



California Public Utilities Commission

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Fact Sheet

California's Long-Term Energy Efficiency Strategic Plan

CPUC Approves 2010-2012 Utility Energy Efficiency Portfolios

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- Approves \$3.1 billion dollars of ratepayer-supported energy efficiency programs for 2010-2012 to be administered by California's investor owned utilities.
- **Avoids the construction of three 500 megawatt power plants**, saves almost 7,000 gigawatt hours of electricity and 150 million metric therms of natural gas, and avoids 3 million tons of greenhouse gas emissions.
- **Creates between 15,000 and 18,000 new jobs.**
- **Launches the nation's largest home retrofit program** under the Statewide Program for Residential Energy Efficiency (CalSPREE), targeting 20 percent savings for up to 130,000 homes over 2010-2012. This tiered incentive program will be designed to leverage municipal funding programs, federal stimulus dollars, and related programs of the California Energy Commission.
- **Provides \$175 million to launch California's Big Bold Energy Strategies for zero net energy (ZNE) homes and commercial buildings**, including design assistance, incentives for "above code" construction, and research and demonstration of new technologies and materials.
- **Phases down subsidies for basic Compact Fluorescent Lamps (CFLs)** and shifts emphasis to advanced lighting programs, including specialty CFLs, solid state lighting, and other technologies.
- **Requires benchmarking of all commercial buildings** in California receiving energy efficiency monies.
- **Provides over \$260 million in funding for 64 cities, counties, and regional agencies** for local efforts targeting public sector building retrofits and leading edge energy efficiency opportunities.
- **Requires the development of performance metrics** to measure the progress of each program towards market transformation and achievement of the short, medium, and long-term goals and strategies set forth in the California Long-Term Energy Efficiency Strategic Plan (www.californiaenergyefficiency.com).

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