)



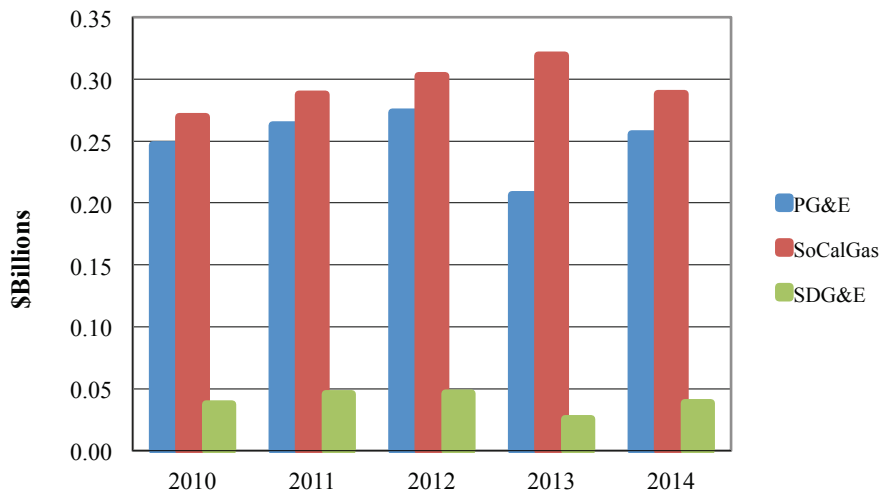
Gas Public Purpose Program (PPP) Costs

The CPUC also authorizes costs for three main categories of gas PPPs: energy efficiency (EE) and Energy Savings Assistance programs (or low-income EE), the California Alternate Rate for Energy (CARE) subsidy and the gas public interest research and development program administered by the California Energy Commission. Gas PPP costs are determined in various CPUC proceedings associated with the particular type of gas PPP. Gas PPP costs increased by only 5.2% since 2010, and are a relatively small part of total costs.

Costs authorized by the CPUC in 2014 for natural gas PPPs increased by 5.6% from 2013. Increased costs were driven by energy efficiency programs. Gas PPP costs made up 6.9% of total utility costs in 2014.

Gas PPP costs are recovered through the gas PPP surcharge on core and non-exempt noncore customers. Only non-CARE customers pay for the CARE subsidy portion of the gas PPP surcharge. The gas PPP surcharges are changed annually through advice letter filings, incorporating the revenue requirements for the gas PPPs adopted in CPUC proceedings.

Figure 6.7: 2014 Revenue Requirements for Utility Public Purpose Programs (\$000)



Appendix A: 2014 Electric Revenue Requirement (\$000)

| | Federal/State Mandate | CPUC Mandate | PG&E | SCE | SDG&E |
|--|--|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|
| Generation Total | | | 6,473,619 | 7,380,787 | 1,706,181 |
| Qualifying Facilities | Federal PURPA, 1978; PUC Section 454.5(d)(3) | CPUC Decisions | 459,513 | 2,674,431 | 53,754 |
| Demand Response Program | PUC Section 740.10, 740.7, 740.9, 740.11 | CPUC Decisions | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| General Rate Case Revenues | | CPUC Decisions | 1,611,148 | 1,781,282 | 368,213 |
| Renewable Portfolio Standard | PUC Section 454.5(d)(3) | CPUC Decisions | 1,858,438 | Included with Qualifying Facilities | 523,230 |
| Other Utility Fuel & Purchased Power | PUC Section 454.5(d)(3) | CPUC Decisions | 2,541,479 | 2,925,374 | 760,984 |
| Other | | CPUC Decisions, Resolutions | 3,041 | (300) | 0 |
| Transmission Total | | | 1,482,838 | 860,983 | 362,138 |
| Reliability Services | FERC Order 459 | | 24,670 | 19,402 | 5,345 |
| Transmission Access Charge | FERC | | 479,256 | 70,873 | (213,536) |
| Transmission Owner Rate Case Revenues | FERC | | 978,912 | 820,923 | 575,324 |
| Other - FERC Rate Case Revenues | FERC | | 0 | (50,215) | (9,404) |
| FF&U | | | 0 | 0 | 4,409 |
| Distribution Total | | | 4,235,581 | 4,305,474 | 1,468,603 |
| AMI/Smart Meter | | CPUC Decisions | 114,570 | 0 | 0 |
| Self-Generation Incentive Program | PUC Section 379.6(a) | CPUC Decisions | 29,839 | 28,010 | 10,035 |
| California Solar Initiative | | CPUC Decisions | 85,917 | 73,990 | 29,667 |
| Demand Response Program | PUC Section 740.10, 740.7, 740.9, 740.11 | CPUC Decisions | 65,849 | 77,192 | 19,503 |
| Catastrophic Events | PUC Section 454.9(a) | CPUC Decisions | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| General Rate Case Revenues | | CPUC Decisions | 3,880,425 | 4,473,656 | 1,171,235 |
| Hazardous Substance Mechanism | | CPUC Decisions | 22,429 | 0 | 1,595 |
| Energy Efficiency Incentives | | CPUC Decisions | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Low Emission Vehicle Program | PUC Section 740.3 & 740.8 | CPUC Decisions, Resolutions | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| CPUC Fee | PUC Section 431 | CPUC Resolution M-4816 | 20,863 | 20,840 | 0 |
| Climate Smart | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other | | CPUC Decisions, Resolutions | 15,691 | (347,374) | 236,568 |
| Nuclear Decommissioning | PUC Sections 8321-8330, 10 CFR 50.33, 50.75 | CPUC Decisions | 44,161 | 46,488 | 9,239 |
| Public Purpose Programs Total | | | 493,568 | 293,738 | 244,458 |
| Energy Efficiency | | CPUC Decisions | 333,274 | 238,904 | 95,435 |
| Electricity Program Investment Charge | | CPUC Decisions | 0 | 32,502 | 0 |
| Low Income Energy Efficiency | PUC Sections 739.1, 739.2, 2790 | CPUC Decisions, Resolutions | 94,893 | 39,477 | 12,423 |
| CARE Adm., CARE amortized in rates | PUC Section 739.1, 739.2 | CPUC Decisions | (648) | 12,412 | 4,317 |
| Renewables | PUC Section 399.8 | CPUC Resolution E-3792 | 0 | 34,080 | 14,256 |
| PPP Balancing Acct | | | 66,049 | (63,636) | 118,028 |
| DWR Power Charge Revenues | AB1X, Water Code, Division 27 | CPUC Decisions | (1,171) | (26,700) | (27,000) |
| DWR Bond Charge Revenues | AB1X, Water Code, Division 27 | CPUC Decisions | 398,573 | 388,795 | 92,469 |
| AB1890 Rate Reduction Bonds | AB 1890, PUC Section 368(a), 840-847 | CPUC Decisions, Resolutions | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Ongoing Competition Transition Charge | AB 57, PUC Section 367(a) & 369 | CPUC Decisions | 276,708 | (424,476) | 26,499 |
| Energy Recovery Bonds (PG&E only) | SB 772, PUC Section 848-848.7 | CPUC Decisions, Resolutions | (133,476) | 0 | 0 |
| Franchise Fee Surcharge | PUC Sections 6350-6354, 6231 | CPUC Decisions | 0 | 6,868 | 13,611 |
| Electric Total | | | 13,270,401 | 12,852,798 | 3,896,198 |

Appendix A: 2013 Electric Revenue Requirement (\$000)

| | Federal/State Mandate | CPUC Mandate | PG&E | SCE | SDG&E |
|--|--|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Generation Total | | | 5,663,379 | 6,139,534 | 1,337,382 |
| Qualifying Facilities | Federal PURPA, 1978; PUC Section 454.5(d)(3) | CPUC Decisions | 342,666 | 1,994,150 | 56,002 |
| Demand Response Program | PUC Section 740.10, 740.7, 740.9, 740.11 | CPUC Decisions | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| General Rate Case Revenues | | CPUC Decisions | 1,631,743 | 2,139,002 | 409,277 |
| Renewable Portfolio Standard | PUC Section 454.5(d)(3) | CPUC Decisions | 1,249,663 | 0 | 186,041 |
| Other Utility Fuel & Purchased Power | PUC Section 454.5(d)(3) | CPUC Decisions | 2,469,317 | 2,007,185 | 686,062 |
| Other | | CPUC Decisions, Resolutions | 3,204 | (802) | 0 |
| Transmission Total | | | 1,280,210 | 892,080 | 412,843 |
| Reliability Services | FERC Order 459 | | (11,480) | 0 | 362 |
| Transmission Access Charge | FERC | | 343,620 | 0 | (232,548) |
| Transmission Owner Rate Case Revenues | FERC | | 976,570 | 892,080 | 646,771 |
| Other - FERC Rate Case Revenues | FERC | | (28,499) | 0 | (1,741) |
| Distribution Total | | | 4,449,817 | 4,260,078 | 1,168,924 |
| Advanced Metering Infrastructure | | Report | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Smart Meter | | | 130,451 | 0 | 0 |
| Self-Generation Incentive Program | PUC Section 379.6(a) | CPUC Decisions | 30,566 | 28,324 | 10,819 |
| California Solar Initiative | | CPUC Decisions | 85,917 | 74,858 | 0 |
| Demand Response Program | PUC Section 740.10, 740.7, 740.9, 740.11 | CPUC Decisions | 79,240 | 78,059 | 16,676 |
| Catastrophic Events | PUC Section 454.9(a) | CPUC Decisions | 106,304 | 0 | 0 |
| General Rate Case Revenues | | CPUC Decisions | 3,969,738 | 4,259,159 | 1,141,929 |
| Hazardous Substance Mechanism | | CPUC Decisions | 16,936 | 9,613 | (500) |
| Energy Efficiency Incentives | | CPUC Decisions | 22,478 | 0 | 0 |
| Low Emission Vehicle Program | PUC Section 740.3 & 740.8 | CPUC Decisions, Resolutions | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| CPUC Fee | PUC Section 431 | CPUC Resolution M-4816 | 20,557 | 20,460 | 0 |
| Climate Smart | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other | | CPUC Decisions, Resolutions | 10,108 | 628 | 0 |
| Nuclear Decommissioning | PUC Sections 8321-8330, 10 CFR 50.33, 50.75 | CPUC Decisions | 44,550 | 11,877 | (7,061) |
| Public Purpose Programs Total | | | 481,736 | 640,800 | 134,719 |
| Energy Efficiency | PUC Section 399.8 | CPUC Decisions, E-3792 | 295,339 | 341,539 | 46,792 |
| Electricity Program Investment Charge | PUC Section 399.8 | CPUC Resolution E-3792 | 0 | 32,502 | 0 |
| Low Income Energy Efficiency | PUC Sections 739.1, 739.2, 2790 | CPUC Decisions, Resolutions | 92,139 | 72,640 | 12,304 |
| CARE Adm., CARE amortized in rates | PUC Section 739.1, 739.2 | CPUC Decisions | 18,548 | 66,549 | 61,368 |
| PPP Balancing Acct | | | 75,710 | 61,083 | 0 |
| DWR Power Charge Revenues | AB1X, Water Code, Division 27 | CPUC Decisions | 43,014 | (69,222) | 36,000 |
| DWR Bond Charge Revenues | AB1X, Water Code, Division 27 | CPUC Decisions | 393,032 | 374,944 | 92,518 |
| AB1890 Rate Reduction Bonds | AB 1890, PUC Section 368(a), 840-847 | CPUC Decisions, Resolutions | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Ongoing Competition Transition Charge | AB 57, PUC Section 367(a) & 369 | CPUC Decisions | 353,004 | 81,671 | 60,192 |
| Energy Recovery Bonds (PG&E only) | SB 772, PUC Section 848-848.7 | CPUC Decisions, Resolutions | (16,300) | 0 | 0 |
| Franchise Fee Surcharge | PUC Sections 6350-6354, 6231 | CPUC Decisions | 0 | 0 | 8,148 |
| Electric Total | | | 12,762,493 | 12,331,763 | 3,243,665 |

Appendix A: 2012 Electric Revenue Requirement (\$000)

| | Federal/State Mandate | CPUC Mandate | PG&E | SCE | SDG&E |
|--|--|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|
| Generation Total | | | 5,889,217 | 5,529,312 | 1,292,866 |
| Qualifying Facilities | Federal PURPA, 1978; PUC Section 454.5(d)(3) | CPUC Decisions | 600,632 | 1,994,844 | 56,002 |
| Demand Response Program | PUC Section 740.10, 740.7, 740.9, 740.11 | CPUC Decisions | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| General Rate Case Revenues | | CPUC Decisions | 1,988,467 | 1,929,082 | 275,540 |
| Renewable Portfolio Standard | PUC Section 454.5(d)(3) | CPUC Decisions | 775,999 | Included with Qualifying Facilities | 186,040 |
| Other Utility Fuel & Purchased Power | PUC Section 454.5(d)(3) | CPUC Decisions | 2,501,570 | 1,596,386 | 580,088 |
| Other | | CPUC Decisions, Resolutions | 22,550 | 0 | 195,196 |
| | | | | | |
| Transmission Total | | | 1,043,088 | 633,256 | 371,778 |
| Reliability Services | FERC Order 459 | | (8,477) | 2,200 | (4,754) |
| Transmission Access Charge | FERC | | 270,068 | (30,144) | (232,773) |
| Transmission Owner Rate Case Revenues | FERC | | 866,279 | 661,200 | 614,514 |
| Other - FERC Rate Case Revenues | FERC | | (84,782) | 0 | (5,209) |
| | | | | | |
| Distribution Total | | | 4,152,446 | 4,047,396 | 1,129,257 |
| AMI/Smart Meter | | CPUC Decisions | 220,408 | 187,830 | (65,000) |
| Self-Generation Incentive Program | PUC Section 379.6(a) | CPUC Decisions | 29,839 | 28,000 | 10,035 |
| California Solar Initiative | | CPUC Decisions | 121,295 | 110,000 | 0 |
| Demand Response Program | PUC Section 740.10, 740.7, 740.9, 740.11 | CPUC Decisions | (2,263) | 98,835 | 20,521 |
| Catastrophic Events | PUC Section 454.9(a) | CPUC Decisions | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| General Rate Case Revenues | | CPUC Decisions | 3,647,709 | 3,584,033 | 985,403 |
| Hazardous Substance Mechanism | | CPUC Decisions | 17,329 | 9,616 | 536 |
| Energy Efficiency Incentives | | CPUC Decisions | 22,478 | 18,284 | 11,625 |
| Low Emission Vehicle Program | PUC Section 740.3 & 740.8 | CPUC Decisions, Resolutions | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| CPUC Fee | PUC Section 431 | CPUC Resolution M-4816 | 20,729 | 20,460 | 0 |
| Climate Smart | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other | | CPUC Decisions, Resolutions | 74,923 | (9,662) | 166,137 |
| | | | | | |
| Nuclear Decommissioning | PUC Sections 8321-8330, 10 CFR 50.33, 50.75 | CPUC Decisions | 48,553 | 12,733 | 9,124 |
| | | | | | |
| Public Purpose Programs Total | | | 616,200 | 640,800 | 145,683 |
| Energy Efficiency | | CPUC Decisions | 380,119 | 402,276 | 63,103 |
| Electricity Program Investment Charge | | CPUC Decisions | 72,082 | 58,529 | 12,730 |
| Low Income Energy Efficiency | PUC Sections 739.1, 739.2, 2790 | CPUC Decisions, Resolutions | 87,766 | 64,149 | 10,788 |
| CARE Adm., CARE amortized in rates | PUC Section 739.1, 739.2 | CPUC Decisions | 76,233 | 60,471 | 59,061 |
| PPP Balancing Acct | | | | 55,375 | |
| | | | | | |
| DWR Power Charge Revenues | AB1X, Water Code, Division 27 | CPUC Decisions | (329,810) | (340,472) | 58,000 |
| | | | | | |
| DWR Bond Charge Revenues | AB1X, Water Code, Division 27 | CPUC Decisions | 393,032 | 390,154 | 96,271 |
| | | | | | |
| AB1890 Rate Reduction Bonds | AB 1890, PUC Section 368(a), 840-847 | CPUC Decisions, Resolutions | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | | | | | |
| Ongoing Competition Transition Charge | AB 57, PUC Section 367(a) & 369 | CPUC Decisions | 84,721 | 81,699 | 48,616 |
| | | | | | |
| Energy Recovery Bonds (PG&E only) | SB 772, PUC Section 848-848.7 | CPUC Decisions, Resolutions | 434,099 | 0 | 0 |
| | | | | | |
| Franchise Fee Surcharge | PUC Sections 6350-6354, 6231 | CPUC Decisions | 0 | 0 | 11,030 |
| | | | | | |
| Electric Total | | | 12,331,546 | 10,985,878 | 3,162,625 |

Appendix B: 2014 Gas Revenue Requirement (\$000)

| | Federal/State Mandate | CPUC Mandate | PG&E | SDG&E | SoCalGas |
|---|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Core Procurement Total | | | 1,378,948 | 194,860 | 1,481,448 |
| Core Gas Supply Portfolio | | CPUC Decisions | 1,020,945 | 194,860 | 1,467,738 |
| Other | | CPUC Decisions | 334,233 | 0 | 0 |
| 10/20 Winter Gas Savings | | CPUC Resolutions | 8,941 | 0 | 0 |
| Core Gas Hedging | | Report | 4,500 | 0 | 0 |
| Incentive Mechanism | | Report | 10,329 | 0 | 13,710 |
| | | | | | |
| Transportation Total | | | 2,076,507 | 314,076 | 2,360,179 |
| Distribution | | CPUC Decisions | 1,556,022 | 273,563 | 2,041,078 |
| Transmission | | CPUC Decisions | 411,696 | 7,972 | 31,664 |
| Advanced Metering Infrastructure | | Report | 15,929 | 0 | 102,754 |
| Smart Meter | | | | 0 | 0 |
| Self Gen Inc Prog (SGIP) | PUC Section 379.6 (a) | CPUC Decisions | 6,480 | 773 | 26,141 |
| Climate Smart | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Calif Solar Initiative (CSI) | | CPUC Decisions | 4,598 | 3,643 | 0 |
| Annual Earning Assessment (AEAP) | | CPUC Decisions | 3,982 | 0 | 3,033 |
| Low Emission Vehicle (LEV) | PUC Section 740.3 & 740.8 | CPUC Decisions | 0 | 0 | 61,647 |
| Haz Substance Mechanism (HSM) | | CPUC Decisions | 51,776 | 3,646 | 0 |
| Performance Based Regulation (PBR) | | CPUC Decisions, Resolutions | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Customer Service & Safety Performance Indicator | | CPUC Decisions, Resolutions | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Non Public Interest Research, Dvlp & Demo (RD&D) | | CPUC Decisions | 0 | 0 | 9,940 |
| Core Pricing Flexibility Program | | CPUC Decisions | 0 | 0 | 598 |
| Non core competitive load growth program | | CPUC Decisions | 0 | 0 | 671 |
| Catastrophic Event Memo Acct (CEMA) | PUC Section 454.9 (a), Res E-3238 | CPUC Decisions, Resolutions | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Z-Factor | | CPUC Decisions | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other Balancing Accts Balances | | Report | (2,673) | 21,874 | 55,064 |
| CPUC Fee | PUC Section 431 | Resolution M-4816 | 3,210 | 0 | 0 |
| Franchise Fees & Uncollectibles | PUC Section 6231 | CPUC Decisions | 3,207 | 0 | 0 |
| Franchise Fee Surcharge (G-SUR) | PUC Sections 6350-6354 | CPUC Resolutions | 17,320 | 2,053 | 27,589 |
| AB 32 Cap-And-Trade | | | 4,960 | 552 | 8,315 |
| | | | | | |
| Public Purpose Program Surcharges Total | PUC Sections 399.8, 890-900 | CPUC Decisions | 255,754 | 38,255 | 287,906 |
| Energy Efficiency (EE) Programs | PUC Sections 739.1, 890-900, 2790 | CPUC Decisions | 82,672 | 10,604 | 52,471 |
| Low Income Energy Efficiency (LIEE) | PUC Sections 740, 890-900 | CPUC Decisions | 69,107 | 10,093 | 120,506 |
| Public Interest RD&D and State Board of Equalization (BOE) | PUC Sections 739.1 & .2, 890-900 | CPUC Decisions | 10,883 | 1,338 | 12,513 |
| Calif Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE) Program | | | 93,092 | 16,220 | 102,416 |
| | | | | | |
| GAS TOTAL | | | 3,711,209 | 547,191 | 4,129,533 |

Appendix B: 2013 Gas Revenue Requirement (\$000)

| | Federal/State Mandate | CPUC Mandate | PG&E | SDG&E | SoCalGas |
|---|--|-------------------------------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Core Procurement Total | | | 1,359,218 | 188,067 | 1,385,335 |
| Core Gas Supply Portfolio | | CPUC Decisions | 985,735 | 188,067 | 1,379,504 |
| Other | | CPUC Decisions | 354,320 | 0 | 0 |
| 10/20 Winter Gas Savings | | CPUC Resolutions | (498) | 0 | 0 |
| Core Gas Hedging | | Report | 19,661 | 0 | 0 |
| Incentive Mechanism | | Report | 0 | 0 | 5,831 |
| | | | | | |
| Transportation Total | | | 1,828,380 | 324,022 | 2,218,229 |
| Distribution | | CPUC Decisions | 1,147,644 | 298,712 | 1,945,958 |
| Transmission | | CPUC Decisions | 502,256 | 0 | 0 |
| Advanced Metering Infrastructure | | Report | 93,402 | 0 | 86,150 |
| Self Gen Inc Prog (SGIP) | PUC Section 379.6 (a) | CPUC Decisions | 5,760 | 814 | 31,528 |
| Calif Solar Initiative (CSI) | | CPUC Decisions | 6,365 | 1,362 | 0 |
| Annual Earning Assessment (AEAP) | | CPUC Decisions | 3,757 | 0 | 5,582 |
| Low Emission Vehicle (LEV) | PUC Section 740.3 & 740.8 | CPUC Decisions | 0 | 0 | 47,295 |
| Haz Substance Mechanism (HSM) | | CPUC Decisions | 39,095 | (2,085) | 9,633 |
| Non Public Interest Research, Dvlp & Demo (RD&D) | | CPUC Decisions | 0 | 0 | 9,670 |
| Core Pricing Flexibility Program | | CPUC Decisions | 0 | 0 | 454 |
| Non core competitive load growth program | | CPUC Decisions | 0 | 0 | 857 |
| Catastrophic Event Memo Acct (CEMA) | PUC Section 454.9 (a), Res E-3238 | CPUC Decisions, Resolutions | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Z-Factor | | CPUC Decisions | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other Balancing Accts Balances | | Report, CPUC Decisions, Resolutions | (3,190) | 22,617 | 54,589 |
| CPUC Fee | PUC Section 431 | Resolution M-4816 | 3,210 | 0 | 0 |
| Franchise Fees & Uncollectibles | PUC Section 6231 | CPUC Decisions | 2,764 | 0 | 0 |
| Franchise Fee Surcharge (G-SUR) | PUC Sections 6350-6354 | CPUC Resolutions | 11,883 | 2,120 | 21,794 |
| AB 32 Cap-and-Trade | CA H&S Code Section 38597, CCR Title 17 Division 3 | CPUC Decisions | 15,434 | 482 | 4,719 |
| | | | | | |
| Public Purpose Program Surcharges Total | | | 206,563 | 25,466 | 319,252 |
| Energy Efficiency (EE) Programs | PUC Sections 399.8, 890-900 | CPUC Decisions | 53,002 | 1,510 | 42,618 |
| Low Income Energy Efficiency (LIEE) | PUC Sections 739.1, 890-900, 2790 | CPUC Decisions | 55,979 | 9,836 | 146,870 |
| Public Interest RD&D and State Board of Equalization (BOE) | PUC Sections 740, 890-900 | CPUC Decisions | 10,223 | 1,351 | 10,969 |
| Calif Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE) Program | PUC Sections 739.1 & .2, 890-900 | CPUC Decisions | 87,359 | 12,769 | 118,795 |
| | | | | | |
| GAS TOTAL | | | 3,394,161 | 537,555 | 3,922,816 |

Appendix B: 2012 Gas Revenue Requirement (\$000)

| | Federal/State Mandate | CPUC Mandate | PG&E | SDG&E | SoCalGas |
|---|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Core Procurement Total | | | 1,455,016 | 145,742 | 1,095,871 |
| Core Gas Supply Portfolio | | CPUC Decisions | 1,032,383 | 145,742 | 1,090,458 |
| Other | | CPUC Decisions | 342,478 | 0 | 0 |
| 10/20 Winter Gas Savings | | CPUC Resolutions | 38,070 | 0 | 0 |
| Core Gas Hedging | | Report | 35,166 | 0 | 0 |
| Incentive Mechanism | | Report | 8,919 | 0 | 5,413 |
| | | | | | |
| Transportation Total | | | 1,731,021 | 244,973 | 2,018,108 |
| Distribution | | CPUC Decisions | 1,105,620 | 242,754 | 1,884,821 |
| Transmission | | CPUC Decisions | 401,395 | 0 | 0 |
| Advanced Metering Infrastructure | | Report | 144,282 | (6,202) | 35,793 |
| Self Gen Inc Prog (SGIP) | PUC Section 379.6 (a) | CPUC Decisions | 6,480 | 755 | 8,135 |
| Calif Solar Initiative (CSI) | | CPUC Decisions | 3,298 | 678 | 0 |
| Annual Earning Assessment (AEAP) | | CPUC Decisions | 3,952 | 0 | 4,375 |
| Low Emission Vehicle (LEV) | PUC Section 740.3 & 740.8 | CPUC Decisions | 0 | 0 | 34,413 |
| Haz Substance Mechanism (HSM) | | CPUC Decisions | 39,990 | 1,316 | 9,538 |
| Customer Service & Safety Performance Indicator | | CPUC Decisions, Resolutions | 0 | 0 | 4,950 |
| Non Public Interest Research, Dvlp & Demo (RD&D) | | CPUC Decisions | 0 | 0 | 10,000 |
| Core Pricing Flexibility Program | | CPUC Decisions | 0 | 0 | 479 |
| Non core competitive load growth program | | CPUC Decisions | 0 | 0 | 759 |
| Catastrophic Event Memo Acct (CEMA) | PUC Section 454.9 (a), Res E-3238 | CPUC Decisions, Resolutions | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Z-Factor | | CPUC Decisions | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other Balancing Accts Balances | | Report | 8,790 | 3,446 | (1,250) |
| CPUC Fee | PUC Section 431 | Resolution M-4816 | 3,210 | 0 | 0 |
| Franchise Fees & Uncollectibles | PUC Section 6231 | CPUC Decisions | 3,419 | 0 | 0 |
| Franchise Fee Surcharge (G-SUR) | PUC Sections 6350-6354 | CPUC Resolutions | 10,585 | 2,228 | 26,095 |
| | | | | | |
| Public Purpose Program Surcharges Total | | | 273,088 | 46,063 | 302,506 |
| Energy Efficiency (EE) Programs | PUC Sections 399.8, 890-900 | CPUC Decisions | 76,884 | 18,533 | 68,900 |
| Low Income Energy Efficiency (LIEE) | PUC Sections 739.1, 890-900, 2790 | CPUC Decisions | 67,273 | 9,540 | 90,374 |
| Public Interest RD&D and State Board of Equalization (BOE) | PUC Sections 740, 890-900 | CPUC Decisions | 10,356 | 1,355 | 12,101 |
| Calif Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE) Program | PUC Sections 739.1 & .2, 890-900 | CPUC Decisions | 118,575 | 16,635 | 131,131 |
| | | | | | |
| GAS TOTAL | | | 3,459,125 | 436,778 | 3,416,485 |