

CITY OF CARSON

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Report to Mayor and City Council

Tuesday, February 19, 2019 Consent

SUBJECT:

CLEAN POWER ALLIANCE OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FEBRUARY 2019 UPDATE (CITY COUNCIL)

I. SUMMARY

On February 1, 2019, the Clean Power Alliance of Southern California (CPA) began servicing Carson's 25,322 eligible residential accounts, immediately lowering the City's carbon footprint with a variety of competitive rate options for customers to choose from.

Residential customers in Carson were automatically opted-in to the program at the "50% Clean Power" default rate option; however, the Carson Customer Status Report prepared by CPA staff showed that five (5) customers opted-up to "100% Green Power" (0.02% of the total customer base), 32 opted-down to "Lean Power" (0.13%), and 105 customers opted out (0.42%) (Exhibit No. 1). The opt-out rate is lower than expected and well within the target opt-out rate of no more than 10% of the customer base. Additional opt-outs may occur after enrolled residential customers receive their post-enrollment notices.

A full set of opt-action data by member agency is attached (Exhibit No. 2).

II. RECOMMENDATION

RECEIVE and FILE.

III. ALTERNATIVES

TAKE another action the City Council deems appropriate.

IV. BACKGROUND

CPA, a joint powers authority with 31 member agencies across Los Angeles and Ventura

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Counties, was established in 2017 to provide cost competitive electric services, reduce electric sector greenhouse gas emissions, stimulate renewable energy development, implement distributed energy resources, promote energy efficiency and demand reduction programs, and sustain long-term rate stability for residents and businesses through local control.

CPA will serve approximately one million customer accounts at the end of the phased enrollment period as shown below:

Phase 1 - Service began in January 2018 for municipal customers in unincorporated Los Angeles County

Phase 2 - Service began in June 2018 for commercial customers in unincorporated Los Angeles County, and for municipal and commercial customers in Rolling Hills Estates and South Pasadena

Phase 3 - Service began in February 2019 for all residential customers within Clean Power Alliance service territory

Phase 4 - In May 2019, service will be expanded to all remaining non-residential customers within Clean Power Alliance service territory

In the coming months CPA staff will be focusing additional outreach efforts on future business customers, planning for deployment of local programs, negotiating power purchase agreements to expand the supply of renewable energy in California, and ensuring that the needs and priorities of its communities are well represented in a rapidly evolving electricity market.

V. FISCAL IMPACT

None.

VI. EXHIBITS

- 1. Carson's Customer Status Report January 30, 2019. (pg. 3)
- 2. Opt-action Data by Member Agency. (pg. 4)

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