# SCE Solar Programs Overview





## Southern California Edison Overview





- An Edison International company, SCE is one of the nation's largest investor-owned electric utilities, with more than 120 years of service.
- Serves a population of 14 million people, via 4.8 million business and residential accounts in a 50,000-square-mile service area within central, coastal and Southern California.
- Delivering that power takes 93,500 circuit miles of line connecting 1.5 million poles, 683,000 transformers and 737,000 area and street lights and the days and nights of 13,000 employees.

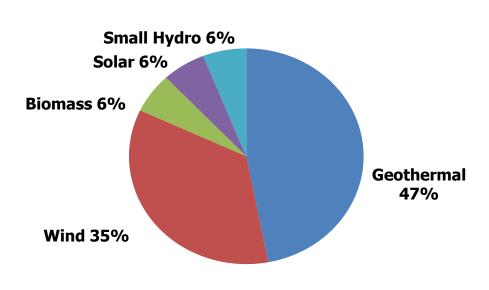
# **SCE** Delivers More Renewable Energy Than Any Company in the U.S.

#### **Actual 2012 Renewable Resources**

Total: 15.5 billion kWh\* 21.1% of SCE's portfolio

#### Renewables Goal

(billion kWh)



28.3 **15.5** 83% **Increase** Not to Scale 2012 2020 33% RPS Goal **Actual Deliveries** 

\*http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/PUC/energy/Renewables/compliance.htm

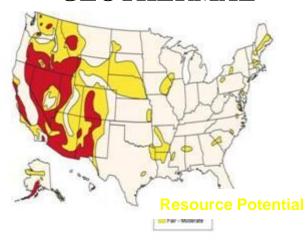


### Renewable Energy in America

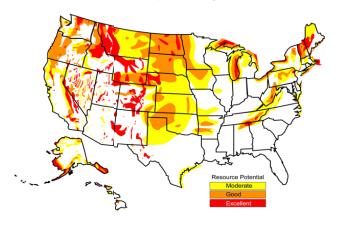
#### **SOLAR ENERGY**



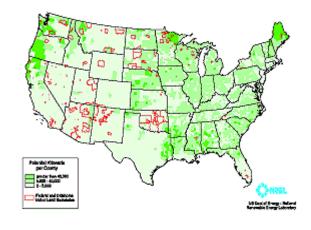
#### **GEOTHERMAL**



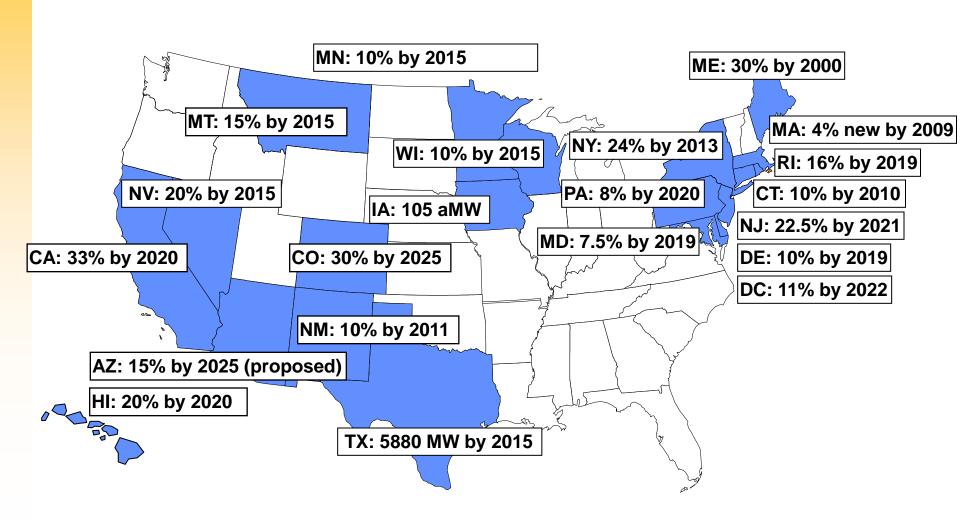
#### WIND POWER



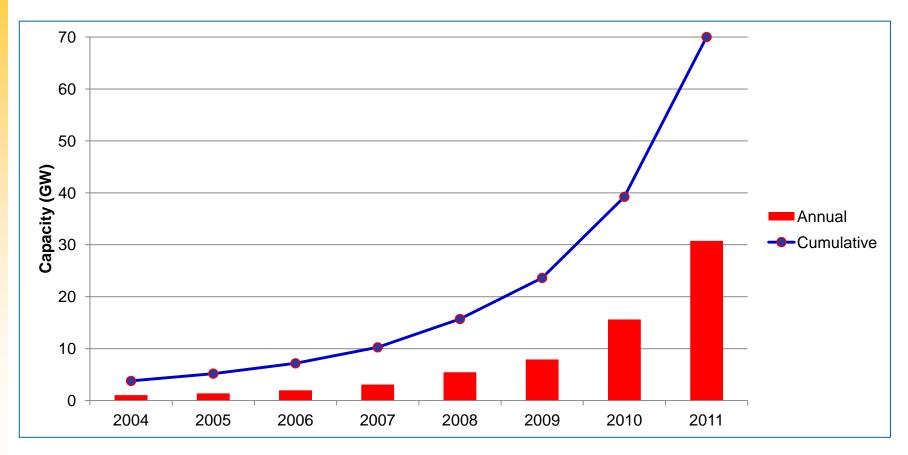
#### **BIOMASS**



#### **State RPS Policies and Mandates**



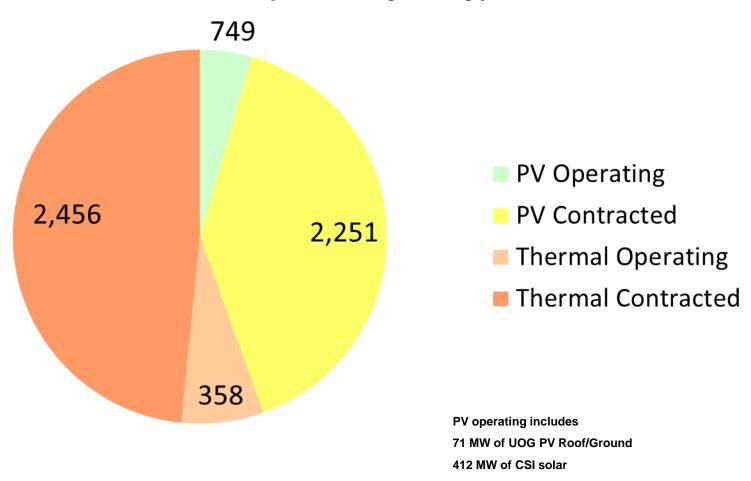
### **Global PV Installations 2004-2011**



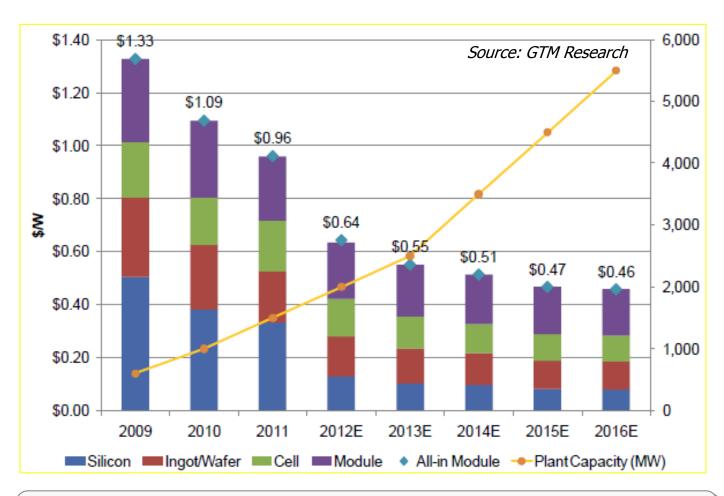
Sources: EPRI, Navigant Consulting, Solar Power Consulting

~25 GW to be installed globally in 2012

# Over 5,800 MW of Solar Solar (MW Capacity)

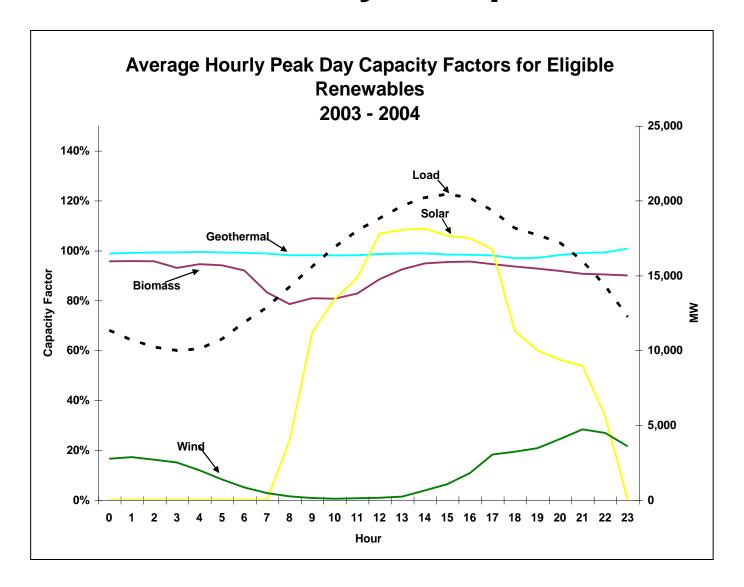


### **Market Overview**



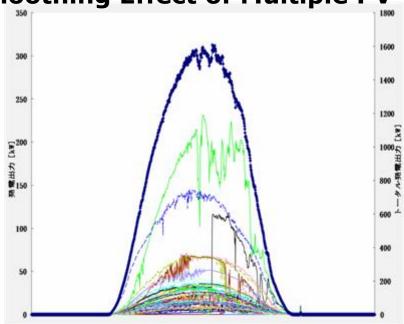
Module average selling prices have been cut in half since 2008 when the program began

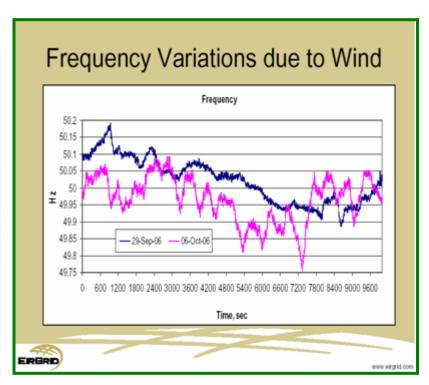
# Renewable Delivery Compared to Load



# **Intermittency of Renewable Energy**







# **SCE Solar Programs**

Program Name	Owner	Summary
California Solar Initiative (CSI)	CSBU	Incentives for Customer owned PV to serve on- site load
Solar Photovoltaic Program (SPVP)	GBU	250 MW of Utility Owned Generation – 1 to 2 MW
Renewable Power Purchase Agreements	RAP	Purchase of Energy from Independent Power Produces

## SCE Incentive Programs for Renewables

- California Solar Initiative (CSI)
  - \$2.1 billion statewide program pays incentives to customers who install solar on their home and/or business. 3,000 MW installation goal.
- Multifamily Affordable Solar Housing
  - Financial incentives for <u>existing</u> income-eligible apartment complexes that off-set loads to common areas and individual tenants
- New Solar Homes Partnership (NSHP)
  - Financial incentives for construction of <u>new</u> energy-efficient homes
- CSI Thermal (Solar Water Heating)
- Self-Generation Incentive Program (SGIP)
  - Wind, Fuel Cell, Advanced Energy Storage
- SCE currently has 24,000 customers installed



### Renewable Energy Procurement

Small RPS < 20 MW (~ 450 MW) Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS)
Solicitations and Bilateral Negotiations
(~ 9,000 MW)

PURPA\*
(Historically)
(~ 2,300 MW)

California Renewable Energy Small Tariff (CREST)

Solar
Photovoltaic
Program (SPVP)

Renewable Auction Mechanism (RAM)

SCE has over 11,000 MW of renewable resources in its portfolio.

SCE has signed hundreds of RPS contracts totaling over 9,000 MW since 2002.

SCE prefers *competitive solicitations* for renewables procurement.

\*PURPA - Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act

#### Solar Photovoltaic Program (SPVP) Overview

- Solar Photovoltaic Program (SPVP)
  - Existing SPVP Program (250 MW UOG + 250 MW PPAs) approved June 2009
    - 250 MW of Utility-Owned Generation
      - Primarily 1 to 2 MW projects installed on commercial warehouse rooftops, with up to 10% (25 MW) groundmount
      - 50 MW per year with an average cost of \$3.97/Watt (\$'11)\*
    - 250 MW from IPP PV Solicitation
      - RAP coordinates annual solicitations for up to 50 MW per year for 5 years
      - Price capped at the utility LOCE, 26 cents per kWH
      - Other terms similar to UOG constraints

<sup>\*</sup> Reasonableness cap approved in 2008 is \$3.85/w dc installed. \$3.97/w is escalated to 2011 dollars.

# **SPVP Objectives**

- Market Transformation
  - Program large enough to impact costs/resources
  - Shift Focus away from Europe/Japan
  - Develops trained PV Installation workforce
- Adds 1.0% to RPS Goals by 2014
- Supports CSI Goals: 83,333 equivalent roofs
- Leverage SCE's Solar Expertise
  - History with solar
  - Utility implementation coupled with energy efficiency deployment
- Advance R&D and PV Industry Knowledge
  - Grid impacts intermittency, power quality, circuit saturation
  - Business Modeling
- Deployment of PV on circuits in a distributed manner
  - Does not require any transmission upgrades
- Can provide generation in critical AQMD emissions sensitive areas, such as the Inland Empire, with No Green House Gas Emissions

# **Complete UOG SPVP Projects**

SPVP 005 - PLD Redlands 1

3.39 MWdc - 10,680

**Sunpower Modules** 

468,000 Square ft.

**5 Satcon Inverters** 



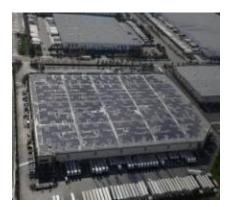
SPVP 007 - PLD Redlands 3

3.20 MWdc - 10,840

**SunPower Modules** 

446,000 Square ft.

**5 Satcon Inverters** 



SPVP 042 - Porterville

6.77 MWdc - 29,428

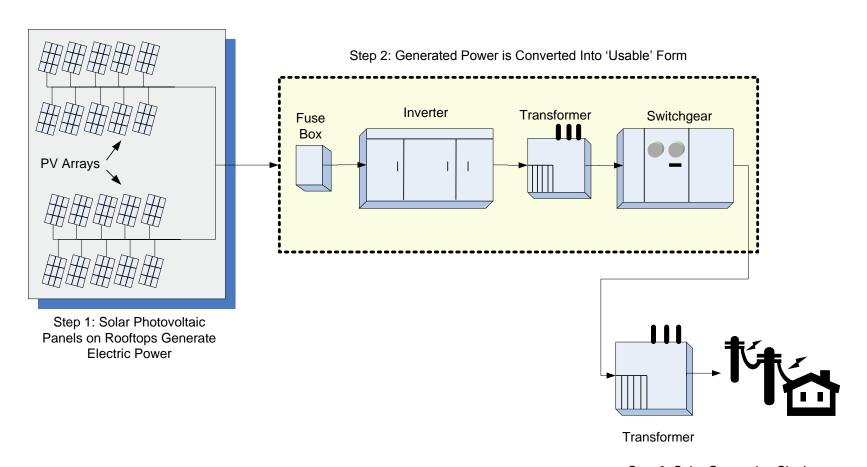
**Trina Modules** 

33 acres

10 Satcon Inverters



# **PV System Overview**



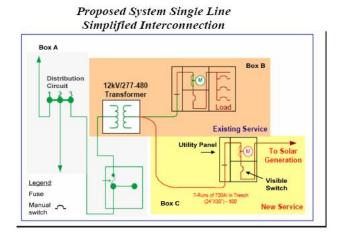
Step 3: Solar Generation Site is Connected to SCE Electric Grid

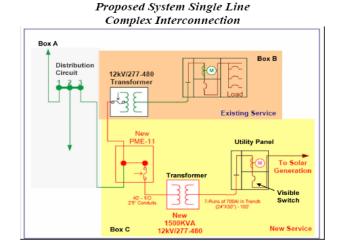
# **Project Challenges - General**

- Leasing Issues -
  - Liability Issues
  - Lease Rates considered low
  - Rooftop Mounting Constraints (wind, weight, etc.)
- Permitting
  - Roof Building Permit, Fire Dept, EH&S
  - Ground Site Assessments
- Site Security
- WDAT Interconnection
- ISO Forecasting and Scheduling
- CPUC Oversight & Reporting Requirements

### Interconnection

- Not Net Energy Metering (NEM)
- Will interconnect directly to 12 or 16 kV circuits, not to host load
- "Merchant Plant" interconnected under WDAT application
- Originally 15% circuit penetration – 2MW limit.
   Now up to 8 MW on a circuit





# ISO Scheduling Issues

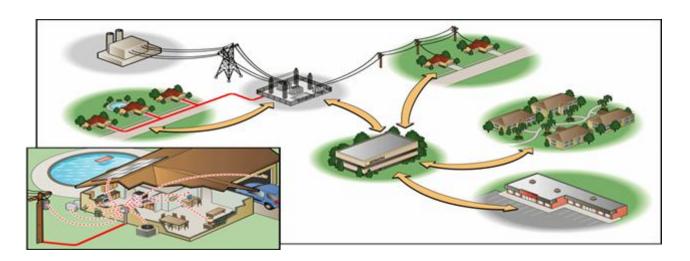
- ISO requires:
  - Special metering and Data Acquisition System (DAS)
  - Power to be scheduled on an hourly basis, can be aggregated up to the A-Bank
  - SCE will fine-tune forecasting of intermittent resource
- The DAS components are forecast to cost approximately \$60,000 per location:
  - Meter \$10,000
  - Communications \$15,000
  - Data collection \$20,000
  - Weather station \$10,000
  - Auxiliaries \$5,000

# **Issues affecting Cell Performance**

- Efficiency
  - 1,000 W/sq. m flash test at 25C (77F) and 1.5m/s air flow
  - 20% for Sunpower T-5 High Efficiency (175,000 sq/ft per MW)
  - 14.5% for Trina PolyCrystalline Panels (225,000 sq/ft per MW)
  - 10.5% for First Solar CdTe Thin Film (300,000 sq/ft per MW)
- Tilt
  - Corresponding to Latitude (34degrees) is optimal
  - Any tilt can help with water/dirt run-off
- Dirt
  - Can reduce output by 34%
- Shading
  - 50% of the panel output is lost if ONE cell is shaded.
- Temperature Effect
  - ½% degradation per degree C for Silicon (120F=78.5%, 32F=122.5%)
  - ¼% degradation per degree C for CdTe (120F=89.5%, 32F=111.2%)
- Effects of Diffused Light
  - Different Panels absorb different wave lengths. Silicon better in white/yellow, CdTe on red/diffused light

## **Upcoming Changes in the Electric Industry**

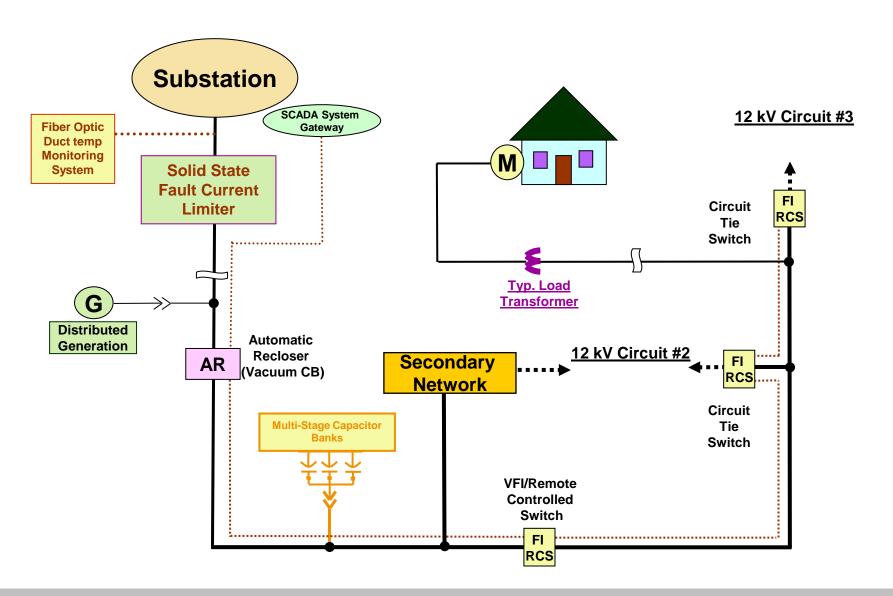
- Smart Meters
  - Smart Grid
- Plug-in Hybrids / Storage



### What Smart Meters Can Do For You

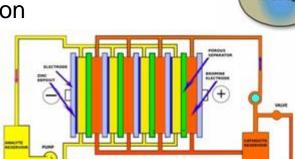


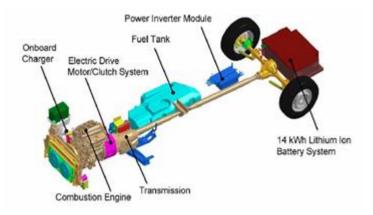
#### **SCE Circuit of the Future**



## Plug-in Hybrids / Energy Storage Options

- Bulk System Storage
  - Compressed Air Energy Storage (CAES)
  - Pumped Hydro
  - Flywheel Frequency Regulation
- Mid-sized Storage
  - NAS and Flow Batteries
  - Supercapacitors
- Customer Level Storage
  - Plug-in Hybrids
  - PV system storage
  - Power Quality Storage





## **Questions**

