

Council Sustainability Committee

Potential Rate Increase for Electricity from East Bay Community Energy





HISTORY IN BRIEF

Feasibility study commissioned by County of Alameda

2017

EBCE formed as a Joint Powers Agency 2018

Launched service to commercial customers in June and residential customers in November



ELECTRIC SERVICE OPTIONS



More renewables

than PG&E

lower rates

than PG&E



100%

clean energy

same rate

as current PG&E price



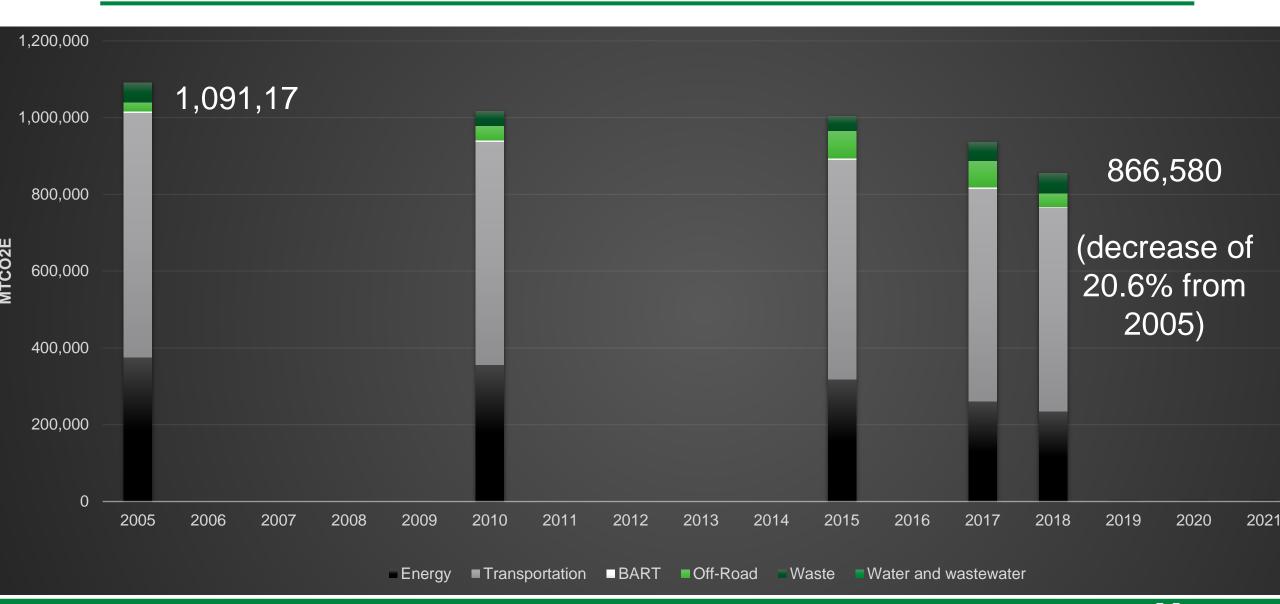
100%

renewable

\$0.01/kWh

more than Brilliant 100

GHG Emission Inventory



Financial Challenges

- PG&E increased rates by increasing the transmission component of the rate while decreasing the generation component. PG&E's generation rate decreased by 8% on May 1, 2020.
- The Power Charge Indifference Adjustment (PCIA) increased by 30% as of May 1, 2020.
- Unpaid bills or "uncollectables" are estimated to increase from 0.5% to 2.5% in anticipation of COVID recessionary impacts.
- Procurement costs for Brilliant 100 have been higher than expected.

EBCE Board Action

At the Board meeting on June 17, 2020, staff recommended:

- No changes to the Brilliant 100 value proposition for the balance of 2020
- Close Brilliant 100 to new accounts and opt-ups effective July 1, 2020
- Phase out Brilliant 100 by the end of 2021
- Increase rate for Brilliant 100 to 2.5% or 3% more than PG&E. (to go into effect January 1, 2021)
- Effective September 2020, change the power mix for Brilliant 100 from 40% renewable to 33% renewable for remainder of 2020

EBCE Board Action

When the Board approved the budget on June 17, they voted to:



• Change discount for Bright Choice from 1.5% to 1.0% below PG&E rates effective July 1, 2020.



• Consider changes to Brilliant 100 – to be decided this fall.



• Maintain the rate for Renewable 100 at \$0.01/kWh more than PG&E rates.

Options for Hayward

Staff has identified the following options:

- Change default to Bright Choice effective January 1, 2021. Most customers would pay 1% less (approximately \$1.00 per month for a typical residential customer).
- Keep default as Brilliant 100 through the end of 2021. Would result in most customers paying 2.5 to 3% more for electricity during calendar year 2021.
- 3. Change default to Renewable 100 effective January 1, 2021. Staff does not recommend this option as it would result in most customers paying \$0.01/kWh more than PG&E rates.

Economic Impact

	Bright Choice (1% less)	PG&E	Brilliant 100 (3% more)	Renewable 100 (\$0.01/kWh more)
Residential Customer (monthly usage of 359 kWh):	\$94.88	\$95.84	\$98.72	\$99.43
Small Commercial Customer (monthly usage of 1,518 kWh):	\$398.32	\$402.34	\$414.41	\$417.40
Large Commercial Customer (monthly usage of 263,181 kWh):	\$52,310.61	\$52,839.00	\$54,424.17	\$55,470.66

Fiscal Impact

Approximate Annual Costs					
Current spending on City accounts enrolled in Brilliant 100	\$585,000				
If City's accounts are changed to Bright Choice	\$579,000				
If City keeps its accounts enrolled in Brilliant 100	\$602,000				
If City's accounts are changed to Renewable 100	\$656,000				

Strategic Roadmap

This agenda item relates to the Strategic Priority of Combat Climate Change and projects:

Project 2: Work with EBCE to transition citywide electricity use to 100%

carbon free

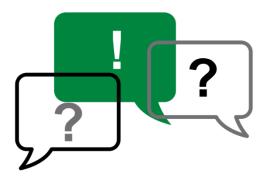
Project 3: Transition electricity use in city operations to 100% renewable

energy

Project 4: Adopt and implement 2030 GHG Goal and Roadmap

Next Steps

- Council Work Session on July 14, 2020
- EBCE Board may take action in September
- Council could take action in October



EBCE ENROLLMENT STATUS

	Eligible	Opt Out	%	Bright Choice	%	Brilliant 100	%	Renewable 100	%
Hayward	55,906	2,371	4.24%	12,945	23.15%	40,557	72.54%	33	0.06%
All EBCE	567,055	22,480	3.96%	487,443	85.96%	51,233	9.03%	5,899	1.04%

Residents may choose any of the EBCE products or opt out and return to PG&E

As of September 2019

Economic Impact

Residential Customer (monthly usage of 359 kWh):

Residential: E-1	PG&E	PG&E Solar Choice (100% Renewable)	EBCE Bright Choice	EBCE Brilliant 100 (100% Carbon-free)	EBCE Renewable 100 (100% Renewable)
Generation Rate (\$/kWh)	\$0.11752	\$0.09410	\$0.08177	\$0.08353	\$0.09353
PG&E Delivery Rate (\$/kWh)	\$0.15298	\$0.15298	\$0.15298	\$0.15298	\$0.15298
PG&E PCIA/FF (\$/kWh)	N/A	\$0.02979	\$0.03045	\$0.03045	\$0.03045
Total Electricity Cost (\$/kWh)	\$0.27050	\$0.27687	\$0.26520	\$0.26696	\$0.27696
Average Monthly Bill (\$)	\$97.11	\$99.39	\$95.20	\$95.84	\$99.43

Small Commercial Customer (monthly usage of 1,518 kWh):

Commercial/Industrial: A-1 TOU (A-1X)	PG&E	PG&E Solar Choice (100% Renewable)	EBCE Bright Choice	EBCE Brilliant 100 (100% Carbon-free)	EBCE Renewable 100 (100% Renewable)
Generation Rate (\$/kWh)	\$0.11565	\$0.07370	\$0.08135	\$0.08308	\$0.09308
PG&E Delivery Rate (\$/kWh)	\$0.14932	\$0.14932	\$0.14932	\$0.14932	\$0.14932
PG&E PCIA/FF (\$/kWh)	N/A	\$0.04065	\$0.03257	\$0.03257	\$0.03257
Total Electricity Cost (\$/kWh)	\$0.26497	\$0.26367	\$0.26324	\$0.26497	\$0.27497
Average Monthly Bill (\$)	\$402.34	\$400.36	\$399.71	\$402.34	\$417.40

Large Commercial Customer (monthly usage of 263,181 kWh):

Commercial/Industrial: E-19 S	PG&E	PG&E Solar Choice (100% Renewable)	EBCE Brilliant 100 (100% Carbon-free)		EBCE Renewable 100 (100% Renewable)	
Generation Rate (\$/kWh)	\$0.11077	\$0.07230	\$0.07696	\$0.07862	\$0.08862	
PG&E Delivery Rate (\$/kWh)	\$0.09000	\$0.09000	\$0.09000	\$0.09000	\$0.09000	
PG&E PCIA/FF (\$/kWh)	N/A	\$0.04013	\$0.03215	\$0.03215	\$0.03215	
Total Electricity Cost (\$/kWh)	\$0.20077	\$0.20243	\$0.19911	\$0.20077	\$0.21077	
Average Monthly Bill (\$)	\$52,838.76	\$53,275.64	\$52,401.88	\$52,838.76	\$55,470.66	

