

Building Energy Performance in California and Its Role in the State's Climate Initiative

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U.S. Building Environmental Impacts

• Energy

- 65% of total U.S. electricity consumption
- 30% of U.S. greenhouse gas emissions

Resources

- 136 million tons of construction and demolition waste
- 40% (3 billion tons annually) of global raw materials

• Water

– 12% of potable water in the U.S.



CA Sources of Global Warming Pollution





Source: CEC, Inventory of California Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Sinks: 1990-2004

Global Warming Solutions Act

- AB 32 (Núñez-Pavley) 2006
- Reduce GHG emissions to 1990 levels by 2020
- First step in what needs to be a larger effort



Strategies to Cut Global Warming Pollution

Summary of Key Emission Reduction Strategies (Measure, MMTCO2e reduction, Percent of Total)





Sources: Climate Action Team, California Air Resources Board, NRDC

CA Energy Efficiency Success

Per Capita Electricity Consumption



Loading Order

- Energy Resource Loading Order:
 - 1. Energy Efficiency (EE)
 - 2. Renewable Energy
 - 3. Clean Distributed Generation
 - 4. Efficient Fossil Fuel Generation
- EE codified as a priority
- Statewide goal of 100% cost-effective EE



Key Tools to Save Energy



Source: California Energy Commission, 2005



Research, Development, and Demonstration

- Public Interest Energy Research (PIER)
 - \$80 Million
 - Administered by the CEC
- Institutions
 - UC Davis
 - Stanford
- Laboratories
 - Lawrence Berkeley National Lab



- 1. Make energy efficiency (EE) a priority
- 2. Remove financial disincentives (decoupling)
- 3. Create Funding Mechanisms
- 4. Integrate EE into utilities' resource procurement
- 5. Set aggressive targets
- 6. Design a 3-year cycle with well-designed programs
- 7. Ensure independent evaluation of savings
- 8. Implement performance-based incentives



Investor-Owned Utility (IOU) Policies

By 2013, the IOU goals will:

Avoid 10 giant power plants & save consumers \$10 billion

➤Cut pollution equal to emissions from 2 million cars



- Long term planning through 2020
- Aggressive goals
- Linkage to AB32 Scoping Plan
- Big Bold Initiatives
 - Net zero energy new residential by 2020
 - Net zero energy new commercial by 2030
 - HVAC industry reshaping



Publicly-Owned Utility (POU) Policies

- Senate Bill 1037 (2005) & Assembly Bill 2021 (2006)
- By 2016, POU goals will:
 - >Avoid 2 giant power plants & save consumers \$2 billion
 - ≻Cut pollution equal to emissions from 400,000 cars and trucks



Comparison of POU and IOU Energy Savings Targets

T24 - 2008 Proposed Efficiency Standards

- First Year Savings:
 - 550 GWh cumulative
 - 150 MW in each year
- After 5 years:
 - Avoid one giant power plant
 - Cut pollution equal to 200,000 cars



Looking Forward...

- Ramp up POU efficiency programs
- Link between water efficiency and energy
- Integrate demand-side management
- Take advantage of time of sale
- Use the whole-house approach
- Collaborate with building community



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Gas and Electric Decoupling in the US



Questions?

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