

# Program Operator RFP: Inclusive Utility Investment (IUI) Pilot

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# Program Administration Team

Program Implementers: TECH Innovative Finance Team



*IUI Pilot turn-key implementer, holds contract with Program Operator*



*Program design & policy expertise*



*Oversight of all TECH Pilots*



*Contributor, program design & implementation, M&V*



*Meter data analysis, M&V*

Program Administrator:



# Partner Profiles

- **Silicon Valley Clean Energy**

- Public agency serving 13 jurisdictions in Santa Clara County
- 270,000 residential and commercial customers
- 715+ MW renewable + storage PPAs under contract
- \$77M in on-bill customer savings, \$28M invested in customer programs



- **TECH Clean California**

- \$120 million initiative\* to drive market adoption of heat pumps and heat pump water heaters for existing homes in CA
- Authorized by SB 1477, funded by gas IOU ratepayers under the auspices of the CPUC (R.19-01-011, Rechtschaffen)
- Key activities include incentives, workforce training, consumer inspiration campaign, and 6 pilots, including Tariffed On-Bill investments



\* Not including additional funding recently authorized through state budget

# Agenda

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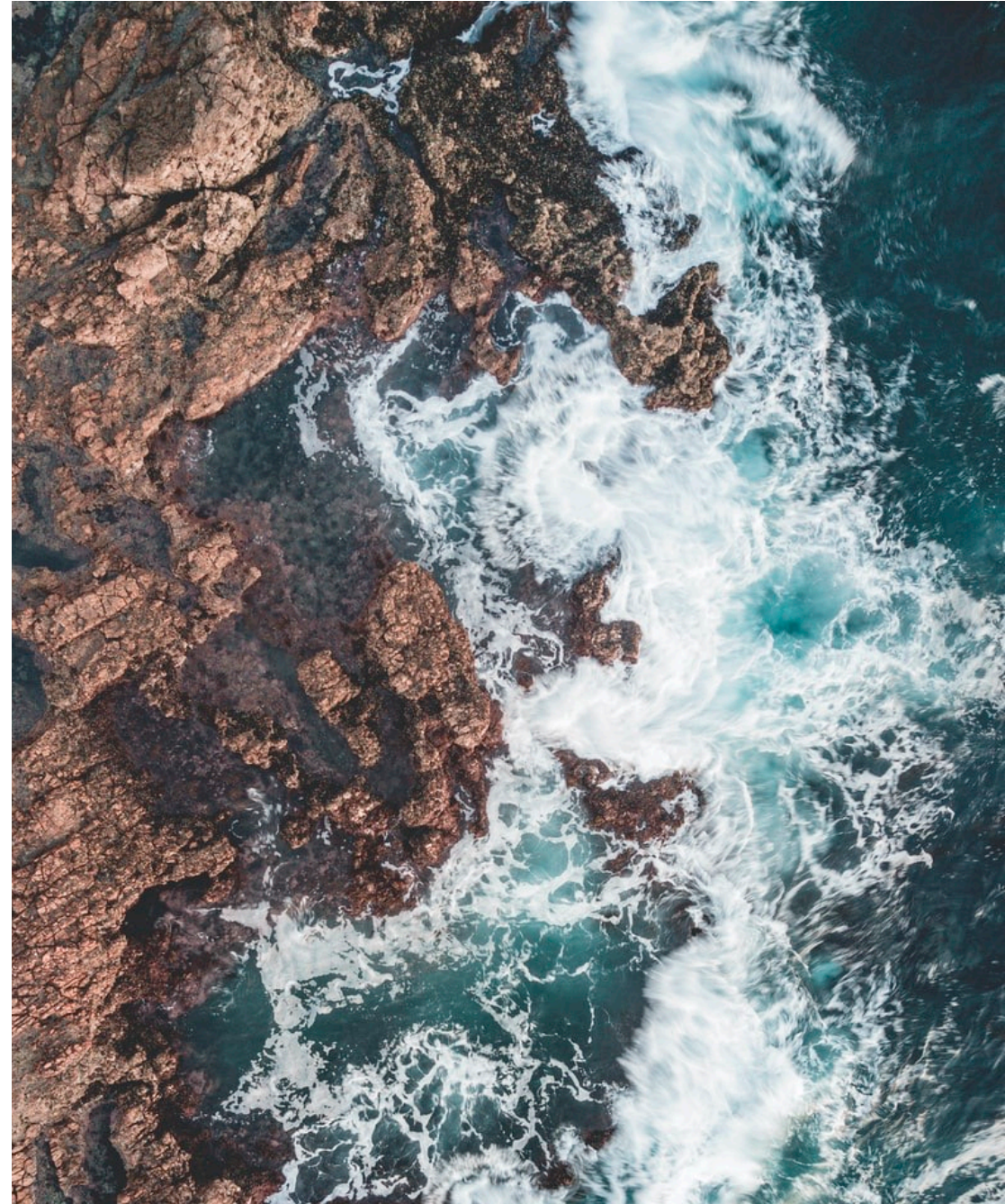
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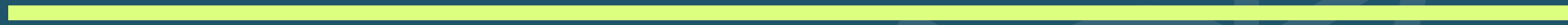
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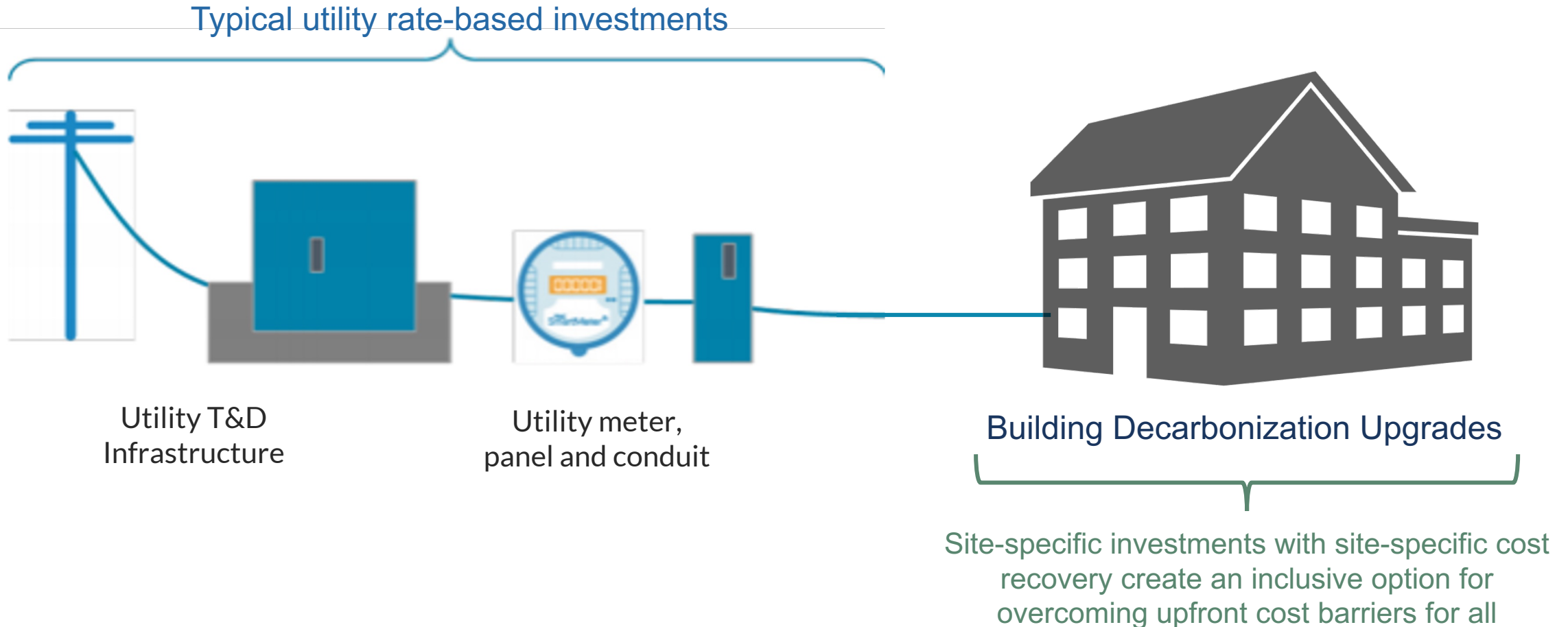
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IUI Overview



## Q. What is Inclusive Utility Investment?

**A. Site specific investment on tariffed terms with on-bill cost recovery. Also referred to as Tariffed On-Bill**



# IUI Investment vs. On-Bill Financing

		OBF	IUI
Program Attributes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cost recovery is through a fixed charge on the utility bill</li> </ul>	✓	✓
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Participant accepts an opt-in utility tariff <u>tied to the location</u></li> </ul>		✓
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Charge applies automatically to successor customers until cost recovery is complete</li> </ul>		✓
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Estimated savings <u>must exceed</u> cost recovery charges</li> </ul>		✓
Customer Benefits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No upfront participant cost for cost effective upgrades</li> </ul>	✓	✓
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No credit or income qualification required</li> </ul>		✓
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Renters are eligible</li> </ul>		✓
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Estimated savings <u>exceed</u> cost recovery charges</li> </ul>		✓
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Payments end if upgrade fails and is not repaired</li> </ul>		✓

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# SVCE + TECH IUI Pilot Proposal

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# The 3 Pillars of TECH Clean California



Spur the market for electrification through statewide strategies



Create scalable models through regional pilots



Inform development of policies that enable full market transformation



**IUI pilot in partnership with SVCE**

Part of broader effort to finance decarbonization and improve customer targeting

# Pilot Goals



Replace 500 furnaces and air conditioners and 500 gas water heaters with **heat pump HVAC units and heat pump water heaters**



Demonstrate efficacy of the **Inclusive Utility Investment (IUI) model**

- Inform future potential expansion of the program to low- and moderate-income and other underserved communities



Show a **pathway to scale statewide** to address climate challenges

# Key Proposal Elements

## Customer eligibility

Independent of income or credit standing but subject to good utility bill payment history

*Year 1:* focus on middle-income single-family customers with aging mechanical systems

*Year 2:* expand outreach to lower income tiers and multifamily

## Target Customers

Single-family homes with high energy loads and aging mechanical systems

*Space heating:* >400 Therms per year

*Space cooling:* >1,600 kWh per year

*Water heating:* >360 Therms per year



*Cash-positive assurance*



*No credit check requirements*



*Automatic application of tariff to successor customers*



*Integration with complementary funding sources*

# Regulatory Context & Timeline

- Pilot proposal is subject to regulatory review via CPUC's Clean Energy Finance Options proceeding (R.20-08-022)
- Contingencies impacting pilot launch date:
  - Date of CPUC decision & direction for next steps
  - Requirements for subsequent Advice Letter filing
  - Resolution of regulatory jurisdiction questions between CPUC & DFPI
  - PG&E billing system set up
  - Development of PG&E Platform rules
  - Access to 3rd party capital for investments

Milestone	Time Frame
Proposals for financing programs submitted	April 15
Revised proposals submitted	June 15
Planning Phase	Ongoing
Proposed & final CPUC decision	Q4, 2022?
Implementation Phase launch	Q3, 2023?

# IUI Pilot Team Responsibilities

## PG&E

- Fund Behind-The-Meter investments & recover costs
- Remit revenues to capital providers
- Recover regulatory asset costs from ratepayers

## SVCE

- Accountable to CPUC and PG&E for Pilot success
- Holds contract with Energy Solutions
- Lead community engagement & support marketing
- Consulted and informed regarding all steps of planning and implementation phases

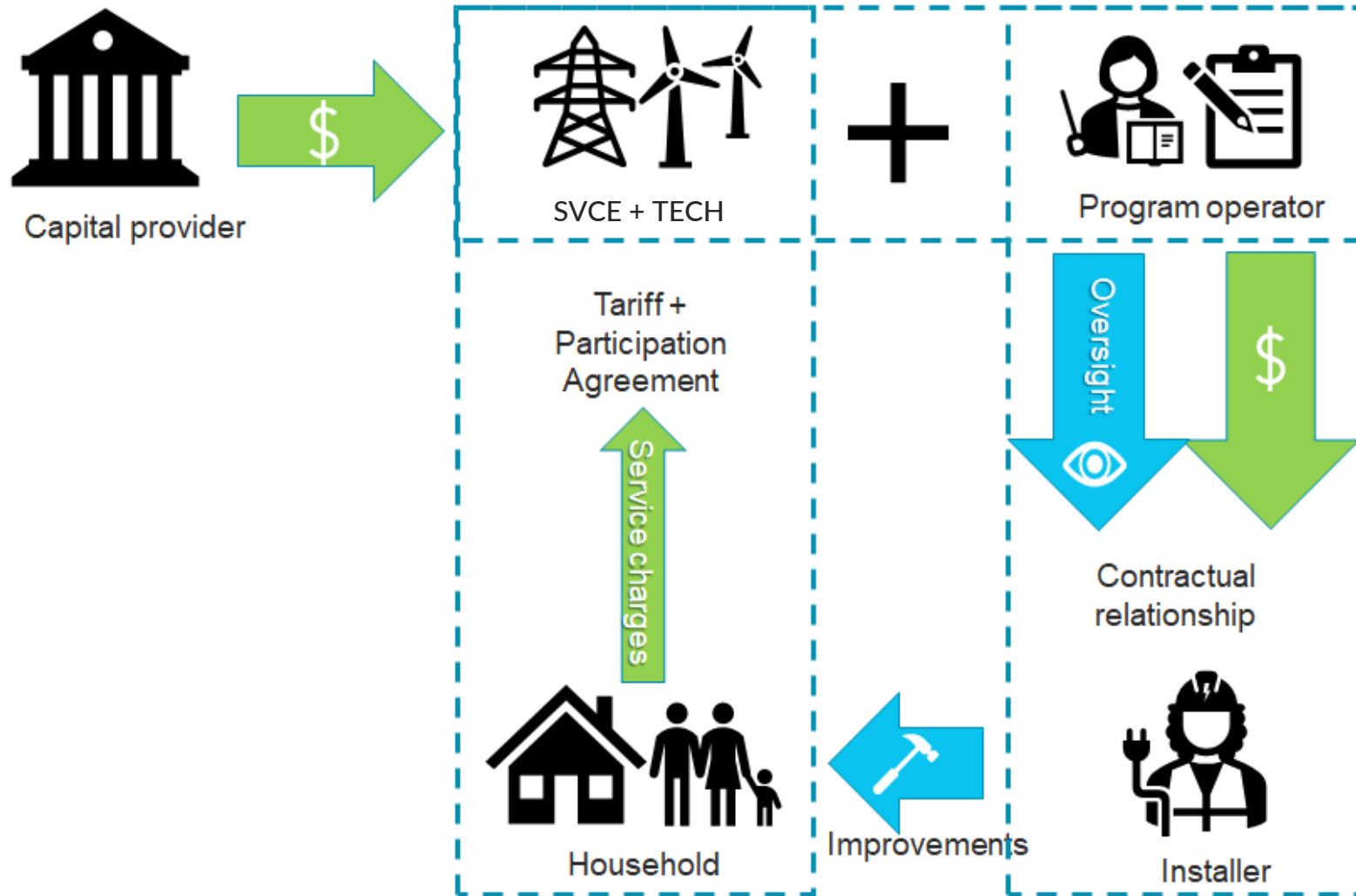
## Energy Solutions & TECH Team

- Holds contract with and oversees Program Operator
- Responsible for Pilot design, implementation, and evaluation
- Performs measurement and verification analysis

## Program Operator

- Responsible for marketing and outreach for customer acquisition and support
- Oversees improvement installation and provides customer support
- Supports program design and implementation planning

# Program Delivery Model



# Customer Protections: Planning and Post-Retrofit Phase

- **Project Planning Phase Protections**

- Program Operator develops project scope or budget, not the installing contractor
- Adopt best practices & QA protocols for developing savings estimates
- Build in 20% buffer between expected annual savings and Program Service Charge

- **Post-Retrofit Protections**

- Customer owns upgrades. No liens, no threat of repossession or foreclosure.
- Charges stop if upgrades stop working until they are repaired and working again.
- Installation quality control and acceptance testing
- Extended warranties on equipment and installation
- Customer-specific limited savings prediction guarantee based on metered results

# Tenant Protections

## Design principles:

- Landlord must consent to let the utility program sponsor install upgrades.
- Landlords continue to have a fiduciary duty to provide space heating and hot water services to tenants.

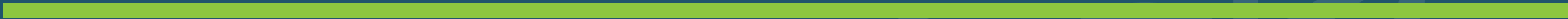
## Recommendations:

- Require landlord copayments for space heating and hot water upgrades
- Apply waterfall provisions for landlord copay, incentives, and IUI Program Service Charge structured to minimize tenant obligations, maximize benefits



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# Program Operator SOW



# Scope of Services Overview

Phase	Tasks
<b>Planning Phase</b>	Pilot design and documentation development
	Marketing, education, and outreach plan development
	Program operating procedure development
	Supply chain development
	Information system functional requirements development
<b>Implementation Phase</b>	Pilot startup and launch
	Marketing, education, and outreach
	Project origination
	QA/QC of improvements
	Customer service management

*\*Initial task order will only cover Planning Phase*

# Planning Phase

**Duration:** Up to 12 months

**Role:** Work collaboratively with the Program Administration Team to develop an implementation plan and program policies and infrastructure necessary for successful launch

**Informed by:**

- Program plan SVCE submitted to CPUC's CEFO proceeding
- Negotiations with CPUC, DFPI, PG&E, and other regulatory bodies
- Updated IUI financial model
- Financial risk analysis
- M&V risk analysis

# Planning Phase:

## *Pilot Design and Documentation Development*

<b>Lead Collaborators</b>	SVCE + TECH Team
<b>Activity</b>	Collaborate with Program Administration Team to design Pilot plans, policies, and documentation
<b>Deliverables*</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Pilot Program Implementation Plan</li><li>• Financial Services Agreement template, including customer terms and property owner terms for tenant-occupied dwellings</li><li>• Financial plan and program operating budget, detailing project capital requirements and sources, including applicable incentives, tax credits, and transactable grid benefits</li></ul>

*\*Developed in collaboration with Program Administration Team*

# Planning Phase:

## *Marketing, Education, and Outreach Plan Development*

<b>Lead Collaborator</b>	SVCE
<b>Activities</b>	Create a plan to meet enrollment targets and educate potential customers about Pilot benefits and risks Engage CBOs and local governments to determine avenues for collaboration
<b>Deliverables</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Marketing, Education and Outreach Plan</li><li>• Communications schedule</li></ul>

# Planning Phase:

## *Program Operating Procedure Development*

<b>Lead Collaborators</b>	SVCE + TECH Team
<b>Activities</b>	Develop operational procedures and tools to carry out day-to-day functions of Pilot, including project planning, installation, and customer service
<b>Deliverables</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Program policies and procedures, plus supporting plans, tools, and templates</li><li>• Monthly and Quarterly Program Operations Reports</li></ul>

# Planning Phase:

## *Supply Chain Development*

<b>Lead Collaborator</b>	TECH Team
<b>Activities</b>	Support Program Implementers in engaging manufacturers and distributors to secure preferred pricing and extended warranties Lead recruitment of Pilot installation contractors
<b>Deliverables</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Contractor recruitment plan</li><li>• Contractor agreement template, including requirements for licensing, insurance, and bonding</li></ul>

# Planning Phase:

## *Information System Functional Requirements Development*

<b>Lead Collaborator</b>	SVCE + TECH Team
<b>Activities</b>	Work with Program Administration Team to develop IS functional requirements to address and support integration with utility billing systems, active load management, automatic tariff calculations, M&V, and customer service
<b>Deliverables</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Information system functional requirements and specifications</li></ul>



# Implementation Phase

**Duration:** Project Enrollment Period (2 years) + Cost Recovery Period (~10 years)

**Role:** Support implementation by leading customer acquisition, project origination and QA/QC, and customer service for the duration of the Pilot

**Stages:**

- Start-Up
- Project Origination and Installation
- M&V (Program Implementer responsibility)
- Customer Service

**Dependencies:**

- Completion of Planning Phase
- Regulatory approvals
- Investment funds
- Completion of start-up preparations by PG&E, SVCE, and Program Implementers

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# Proposal Requirements



# Proposal Structure

Section	Page Limit
1. <i>Administrative Information</i>	<i>Complete Contact Information template</i>
2. <i>Executive Summary</i>	<i>2 pg.</i>
3. <i>Organization Description and Qualifications</i>	<i>4 pg. (additional 2 pg. per sub-contractor)</i>
4. <i>Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion</i>	<i>2 pg.</i>
5. <i>Experience Performing Services</i>	<i>4 pg.</i>
6. <i>Proposed Approach</i>	<i>12 pg.</i>
7. <i>Staffing</i>	<i>2 pg. (not including attachments)</i>
8. <i>Cost Proposal Narrative and Template</i>	<i>2pg. (narrative); Complete cost proposal template</i>
9. <i>Confirmation of Acceptance of Contract Terms</i>	<i>1 pg.</i>
10. <i>Conflict of Interest Disclosure</i>	<i>1 pg.</i>

# Proposal Evaluation Criteria

Evaluation Component	Description
<b>Meet Proposal Requirements</b>	Bidder adheres to all proposal requirements detailed in RFP
<b>Capability to Deliver Services</b>	Bidder demonstrates adequate resources to perform tasks listed in Scope of Services in SVCE territory in a timely manner and a willingness to work collaboratively with the Program Administration Team. Bidder can scale operations should program beyond Pilot, specifically regards to data tracking and tariff calculation
<b>Qualifications and Relevant Experience</b>	Bidder demonstrates sufficient experience with planning/implementing tariff-on-bill or on-bill financing programs, working with CA utilities and CCAs, and performing tasks outlined in Scope of Services
<b>Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion</b>	Bidder demonstrates experience engaging with LMI communities, disadvantaged communities, and/or renters
<b>Proposed Approach</b>	Bidder proposes a well-thought-out and innovative approach toward Pilot planning and implementation, demonstrating a clear understanding of the Program Operator responsibilities and a plan for collaborating with the Program Administration Team. Proposal outlines mechanisms for minimizing financial and operational risks and presents mechanisms to incorporate alternative funding sources into the plan
<b>Cost</b>	Bidder presents a reasonable cost proposal with relatively competitive labor rates and associated fees and includes revenue share or cost reduction elements
<b>Other Considerations</b>	Program Implementers will consider prior experience working with Program Implementers or SVCE and the existence of and circumstances surrounding any claims or violations of law or governmental regulations against the Bidder, its representatives, and/or partners

# RFP Schedule



# Questions?

*Thank You*

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