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DRET– Residential and SMB Load Management Studies

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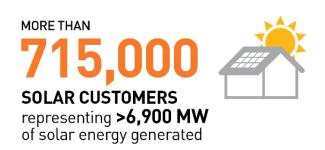


Pacific Gas and Electric Company

About us

We are focused on providing safe, reliable, clean and affordable natural gas and electricity to our customers.

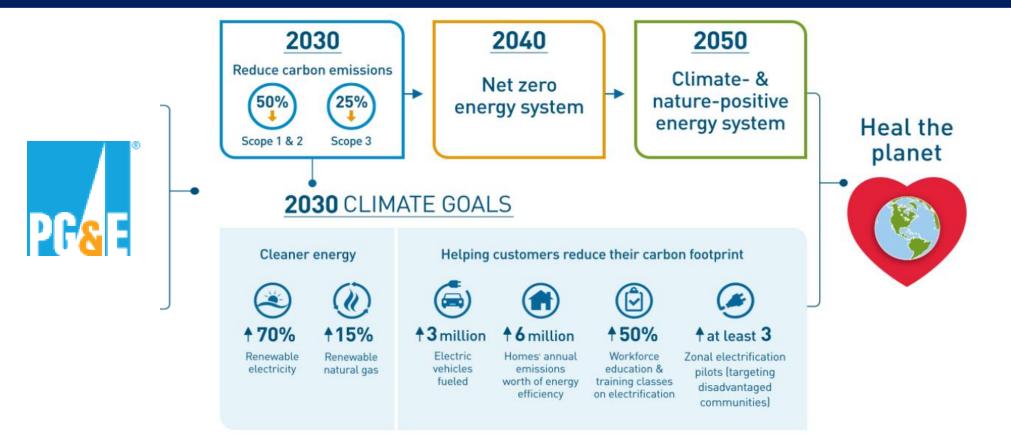






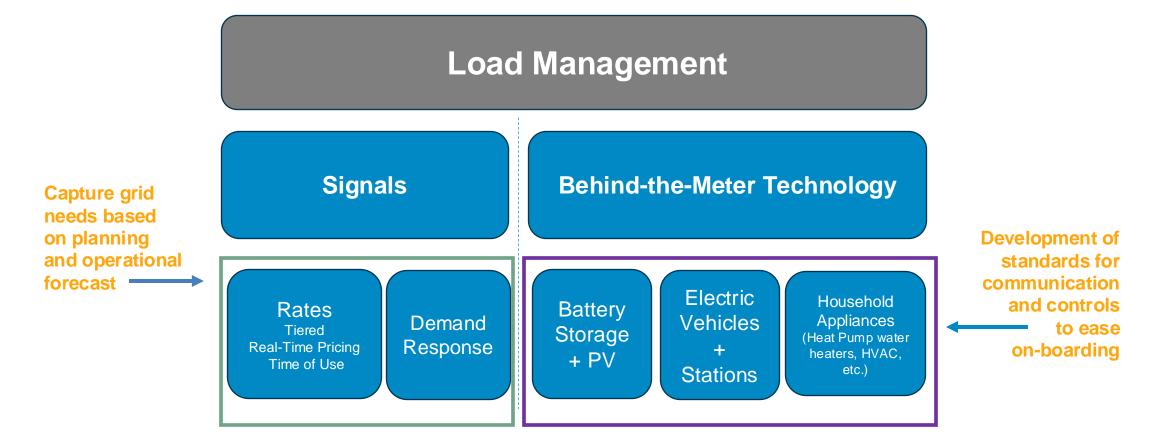
PG&E's Contribution to Healing the Planet

California's decarbonization plan requires us to achieve carbon emission reductions of 85% below 1990 levels, be carbon neutral, and achieve 100% renewable and GHG-free resource supply by 2045. PG&E plans to achieve this by 2040.



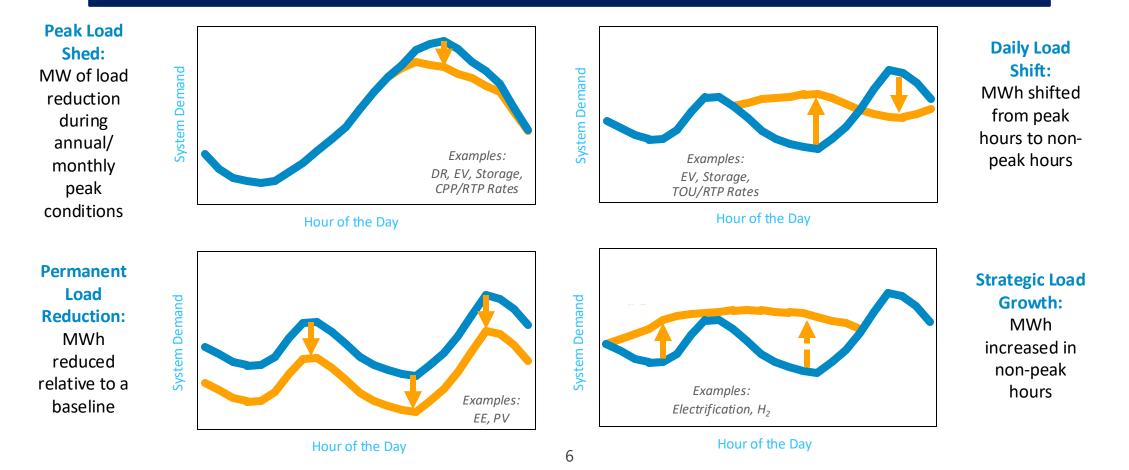
PG&E's Load Management Strategy

PG&E's load management strategy recognizes the many options for shaping customer load and help balance the grid while meeting the customer's energy agenda.



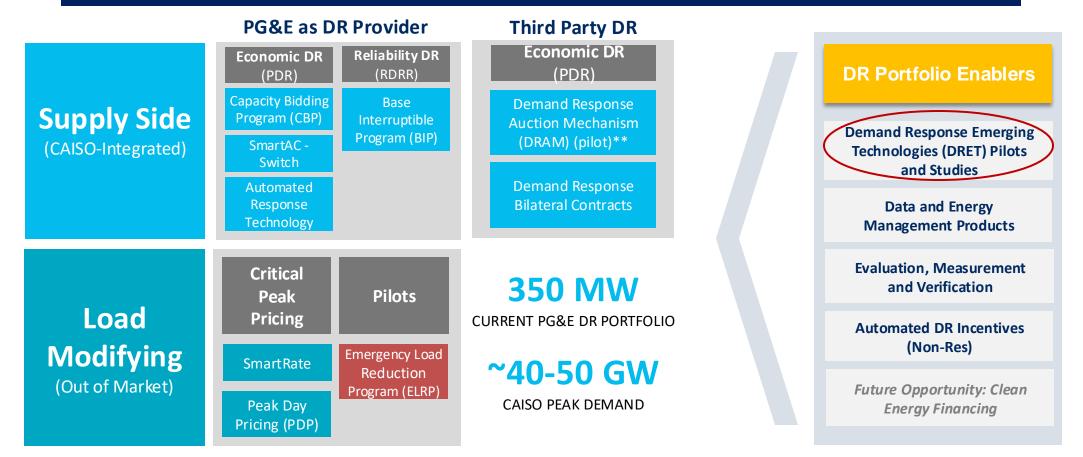
Different Types of Load Management

Traditional demand response (DR) provides load reduction during peak times and high price periods, and often helps to prevent power interruptions due to supply shortages. Today load management programs and rates have become important tools for flattening the load curve.



PG&E's Demand Response Portfolio

Today, our DR portfolio caters to generation capacity and energy shortfalls offered via a range of CAISO* market-integrated and load modifying programs. Portfolio "enablers" facilitate data and insights driving portfolio modernization and continuous improvement.



*California Independent System Operator <u>Today's Demand Outlook | CAISO (caiso.com)</u> **Ending 12/31/2024

Voice Automation Technology for Load Management Study Phase 2

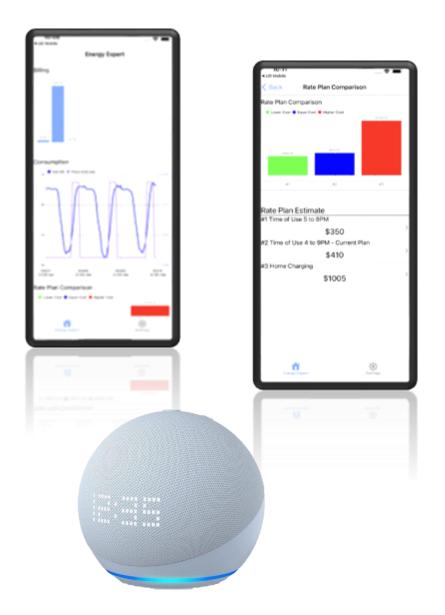
Energy Expert App

- Study designed to test:
 - Evaluating communication channel for time-of-use customers
 - Voice command mechanism/smart speaker function
 - Bidirectional communication with the customers
- Customers use Alexa Smart Speaker or a cell phone app, branded as Energy Expert, to:
 - Receive Notifications: PSPS, High Price
 - Ask questions about:
 - Best time to use an appliance or charge an EV
 - Optimal Rate
 - Energy Use
 - View PV Production and Consumption



Energy Expert App

- Continue to evaluate the effectiveness of the Smart Speaker and the app as a platform to provide information, such as time-of-use, PV production, PSPS, and demand response events
- 2. Additional information (e.g. outage)
- 3. Increase customers adoption
- Increase app capabilities and functions (e.g. supporting dynamic rates)



Field Test OpenADR 3.0 for Dynamic Rate

PG&E 24-27 RTP Pilots summary

PG&E has \$25M to \$50M portfolio of RTP rates that will be evaluating program and rate design elements ahead of full implementation.

Pilot By Priority	Electric Vehicles (CET Team)	Agricultural Sector	Res/Commercial Sector
Target Use Cases	Vehicle to Grid (V2G)	Water Pumps/Sanitation, Electric Tractors	Box stores, industrial, Smart EV charging (V1G), BTM Batteries, TBD
Timeline	Sept '24-'25	Sept '24 (compliance) – Dec '27	Sept '24 (compliance) – Dec '27
Budget	\$13M	\$7.5M / <mark>\$14M</mark> / \$21.5M	\$4.7M / \$10.5M / \$15.2M
Goals	1,000 Residential Service Points 250 Commercial Service Points	50 MW	50 MW
Key Challenges and Areas of Focus	1. CCA Adoption2. Complex Rate Design3. Partnerships with Automation Service Providers (ASP)4. Partnerships with other PG&E programs		
Systems and Processes	(Vendor enabled "Shadow billing" platform)		

OpenADR 3.0 for dynamic rate

OpenADR 3.0 is a new version of the OpenADR standard that includes dynamic price structures and other features to help with energy management:

Feature	Description	
Dynamic pricing	OpenADR 3.0 offers more dynamic pricing structures and allows utilities to exchange dynamic price and reliability signals with customers	
Simplified messaging	OpenADR 3.0 simplifies messaging, including pricing, and uses modern web service designs	
Seamless communication	OpenADR 3.0 provides seamless communication between utilities and customers, and between different devices and systems	
Capacity management	OpenADR 3.0 supports two mechanisms for capacity management between the grid and the customer	
Easy to implement	OpenADR 3.0 can be implemented in customer devices, such as Wi- Fi appliances, EVSE and DERs, to receive grid signals	

Field Testing OpenADR 3.0

2024

Contracting with vendor Identify customers Develop OpenADR 3.0 VEN

1st and 2nd quarter of 2025

Launch study to 2-4 SMB customers Send day ahead hourly price signal to study participants

3rd and 4th quarter of 2025

Document pilot result in a DRET report Close out study



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The project report can be found at https://www.dret-ca.com/wpontent/uploads/2024/10/Voice-Automation-Technologyfor-Load-Management-Study-Phase-2.pdf