# Renewable Propane in the Built Environment

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## California Energy Code Background

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1978 Warren Alquist Act = CEC
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All cost effective energy efficiency options required by code (T-24, Part 6)

2006 - Global Warming Solutions Act (AB 32)

Reduce GHG to 1990 levels (Kyoto levels)

2015 - Gov. Brown Ex. Order - reduce GHG to 40% below 1990 by 2030

2008 - CA Long Term Strategic Energy Policy Plan

Big Bold Initiative => RNC Zero Net Energy (ZNE) by 2020

2009/2014 - Comprehensive Energy Efficiency Plan for Existing Buildings (AB 758)

ARRA/scoping; voluntary pathways; mandatory approaches

2018 – SB 100 – 100% Clean Energy Act

Zero-carbon electric system by 2045

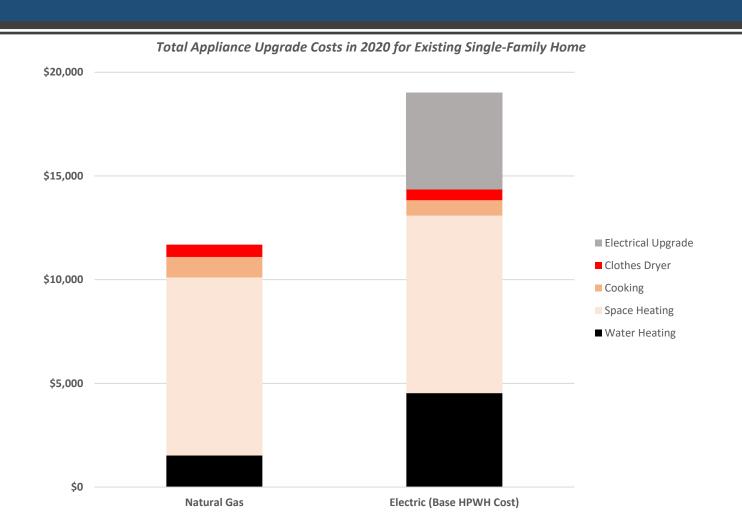
2020 - 2022 Title 24 Update and EDR1

New metric established to limit carbon emissions from new buildings

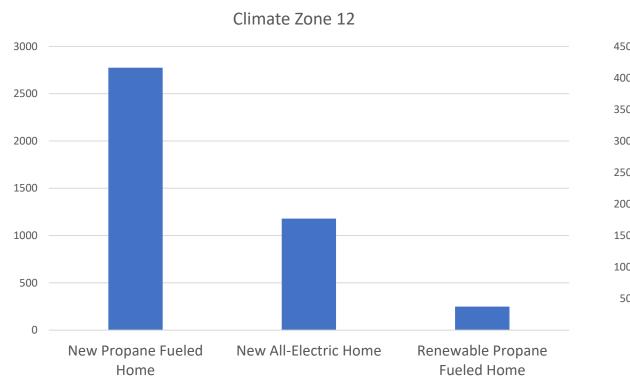
#### MAKING THE SWITCH TO ALL ELECTRIC APPLIANCES

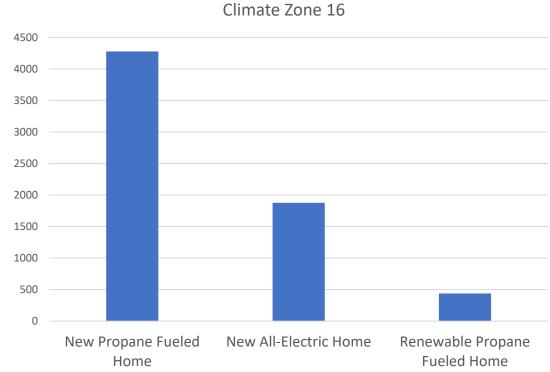
Impact of Annual Utility Costs				
		Mixed Fuel	All Electric	
PG&E rate: TOU-B	CZ4	\$1,254	\$1,327	6% increase
	CZ12	\$1,429	\$1,533	7% increase
SCE rate: TOU 4-9 PM	CZ10	\$715	\$699	2% decrease
SDG&E rate: DR-SES	CZ7	\$1,209	\$1,346	11% increase

## Converting to All-Electric is Expensive



## Renewable Propane Reduces Emissions Right Away





#### Energy Price Forecast

#### **IEPR 2020**

- PG&E: \$0.240 to \$0.329, or about an annual average increase of 3.7 percent
- SCE: \$0.217 to \$0.293, or about an annual average increase of 3.5 percent
- SDG&E: \$0.302 to \$0.443, or about an annual average increase of 4.7 percent
- Propane and Natural Gas Forecasted to increase similar or equal to inflation (1.9%)

PG&E Rate Case For July 2021 forecasts 5% increase per year 2021-26

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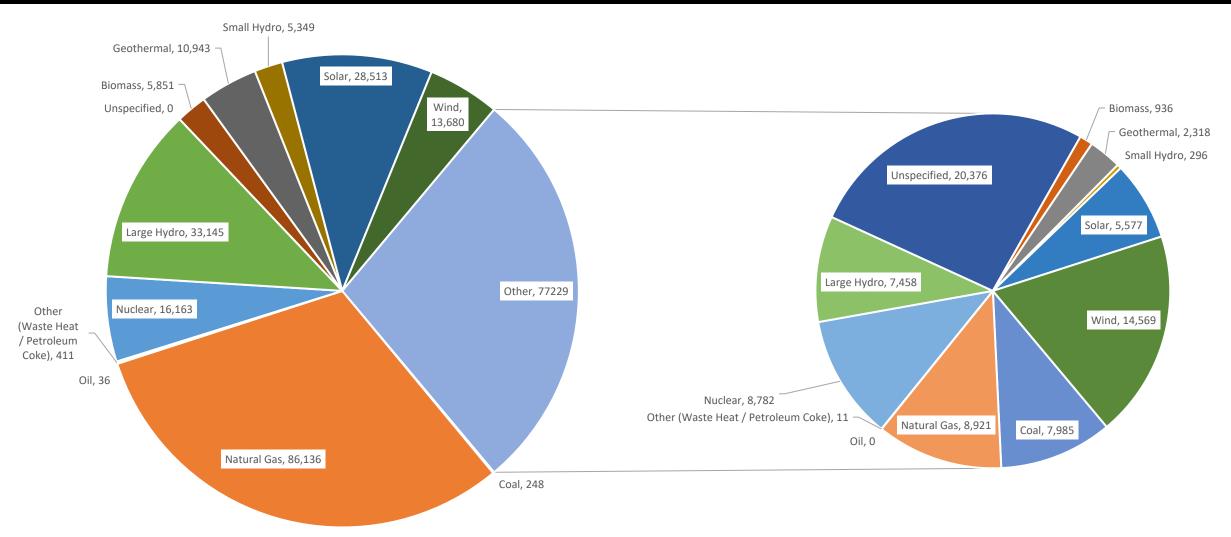
#### Policy for Existing Homes

Likely to be incentive based, with a focus on equipment "burn-out"

Multiple sources of influence:

- Municipalities and other local jurisdictions
- Community choice aggregators (CCAs)
- Investor-owned utilities (IOUs)
- Publicly owned utilities (POUs)
- Legislative funding pools

#### California Electricity Mix 2019



Source: California Energy Commission, 2019 Total System Electric Generation, https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/energy-almanac/california-electricity-data/2020-total-system-electric-generation/2019

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