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10:02 A.M.

3 MR. SHIRAKH: So, this is the first 2013 Building
4 Standards Staff Workshop and some of you might have received
5 an agenda last Friday. I think we had to change it this
6 morning a little bit because Joe Huang was going to be
7 presenting the Weather Files, he won't be here this morning.
8 We had to move him later this afternoon. So, I'm going to
9 have some brief comments and then Cathy Chappell from HMG is
10 going to make a presentation on behalf of the IOUs and the
11 CASE Initiatives. And then, after that, the first topic
12 will be the Life Cycle Costing Methodology of AEC, and Dan
13 will present that. And just before noon will be the first
14 Time Dependent Valuation for the Base Standards.

15 If I may ask all the people who are on the phone, if
16 you can mute your phones, we are apparently getting some
17 feedback here, and then if you have any questions, you can
18 unmute it yourself.

19 And after the lunch break, at 1:00, we will be
20 talking about the TDV for the Reach Standards. And then,
21 following that will be the Weather Files by Joe, and then
22 the last presentation will be by Bruce Wilcox, the New
23 Simulation Engine for Residential Compliance, and he has run
24 some interesting scenarios and he'll share his findings with
25 you. And hopefully we can get out of here by 4:00. I know

1 some of you guys have flights and other plans. So, if we
2 can go to my presentation first?

3 Before I start, I would kind of like to acknowledge
4 a few people in the room. Bill Pennington is the Office
5 Manager for the High Performance Office; my partner in crime
6 is Martha Brook, the Senior Engineer; and Patrick Saxton, I
7 think, is in the audience; and Gary Flamm and our consultant
8 team; Bruce Wilcox, who is leading the Residential Technical
9 Contract; and Dan Suyeyasu of AEC for the Non-Res; and E3
10 will be presenting the TDV. Amber, I don't know, is Snuller
11 going to be here, too? Oh, there he is. I'm not wearing my
12 glasses. And so, I was expecting Commissioner Eggert to be
13 here, but I don't see him, so if he comes, you know, we'll
14 acknowledge him.

15 So, I am Mazi Shirakh. And we can go to the next
16 slide, please. So, this is probably - many of you have seen
17 presentations like this in the previous cycles of standards,
18 we always start by, you know, identifying our policy goals,
19 which for the next few cycles is going to move towards the
20 Zero Net Energy for 2020 for residential buildings, and 2030
21 for non-res. And the goal of Zero Net Energy has been
22 identified with several policy documents that we rely upon,
23 for instance, the 2008 CPUC/CEC Energy Action Plan, the
24 California Air Resources Board Climate Change Scoping Plan,
25 and the CPUC's Long Term Energy and Efficiency Strategic

1 Plan, and CEC's own IEPR Reports. Also, the Governor's
2 Executive Order, which establishes mandatory reductions for
3 greenhouse gases, which was codified by AB 32 in 2006. Next
4 slide, please. And also, the Green Building Standards Code
5 that was published in July of 2008, and went into effect
6 January of this year. And also, there is the new document
7 by Governor-Elect Jerry Brown, his Clean Energy Jobs Plan,
8 which reinforces many of the policy statements that we've
9 been following, the Zero Net Energy, the Renewables. And I
10 have a link to that report and we'll be putting up the
11 slides on our website and you can click on that and get a
12 copy of that. Next, please.

13 As you generally know, the Standards is not just a
14 CEC thing, you know, we have many collaborators that help
15 us, first and foremost, the California IOUs, PG&E, SDE,
16 SDG&E, and Southern California Gas, you know, they are
17 helping us with the funding and the contractors teams.
18 Also, PIER is providing substantial help to those standards,
19 and the members of the public, you know, as usual, we get
20 many comments from the public through our workshops,
21 stakeholder meetings, e-mails, and that's always very
22 helpful. Next, please.

23 So, this is the so-called Rosenfeld Graphs that
24 we've updated and it actually goes through 2010, and again,
25 I guess many of you know the story of this, this is

1 basically - the green is the per capita electricity
2 consumption, which excludes transportation, this is metered
3 data at the buildings for res and non-res buildings. And
4 the story here is that, before we had buildings and
5 appliance standards, California was basically on the same
6 slope as the rest of the country, but in the mid-'70s when
7 we introduced the first appliance standards, and then the
8 energy standards, California has pretty much stayed level
9 when the rest of the country has - and what's interesting
10 is, if you notice, both California and the U.S. graphs have
11 been dipping the last couple of years, and I suspect that is
12 the result of the recession we've been experiencing. Next,
13 please.

14 This is another interesting graph that shows the per
15 capita consumption by state, all 50 states, or 51, they must
16 do something here, maybe, yeah, the Virgin Islands or
17 something. But, anyway, California is the most efficient
18 State in the Union, followed by New York, Rhode Island,
19 Hawaii; we're actually more efficient than Paradise. And I
20 guess if you're curious, the bottom is Wyoming and Kentucky.
21 Next, please.

22 So, our goals for this round of standards, 2013, is
23 - and we probably envision three cycles, including this one
24 and 2020, and so we're hoping for big savings for each cycle
25 so we can get to the goal of Zero Net Energy, and the

1 savings would be in this range for each cycle. We're also
2 including Reach Standards into the Title 24 for the first
3 time, so that will go into the Part 11. And one of the
4 things we're doing, we're aligning our schedule with the
5 Billing Standards Commission, that all of Title 20 will go
6 into effect, published - adopted, published, and go into
7 effect at the same time. Next, please.

8 Other goals of this round of standards includes
9 simplification of standards, which is always in some of the
10 comments that we hear from the Building Departments and
11 practitioners, even our own staff, that the standards at
12 times are confusing, and they're complicated. So, to the
13 extent possible, we would like to address some of these
14 issues. Some of the things we're doing is migrating some
15 proscriptive requirements that could be different between
16 climate zones or can be traded away from proscriptive
17 requirements into mandatory measures, what makes sense.
18 Also, one of the sources of complexity and standards having
19 so many exceptions, often times we have a simple rule that
20 says cool roof reflectance is .20, but then we have nine
21 different ways of circumventing those, and so the message
22 gets lost in there. So, to the extent possible, we'd like
23 to look at these exceptions and eliminate where it makes
24 sense. And another thing we're pursuing is developing user-
25 friendly compliance forms and creating online forms that

1 make it more convenient to people. When people see that
2 stack of three-inch forms, it's kind of intimidating, even
3 if they don't have to fill out all of them, so, by reducing
4 the amount of forms and making it easier to do it online.
5 And some other things we are pursuing, we're hoping to
6 reduce some of the burdens. Improvement of third-party
7 field verification and acceptance requirements - that's an
8 ongoing struggle we have, and so we're working with various
9 stakeholders to improve upon those. And another major
10 improvement would be electronic record-keeping and creating
11 a CEC central repository for electronic forms. The 2008
12 Standards, we took the first step of having HERS Provider
13 registries and uploading of electronic documents for
14 residential electronic signing. Right now, this data is
15 kind of scattered, at least in three different places.
16 We're going to keep that structure, but we'll have one
17 central place where people can go in and do research
18 enforcement action, and so forth. And also, we're
19 considering measures that would integrate efficiency with
20 demand response, and a prime example of that is the
21 controllable electronic ballasts for non-res buildings, this
22 is an effort we have been pursuing with the IOUs through a
23 CASE Initiative and we've had numerous meetings throughout
24 the State, and I think that's pretty much ready for prime
25 time. Next, please.

1 This round of standards includes some measures that
2 are not directly energy-related, but are caused by systems
3 that use energy in the buildings. For instance, air-
4 conditioning systems, or refrigeration systems that leak
5 greenhouse gases, even though it does not have a direct
6 impact on energy, which it might, I mean, a refrigeration
7 system that is improperly charged does not work the way it's
8 supposed to. But, on top of that, it's going to have some
9 environmental effects that are indirectly caused by this.
10 We're also including considering water saving measures,
11 that's a new mandate we have, is to try to reduce water
12 consumption in the buildings, and encouraging proper
13 building orientation for both - you know, we all know that
14 building orientation has an impact on the budget of the
15 standards of the building, you know, depending on where the
16 glasses are, and overhangs, and so forth. And also,
17 building orientation has an impact on future installation of
18 PVs on the roof. If the roof does not have enough surface,
19 free surface, facing the proper orientation, then you won't
20 be able to put PVs on that building later on. And we're
21 also considering innovating ways of introducing
22 photovoltaic's into the buildings as compliance options, not
23 as mandatory requirements. And the key here is to make sure
24 that we're not trading away basic efficiency features of the
25 building against photovoltaic's, that is, you know, you

1 can't - I had a request here for people who are on the line,
2 if you can, please mute your phones because we're getting
3 some background noise here. I would really appreciate that.

4 So, again, going back to the PV's, the goal here is
5 to introduce PV without sacrificing efficiency in the
6 buildings. Next, please. So, this wonderful slide is our
7 new schedule for the 2013 Standards. By the way, you may
8 have noticed, I keep referring to this as 2013 Standard,
9 it's no longer 2011, it doesn't mean the standards have been
10 delayed by two years, what it is basically is part of our
11 realignment with the Building Standards Commission, we are
12 using publication date of the whole Building Code, which is
13 this date here, July of 2013. So, the upshot of this is the
14 three dates that are marked in red, the March 1, 2012, is
15 the adoption date, July of 2013 is the publication date of
16 the whole Building Code, and July 1, 2014 is the effective
17 date of the Standards. And we're someplace in Phase II, I'm
18 not going to spend a lot of time on this, but if you have
19 any questions, give me a call, or send me an e-mail. Next,
20 please.

21 So, the way we typically update the Standards is,
22 you now, we do a lifecycle costing for each measure. There
23 is always this debate whether the standards have to be cost-
24 effective as an entirety, or each measure, and traditionally
25 we demonstrate that cost-effectiveness is for each measure,

1 and we think that approach has served us right, and this is
2 actually the topic of the day for the rest of the day today,
3 so we'll get to that. And one of the things that are a
4 little bit different about this cycle is, in the past, staff
5 at the Energy Commission as pretty much conducted the whole
6 pre-Rulemaking and the Rulemaking phase here at the
7 Commission. Many of you know that, with this cycle of
8 standards, it's been up to this point the IOUs who have been
9 running the show and we've been involved in the process, but
10 we've kind of taken a back seat until the IOUs are
11 completely done with their stakeholder meetings. Next,
12 please. And I want to urge everyone here, because the Round
13 2 and 3 of the stakeholders meetings are coming up this fall
14 and in the winter and it's very important that stakeholders
15 participate in those because that's where the first draft of
16 the Standards is coming from, is going to be the product of
17 the stakeholder meetings. So, come in spring of 2011 when
18 we go to the pre-rulemaking workshops, we'll be presenting
19 the draft standards that have come out of this process.
20 Next, please. Any questions on any of this? Just one
21 second. We're still getting some background noise. Ron is
22 not here. Maybe what we can do is, when Ron comes back,
23 we'll mute all the lines. I hate to do that.

24 Before I go to Nehemiah, if you would please leave a
25 business card so we know who attended, there is supposed to

1 be a sign-up sheet here, but I think the most convenient
2 thing would be to leave a business card for everyone. Yeah,
3 just on that. That would be really helpful. And the
4 presenters, you can either present from here and we'll
5 advance the slide, or you can go to the podium and run your
6 own slide show. Ron, if there is any way to mute all the
7 lines that would be really good. We're still getting some -
8 okay. People on the line, we just muted you because we're
9 getting background noise. If you want to ask a question,
10 raise your hand and then we'll unmute your line. Nehemiah.

11 MR. STONE: A very short question. Nehemiah Stone
12 with Benningfield Group. Going back to the slide that had
13 the schedule on it, the next round of standards after this
14 was supposed to be the 2014 standards. Do I take it from
15 that that is now going to be the 2016 standards?

16 MR. SHIRAKH: Yeah, we're going to stick with the
17 Building Standards Commission, which is a three-year cycle,
18 so it will be presumably, we call it 2016 and 2019
19 Standards. Bob.

20 MR. RAYMER: Thank you, Mazi. We're going to be
21 meeting with some of CALBO's leadership tomorrow night and
22 one of the questions they're going to be asking is about the
23 schedule, and to the Energy Commission staff, what is the
24 best manner in which CALBO can get their comments regarding
25 simplicity and documentation into you guys in sort of a

1 cohesive way? Is there a particular time period you would
2 like to see that happen, like over the next couple months?
3 Or would you like them to come up here or send it -

4 MR. SHIRAKH: Yes. I think you had mentioned in
5 your e-mail that they would like to come and meet with us.

6 MR. RAYMER: Yes.

7 MR. SHIRAKH: I think that would be the best way.

8 MR. RAYMER: Thank you.

9 MR. SHIRAKH: Any other questions under the Intro
10 here? So, the next presentation is going to be by Cathy
11 Chappell, and she works for Heschong Mahone Group (HMG) on
12 behalf of the California IOUs, and she is going to give you
13 a rundown on the CASE Project's progress to this date.

14 MS. CHAPPELL: Just turn that on? I guess this is
15 the easiest place to be. I am Cathy Chappell with the
16 Heschong Mahone Group and we are managing the contract for
17 the Investor Owned Utilities, the IOUs that are PG&E,
18 Southern California Edison, San Diego Gas & Electric, and
19 SoCal Gas. And so the four of those are collectively
20 referred to as the IOUs and we are working on Codes and
21 Standards Enhancement, or CASE, studies that are submitted
22 to the Energy Commission. So, sometimes we tend to talk in
23 those acronyms, as long as everybody understands us. And
24 Heschong Mahone Group and Energy Solutions are the primary
25 contractors for the IOUs working on a whole host of CASE

1 measures and we have several subcontractors working on a
2 variety of the measures. We can move to the next page. And
3 the IOUs, basically the role of the IOUs is their Codes and
4 Standards Program, which is actually part of their energy
5 efficiency program portfolio that the CPUC is regulating, is
6 to actively work on Codes and Standards efforts to be
7 adopted by the Energy Commission, and it is supporting the
8 Energy Commission in developing these standards. And what
9 we're looking at right now is, as Mazi said, the 2013 Base
10 Standard, which is Part 6, as well as the Reach Standard,
11 which is Part 11. And what the Codes and Standards Program
12 is looking at is not just the snapshot of what we can get
13 done this round, but also looking at these topics, looking
14 at what needs to be done to get measures incorporated into
15 future standards, as well, heading towards the 2020 and 2030
16 Net Zero. And so what we have been looking at is obviously
17 residential standards and non-residential standards, and
18 we're also moving into some process measures and PV and
19 other topics that haven't necessarily been in the Title 24.

20 So, what I'm going to show you is obviously kind of
21 an overview and this isn't meant to give any of the details,
22 but I wanted to just show you the breadth of the topics.
23 For residential, we have envelope, we have HVAC, we have
24 some solar measures, which is both PV, as well as solar
25 thermal, and we have some DHW, Domestic Hot Water, and some

1 plug load issues, lighting and plug controls. And all of
2 these cover both a variety of single family and multi-family
3 and, again, this is just a snapshot of the breadth of what
4 we're covering. Next slide. The non-residential measures,
5 the envelope, lighting, HVAC, and water heating, as well as
6 the next slide, which is refrigeration measures, which are a
7 new area that we're moving into, last round there was
8 refrigerated warehouse requirements, we're revising those,
9 making some clarifications and improving - we're also
10 looking into commercial refrigeration, which is
11 supermarkets. Some of the process measures are data
12 centers, looking at cooling towers, which will cover both
13 the water and the energy savings, looking at a variety of
14 other measures that are under process that ASHRAE 90.1 has
15 already looked at, and looking at how that can be
16 incorporated into Title 24, and then a variety of other
17 measures, including PVs for commercial buildings, some solar
18 pool heating, some commissioning requirements, and
19 acceptance testing.

20 And the activity that we are working on, as Mazi
21 said, is we're developing these CASE Reports, which are
22 basically the analysis and the assumptions that go into why
23 we're proposing what we're proposing, and developing draft
24 code language. And the idea is that we will have these CASE
25 Reports ready for the Energy Commission that we'll be

1 submitting by March of 2011. And one of the key activities
2 that the IOUs are doing is to host these stakeholder
3 meetings and part of that is to get earlier involvement in
4 the whole outreach that the Energy Commission does with
5 their formal rulemaking process, and start the discussion
6 earlier. And we've been working with the Energy Commission
7 to make these as publicly noticed as we can be, to get all
8 the stakeholders involved, have them accessible, both in
9 person, as well as remotely - webinars and phone, and
10 specifically to get industry input and to get feedback on
11 what we're proposing. And, again, what we're looking at is
12 not just, you know, does it get into standards or does it
13 die, but what do we need to do to move things forward to get
14 more efficiency within the standards -- how is it best going
15 to work.

16 And so, the stakeholder meeting purpose is, again,
17 basically to publicize what the IOUs are doing, and to do
18 this in a forum that's similar to what the Energy Commission
19 is doing, but for the IOUs to basically take on that
20 responsibility and do this outreach to industry, and with
21 the earlier stakeholder meetings, we present our methodology
22 as we go and basically get agreement that, yeah, we're
23 looking at the right things, we're not missing anything,
24 looking at where we think we're headed, should we look at
25 things sooner than later, we don't want to get to the end of

1 the road and say, "Oh, gee, you should have considered this
2 technology or this methodology," and to look at what the
3 market is, what's feasible, what we think will be feasible
4 in 2013, 2014, and then, again, to just do the straw draft
5 code language, where we think we're headed, and get
6 feedback. And then, what we want from the audience is to
7 get additional data, cost data if we can get it, market
8 penetration data, and information from manufacturers about
9 what's feasible, if the code requires something in three
10 years, can we get there with where they're headed. And what
11 we want ultimately is to have these CASE Reports that have
12 been fully vetted so that, by the time it gets to the Energy
13 Commission and the workshops and the 45-day language, that
14 it's not new, that it's information that most of industry
15 will have seen.

16 And so the schedule that we have is we did our first
17 stakeholder meetings, which was basically to roll out the
18 process, say, "Here we are, this is what we're doing." And
19 we did those earlier this year, spring, and just kind of get
20 the discussion going. We have our second stakeholder
21 meetings, which is the initial analysis of what we've done,
22 present our results, do some initial cost-effectiveness
23 analysis, for example, with some of the supermarket
24 refrigeration, we looked at some simple payback during our
25 second stakeholder meeting since we hadn't yet done any of

1 the lifecycle cost analysis, it was a way to just get it out
2 there and get the discussion going. And, again, where
3 appropriate, say, "Here's what we think we want to put into
4 the Code," kind of the straw-man, put it up there, you know,
5 as target practice, and see what people say. And we have
6 had most of the lighting topic second stakeholder meetings,
7 earlier this fall. Most of the other ones, there are
8 several scheduled for early December, and a lot of the
9 residential topics will actually happen either later in
10 December or early next year, January of next year.

11 And then, what we're calling our third and final
12 stakeholder meeting is basically after we've done all the
13 analysis and had the discussion, gotten feedback, perhaps
14 done additional analysis, come back and say, "Here's what we
15 want to present to the Energy Commission as our final Code
16 language." We hope that the majority of what happens in
17 those third stakeholder meetings is that we have our final
18 draft Code language. There may be a few measures where we
19 need to do additional analysis and we may have more, you
20 know drafty Code language than others, and I think that will
21 evolve as progress happens with the rest of what we're going
22 to talk about today. So, this is our current schedule,
23 there may be some slight revisions, but that's what we're
24 posting publicly. We have all meetings set up so that they
25 can be attended in person, as well as remotely, and probably

1 by the end of the process, we'll perfect how to get all the
2 presentations working and the communication with the people
3 on the phone working.

4 And what I want to end with is basically just the
5 process of how this is publicly noticed. There is the
6 calcodesgroup.com that is for all of the IOUs, it is housed
7 at Southern California Edison, so they have to obviously -
8 there's a few corrections there on dates and so forth that
9 need to happen, and I decided that, instead of trying to be
10 slick and walk you through it live, I would just show you
11 where to go for this information, and you'll notice that, at
12 the calcodesgroup.com, there is the link that says to access
13 the stakeholder meetings and the stakeholder schedule, click
14 this link. And we'll hopefully get that updated so it is
15 more, you know, CASE topics, and has more of the information
16 because, if we go to the next slide of what happens when you
17 click on that is that it will take you to this page that
18 will list all of - basically list an overview of what the
19 IOUs are doing, and then list all of the CASE topics. And
20 this is just a screen shot, but the Title 24 CASE topics, if
21 you were live and scrolled through it, have the residential
22 topics, lists all of them, give a real brief synopsis about
23 what the topic is, and then there's the links to the
24 stakeholder group meetings that will show you when the
25 stakeholder meetings are, and what topics they cover. And

1 what we're trying to do, instead of having one meeting for
2 every single topic that were listed on the previous slide,
3 is to group the meetings according to interest, you know, so
4 we have residential envelope together, and we'll have non-
5 residential HVAC, etc. And then go to the next slide, I
6 think, yeah. So, then, once you click on that, the link
7 that was over in the lower right-hand corner, it shows you
8 what is covered in residential HVAC, for example, what
9 topics are covered, and then when the meetings are, the
10 meeting notes for previous meetings, and the agendas for
11 future meetings. And we will also have additional
12 information as it develops; we'll post all of the analysis
13 that we've done and reference this to studies and, as the
14 CASE Reports get developed, we'll have Draft CASE Reports
15 there, as well. So, I think, yeah, that's the last slide.
16 Obviously, there's a lot more information there, but that's
17 going to -- starting at the calcodes website is the best
18 place to get information.

19 MR. SHIRAKH: Any questions for Cathy?

20 MS. CHAPPELL: Great, thanks.

21 MR. SHIRAKH: Thank you. We're being a little bit
22 late in posting these reports to our website, but everything
23 you see today will be on our 2013 website, this report, and
24 all the presentations and the background reports, all of
25 them will be on the website.

1 So, the next is going to be Life Cycle Costing by
2 Dan, and basically this is the big picture, the Life Cycle
3 Costing Methodology, but a lot of information goes into this
4 methodology, which includes the TDV and the Weather, and
5 those details will be filled in later. At the end of each
6 section, we'll open it up for questions.

7 MR. SUYEYASU: And this presentation will be broken
8 in two sections, one covering the basic standards, and then
9 just a brief diversion into the Reach Standards, and what
10 we're thinking about for modified Life Cycle cost
11 methodology there. I'm Dan Suyeyasu with Architectural
12 Energy Corporation (AEC). We are managing the non-
13 residential contract with the California Energy Commission
14 to help develop the new Title 24 Standards. We are also,
15 just by way of context, working for HMG and the
16 independently owned utilities, doing some of the case
17 research projects, as well. So, the methodology we're going
18 to set forth here, we are dealing with on a day-to-day basis
19 as we do some of those case research topics. Just going
20 back to the basis of why we are doing cost-effective
21 analysis, it all goes back to the Warren-Alquist Act,
22 Section 25402, probably don't need to read that to most of
23 you because you've read it before.

24 California's Energy Efficiency Code Development
25 process is somewhat distinct from a lot of other efficiency

1 codes in that it is driven by this cost-effectiveness test,
2 whereas many other standards such as ASHRAE 90.1, it's
3 generally a consensus-based process, instead. There, you
4 know, ASHRAE will use cost-effectiveness analysis in making
5 some of the decisions, but it's much more a central
6 component to California's process.

7 The Life Cycle Cost Methodology really has not
8 changed much since the last cycle. Most of the changes are
9 actually on the input side of it, the TDV numbers and the
10 weather. So, what I'm going to go through over the next
11 couple slides shouldn't be anything too radical here,
12 probably at the last 25 percent of the presentation is where
13 things start to change this go-round. The basic test that
14 we're looking for is to reduce the negative - reduce overall
15 the life cycle cost of a particular efficiency measure in a
16 building, or trying to get a negative delta in the life
17 cycle cost, compared to the base case. The delta component
18 of the life cycle cost methodology certainly requires that you
19 have something to compare to, which is the base case, it is
20 described in the Warren-Alquist Act as historical practice;
21 base case is the term that we use most often as we go
22 through this process. Our current definition of the base
23 case is the 2008 Standards for most measures that are
24 already regulated, such as existing efficiency levels if we
25 want to move them to higher efficiency. If we are looking

1 to evaluate a measure that is not currently part of Title
2 24, we essentially look to conventional building practices
3 and make some judgment calls as to what we should be
4 comparing against in determining how much more efficient,
5 and what the cost premium is for our new building
6 technology.

7 So, looking at the various components of our life
8 cycle cost analysis here, there are two sides to it, there
9 is the change in the measure cost, and this is in some ways
10 the much harder part for us to determine as what is actually
11 the market price out there for various measures. We need to
12 collect measure cost on both the base case, what is the cost
13 to install conventional building practices right now, and
14 what is the cost for the proposed measure that we're looking
15 to implement as a part of the code. This looks at
16 materials, labor cost, variations in maintenance and
17 replacement costs, some of those - if there is an increased
18 maintenance issue with something we're proposing that's
19 going to happen 10 years out, we will discount those costs
20 to net present value with the three percent discount rate
21 that is the standard for the Commission analysis. And we
22 will add in any other notable cost differences if there are
23 any.

24 The TDV number, which is what we have finished
25 developing with E3's assistance. It is Time Dependent

1 Valuation and it is basically a method for evaluating the
2 use of energy hourly throughout the year so that energy
3 demands that are happening at periods of high strain on the
4 electricity grid are valued more than electricity demand
5 that is happening at periods of low energy use. These were
6 developed for electricity, natural gas, and propane
7 separately. The natural gas and propane TDV numbers are
8 developed on a monthly basis because there just is not as
9 much variation in those markets. The details of the new TDV
10 numbers will be explained in much more detail later today by
11 E3.

12 So here is just a little sample of what TDV numbers
13 look like, graphed over a 10-day period, it is in the fall,
14 September 21 to September 30th, the numbers are quite high
15 and this week it is a warm week, if you look on the right
16 scale, the red numbers and the red line, these are mean
17 daily temperature, so they are not reflecting the peak
18 temperature for that day, which was probably close to 100.
19 So, a 78 mean degree day, you're getting high TDV values; as
20 the temperature drops, going into the next week, the TDV
21 numbers step away from having these peak incidents, I don't
22 know if there's a proper term for that, and reduce
23 themselves to sort of baseline levels that they are much of
24 the year when we're not having hot periods in the State.
25 This graph just happens to drop down in the Saturday and

1 Sunday period, it looks like that's corresponding with the
2 temperature, and somewhat it is, but usually the numbers
3 will be quite low on weekends, just due to the reduced
4 commercial load on the grid.

5 So there are two different types of TDV numbers that
6 are probably worth explaining because we see, say, TDV as if
7 it's a noun, but it's really a process, it's Time Dependent
8 Valuation and there are Time Dependent Valuation dollars,
9 and those are the numbers originally produced by E3 when
10 they do their analysis. This includes cost of energy, cost
11 of transmission, externalities such as carbon prices, and
12 this value, TDV dollars, is ultimately used as the common
13 denominator because traditional source energy metrics
14 couldn't bring in some of these externalities and convert
15 them to Btu, so dollars are sort of the universal equation
16 that everything can be converted to for producing E3's TDV
17 dollar spreadsheets. This will be expressed in the
18 spreadsheets in terms of dollars per kilowatt hour, dollars
19 per therm. We then convert that to TDV Btu, which is the
20 energy metric that is used in the modeling tools that are
21 used for compliance calculation purposes and for doing the
22 modeling as we develop our case measures. So, these
23 outputs, it's somewhat analogous to the source energy and
24 metrics that used to be used for compliance calculations,
25 giving a Btu - source Btu - number. It, of course,

1 incorporates some non-energy elements in it, the
2 transmission costs, the externalities, but it is the closest
3 analogue that we could develop as part of the TDV process.

4 There are single numbers to scale, they are
5 different for residential and non-residential for 15-year
6 and 30-year, but there is a single number to scale from the
7 TDV dollars to the TDV Btu, which means the shapes of these
8 curves across the year are exactly the same, they're just at
9 different scales with different units, and E3 will get into
10 that a lot more, later today.

11 So just something important as we go through the
12 details a bit further, they are now the 2013 Standards, but
13 we will be talking about 2011 quite a bit because that is
14 the base year for our economic analysis, it is the year that
15 E3 has used, 2011 dollars, as the basis for their TDV
16 numbers. The 30-year projection of utility demand and load
17 and cost are going from 2011 through 2040 for the 30-year
18 standards, 2011 to 2025 for the 15-year standards. So, we
19 will still be mentioning 2011 quite a bit, even though it's
20 now the 2013 Standards, just so you know.

21 And I just want to walk through a little
22 hypothetical example of how the Life Cycle Cost Methodology
23 process is put into place. I just tried to get the most
24 simple thing for everybody to visualize - residential attic
25 insulation, we are not currently analyzing this as a case

1 measure, and we are analyzing some variations on it in terms
2 of raised raised-heel trusses and things like that, but not
3 the base insulation level, at least not right now. So, just
4 for this hypothetical, assume R30 is our base case, and
5 assume we are proposing to measure R45, is it cost-
6 effective? So, our objective is to reduce the life cycle
7 cost for the building if that is true with R45, then we will
8 try to have it adopt as a measure assuming other conditions
9 are present such as availability to the market and other
10 issues. So, the inputs in this case for a life cycle cost
11 analysis are for the change in measure cost, we are looking
12 at the cost of the proposed measure, which would be the R45
13 insulation minus the cost of the base case. So, what's the
14 cost of R30 insulation? This might be an extra dollar per
15 square foot for this change in insulation level. So, same
16 thing on the TDV, we looked at the modeled energy use, and
17 here we to some degree invert it, so the base case comes
18 first, and this is just because, in our delta explanation
19 equation, we like to subtract out the TDV so it looks like
20 you're comparing, but you can move around your negative
21 signs as you want to make the equation work out the same.
22 But we're looking at the model, the R30 insulation, and TDV
23 dollars as compared to the modeled R45 insulation, and TDV
24 dollars, we'll run an energy model of the proposed building
25 with and without these insulation levels, with both

1 insulation levels for a year, it will give us a kilowatt
2 hour usage for the building for each hour of the year, a
3 therm usage for each hour of the year, we'll then multiply
4 those by our TDV multipliers for each hour of the year, and
5 we'll come up with a total dollar cost for the year with and
6 without R30 and with R45.

7 Graphical representation of what goes on with these
8 measures is - we call it the J-Curve in our analysis. And
9 the J-Curve is most useful when you're looking at continuous
10 measures, something where you can implement a standard at
11 any level on a continuum, and insulation is at least one
12 such example. And then, at least that insulation, you can
13 just buy it in certain increments, but if you're doing
14 blown-in insulation, you can basically get any depth and any
15 R value you want. So, as you do an analysis of a measure,
16 if it's not the most cost-effective measure that is the base
17 case right now, as you become more efficient, your cost per
18 square foot over the life cycle of the building will go down
19 until you get to some point where you're not getting enough
20 return on your dollar from your extra insulation, and the
21 cost of your extra insulation starts to overwhelm the
22 additional energy benefit. And this curve is going to look
23 different for each climate zone and for each measure. So,
24 on this curve for insulation, you know, we were analyzing
25 R45 down below and the cost - the life cycle cost of R45 is

1 below R30, so it would be cost-effective. On continuous
2 measures like this, what we'd like to do is look for the
3 measure with the lowest life cycle cost, so we look - on
4 this chart, it would be R41 and we would set the standard
5 there based on this outcome. And that is going to save the
6 - I shouldn't say the owner of the building because we're
7 looking at this at a broader societal level, but it will
8 save the State of California, broadly, \$.25 per square foot
9 of new construction, residential, if we adopt this measure.
10 So, this is just hypothetical data, how this works out.

11 Now, having shown that graph, just a caveat that, at
12 some point as we go through the CASE measure analysis
13 process, people are going to say, "Where's the J-Curve?"
14 We're probably not going to produce a J-Curve, we get a lot
15 of data that dumps into a spreadsheet that defines a whole
16 bunch of comparable attributes, a bunch of different
17 comparable costs, and we run a function that says, "What's
18 the lowest life cycle cost of these data?" And we could
19 probably go back and produce a J-Curve if somebody needed
20 it, but generally it won't be produced - put expectations
21 where they should be.

22 So, geographic variations in the life cycle cost
23 analysis - for measures that involve HVAC issues and
24 envelope measures, anything involving temperature issues in
25 a building, whether issues in a building we're going to

1 evaluate measures separately for all 16 climate zones, and
2 to do that, we use the 16 designated primary weather
3 stations locations for each climate zone. Lighting measures
4 will just be analyzed on a statewide basis because those are
5 the same across climate zones.

6 What's new? This is where things start to change
7 for 2013 as compared to 2008. We have new weather files,
8 one of the biggest improvements this go-round, new data
9 that's been updated from previous cycles, and Joe Huang will
10 get into this much more comprehensively this afternoon. We
11 have much better correlation between climate zones in the
12 weather files, all 16 climate zones are sort of acting like
13 they are in the same state at the same time, so that's a
14 significant improvement. And then, new to TDV, the numbers
15 are much higher now just looking at new projections on the
16 price of electricity and natural gas on the open market, and
17 some amended incorporation of externalities and other
18 issues. The numbers are approximately 20-50 percent higher
19 compared to where they were three or four years ago, on the
20 lower end for non-residential, on the higher end for
21 residential. That doesn't necessarily mean that the value
22 of energy savings from a measure is going to be 20-50
23 percent because it's got to interact with the weather, it's
24 got to interact with the models which are being updated
25 some, but just as a ballpark estimate of where our average

1 values have changed, that's where it's moved. And one of
2 the significant accomplishments that E3 has accomplished now
3 is correlating the weather across the state much better with
4 the TDV, which was permitted by us getting the weather files
5 between the different climate zones correlated to begin
6 with, so that's going to make a big difference in the model
7 of output, and we'll talk about that some more later.

8 This is just a graphic example of the new TDV
9 numbers. The blue lines are annual numbers, just averaged
10 by hour is just one way of looking at it. There's obviously
11 already a thousand numbers for the year, so you can slice it
12 all different sorts of ways to try and summarize it for
13 people, this is just one way of looking at it. This is non-
14 residential, so you can see the increase in the non-
15 residential side is much more in the peak hours, and there's
16 not much increase in the non-residential TDV values in the
17 off-peak hours at late night, and then the orange and red
18 lines is the increase for the summer months, I think that is
19 about four months in the summertime, and you're essentially
20 seeing the same pattern as the annual. And that summer peak
21 is essentially driving all the change, probably that you're
22 seeing in the annual numbers; if we were to look just at the
23 winter, it would almost be a flat line across all hours.

24 Here is the same summary for residential. Here
25 you'll see residential actually increase quite a bit in the

1 off-peak, there is a baseline increase for the residential
2 numbers as compared to the 2008 numbers, which by and large
3 explains the much larger increase in -- the overall
4 residential increase in the TDV numbers.

5 So, any questions on the life cycle cost -

6 MR. SHIRAKH: If you have any questions, please come
7 up to one of these microphones and introduce yourselves.

8 MR. STONE: Nehemiah Stone, Benningfield Group. I'm
9 actually kind of curious, the 2011 Standards which are now
10 the 2013 Standards, won't actually affect new construction
11 until sometime in 2013 for single-family, sometime in 2014
12 or 2015 for multi-family and non-res, but you're making the
13 choice to use the 2011 measure costs as the base case, and
14 I'm curious as to why that would be the case.

15 MR. SUYEYASU: Partly, it's a practical matter. As
16 we do the measure analysis, in terms of figuring out what
17 the costs are for the materials, for the labor, to go into
18 producing these higher technology improvements in the
19 buildings, it's much easier just to evaluate in sort of here
20 and now dollars as we talk to suppliers and builders. We
21 could obviously adjust that to 2014 dollars, and to some
22 degree, when we think about measures, we do make some
23 projections if we think a measure is going to be reduced in
24 cost once it is adopted, looking out toward 2014, if it's a
25 particularly new product to the market, we'll make some

1 projection and say it's going to cost less in 2014. But in
2 terms of the actual dollar year that we analyze, it's our
3 assessment that it's not going to make much difference if we
4 do it in 2011 dollars or 2014 dollars, both sides of the
5 equation are going to scale and you're going to end up with
6 the same measures, either cost-effective or not cost-
7 effective.

8 MR. STONE: So you're starting the string of energy
9 values at 2011 also?

10 MR. SUYEYASU: Yes.

11 MR. RAYMER: Thank you. Bob Raymer with CBIA. You
12 mentioned that you look at these items, well, on an item by
13 item basis, cost-effectiveness. Do you also look at the
14 interactive effect between the various items such as ceiling
15 insulation mixed with cool roof, mixed with radiant barrier?
16 Is that considered?

17 MR. SUYEYASU: Yes.

18 MR. RAYMER: Okay.

19 MR. SUYEYASU: Yes.

20 MR. SPLITT: This is Pat Splitt from APP-TECH. I
21 had two questions, one, just on your example going up to R45
22 insulation, you were mentioning that, well, all we're doing
23 is blowing in more insulation, but if we have a standard
24 that requires more roof insulation, there are a lot of
25 buildings that have vaulted ceilings where there is a lot

1 more involved than just blowing in more insulation. You
2 have to add thicker framing, or much more expensive
3 insulation to get in the same distance, so do you look at
4 all options? Or do you just pick the one that proves your
5 case?

6 MR. RAYMER: I would word it differently, but -

7 MR. SUYEYASU: We, of necessity, try and focus on
8 conventional dominant building practices, which is usually a
9 triangular attic space. This was just a hypothetical, so we
10 haven't gone into all the details on this. You know, we are
11 conscious on some of the measures we're evaluating where,
12 you know, there are all sorts of different ways a person can
13 build a house or non-residential structure, and those are
14 going to have additional costs. We can't analyze all
15 construction types and the impact of these energy efficiency
16 measures on all construction types. If it's a significantly
17 dominant construction type, we'll probably look into it and
18 look at how it will affect our standards and what the
19 implications would be. So, we would look for feedback from
20 you to the case analysis team on if, you know, our dominant
21 construction type that we're looking at and somehow is
22 missing some significant gaps in the building market.

23 MR. SPLITT: Well, I'm just going to say right now,
24 there are a lot of vaulted ceilings in California. And one
25 other question -

1 MR. SUYEYASU: Luckily, we're not analyzing that
2 measure, actually, so just by way of example.

3 MR. SPLITT: Okay. Then, the other thing that I
4 haven't seen mentioned in the meetings that I've gone to so
5 far for Life Cycle Cost Analysis is any analysis of added
6 cost for some measures that require HERS testing, or
7 acceptance testing, or commissioning. A lot of those are
8 mandated and, in some features, they're not significant, but
9 there are other controls, schemes where it's a very
10 significant cost. And I haven't seen that they are actually
11 included in the analysis.

12 MR. SUYEYASU: Yeah.

13 MR. SHIRAKH: Actually, we are. For instance, that
14 controllable ballast that I mentioned, we are considering
15 all the acceptance testing, commissioning and all of that,
16 it's going to be part of the cost that's going to be
17 discounted, and we are considering those costs.

18 MR. SPLITT: So would that also include features
19 that maybe the feature itself hasn't changed, but you're
20 going to require more acceptance testing?

21 MR. SHIRAKH: Yes.

22 MR. SPLITT: Okay. That's it.

23 MR. SHIRAKH: Going to Bob's first question about
24 interactive effect, we do, in fact, when you have like -
25 when you raise the efficiency of the air-conditioning

1 equipment, it's going to impact the envelope features and
2 vice versa, so, yeah, we do take those into consideration.

3 MR. SUYEYASU: And I guess just one thing to add is
4 I think there are also, in a lot of the guidelines that the
5 Energy Commission has set up, a lot of conservative
6 assumptions about cost in terms of looking at these on a
7 measure by measure basis, as opposed to collectively, where
8 you could have certain measures helping other measures be
9 cost-effective. Also, in terms of their interpretation of
10 historical practices, to just look back to the last code, so
11 historical practices for points of analysis is the code that
12 just went into effect nine months ago, and that's not
13 terribly historical by some people's standards. So, there
14 are a lot of assumptions that the Energy Commission is
15 making in setting their guidelines that are making sure that
16 everything that gets adopted is part of this methodology, is
17 cost-effective, and they are certainly limiting the reach of
18 the codes to some degree. Any other questions?

19 MR. SHIRAKH: How about online? Can you unmute?
20 Does anybody on the WebEx have a question for Dan?

21 MR. SUYEYASU: Let's move on to the Reach code part
22 of this presentation. This will be much briefer. And this,
23 to some degree, picks up on what I was just saying about the
24 Energy Commission making some conservative assumptions about
25 the Life Cycle Cost Methodology for the base code, and they

1 are somewhat changing the methodology and the standards for
2 Reach measures, just because that's the nature of a Reach
3 code is sort of looking for it a little bit more.

4 The Reach Code Methodology is a work in progress
5 right now, these are basically some proposed ideas that
6 we're working on, and it is under development, but we
7 thought this would be a good hearing to basically lay them
8 out for people and share what we're thinking and where we're
9 moving with it. The Tier 1 and Tier 2 Reach Codes will be
10 optional standards available for adoption by local
11 jurisdictions, so the Tier 1 and Tier 2 won't be implemented
12 on a statewide basis, but maybe implemented in some cities,
13 but not in others, depending on what those local
14 jurisdictions want to do. And the Energy Commission is
15 going to be using the Life Cycle Cost Methodology with the
16 Reach Standards to help those local jurisdictions in
17 adopting Reach Tier 1 and Tier 2 by being able to show that
18 these standards are themselves cost-effective, although
19 perhaps using different metrics that we'll be outlining.

20 At this point, it's a relatively simple set of
21 toolboxes for moving from the base code to the Reach Code,
22 one is to use higher TDV numbers for valuing energy savings.
23 The main issue is basically in these higher TDV numbers that
24 E3 will be developing for us. They will be based on higher
25 assumptions regarding our obligations to basically put an

1 end to, or at least curtail, global warming. Right now, we
2 use a valuation of carbon that is based on the market for
3 carbon out there that various firms are trading. That is
4 not, perhaps, the best valuation of what we actually owe to
5 future generations to try and bring some end to global
6 warming emissions. And the details of those higher TDV
7 values will be explained as part of E3's presentation. As
8 part of the Life Cycle Cost Methodology, there will be at
9 least a new objective for some of the measures that we're
10 analyzing; this probably won't be applied to all measures,
11 but instead of looking to adopt the measure with the lowest
12 life cycle cost, we'll be looking to adopt the measure that
13 is the most efficient with a life cycle cost that is
14 equivalent to current practice. So, this basically is a
15 change in the J-Curve interpretation to prioritize
16 efficiency over economics to some degree. It will still be
17 cost-effective in relation to the base case relation to
18 current building practices, but it won't necessarily be the
19 most cost-effective.

20 So, bringing back this graph one more time, what we
21 would be doing on the J-Curve in this situation is, instead
22 of moving to the lowest point in the curve, we would be
23 looking at our current lifecycle cost for our third
24 insulation, which is about \$2.00 per square foot in this
25 hypothetical, saying "what's the most efficient we can make

1 this insulation standard and still cost \$2.00 per square
2 foot," and using this hypothetical data, we would say it's
3 around R54. So an R54 is cost-effective in comparison to
4 the base case of R30, it's the same cost, but it's saving a
5 lot more energy. So, we have not determined exactly when we
6 will be using this modified methodology as compared to the
7 standard, look for the lowest lifecycle cost methodology in
8 the Reach Code, but it is just one of the tools in the
9 toolbox going forward that will be paired with the higher
10 TDV numbers.

11 And that's where the Reach Code Methodology stands
12 right now.

13 MR. YASNEY: Dan, Bruce Helft has a question.

14 MR. SUYEYASU: Yes.

15 MR. YASNEY: "What additional HERS compliance tests
16 are being considered?"

17 MR. RAYMER: Probably all of them.

18 MR. YASNEY: I do not know.

19 MR. SUYEYASU: As part of Reach Code? Or as part of
20 the Base Code? I guess that's hard to answer. Cathy and
21 Mazi, are there new HERS measures currently under
22 evaluation?

23 MR. SHIRAKH: As far as I know, there are not any
24 measures that require additional third-party HERS
25 verification - yet.

1 MS. BROOK: There could be things that come up; it's
2 too early to report on that right now, so I don't think we
3 can really answer that question.

4 MR. RAYMER: Yes, Bob Raymer with California BIA,
5 with a number of questions with regards to the Reach
6 Standards. Do you have a ball park idea of when you'll have
7 your methodology sort of hammered out and available for us
8 to review? You mention, of course, it's a work in progress,
9 but -

10 MR. SUYEYASU: Yeah, we have sort of set an internal
11 deadline of hopefully sometime in December, but it's hard to
12 know how much back and forth we're going to need internally
13 to get that solved because that's a lot of questions.

14 MR. RAYMER: And, to sort of predicate my next
15 question on this, keep in mind that a Tier 1 and a Tier 2
16 Reach standard, while voluntary at the State level when
17 local jurisdiction adopts it, it's a mandatory, and that
18 becomes the base at the local level, and with that in mind,
19 we're going to be looking when we get this in December,
20 whenever, we're going to be looking to have a clear
21 understanding of what all of this means, in particular the
22 societal benefits related to greenhouse gas reduction, and
23 that kind of leads to my simplistic question that may well
24 have a complex answer, and that is, in looking at what is
25 going to be Tier 1 and Tier 2, using your modified

1 methodology, will the homeowner in a jurisdiction that
2 adopts either Tier 1 or Tier 2 see a reduction in utility
3 bills over a 30-year period that will pay for the changes to
4 the standards? In essence, will they actually see the
5 present value of their energy savings basically be more than
6 what the cost of installation of these new standards?
7 Something that we've had over the last 30 years, but we're
8 sort of heading into a new area now?

9 MR. SUYEYASU: The TDV numbers that we use, of
10 necessity, don't reflect actual utility rates for the users.
11 They are based - they have an adjustment for utility rates,
12 so they, on average, come close. Is that correct, Snuller?

13 MR. PRICE: Yeah.

14 MR. SUYEYASU: Do you want to jump in on that?

15 MR. PRICE: We are going to have the opportunity to
16 kind of run through our thinking on the Tier 1 and Tier 2
17 Reach Standards and economics in a couple of side
18 presentations. I think that the short answer to your
19 question is the Base Standard TDVs get you to that point.
20 And the Reach Standards, I'm going to be talking about what
21 the economics are, but from a strict bill savings
22 calculation, the answer is no.

23 MR. RAYMER: Pretty much what we thought. And -

24 MR. PRICE: The Base Standards already get you all
25 the way there.

1 MR. RAYMER: I hear you. And, as you can well
2 imagine, you know, where the rubber meets the road, we have
3 to market this to the consumer, and I hope it's very clear
4 to the local jurisdictions and to the consumers that the CEC
5 is making a rather historic departure from past practice
6 here in that the definition of cost-effectiveness won't
7 necessarily mean you can get your money back, even though
8 that money back is over a very long period of time, you're
9 going to get other benefits, but it's not going to be in
10 dollar signs, and that is something that the general public,
11 particularly the home buying public, well, we're going to
12 have to sell this to them.

13 MR. PRICE: Yeah. And I'm going to talk a little
14 bit about that in a minute.

15 MR. RAYMER: Anyway, looking forward to getting the
16 information. Thank you.

17 MR. STONE: Bob, you and I can sit up here.
18 Nehemiah Stone with the Benningfield Group. I want to
19 introduce hopefully a complexity that makes things have more
20 sense to me, which means probably not make as much sense to
21 a lot of other people. But, anyway, the value of energy
22 efficiency is a lot higher in occupancies where the
23 occupants, the tenants, do not have the ability to
24 retroactively improve deficiency situation. In other words,
25 in a single-family home, a subdivision, once you buy the

1 home, it's your home, and you can put more insulation - you
2 can put in better HVAC equipment. If you live in a multi-
3 family building, you do not have that option. You don't
4 have the ability to upgrade anything, and therefore, to the
5 tenants of multi-family buildings, there ought to be a
6 higher value to efficiency savings and push the envelope a
7 little bit farther than there is for single family. You
8 could make the same argument for tenant spaces in commercial
9 buildings, but we all know that tenant improvements happen
10 all the time and people pay for that, so it doesn't quite
11 apply the same there, but it certainly does for multi-
12 family. Building, also, a little bit off of Bob's question,
13 I'm not sure I heard the answer, maybe I will hear the
14 answer later, I'm not sure if this is actually the same
15 question Bob was asking, I can't tell for sure, but we are
16 moving towards having time of use rates be more and more
17 prevalent and if we evaluate the cost-effectiveness measures
18 today based on a forecast of rates the way the rate
19 structure is, and then 10 years from now virtually everybody
20 in those buildings is going to be dealing with the time of
21 use rates, there's a whole different set of measures that we
22 might have chosen, and so I don't know if that was the
23 question Bob was asking in a different way or -

24 MR. SUYEYASU: I think the TDV component of our Life
25 Cycle Cost Analysis is very responsive to that design

1 decision, putting elements into a building that are going to
2 reduce peak rates, or reduce energy use at times of peak
3 rates, in a time of use world. So, TDV, it's not exactly
4 analogous to a time of use rate, but it at least serves much
5 the same purpose and incentivizing design that brings the
6 elements into -

7 MR. PRICE: Can I take a shot at this? So, I think
8 this is an area that there is actually a fair amount of
9 confusion around how the TDVs have been established. At its
10 core, the economics of a TDV used the underlying marginal
11 cost of delivering electricity to the customer. And that
12 actually is fairly stable over time, that's why we have
13 these peaks, is because, when we have a hot summer day, the
14 system reliably peaks, you know, the load. And so, the way
15 the TDV works is essentially - well, I guess one thing I
16 should say is, marginal cost of electricity is one issue and
17 one criteria for rate design and it is the dominant one
18 driving towards TOU rates, but there are a bunch of others
19 in terms of equity between classes and transitions and bill
20 impacts when you're trying to do new rates. So, what the
21 TDV does is it essentially creates a true marginal cost
22 rate, so it's at the rate level where you would collect the
23 same amount of money from customers statewide, but the
24 pattern underlying the TDV rates is based on the underlying
25 societal value. So if the state moves toward TOU rates, the

1 rate design will actually move more towards the way we've
2 modeled it in terms of TDV. So, it's done that way so that
3 we have a very stable basis for calculating TDVs from
4 standard to standard, and we're not chasing the latest
5 retail rate design, we sort of start with the underlying
6 marginal cost of delivering power, and then use that as the
7 basis.

8 MR. STONE: The marginal cost at peak is going to be
9 getting higher and higher as whether cap and trade or
10 anything else happens, those dirty plants are going to be
11 more expensive to run, so your stream of values includes an
12 escalating margin at the peak?

13 MR. PRICE: Yes, it does.

14 MS. BROOK: This is Martha. I wanted to respond to
15 your first comment.

16 MR. STONE: Thank you.

17 MS. BROOK: So, is what you said about multi-family
18 TDV should be higher, is what you described what is meant by
19 an "opportunity cost," or not? It's like you don't have the
20 opportunity to make the decision later, so it should cost
21 more to - it should be valued more at the time that the
22 decision can be made?

23 MR. STONE: That's a novel way of thinking about an
24 opportunity cost, but what you said is what I meant.

25 MS. BROOK: Okay, so I shouldn't call it an

1 opportunity cost, but -

2 MR. STONE: There ought to be an adder in value for
3 occupancies where the occupants can't make that decision
4 later. You know, as the cost of energy goes up, you know,
5 they're kind of locked out of making that decision. They
6 still have to pay the cost of the energy, so it's a higher
7 value for those occupancies.

8 MR. PENNINGTON: So, Nehemiah, have you seen any
9 techniques for coming up with an estimate of that pattern
10 that would be useful?

11 MR. STONE: Well, no, but I can give you some ideas
12 heading toward it, and then the smart economists in the room
13 can come up with exactly how to do it. One of the criteria
14 that ought to be applied is what percentage of your income
15 goes to paying utilities, and to the extent that those of us
16 here in the room typically pay just under four percent of
17 our income, monthly income for utilities, and people in
18 multi-family, where the average household income is \$31,000
19 compared to \$61,000 for single-family, pay about 20 percent
20 of their monthly income for utilities, then the value of the
21 energy savings ought to be four times as high. It's four
22 times the size of their monthly budget, so it has four times
23 the meaning to them. Another way of looking at it - another
24 way of looking at it is that, if you and I save a dollar on
25 energy efficiency, a certain percentage of that dollar will

1 go into the bank for savings, a certain percentage will head
2 off to some college, and a certain percentage will stay
3 locally. If somebody in affordable housing or any multi-
4 family housing saves a dollar, that dollar is going to get
5 spent again in the neighborhood and it has a local economic
6 impact of a multiplier of about \$4.00 compared to 78 percent
7 of the dollar spent on energy by those households leaving
8 the local economy. So, I know that we don't take the local
9 economic activity as part of it, but you know, the value to
10 the tenants of those savings ought to be included. And as I
11 said, you leave it to the smarter economists in the room to
12 figure out how to actually do that. But, you know, I've
13 collected a lot of data on this and I'd be happy to share
14 that on, you know -

15 MS. CHAPPELL: This is Cathy Chappell and, in
16 response to that, I think that, if that's going to happen,
17 we have to be very clear about whether we're talking about
18 multi-family, or whether we're talking about affordable,
19 because there is also a lot of not-affordable multi-family
20 and probably expensive owned multi-family, I mean, I
21 understand the building is different. But I think it's a
22 good argument as long as we don't just apply a blanket
23 assumption.

24 MR. STONE: The argument about the economic activity
25 does depend upon the income of the household, and so for

1 high income households and multi-family, that argument does
2 go away. But the argument about the lost opportunity, the
3 inability to make the changes later, applies across the
4 board, as long as you're talking about for rent instead of
5 for sale of multi-family.

6 MR. SHIRAKH: Thank you, Nehemiah.

7 MR. SPLITT: Pat Splitt from APP-TECH. I had a
8 question about the features you're going to put into the
9 Reach Code. For the Code that starts in January, as far as
10 energy use is concerned, it's really simple, it's either 15
11 percent or 30 percent over the base. And for just a
12 percentage, I don't think you would need to do a life cycle
13 cost at all because whoever is selecting the features that
14 they're going to get to 50 percent, they're picking what is
15 cost-effective to them, it doesn't matter whether it's cost-
16 effective to anybody else. But it seemed like - are you
17 intending, then, to have specific features, not just a
18 percentage in the Reach Code for the next version, where
19 you're going to mandate higher levels of whatever.

20 MR. SHIRAKH: Well, I think - and Martha can
21 probably speak to that - is to come up with a prescriptive
22 equivalent which we would call that Package R for Reach
23 Code, but you can also use performance method to do trade-
24 offs and to get to a goal that you're describing. I'll let
25 Martha elaborate on that.

1 MS. BROOK: So we envision that the Reach Code would
2 still be met predominantly by a performance compliance
3 approach where you would go X percent better, but we wanted
4 the baseline in the modeling methodology to be a Reach
5 baseline, to not be the same proscriptive requirement that
6 is in our base standard, and we also wanted to give guidance
7 in our compliance manuals about how you would actually get
8 to that level of a Reach performance level. But we might
9 actually have some requirements, so some prerequisites, if
10 you really say that you're X percent better and you have
11 ducts and unconditioned space that have to be sealed, so
12 that would be like an example of a prerequisite where, you
13 know, it should be there in the base, but we couldn't quite
14 get it there for one reason or another. We anticipate the
15 next time we will, so for a first step of a voluntary
16 standard, there are a few things that you absolutely have to
17 do. We would love to have that in there.

18 MR. SPLITT: So then, what you're saying is, instead
19 of having the same base, and just go a higher percent over,
20 you're going to change the base, and then you don't have to
21 do any percentage over it if you're the first level, you're
22 just basically - the softer, then, is going to have to have
23 a switch to tell it which level you're going for?

24 MS. BROOK: Yeah, that would be ideal. I mean, we
25 haven't really nailed it down, and the communication of how

1 we communicate our Reach standard, I think, is still under
2 discussion. We really like the idea of saying X percent
3 better because it's really easy, but we also wanted to have
4 integrity, we want to know that we can get to that level if
5 we say that it is appropriate in every climate zone, so that
6 balance of a clear easy message and going forward with
7 buildable buildings, that's what we're going to be tackling.

8 MR. SPLITT: So we have to wait and see.

9 MS. BROOK: Yeah.

10 MR. SHIRAKH: Mr. Hodgson.

11 MR. HODGSON: Hi, Mike Hodgson, ConSol. In the Life
12 Cycle Costing Methodology, I haven't quite made it to Reach
13 yet, the objective of the standards is really to reduce peak
14 load and that is why TDV is so strong in the standards, and
15 it looks like it's going to get stronger. And kind of the
16 logical outcome of that is we focus on residential air-
17 conditioning, which is the cause of peak load in California.
18 And so, I'm wondering, in your costing, that you're adding
19 the cost of litigation and insurance to downsizing
20 mechanical equipment, and whether that is one of the
21 considerations you have when you look at either just basic
22 life cycle costing, or Reach Codes. And that's for the
23 consultants. I have a follow-up question for staff.

24 MR. PRICE: I am not conducting that analysis, I
25 don't know.

1 MR. SHIRAKH: We will let Bruce -

2 MR. WILCOX: I don't think we're proposing to do
3 anything about downsizing air-conditioning at this point,
4 Mike, so, we learned something about that from you before.

5 MR. HODGSON: Okay, well, the problem is still
6 prevalent in the market and it's growing, and so I think it
7 should be one of the considerations because it's a
8 significant cost to any mechanical system in today's market,
9 in the bidding of the mechanical system, so I would think
10 that you're a little negligent in not looking at that.
11 Second, the question for staff is, we brought this question
12 to staff in the 2008 Standards, we brought it in 2005 when
13 it became kind of a new issue to us, and so what is staff
14 doing in language to protect in the Administrative Code
15 mechanical engineers and mechanical subcontractors who
16 downsize per Code, and per approved certified software in
17 the State of California, and Star sued and lose in court? I
18 mean, if the CEC is interested in reducing peak load, we
19 should reduce mechanical systems, we should right-size, and
20 we should active manual JD&S. When the market does that,
21 and someone has a bigger box than the other side of the
22 fence, then the person who does it per Code and per, really,
23 the drive of the Energy Commission, is liable and is held in
24 court to be liable. So, I'm wondering, if you're serious
25 about this, which I know you are, how can you change the

1 Administrative Code to protect the mechanical design
2 community and the HVAC installing community from - and it's
3 not frivolous liability because it holds up in court - from
4 direct liability?

5 MS. BROOK: I don't think we have an answer now. If
6 you could make recommendations about what changes you think
7 need to be made in the Administrative Code that would help
8 you, then that would be hugely helpful to us.

9 MR. HODGSON: We would like to do that, but it
10 really - I mean, it's your Code and you're the one who are
11 driving mechanical engineers out of business in the State of
12 California, so it really - you propose a Code, you should
13 understand the consequences, and so we'd be happy to work
14 with you, but we really think it is on the Energy
15 Commission's back to assist the mechanical engineering
16 community to do what you would like this to do, which is
17 design systems correctly, which we do. And unfortunately,
18 because of our litigious state, we get sued and there are
19 consequences, which are quite substantial. And I'm not
20 being insignificant in the cost of mechanical equipment, it
21 adds not quite 10 percent, but it adds a number, and I'm
22 sure you're not looking at that number and you need to.
23 It's a real number in today's market.

24 MS. BROOK: So, is that kind of the same as - this
25 is probably a really bad analogy, but it's the only one I

1 have is - when somebody has insurance, like we just hired
2 somebody to cut down a few trees on our property, and we
3 paid more so that they would have the insurance in case the
4 tree fell on our house when they were cutting it down, they
5 would have to pay for that, instead of us. So, you are
6 proposing that we try and figure out - assess those
7 additional costs of your insurance -

8 MR. HODGSON: It's not only insurance, it's the
9 settlement that gets you. The insurance -

10 MS. BROOK: But, still, all of that is sort of
11 buried in with that tree cutter is paying for his insurance,
12 right? That's how they determine the insurance rates is on
13 how often you have to settle, how often you have to pay out
14 from the insurance pool and all that.

15 MR. HODGSON: And why would the tree cutter have a
16 settlement? What did he do wrong or right that would cause
17 a settlement? Typically, he did damage, correct?

18 MS. BROOK: Right.

19 MR. HODGSON: In the mechanical design community, if
20 you have a smaller box than the person on the other side of
21 the street, it performs, it's designed, it matches software,
22 and it is designed per active manual JD&S. None of those
23 are defensible arguments in court.

24 MS. BROOK: Right. So, I mean, that's the problem
25 that we're struggling with, right, because we're all

1 logical, you know, technically oriented people, and so we
2 don't understand when that happens, just like we don't
3 understand when a Union contracts isn't held up in the State
4 of California. I mean, maybe we need to figure out a way to
5 get legal counsels that we -

6 MR. WILCOX: Well, Mike, I have a question - what is
7 the basis for the settlement, then, if it's not performance?
8 Is there something in the law that says that equal tons are
9 the right of a homeowner or something?

10 MR. HODGSON: No. It becomes --

11 MR. WILCOX: I mean, what could we change, I guess,
12 is the question.

13 MR. HODGSON: The change would be - and I don't
14 know, Bruce, I think we need legal minds to do this, which
15 I'm not one. I presume the Energy Commission has attorneys.

16 MS. BROOK: Uh huh.

17 MR. HODGSON: And they should be fairly good at
18 administrative law process. There are a lot of attorneys in
19 the market, which we could also go get, but they cost money
20 to hire. And we could go and say, "Look it, how you put
21 something in statute that says if you do this, this, this,
22 and this, you're indemnified." Now, I'm not trying to
23 indemnify anyone from doing someone who did a poor job, who
24 is unsafe, or causes harm, but if you follow these
25 guidelines and match this performance, which as logical

1 people we think works, it does not in the State of
2 California in the court system - it doesn't in other states,
3 either. So if you want people to right-size, you have to
4 protect them. You guys are not protecting them and what
5 you're doing is driving people to do more and more of this
6 work, which is just what the defense attorneys are loving.
7 They think you are the best thing since sliced bread.

8 MS. BROOK: Uh huh.

9 MR. HODGSON: And not for a positive reason.

10 MS. BROOK: Right, exactly. All right, well,
11 appreciate your comment and -

12 MR. WILCOX: Well, actually, Mike, I mean, to
13 respond slightly, it's not clear that the standards has
14 anything to do with your problem because, you know, you're
15 bound to end up with boxes that are a different size on
16 different sides of the street, just due to random
17 occurrences. Right? Otherwise, every house in California
18 will have three five-ton air-conditioners. I mean, that's
19 the only way to not get sued, right?

20 MR. HODGSON: The way the lawsuit typically happens
21 is like-size houses in similar jurisdictions have different
22 tonnage air-conditioners, and the people who have the
23 smaller tonnage air-conditioners are always uncomfortable
24 for some reason, and that's because they can make \$100,000
25 in a plaintiff's case, correct?

1 MR. WILCOX: Yeah, and there's probably people
2 running around, you know, building a house in each location
3 with putting in big air-conditioners, and then renting it
4 out to the lawyers. I mean, unless you've got something in
5 the law, then you're just stuck with that sort of approach,
6 right?

7 MR. HODGSON: I don't know.

8 MR. WILCOX: Yeah.

9 MR. HODGSON: I think it's a problem that, if we
10 want to try and solve peak load and residential reduce air-
11 conditioning size, we should attempt to address; if not,
12 then put the costs in, because the costs are real.

13 MS. BROOK: Thanks.

14 MR. SPLITT: This is Pat Splitt from APP-TECH, I
15 just had one thought, is that for a lot of these, one way of
16 getting around this might be as - we have all this
17 documentation anyway, we could add a document, sort of a
18 release by the homeowner where either they accept that we
19 spell out what the standard is and the performance standard
20 that we're meeting, and this is what this building is
21 designed for, and please sign here if you're willing to
22 accept this. If not, we have an exception box where they
23 can justify having a higher load, but then they have to
24 justify it up front. So, either they justify it, then we'll
25 have a process where, okay, we can put in the larger system,

1 or they signed off on it, and then later on, if they decide
2 they need some money, it's too late because they signed off
3 and accepted it.

4 MR. HODGSON: Yeah, a lot of builders, Pat, have
5 that in the market, in their contracts, and they don't hold
6 up in court. Good idea, though.

7 MR. RAYMER: Bob Raymer again with CBIA. Kind of
8 following up on a comment that Nehemiah had made and, by the
9 way, I echo everything Mike Hodgson just said, that is a
10 real problem. In terms of taking the standards in their
11 totality, CBIA always looks at total cost of compliance,
12 that's you know how we effectively sell the set of standards
13 to our membership. They want a very clear picture of what
14 compliance with the base case minimum is going to be. We'll
15 be doing similar analysis for the other Tier 1 and Tier 2
16 packages. We would like the ability to work with the CEC to
17 make sure that our assumptions are correct, that the
18 computer programs that we're using are appropriate, and so
19 we look forward to working with you on that. But I would
20 like to provide you with the current economic situation, and
21 if you open up the paper at any given day, you recognize
22 that California's housing market is at its worst condition
23 in our lifetime. We begin keeping statistics in 1955, the
24 numbers for 2009 and the numbers for 2010 are worse than
25 they were at any point in time in the last 55 years.

1 Unfortunately, given what you've seen about the State budget
2 problems, there's a direct correlation, one-third of the
3 State's unemployment is directly related to the construction
4 industry, and it's that bad. And unfortunately for the
5 State budget situation, we're not looking at jumping out of
6 this. We've had some bad economic times over the years,
7 late 1980's and mid-1990' where we came right back out of
8 it, with a lot of gusto. That's not going to happen. When
9 we were in the San Ramon stakeholder meeting a couple weeks
10 ago, I saw a figure, a projected figure, of 110,000 single-
11 family homes, I think it was either 2012 or 2013, that's not
12 going to happen, that's not even going to be the combined
13 number of single-family and multi-family units. And ARB is
14 sort of revisiting its AB 32 projections because, right now,
15 it looks like the projection of the residential construction
16 industry is about twice over the next 10 years of what it
17 actually will be. I guess what I'm telling you is that
18 we're going to come out of this slowly. We will be coming
19 out of it, but we are looking at probably a three to four-
20 year cycle now, as opposed to a one-year cycle that we've
21 seen in the past. And so, with that, much like we had in
22 the mid-1980's, and once again in the early 1990's, the
23 total cost of compliance with the Energy Regs will be a very
24 important item to us simply because we've got to be able to
25 sell the home, and we're starting to see for the first time

1 in my experience, in decades, I'm seeing where the new
2 sprinkler mandate that will kick in January 1st is actually
3 going to be either pushing back construction dates, or
4 killing some construction dates because these standards are
5 going to cost \$3,000 to \$4,000. We're going to be looking
6 at the Energy Commission standards, as well. We understand
7 that you've got to try to focus on getting to Zero Net
8 Energy, but we also have to produce a product that the home
9 buying public can buy, and if that product isn't there,
10 they're going to buy the existing less efficient home and,
11 inadvertently, that is not something that the CEC wants. I
12 realize you're going to be focusing on existing housing
13 stock, as well, but if you look at both multi-family and
14 single-family, we've got to get an affordable product out
15 there. And, in closing, I also was surprised to see that we
16 now have jurisdictions where new homes are selling for under
17 \$200,000, that is happening all over the State. I did not
18 expect that to ever happen again, and here it is. And by
19 the way, the jurisdictions that we have the greatest concern
20 with are from Stockton all the way down to Fresno where the
21 sprinkler mandate is effectively running some projects
22 aground already. So, with that, we look forward to working
23 with you and particularly finding out what the total cost of
24 compliance is going to be.

25 MR. SHIRAKH: Is that the fire sprinklers?

1 MR. RAYMER: Yeah, a requirement of the 2009 IRC,
2 which California uses the basis for its residential code has
3 a mandate for sprinklers, residential fire sprinklers.
4 We've already got that in multi-family and have had that as
5 a requirement for the last 20 years. When the 2010
6 California Residential Code takes effect on January 1st, all
7 new homes in which a permit application is submitted, it
8 will have to have sprinklers. And there's a differential
9 cost of \$3,000 to \$5,000 on average, in some cases it could
10 be higher, depending on local add-ons, but we're looking at
11 \$3,000 to \$4,000, sort of the base number here. And we're
12 seeing - I'm hearing the projects that aren't going forward
13 now that may go forward later on, but right now they just
14 simply can't - they had designed a product that was going to
15 sell for \$185,000, and they can't sell them for \$190,000,
16 the market is now that tight. Back in 2005, you didn't
17 really have to worry about a huge increase in cost, we saw a
18 lot of fluctuation in prices back then. If you had a pulse,
19 you could a loan. That's never going to happen again. And
20 so, yeah, I mean, we saw variation in housing prices of
21 \$20,000 within a week or two, that's not going to happen
22 again. And so, once again, kind of like it was back in the
23 '80s, we are going to be very interested in total compliance
24 costs and how that's going to affect us on a statewide
25 basis. Thank you.

1 MR. SHIRAKH: Thank you, Bob. I kind of want to
2 move to the next topic, it's 11:35. If you have any further
3 comments for Dan, feel free to e-mail him or us and we'll
4 respond to your questions. The next topic is the TDV Base,
5 and that's going to be E3. Which one of you would like to?

6 MR. PRICE: I think I'm going to give some quick
7 detail and I can do that from here. I am going to do sort
8 of the introduction, a little bit about E3. This is
9 actually the third cycle of codes that our team has worked
10 on, starting really working in 2001 with the Energy
11 Commission and PG&E, and the other utilities, to sort of
12 develop the Time Dependent Valuation, and that was
13 introduced in 2005, and then we were part of the 2008
14 update.

15 Parallel to the work that we've done for TDV and the
16 Energy Commission on Title 24, we have been working with the
17 California Public Utilities Commission on cost-effectiveness
18 of energy efficiency, and the track is very similar. In
19 other words, the cost-effectiveness framework that we use
20 for TDV and Title 24 in the Building Standards is almost
21 identical to what is used on energy efficiency for utility
22 programs, utility energy efficiency programs.

23 A little bit about us. I know we're kind of behind
24 schedule, so I think I'm going to turn it over to Amber to
25 kind of run through the latest iteration of the TDVs. I

1 guess I would characterize them as evolutionary and not
2 revolutionary, but I'm sure we look forward to your
3 comments.

4 MS. MAHONE: Okay, thanks, Snu. My name is Amber
5 Mahone and I've been working on the development of the 2013
6 TDVs with E3, and I'll quickly talk about some of the key
7 changes in this latest iteration, compared to what we had in
8 2008, and then I'll turn it over to Snu to go through some
9 of the nitty gritty details around the methodology.

10 So, some of this, Dan covered earlier, but just to
11 quickly reiterate, the purpose of the TDV is to really value
12 energy savings based on when they occur because the cost of
13 delivering energy varies by time of day, by season, and
14 we're trying to capture that to reflect sort of an
15 underlying marginal cost of energy. We try to use rational
16 repeatable methods so we're sort of using the same methods
17 that were applied in 2005, 2008, and just sort of updating
18 that process. And we develop these on a climate zone basis,
19 there are 16 climate zones, seamless intervention with Title
20 24 climate compliance methods is referring to the fact that
21 we convert the TDVs into something that was akin to source
22 energy, which was used in past standards.

23 So, some of the key changes that I'd like to touch
24 on are we've updated all of the data inputs using the latest
25 publicly available information, and that includes updates to

1 the natural gas price forecast, the CO₂ price forecast, the
2 retail rate forecast, we've updated the underlying shape of
3 electricity prices, and I'll talk about how we do that.
4 We've updated the avoided cost of transmission and
5 distribution, T&D is a component of retail rates and the
6 cost of delivering energy. We've updated the cost of
7 capacity and ancillary services, which is a more minor
8 component of that, but we updated that, as well. Then, in
9 terms of methodology, there's been some big improvements
10 this go-round. The biggest one, I would say, is that we
11 have new Weather files which Joe will talk about this
12 afternoon, and those Weather files are now correlated across
13 each of the 16 climate zones, so that means that a hot day
14 in Santa Rosa is also probably a hot day in Sacramento, and
15 so you can kind of get a statewide electricity peak. And in
16 the past, each climate zone was sort of developed
17 separately, so this is a nice improvement, which has allowed
18 us to develop load shapes, which are correlated with the
19 weather, and I'll show what the impact of that is, but
20 basically electricity demand in California is highly
21 correlated with temperature and hot days lead to higher
22 demands, and so this is now explicitly built into the TDVs
23 whereas in the past it was sort of generally worked out, but
24 we didn't have sort of a regression-based forecast
25 underlying that.

1 We've also now included the expected impacts of
2 compliance with the statewide Global Warming Solutions Act,
3 AB 32. AB 32 includes a 33 percent Renewable Portfolio
4 Standard and a few other things that are expected to
5 increase retail rates, so you'll see that that has sort of
6 boosted up the retail rate forecast that we applied. We've
7 also improved the capacity cost methodology which Snu will
8 talk about, and we've sort of also applied more of a
9 standards statewide avoided cost for most of the climate
10 zones, as opposed to having different avoided costs by
11 utility service territory, and I'll talk about that in more
12 detail, as well. Just a clarification note, Dan mentioned
13 this in his slides, as well, but we refer to these as the
14 2013 TDVs, but the period of analysis really spans from 2011
15 to 2040 for that 30-year avoided cost. The TDV dollars are
16 reported in 2011 year dollars. And then, another change
17 that you'll note if you're actually working with the data
18 file itself is that the TDV calendar year is 2009, whereas,
19 in the past, it was 1991. And that was just an old year and
20 we wanted to move it up to present day. So this figure
21 shows the correlation between drywall temperature and TDVs
22 for representative climate zone, in this case, climate zone
23 12, and you can see that there's a pretty strong correlation
24 between temperature and higher TDVs, so hotter days, higher
25 TDVs, and it's not a perfectly linear line because there are

1 other impacts that go into the value of a TDV, including the
2 day of week and whether it's a holiday or not, and there's a
3 few other things going on here, but in general you'll see
4 this sort of shape across many of the climate zones.

5 This figure is the same climate zone, but using the
6 2008 TDVs and so you can see that there are just, in the
7 past 2008 numbers, there wasn't quite as tight of a
8 correlation, so this just illustrates how having the new
9 Weather files be correlated with the load shapes has
10 improved the overall numbers here.

11 This is the same figure for a couple other climate
12 zones, I don't want to get into the details here, but just
13 to show you that this same pattern is repeated across all of
14 the climate zones in terms of a tight correlation between
15 temperature and TDVs. There's a bunch of underlying policy
16 assumptions that go into the development of the TDVs that we
17 wanted to sort of highlight explicitly so you understand
18 what kind of a future scenario we're talking about because
19 TDVs do represent a 30-year or a 15-year forecast of what's
20 going to be happening in the State of California, and we're
21 trying to capture that in these numbers. So, some of the
22 key policy sort of assumptions that go into this are, a)
23 around the retail rate escalation, and so, as I mentioned,
24 the retail rate forecast is now consistent with compliance
25 with AB 32, so that means it's a higher retail escalation

1 than in the past, and we got that forecast from a calculator
2 that we developed, actually, with the Air Resources Board,
3 looking at the impacts of 33 percent renewables and higher
4 energy efficiency, all kind of wrapped in together. We've
5 used higher CO₂ price forecasts, as well, and that comes from
6 a forecast developed by Synapse Consulting. It's used in
7 other proceedings at the Public Utilities Commission, as
8 well, in their energy efficiency proceeding, also in their
9 Market Price Referent proceeding, which determines the value
10 of renewable energy related to gas generation, so this is a
11 fairly typical CO₂ price forecast used in the state at this
12 point. We also assume that the CO₂ price is refunded to
13 consumers, so the CO₂ price affects the shape of the TDVs,
14 but it doesn't affect the absolute level of the TDVs, if
15 that makes sense. So, you have a higher CO₂ price impact
16 when you have less efficient generation running, so that
17 will increase the peak of your TDVs, but it doesn't impact
18 the overall level. I already mentioned the Renewable
19 Portfolio Standard. The other impact that comes out of this
20 Renewable Portfolio Standard is an effect on the shape of
21 the price of energy. We use a production simulation
22 dispatch model that the Energy Commission has in order to
23 develop the market price shape of energy, and we run a few
24 different cases, including a case that has 33 percent
25 renewables in it, and that means you have more wind

1 generating during some hours of the day, less natural gas,
2 and that sort of actually changes the underlying market
3 price shape that we're looking at. So we've incorporated
4 that change in electricity prices due to renewables being on
5 the grid in these numbers. It's a pretty subtle effect,
6 actually, but it's an improvement over what we had in the
7 past. We also assume that the solar PV energy efficiency
8 goals consistent with AB 32 are met in 2020.

9 So, this chart shows the retail rate price change
10 between 2008 and the 2013 TDVs and this is really important
11 in terms of what the overall level of the TDVs are doing.
12 The retail rate forecast doesn't have anything to do with
13 the shape of the TDVs, but it does affect what the level is
14 sort of scaled up to. And so you can see that we do have a
15 higher escalation in the 2013 TDVs, those are the solid
16 lines on the top. But the other sort of subtler change is
17 that, in the 2008 TDVs, the non-residential rate forecast
18 was a bit higher than the residential rate forecast, and
19 that just reflected the situation at the time, I think, back
20 in 2005 when we were pulling these numbers. Now the
21 situation has switched a little bit and, so, actually
22 residential rates on average across the state are slightly
23 higher than non-residential rates, and what this means is
24 that you'll see if you are comparing 2008 to 2013, you'll
25 see that there's a little bit bigger impact on the

1 residential numbers than there is on the non-residential
2 numbers, kind of relatively speaking. So, that's one thing
3 to keep in mind if you're looking at these numbers and
4 wondering why it looks like residential and non-residential
5 are not doing exactly the same thing.

6 This chart shows the whole year, AB 760 hours in a
7 year for a representative climate zone, here we've picked
8 climate zone 2, and the red line there is the 2008 TDVs, and
9 the blue is 2013. And you can see that the absolute
10 magnitude is not very different for the off-peak hours, but
11 for the on-peak hours, there is an increase, and this is
12 just a different way of representing actually the stuff that
13 Dan was showing earlier. So you can see the shape has
14 changed a bit and the absolute magnitude of the peaks has
15 increased. This is for the 30-year TDVs for the residential
16 and you can see that the off-peak has increased a bit more
17 and that's partially to do with the retail weight forecast
18 that I was showing earlier. And you've also got even higher
19 TDVs. And the reason that the peaks are so much higher in
20 the 30-year than in the 15-year is because you're
21 discounting over a longer time period. So, you've got
22 higher retail rate escalation, so those later years matter
23 more, whereas, in the 15-year, you're kind of cutting off
24 the analysis after a shorter period. So that's the overview
25 of what's changed. I know there was a lot in there. I'd

1 like to let Snuller go through a little bit more of the
2 details step by step, so hopefully it'll all make a bit more
3 sense, and then open it up to questions.

4 MR. RAYMER: All of this is going to be on the
5 website, right?

6 MS. MAHONE: That's right.

7 MR. SHIRAKH: Yes.

8 MR. PENNINGTON: I'm wondering if you can give a
9 feel for what of each of these changes - what's kind of the
10 consequence relevant to the total change. It looks like the
11 escalation is a really big part of it, but I'm wondering if
12 there's other things and you could sort of - maybe you don't
13 know it precisely, but if you could give a feel for it?

14 MR. PRICE: Let me - I think, let me try to pick
15 that up as we go through the step by step, sort of what the
16 biggest drivers are and the change. I think Amber kind of
17 focused on what those really are, which is this correlation
18 between what the simulation models are telling us and when
19 TDVs are highest. I think that's going to matter quite a
20 bit, and then the retail rate escalation given what rate
21 forecasts are likely - what rates are likely to do in a AB
22 32 compliant scenario, those are the two biggest things, I
23 think.

24 So, just to kind of break it down in three basic
25 steps we use, and the first is to do a long run forecast of

1 not just electricity, but natural gas and propane, out 15
2 and 30 years, what is it going to cost? Once we have a
3 long-term forecast, we do present value, kind of like Dan
4 said, and then we convert dollars per kilowatt hour, dollars
5 per therm, into a KBTY basis, so they can be used and
6 integrated into all the building simulation tools,
7 residential and non-residential. So what I want to do is
8 really focus mostly on this first piece, which is the bulk
9 of the analysis, the step 2 is an NPV formula in Excel, and
10 step 3 is just a divide by formula, so most of the work is
11 focused on number one. For electricity, we build up the
12 marginal cost of delivering a kilowatt hour in different
13 locations and different times, but summing a bunch of
14 different components, and so the first component is
15 generation energy and that's the piece Amber mentioned we've
16 simulated what the wholesale market prices are going to be
17 as the State develops more renewable resources out through
18 2020. So we've got a underlying generation infrastructure
19 that is consistent with AB 32. In addition to the energy
20 piece, we've looked at system capacity, so when is the state
21 going to be short of capacity in terms of the peak loads
22 growing? What are the costs of building new plants to be
23 able to meet that peak? Ancillary services, one of the
24 things that's happened since the last round of Standards is
25 that the California ISO has implemented their MRTU markets,

1 so we actually have a different wholesale market operating
2 in California. And one of the things that has changed quite
3 a bit is how we do system load balancing and ancillary
4 services market, so we've integrated the CAISO MRTU market
5 and market prices into this analysis. T&D capacity is the
6 cost of adding new transmission lines and distribution lines
7 as our peaks grow. Kind of like generation capacity, T&D
8 capacity is really focused on serving the highest load hour,
9 literally the distribution engineers and our utilities
10 around the state are trying to predict, you know, what the
11 single highest load hour is and making sure they have enough
12 capacity online to deliver that energy down to the local
13 level, final line transformer into the house. And so we've
14 updated what the marginal cost is of providing T&D capacity.
15 Greenhouse gas emissions, we've used the synapse forecast,
16 as Amber described, and we've looked at what we expect the
17 marginal emissions rate is of all the power plants and all
18 the hours kind of forecasted out, so when we say the
19 kilowatt hour on a particular hour, say, in July, what the
20 avoidance of CO₂ is in terms of the re-dispatch of the
21 system. And then we have a retail rate adjuster, so we've
22 already talked this morning about the fact that what we want
23 to capture is bill savings to customers, ultimately. And
24 this will come up again when we talk about Reach, but we set
25 this marginal cost framework at a level where customers - we

1 are modeling bill savings to customers. And as Amber
2 showed, the retail rate escalation is quite a bit higher, as
3 we're forecasting under AB 32 compliance, than it was in
4 2008.

5 The NPV hasn't changed, really at all. We're still
6 using the three percent real discount rate, it's been the
7 same since I've been involved in the Standards. And for
8 residential measures, 30 years, and for non-res, 30 or 15,
9 depending on whether you're talking about shale or
10 appliances. And then, step 3, converting TDV dollars into
11 TDV energy factors for the simulation tools, we've basically
12 divided by a constant number, okay, and it's a dollars per
13 KBTU number. It's the same number that we've established in
14 2005, so we haven't actually changed the denominator, and in
15 that way, you can compare 2008 TDVs to 2011 in terms of
16 their source units and you'll see the same relative
17 differences in terms of the dollars. Those happen to be the
18 numbers, but it's not anything other than just dividing
19 through your whole answer by a constant factor.

20 So, to dig in a little bit more on the electricity,
21 we've got 16 climate zones. They're the same climate zones.
22 What we've done is gone through each climate zone and looked
23 at the utility that serves most of the customers, this is
24 the electric here in each of those zones. And most of the
25 TDV costs are statewide average, so this assignment of

1 particularly utility to a particular climate zone has pretty
2 small impact the way we've done the TDVs this year. In
3 2008, it had a bigger impact and I think that might come up
4 in a slide or two, but we could talk about that if people
5 have questions.

6 I already walked through this whole list, so I'm not
7 going to do it again, these are just the components of the
8 electricity TDV that we add up. I guess it's gotten more
9 information in here on the methodology and data sources, so
10 when you're reviewing the Powerpoint after the meeting and
11 you want to have a question, this might be a good place to
12 look. I don't think that - I don't think there's anything
13 on here that we haven't covered already. Most of the work
14 that we've done, well, I wouldn't say most, but a big chunk
15 of the work that we've done is trying to figure out how to
16 correlate the Weather files in the forecast of energy, and
17 so our team, in combination with the Commission, actually
18 spent quite a bit of time at this, and the first step, Joe
19 will talk about, was getting a set of Weather files, where
20 it is the same time across the state because the market
21 price of electricity in California is correlated with
22 overall state demand, so if it's just hot in one place and
23 not in another, that's not necessarily going to be a high
24 price day, it's when we have a lot of heat all over the
25 state, which doesn't always happen, it doesn't happen that

1 frequently, and so we needed correlated Weather files to be
2 able to predict that. So, we created a regression model by
3 looking at the relationship of historical observed
4 temperatures and loads, then create a relationship, then use
5 the new TMY Weather files, use that relationship to estimate
6 what the loads are, then fed those loads into the production
7 simulation model that does all the generator dispatch around
8 the state, and looked at what the marginal generator is that
9 would be operating, and use that to predict what the market
10 price would be. And we have a 2012 simulation, so sort of
11 the existing generator fleet, and then, as we build towards
12 more renewables going forward. And that's the reason for
13 the better correlation that Amber showed in her chart.

14 So, the regression analysis to take temperatures and
15 predict load is not trivial, it's not impossible, but it's
16 not trivial because there are a number of things you have to
17 think about that's not just dry bulb temperature, we also
18 use dew point. We also look at the lags because, when you
19 have a heat storm, heat builds up in buildings, and so it's
20 important to look at not just whether it's hot today, but
21 what it's been doing and trending, so we include that. The
22 Time Of Use effect is important - weekends, I think Amber
23 mentioned, or maybe Dan, that they almost always have lower
24 market prices just because there are a number of commercial
25 and industrial load that is not operating. There's some

1 skewness [sic], so you have to adjust for the fact that a
2 standard regression model would be nice and normal all the
3 time, and it doesn't really look like that, there's a long
4 tail, but we adjust for that.

5 So, some detail went into creating the overall
6 regression, we think it works pretty well. Here is a look
7 at taking the model and then running it back over a period
8 that we actually observed for Southern California Edison
9 example, just to kind of check, and we get pretty good, it's
10 not perfect, but you know, it's also a real world data and a
11 regression model, we we're really quite happy with the way
12 we could predict what California's system load will be with
13 our 16 weather station data.

14 I think Dan showed a plot that is somewhat like
15 this, he talked about all these different components, and
16 here is how they add up for just a typical week - actually,
17 it's not a typical week, it's a summer week in climate zone
18 2, and the reason why we show the summer is so we can see
19 that spike and sort of where it is and what composes it.
20 And it's really T&D capacity and generation, so where it
21 says "T&D," that's just shorthand for T&D capacity, and
22 where it says "capacity," that's shorthand for generation
23 capacity, the power plants, but there they are, they sort of
24 add up.

25 The retail adjustment factor, to get to retail

1 levels, we add just a flat block, and the reason we do that
2 is, then, if you take the differential between any hour,
3 what you're really seeing is the true marginal cost
4 difference between any hour. So, we can preserve the
5 underlying marginal cost differences across the state using
6 that approach, but still get to retail price levels. Here
7 is it is sort of zoomed back out for the whole year. Some
8 of the components that are in there, we look at the forward
9 contracts for natural gas delivery to California, so first
10 we look at Henry Hub, which is in Louisiana, and it's sort
11 of the basis for the market pricing in the United States for
12 natural gas, and that gives us - we can get a market price
13 out to something like 2020, something like that, that Henry
14 Hub. Then, there is also a financial instrument that is
15 sold that will adjust Henry Hub gas to California Burnertip,
16 to we get to that. And then we project forward using the
17 Federal EIA, the Department of Energy's Environmental Energy
18 Information Agency forecast, which is just a long term
19 forecast for Pacific Region to kind of extend out, so a
20 publicly available forecast.

21 For the wholesale energy, the average energy prices,
22 we use also forward data, so we just take a look at the
23 markets. They don't go out as far as natural gas, they go
24 out about three years, and then what we do is we look at
25 what the market heat rate is, and we just go straight

1 across, so it's sort of a flat market heat rate. Since our
2 market is almost entirely natural gas, what a flat market
3 heat rate means is that all the price changes will be driven
4 by the forecast in natural gas. So, once we have a natural
5 gas forecast and a heat rate assumption, we can forecast out
6 the consistent long run energy cost. Then, we allocate the
7 generation capacity value to the highest load hours, so we
8 have a estimate of what it costs to build a new power plant,
9 to provide the capacity. We also have an estimate of how
10 much money that power plant will make in the market, and we
11 subtract that out, and we end up with this sort of
12 differential which is the pure cost of adding capacity. And
13 we take that and put it over the year in those hours with
14 the highest load, and this is pretty similar to the process
15 that all the investor-owned utilities use in their process.
16 A couple differences, we used actually a fairly simple model
17 to allocate the capacity to these hours, so we're just
18 looking at load in the top hours. More sophisticated
19 utility analysis might also look at power plant availability
20 and adjust for maintenance and down time and do a little bit
21 more there, and they might get a little bit more capacity in
22 May, which is a time of the year where you might have power
23 plants down for maintenance and a heat storm. But
24 essentially taking the low forecast that we develop with our
25 regression model, we've got a predictor of exactly kind of

1 where we would expect those peaks to occur and we spread the
2 capacity value to those hours.

3 For the T&D capacity value, we used exactly the same
4 methodology, to allocate it out to hours as we did in 2008,
5 which is based on the local weather file, so if you're in a
6 particular climate zone, say this is climate zone 2, we look
7 at what the temperature is, and we've created a methodology
8 that goes from temperature to what our allocator is, and we
9 could talk about that if folks want to. We think it mirrors
10 pretty well what the distribution engineers use for their
11 capacity planning at the utilities and then allocate the T&D
12 capacity to those hours.

13 CO₂ price forecast, Amber mentioned the Synapse
14 forecast, we're using their mid-forecast and what it is that
15 they do, and why we like it, and why the other State
16 agencies like it, their forecast is really a meta analysis,
17 so what they did is they went out and looked at, I think,
18 over 100 different forecasts of what the carbon prices are
19 going to be and then they grouped them into high, medium,
20 and low, and so it's a way to get kind of that consensus
21 forecast, if you will, of carbon prices. And so we're using
22 their mid-case. And just to give folks a sense of this,
23 it's got a number that's in the teens in the near term, and
24 it escalates out and, by 2030, it's got a carbon price in
25 the sort of \$80.00 a ton kind of range. I had mentioned

1 that we look at what the marginal heat rate is of the plants
2 in each hour. This is a curve of the market heat rate
3 sorted by hour. And what we've got is, once you know the
4 market heat rate, that is how efficient is the marginal
5 plant, and you know that they're a natural gas plant, then
6 you can compute what the marginal emissions rate is, so just
7 sort of divide by the gas price. So, this is our marginal
8 emissions rate curve. You will note that there are some
9 hours where the market heat rate would imply a lower level
10 of emissions than we're crediting, and you will see that in
11 the market. There are hours where the market price does dip
12 below the operating cost of a natural gas plant, and they
13 still run so that they're running to be available through
14 the next morning, so they're doing kind of an economic
15 optimization, is it worth shutting down and coming back,
16 what have you. And there are not that many hours where that
17 is the case. So, that's electricity and I know I'm just
18 sort of zipping through, but we'll have time for questions
19 in a minute.

20 Natural gas is very similar. We add up essentially
21 the same components for natural gas, although there's not
22 really an hour to hour variation in the cost of natural gas
23 to deliver to a customer, it's more of a seasonal type of
24 differential and that's just because you can store gas. So,
25 we have storage facilities. Also, you can store gas in the

1 pipelines themselves. So, the pattern and the shape tends
2 to be higher gas prices in the winter when we're using it
3 for heating, and lower in the summer. And you can see the
4 different components. For gas, most of the component is the
5 commodity, so that's just the actual cost of buying gas and
6 transporting it from Henry Hub. Then, there's an emissions
7 piece, which is that same CO₂ price, but applied to the
8 carbon released when you combust the natural gas. And then
9 T&D is the storage facility, the large seasonal storage
10 facilities in the state, plus the high pressure and low
11 pressure pipelines, and pipeline expansion. And then,
12 finally, we have propane and propane forecast, so here I
13 think we rely, again, on market prices, and it's sort of
14 spotty, and then a long run DOE EIA forecast for residential
15 and non-res. And also we look at what the seasonal shape is
16 of buying propane in the California market and apply that.
17 And then we have an emissions rate that is based on the
18 carbon. If you compare the propane numbers to the natural
19 gas, you will see that propane is quite a bit more
20 expensive, and that's why the emissions rate proportionately
21 looks quite a bit lower, it's just because propane is quite
22 expensive in terms of the commodity.

23 Okay, so that was my whirlwind through how we've
24 done it. Again, the slides will be up on the Web and we're
25 also happy to take questions now.

1 MR. SHIRAKH: The slides and the reports, actually,
2 underlying reports.

3 MR. PRICE: Oh, yeah, actually the reports, too.
4 Thanks, Mazi.

5 MR. SHIRAKH: Nehemiah.

6 MR. STONE: Nehemiah Stone, Benningfield Group. I
7 have - my first question is about the propane price
8 forecast. The data has shown a pretty strong correlation
9 between propane prices and oil prices, but the EIA forecast
10 doesn't show that correlation, and so if you believe we've
11 hit peak oil, and there's good evidence we have, you would
12 expect oil prices to be going up a lot more sharply than
13 that. And there may not be any good logical reason why
14 propane is so tied to oil prices, but the fact is,
15 historically it is. Why such a shallow curve here?

16 MR. PRICE: So, I think what you're seeing is what
17 the DOE is forecasting for the Pacific Region propane, so to
18 answer that, I kind of have to get in ahead a little bit of
19 what's going on at the EIA, which is only - not very close
20 to it. I don't think that they have oil prices shooting up
21 through the roof in the EIA, so I think, if you looked at -
22 and I don't have it here, unfortunately - to overlay oil,
23 but I don't think that this is that different than what
24 they're predicting for oil. Now, I know there's a lot of
25 politics potentially in the DOE EIA forecast, and not

1 forecasting gas prices to shoot through the roof, I don't
2 know. Just a guess.

3 MR. SUYEYASU: And just one thing to add is that we
4 don't actually use the propane numbers and the life cycle
5 cost analysis process, we just use natural gas for
6 evaluating proposed measures. The propane is only used for
7 compliance calculation purposes on a home or building where
8 they know it will use propane.

9 MR. STONE: I did not know that.

10 MR. SUYEYASU: And that -

11 MR. PRICE: I didn't know that either.

12 MR. STONE: What's the reason for that when you
13 have, for example, climate zone 1, the bulk of which is not
14 served by the natural gas, so therefore propane is the
15 driver there?

16 MR. SUYEYASU: Okay, well, maybe I have a
17 misunderstanding there.

18 MS. CHAPPELL: Climate zone 1 -

19 MR. STONE: I'm not in Climate Zone 1 anymore.

20 MR. YASNEY: There's a similar question from the
21 phones, "Has the gas projections taken into account the
22 future supply of shale gas?" That's from Ed Becker.

23 MR. PRICE: Yeah, I do believe it has. Do I have
24 the gas price forecast? Yeah, so - and also, on natural
25 gas, the other part of the answer is the first through 2020

1 is actually just the forward market price, so it's actually
2 not - it's a forecast that what a trader thinks that is the
3 fair price to trade, and I'm almost certain that they've
4 accounted for the shale gas.

5 MR. HODGSON: Mike Hodgson, ConSol. Very
6 informative, by the way. Thank you for your presentation.
7 Market price seems to be very strongly correlated with
8 demand, and in your demand, you use some estimates for, I
9 presume, new construction. And I'm wondering how
10 significant is new construction to the whole demand picture
11 in what you're presenting.

12 MR. PRICE: Yeah, so correct me if I'm wrong, Amber,
13 but I believe the demand forecast is just from the latest
14 round of the CEC's IEPR load forecast? 2009 IEPR load
15 forecast, so we've taken that which is the latest load
16 forecast we have that the Energy Commission has done. It
17 does have some new construction in it, I'm not sure how much
18 or what the prediction was on the Economic Recovery.

19 MR. HODGSON: Is that dissimilar to what was used in
20 the Scoping Plan for AB 32 and the forecast numbers there?

21 MS. MAHONE: So, the Scoping Plan doesn't, I
22 believe, directly develop their own load forecast, they rely
23 on the CEC's load forecast, so we use the CEC's load
24 forecast, as well, which is adjusted for energy efficiency
25 included in the Scoping Plan, and then run that through our

1 production simulation model.

2 MR. HODGSON: Okay, and my concern is, I'm not sure
3 how big new construction is to the issue because, you know,
4 we're less than one percent of greenhouse gas production in
5 the state on an annual basis, but the forecast that the ARB
6 used, which I believe came from the CEC, had 186,000 single-
7 family residences being built per year between now and 2020.
8 We're not quite - we're less than 42,000 at the current
9 market rate, and we're not quite sure when the recovery is
10 going to be, but probably more significant, the load
11 forecast - I shouldn't say load forecast because I'm not
12 sure, but the building forecast that was presented to the
13 ARB, I believe, from the CEC, had 115 million commercial
14 square feet being built per year on a flat line between now
15 and 2020, and currently the market is less than 10 million,
16 and then, in fact, the industrial portion, which is the
17 largest chunk, Wells Fargo just predicted last quarter that
18 they probably do not expect any new industrial construction
19 in the state until 2018, just because of oversupply. So if
20 it's a significant issue, and I don't know if it is, I think
21 it would have an impact on demand. I don't know if one
22 percent or two percent is that, but I know capacity building
23 tends to be a driver and what builds capacity typically
24 could be new structures. And so I'm just wondering if
25 that's a significant issue, and if you are relying on ARB's

1 data, which relied on CEC's data, it really doesn't reflect
2 market, nor has it been corrected over numerous requests
3 from the industry.

4 MR. PRICE: So, I don't think - it's not the key
5 driver, new construction and the overall growth. I would
6 say it's completely a non-issue, either. We've done some
7 forecasting, you know, if you add up all these assumptions.
8 And the other assumption that really affects electricity
9 supply in California is the once-through cooling issue,
10 which is we have a number of power plants that use water
11 from the ocean, cool it, and put it back into the ocean, and
12 that is the Federal Clean Water Act is making that basically
13 illegal. And so we have an issue of retiring old power
14 plants, as well, so we tried to factor that in, along with -
15 and that's probably as big a driver as growth, it's getting
16 rid of the old power plants. So, we factored in the once-
17 through cooling, some of those will be repowered, some of
18 those will be retired, and the result of that is that, in
19 this modeling, is that 2015 looks like the year when we are
20 going to need new power plant capacity, given the CEC's
21 forecast that we talked about and the retirement of once-
22 through cooling. And we call that resource balance here in
23 this sort of electricity demand forecasting. So, the
24 question is, is it 2015, or is it 2020, or is it farther?
25 And it's hard to predict. It's hard to predict the economic

1 recovery. I don't think we've done a sensitivity to the
2 resource balance here, although I would say one of the
3 things that's important is that all the utilities do
4 purchase capacity from all of the existing power plants on
5 our behalf every year, just to keep them so they stay there
6 and as sort of a reliability issue. So, in 2015 and on in
7 our model, we assume that the cost of those capacity
8 payments are equal to what it would take to get a new plant
9 to come into the market, that between now and 2015, we still
10 have a capacity price in there that's based on the utilities
11 basically purchasing enough capacity from existing
12 generation, that it would also be an avoided cost. So, I
13 don't know, that's probably a way longwinded explanation
14 from your question, but -

15 MR. HODGSON: In your summary somewhere, it would be
16 nice to have - and I'm not trying to ask for additional
17 work, but some type of best guess from an educated
18 individual, not like us who don't know what you're doing,
19 but would say, "Here, we looked at where those numbers came
20 from, from new construction...", because that's the interest
21 that I have, "...and from new construction, even with the
22 diminished market, it would have this impact." Whether that
23 is significant or non-significant. And I don't know the
24 answer to that, and I don't want to guess, so I'd rather
25 have someone who is a better guesser, a more knowledgeable

1 guesser, I would say, say that that is or is not an issue;
2 if it is an issue, what impact would that have, then, on our
3 life cycle costing because that's where this feeds into. I
4 would appreciate that.

5 MR. PRICE: Sure thing.

6 MR. SHIRAKGH: Thank you, Mike. Marc.

7 MR. HOESCHELE: Marc Hoeschele, Davis Energy Group.
8 I'm just curious with the gas TDV how much that has changed.
9 I mean, the electric is in the 20-50 percent and I'm
10 assuming the gas isn't very much from 2008?

11 MR. PRICE: The gas price is almost flat, I believe,
12 from 2008, and that's because natural gas prices are lower.

13 MR. HOESCHELE: Right. So I guess there's some
14 implications there for - I mean, they're not for Title 24
15 on, say, on water heating, when we're looking at heat pump
16 water heaters or gas cooling on commercial buildings, things
17 are going to change pretty significantly there.

18 MR. PRICE: I don't know how much they will change
19 what the measures are. I don't know if you have any of that
20 in your slides, Bruce. Later today, we can kind of start to
21 look at what the implications are in terms of measures.
22 That's one step down the road from where we've been.

23 MR. PENNINGTON: Snu, could you explain why the
24 natural gas prices would be flat and the electricity price
25 is largely driven by commodity costs, would be escalating

1 considerably?

2 MR. PRICE: Yeah, so the natural gas prices hit kind
3 of a peak and, in about 2008, probably before we took a
4 natural gas price for the 2008 Standards cycle. And then
5 they've since come down for shale gas or other issues,
6 demand is low. So that's why - and I don't have a 2008
7 comparison chart, but from my memory, I think it is
8 relatively flat. The overall TDVs on the electric side are
9 driven in part by the commodity price, and that will also be
10 flat, but if you look at the other elements of the retail
11 rate escalation, there's the investment required for the 33
12 percent renewable energy standard, which is going to go into
13 the rates and is going to drive some increases. There is
14 also an effect, perversely as it might sound from energy
15 efficiency, actually drives rates up because we have our
16 established infrastructure, and with less through-put, you
17 get more higher rate per kilowatt hour. So all of our
18 dollars per kilowatt hour rates are actually going to be
19 higher. Total bills are lower, but the per unit costs are
20 higher. I'm trying to think what else - but those are the
21 key drivers.

22 MR. PENNINGTON: I was imagining that the fuel costs
23 were going up and that was a significant cost of the
24 escalation, but you said it's not that case.

25 MR. PRICE: Well, here's the fuel cost on this slide

1 that we have, and the natural gas prices do rebound within,
2 you know, 2020 to being where we sort of saw them before,
3 and then they go - so if you're talking about a 30-year
4 life, actually, you know, there is pretty significant
5 commodity increase, it's just the more near term. Other
6 questions about the TDV? Yeah?

7 MR. SPLITT: Well, it's not a question about your
8 presentation, but I didn't see anywhere else on here to moan
9 about something, and I've been quiet for too long. One of
10 the stakeholders meetings had to do with solar water
11 heating. There was a proposal to re-do the net solar
12 fraction calculation and base it on TDV, and to me that is
13 totally wrong because it skews - this is supposed to be
14 something used for designing and sizing a system, and a Btu
15 that you put in a water tank at 10:00 in the morning is no
16 different from a Btu that you put into the tank at 3:00 in
17 the afternoon, and I just want to -- since I'm at the
18 Commission here -- let you all know I think it's a really
19 dumb idea and you should not do it.

20 MR. SHIRAKH: Thank you, Pat. Any other questions
21 on TDV for the base standards? If not, we're around 12:25,
22 I would like to propose being back here at 1:15 sharp. I
23 know some folks have to leave early and we'd like to go
24 through as much material as possible, so we'll start up
25 again at 1:15. Thanks.

1 (Off the record at 12:25 p.m.)

2 (Back on the record at 1:15 p.m.)

3 MR. SHIRAKH: We're going to start the afternoon
4 session. Quickly, the agenda, the first item is going to be
5 TDV for Reach Standards, then after that is going to be the
6 Weather File, Joe Huang is here, so he'll present that, and
7 then after that will be Residential Compliance Software,
8 Bruce Wilcox. So, take it away.

9 MR. PRICE: All right, thank you, Mazi. I'm going
10 to walk through and go over the next half an hour, or 45
11 minutes or so, the latest thinking on developing the Time
12 Dependent Valuation for the Reach Standards, the Reach Tier
13 1 and Tier 2. Unlike this morning, where I was kind of
14 blaring through the slides to get us all to lunch, I think
15 we will actually have the time to walk through a few things
16 at a little slower pace and have a chance to talk about it
17 and we'll take questions afterwards. I'm going to try to
18 leave plenty of time for questions. I would also like to
19 say, though, that I don't think we have all the answers on
20 how Reach Tier 1 and Tier 2 will be implemented, or what
21 have you. I look at the work that E3 has been doing as sort
22 of the first step, so you know, what are the rational ways
23 we would look at developing the economic framework for Reach
24 Tier 1 and Tier 2, and we think we've got a workable
25 economic framework, and we're going to talk about that. I

1 know that's an interest - it was a question this morning. I
2 don't think we yet know, though, if we take that economic
3 framework, how will it all work out, and how will it all be
4 rolled out? I think those are all questions that the
5 Commission is starting to explore and I'm sure that's areas
6 where feedback and comments are welcome. So, I look at this
7 talk as sort of the step 1 as far as economic perspective,
8 not necessarily all the answers on how all the Reach Tier 1
9 and Tier 2 will play out.

10 So, the purpose of developing Reach TDVs was to
11 create more aggressive Title 24 Standards for adoption by
12 local jurisdictions and building designers, and so the Reach
13 Standards are adopted by local City Councils, or just
14 building designers who want to build a building, or design a
15 building, to reach Tier 1 or Tier 2 Standard. I will talk a
16 little bit about the policy context, what's going on in
17 California sort of driving us toward that, I think some of
18 that is talked about this morning, and then I've got a
19 proposed Reach 1 Standard approach, and we're going to talk
20 about the economic framework, and then, similarly, a
21 proposed Reach 2 Standard approach to talk about. And
22 hopefully this will all lead to some discussion.

23 I think anybody who has been following California
24 energy policy has sort of seen a whole suite of things that
25 are focused on reducing the carbon in our economy. The

1 picture on this chart is of the AB 32 Climate Change Scoping
2 Plan, which basically is the roadmap for laying out how the
3 state will reduce carbon over the next 10 years or so, it's
4 got market mechanisms, it's got complimentary measures, what
5 we call complimentary measures, it's pretty cross-cutting, I
6 don't think there's really an industry or an energy using
7 part of the California economy that isn't addressed directly
8 somewhere in this Scoping Plan. It's pretty much the whole
9 thing. And Building Standards are part of it, as is energy
10 efficiency, transportation, agriculture, pretty much the
11 whole thing.

12 California buildings represent over 20 percent of
13 statewide greenhouse gas emissions, so it's not an
14 insignificant part of the overall climate picture for
15 California, the energy use in our buildings. I wanted to
16 say a little bit about long term challenge of hitting a
17 level of carbon emissions that the IPCC, which is the
18 International Panel on Climate Change, says we need to meet
19 in order to prevent catastrophic climate change on earth
20 because this long term goal is really driving the overall
21 need for reducing carbon and it's a long term target. If
22 you look at 2020, it's a nice milestone, and it's on the
23 way, and the AB 32 goal of bringing California emissions
24 back to 1990 levels by 2020 is a step in the right
25 direction, but in order to prevent catastrophic climate

1 change, we really need to hit 80 percent below 1990 levels -
2 80 percent below. So this chart contrasts the business-as-
3 usual trajectory of the state's total economy-wide carbon
4 emissions, which is now at about 520 and will increase to
5 something like 875 at a business-as-usual baseline, and the
6 trajectory that we would need to take in order to hit the
7 aggressive GHG reductions. And you could see that the 2020
8 target is on there and our analysis shows that the mix of AB
9 32 measures do just about get us exactly to that 2020
10 target. The long term picture for decarbonization of the
11 entire economy has a lot to do with buildings. And I think,
12 while we can do a lot of things to reduce carbon in the
13 short term, when you look at the long term, our built
14 infrastructure is really the dominant driver of overall
15 carbon emissions, and building standards, while the amount
16 of growth between now and 2020, new building standards will
17 not have so much impact by 2020 just because we're not
18 building that many new buildings. When you look at what the
19 real problem is around climate change, you realize it's a
20 long term. And over time, as we roll through the building
21 stock in our state, the building standards become more and
22 more an important role in the overall meeting. Governor
23 Schwarzenegger has issued an Executive Order that states
24 that it should be California's goal to meet the IPC of 80
25 percent below 1990 levels. We've done some look at what we

1 think the viable pathways are for reaching that long term
2 goal, and I don't want to take up too much of our time
3 talking about it, but energy efficiency is really the first
4 and sort of critical piece we need to take on in order to
5 get to this type of goal. Really, there are not that many
6 pathways that can get that much carbon reduction, and the
7 three elements that you really need are, first of all,
8 energy efficiency, and then you need decarbonized electric
9 generation, and then you need electrification of end uses,
10 including in the buildings, as well as in the transportation
11 sector.

12 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: What does that mean,
13 electrification?

14 MR. PRICE: Electrification means taking something
15 that is burning a fossil fuel now, like your car, and
16 changing it to being an electric car, or changing a boiler
17 that is a natural gas-fired boiler at an industrial site,
18 and making it an electric boiler. So, with that background
19 of sort of the long term, and the importance of building
20 standard in the long term, as opposed to just in the short
21 2020 time frame, we set about trying to create, well, okay,
22 given these goals, how should we set the Reach Tier 1 and
23 Reach Tier 2. And for Reach Tier 1, what we call a "carbon
24 constrained world," basically we set an economic framework
25 together that says, given this is a multi-generational

1 problem for carbon reductions and the long term goal of
2 2050, how can we set an economic basis so that we're
3 basically sharing the burden of ourselves vs. our children
4 and our children's children. So, if you look at the base
5 standard TDVs, which is this basically will the investment
6 pay back on my bill savings, and you look at that and you
7 look at, well, is that enough to basically take our share of
8 the responsibility for abusing carbon? And you find out
9 you're not. So, for Reach Tier 1, what we said is we're
10 going to share equally the amount of carbon reduction that
11 we're taking on in the buildings we're building today, and
12 that if our children do the same level of effort, and the
13 children's children, we will be on the path to hitting the
14 long term goals. So, the economics are based on this equal
15 sharing concept. And I'm going to talk about how we
16 implement that.

17 For the Reach Tier 2 Standards, we've changed the
18 economic framework once more. We've said, well, maybe we
19 need to take responsibility for reducing the carbon
20 ourselves in this generation. And so we've set the economic
21 framework for basically Zero Net Energy ready buildings,
22 essentially what we would be doing in Tier 2, then, is
23 making buildings that go all the way up to Zero Net Energy.
24 And in that framework, we've taken the responsibility in
25 this generation for reducing the carbon for the long term.

1 I'm going to talk a little bit about how we
2 implement that, but that's the framework. Tier 1 is equal
3 sharing, Tier 2 is we're going to do it in this generation.
4 So, we really need two changes for the Reach Tier 1
5 standard, carbon constrained world, and this idea of
6 sharing. So, the first change is we use a higher CO₂
7 emissions price. And the reason for that is that, if you
8 look at the carbon price trajectories in the Synapse
9 Forecast that we looked at this morning, it is exactly that,
10 it is a market price of what the marginal abatement cost
11 will be of carbon in years kind of from now, moving forward.
12 But if you look at how the physics of carbon dioxide works
13 in the atmosphere, carbon dioxide has a life of over 100
14 years in the atmosphere before it is reabsorbed, so carbon
15 that is released today will still be in the atmosphere in
16 2050, and so, rather than use a market price, what we look
17 at is, okay, if we fast forward to what it will cost in 2050
18 to remove some carbon, and we use that cost as our value of
19 it today, since, after all, that carbon will still be there,
20 then we end up with a higher carbon price trajectory. So,
21 this is a long run cost of avoiding carbon, not the market
22 clearing price in a cap-in-trade carbon market, okay? So,
23 that's the first change and that increases the cost of
24 carbon from something today, from something like \$14.00 a
25 ton to \$57.00 a ton. And so that's the first piece. The

1 second piece is we lower the discount rate. And the reason
2 we lower the discount rate is that we're taking this multi-
3 generational perspective and this idea of equal sharing.
4 So, in the way that the current based TDVs work, there is a
5 3 percent real escalation, and so when you review our NPV to
6 do a life cycle analysis as they are presented, you get a
7 discounted stream. If you look at it a little bit
8 differently in this multi-generational perspective and say,
9 "Well, I want to share." "If I have to pay, or my child has
10 to pay \$10.00, to reduce carbon in their lifetime, I'm going
11 to be willing to pay \$10.00 myself in my own, okay, of
12 equivalent buying power." And so, we use a zero percent
13 discount rate, zero percent real discount rate, so it is
14 equivalent buying power. There is a lot of ways to think
15 about discount rate. We didn't change it lightly because
16 it's actually kind of an underpinning of a lot of the TDV
17 methodology, but in this case, where we're trying to get the
18 equivalent level of investment for our generation to share
19 in the problem, we think it's the right answer. The other
20 way to think about the discount rate is opportunity cost,
21 so, rather than put it in an investment in something that
22 will save energy, I could put it in the bank and get some
23 interest. Basically, what we're doing is we're ignoring
24 that opportunity loss. In other words, I'm not going to put
25 it in the bank, it's a conscious decision, I'm not going to

1 put the money in the bank and invest it, what I'm going to
2 do is put it into my house and save carbon. Sorry, I was a
3 little surprised by the little pop-ups here. So, we could
4 talk more about discount rates and why we chose Zero Percent
5 Real, but essentially it is equivalent buying power. And if
6 my child has to spend \$100 to solve the climate change
7 problem long term, I'm going to be willing to. That's the
8 framework. So, if I roll those two things into the TDVs,
9 what happens? Well, I find that my TDVs go up by about 20
10 percent, 20 percent higher, and particularly in the on-peak
11 period. This is just that example, it's - oh, I guess this
12 is the TDV times energy consumption for a typical commercial
13 building, which is why it's particularly a non-peak period.
14 So, you get an answer, you can get a whole new set of TDVs,
15 all of the same methodology and framework that we've talked
16 about, that Dan set up this morning in the LCC in terms of,
17 you know, could you use this to create a proscriptive Tier
18 1? Yes, absolutely you can. Could you use it in the ACM?
19 Yeah, absolutely you can. All of our methodologies for
20 looking at Building Standards work, it's just a different
21 set of fundamental TDVs. All right, so that's Tier 1 in a
22 nutshell. Looking forward to comments on that.

23 Reach Tier 2 is, as I said, more aggressive. This
24 is we're not going to do this equal sharing, what we're
25 going to do is solve the problem right now. And so, the

1 principle is, basically Zero Net Energy buildings, net
2 energy ready, right? So, what we mean by that is, we're not
3 thinking of requiring the on-site self-generation component,
4 but a building that is the next economic choice for reducing
5 energy in the building would be on-site self-generation.
6 Okay? So these are Zero Net Energy ready. And self-
7 generation, to get it all the way to zero net energy could
8 be added at the discretion of the builder, which would be
9 fine. And in a parallel process to this, we are looking at
10 the cost of integrating photovoltaics into new building
11 construction, and I think that's going to come back around
12 and be sort of synergistic with the Reach Tier 2. So, then
13 the goal is identifying the suite of measures that lead to a
14 least cost path for this Zero Net Energy ready building.
15 Now, in practical terms, what it means is, if the cost of
16 adding - if we're talking about, say, residential rooftop
17 solar, the cost of solar PV is something like \$.28 a
18 kilowatt hour, which is roughly what it's projected to be.
19 That means that we can - it would be cost-effective to do
20 energy efficiency all the way up to measures that cost \$.28.
21 Now, there's probably lots of different combinations of
22 measures and there are probably a lot of measures that save
23 energy in that building that cost less than that. But
24 that's sort of the framework.

1 So, there is a number of ways to implement Reach 1
2 and Reach 2, and I don't think the Commission has decided, I
3 think this is a great forum for providing comments. The
4 proscriptive and ACM approaches could work just the way
5 we've got them; basically, for each one, you just use the
6 higher Reach 1 TDV values, given the assumptions that I
7 talked about, and then, for Reach 2, what you could do is
8 set the overall level so that the cost is the self-
9 generation option, which is probably solar PV. The thinking
10 through this, there are some implications about it and
11 probably some - this is, I would say, our own comments, and
12 work in progress, but as you push down the total energy
13 consumption in the building, I think that the interactive
14 effects become pretty darn important. So, we are going to
15 have to think about how that works rather than a measure by
16 measure type of analysis. How do we look at passive
17 features, which have a lot of implications for how the
18 buildings are modeled and all that. And data availability
19 on the higher cost energy efficiency measures are, I think,
20 all challenges for implementation. But I think that's what
21 this forum is for and I'm sure comments are appreciated. I
22 think that's the last piece. But, I would love to have a
23 discussion around concept and make sure, at least, that I'm
24 communicating it clearly and hearing your comments.

1 MR. RAYMER: CBIA, this is Bob Raymer with CBIA.
2 We'll have a lot of comments to get in to you over there in
3 the coming weeks and months. As the Building Standards
4 Commission and HCD went through its development with the
5 Green Building Standards, their Tier 1 and Tier 2 were sort
6 of prefaced on a 15 and 30 percent increase. The picture
7 that I'm seeing here would seem to clearly indicate that,
8 with regards to Tier 2, 30 percent is kind of not going to
9 happen, it is going to be something probably much larger
10 than 30 percent. So, it seems to me that, where some of the
11 other agencies were heading in a direction of taking the
12 base standards in California and trying to figure out ways
13 to sort of ratchet things down at levels of 15 and 30,
14 that's not necessarily the direction that the Energy
15 Commission is heading at this point. And it would probably
16 be a good idea to express that to the other agencies,
17 particularly HCD and the Building Standards Commission, so
18 that they were aware of that is where you're heading because
19 they are going to be working over the next two years on
20 updating their Green Building Standards. Having said that,
21 I'm looking at, you know, you indicated that there's going
22 to be a whole lot more information coming out in December
23 with regards to the Tier 1 and Tier 2 methodologies that
24 you're using. But from what I see right now, a great great
25 many things will be able to be justified as being cost-

1 effective, given the assumptions that you're using here.
2 However, I think that the general public, and to local
3 elected officials, when they hear the term cost-effective,
4 they're thinking in the simplistic of terms, that it's going
5 to pay for itself; in essence, "My long term reduction in
6 utility bills over that 30-year period is going to pay for
7 the upfront costs and installation." And this is a huge
8 departure from that, and it points in a case that the CEC is
9 taking a huge shift in past practice over the last 30 years,
10 and the fact is, I think when you call something cost-
11 effective and use these type of assumptions, you need to put
12 a big asterisk by the term "cost-effective." And it's
13 important that those that are listening to this understand
14 that cost-effective isn't what we've thought it was over the
15 last 30 years, and there's going to be a dialogue problem
16 here. So, that being the case, you know, whether or not a
17 Public Resources Code, they don't have a whole lot of
18 definition of what is and is not cost-effective, and so
19 there's a whole lot of flexibility here. But I think a lot
20 of people on both sides of the aisle are going to be very
21 interested in the concept that you've got here. Now, we can
22 discuss carbon reduction, things like that, and we get that,
23 but I just don't see the average person on the street having
24 a clue as to this. They're going to think, if somebody
25 calls it cost-effective, it pays for itself, bottom line.

1 And so we're the ones that are going to have to sell this to
2 the public. And unfortunately, it's been my experience in
3 the last couple of years with the advent of the Green
4 Building Standards, whether you go to LEED Gold or LEED
5 Platinum at the local level, whether you go to Build it
6 Green at 50 points, or Build it Green at 110 points, a lot
7 of local jurisdictions particularly the decision-makers,
8 have no understanding of what actually is within the
9 standard itself, where that standard has come from over the
10 last 10 years, and where it's headed, they just think,
11 "Well, we want to be a little bit tighter than the state, so
12 let's go ahead and do this," without any actual technical
13 understanding of that. There's going to be a lot of
14 jurisdictions that will take Tier 1 or Tier 2, as you are
15 proposing, and just simply say, "Well, Tier 2 is a good
16 idea, let's go for it," but not quite understand what is in
17 Tier 2. And so that's the problem that we're going to have,
18 we're going to have to sell all this. We would like to do
19 it in cooperation with the Commission, but I'm seeing a
20 price tag associated, especially with Tier 2, of being at an
21 astronomical level, such that you'll see housing
22 significantly hampered, hampering the ability to actually
23 get an affordable product out there. Well, we'll have a lot
24 to talk about over the coming months.

1 MR. PRICE: Yeah. I mean, I think your point
2 about the explanation, if you just say it's "cost-
3 effective," that's very different than what I was trying to
4 build up, was, if you take this view, I'm going to share the
5 cost between me and future generations, then it's cost-
6 effective. So it's definitely the messaging is, I think,
7 important to understand what this really is trying to
8 reflect.

9 MR. RAYMER: Yeah. SMUD has had some very
10 progressive energy efficiency programs over the years.
11 They've always made a point that, you know, it's cost-
12 effective, etc. etc. and they've got hard numbers to back
13 that up. You're going to be getting away from dollar signs
14 here, necessarily the direct connection between the
15 individual and the savings that they're going to have in
16 utility bills. People are going to have a hard time
17 understanding that. It's a huge leap. Thank you.

18 MR. PRICE: Any other comments about the -

19 MR. SPLITT: It's Pat Splitt from APP-TECH. The
20 way I look at this, it seems to me that this talk about cost
21 effectiveness and adding all this stuff into these tiers, I
22 don't see any reason for not keeping the tier structure the
23 way it is now with Tier 1 being 15 percent better than
24 energy code and Tier 2 30 percent, because in my mind, at a
25 certain point in time, anything that you calculate is cost-

1 effective should be in the Code, should be required. Why
2 wouldn't it be in the Code if it's cost-effective? So what
3 you do is you go move along each standard as you raise the
4 code up, but as high as you can that it is cost-effective,
5 then you can add these other options where people just pick
6 whatever they want to get better, but you don't have to
7 justify it. I mean, there are mentions of adding some of
8 the optional characteristics of the current Code into the
9 next one, but they didn't mention QII, Quality Insulation
10 Installation. That doesn't need a lot of equipment, why
11 wouldn't that be in the Code next time around? I mean, it
12 makes no sense. It's cost-effective - anything that's cost-
13 effective, it should be in the base for the Code. Why
14 wouldn't it be?

15 MR. PRICE: Yeah -

16 MR. SPLITT: And if it's on the Code, you've got
17 nothing left to put in your other tiers.

18 MR. PRICE: No, I understand what you're saying,
19 and I think we've already got to our first case of the exact
20 same misunderstanding that Bob was talking about. So, in
21 the base TDV, the way we've defined cost-effective is it
22 will pay the bill, savings will pay for it, and that's what
23 you're talking about, and if it passes on that, it should be
24 in the Code, and it is in the Code, and all of us are doing
25 the case studies and all that to figure that out. Okay?

1 MR. SPLITT: Yeah, maybe.

2 MR. PRICE: Maybe, okay. In the Reach 1, I've
3 used different criteria for cost-effectiveness; I've said,
4 if we're going to share the amount of investment and energy
5 efficiency and spend the same amount of our own resources
6 that we're going to ask our future generations to spend,
7 given the fact that we're in a long term climate change
8 problem, then it's cost-effective. So, for example, the
9 long term carbon price, so the cost that they're going to
10 have to pay to reduce carbon, I will be willing to pay that
11 myself, right? So it's still cost-effective, but it's cost-
12 effective from a different world view.

13 MR. SPLITT: I just think what you ought to do is
14 create a new term, not use "cost-effective." "Cost-
15 effective" should just mean one thing.

16 MR. HODGSON: You've got three different
17 definitions -

18 MR. PRICE: Please come up to the mic.

19 MR. HODGSON: Mike Hodgson, ConSol. Just a quick
20 question, then. So, for Reach 1, what increase in
21 stringency in the Code are you predicting for Reach 1
22 standard? Do you have a ball park?

23 MR. PRICE: I don't know because I haven't heard
24 from the building modeling folks. I know that it gives you
25 about a 20 percent higher number in terms of what the

1 overall value of energy is. But I don't know how anybody
2 else -

3 MR. HODGSON: Are we going to be talking about 1
4 and 2 today, Bruce? No? Okay.

5 MR. WILCOX: Well, I've got some stuff to talk
6 about, but it's all base standard stuff, so you could look
7 at that and say, "Well, what if the savings were 20 percent
8 more? Does that change it? But I don't pretend to analyze
9 this yet.

10 MR. HODGSON: Okay, curious.

11 MR. PRICE: Yeah, we're curious too.

12 MR. YASNEY: On the phones, Abhjeet Pande had a
13 comment that I want to get in the record. Dan, would you
14 like to read that comment and then see if there is any
15 discussion?

16 MR. SUYEYASU: And this is in response to, Pat,
17 your earlier question about using TDV for solar. So, this
18 is what Abhjeet said, "The plan is to not use TDV to
19 calculate the solar fraction, but to use hourly solar
20 fraction derived from solar thermal calculation tool. The
21 hourly solar fraction will be an input to the calculation of
22 hourly energy of water heating."

23 MR. SPLITT: Okay, that sounds more like what I
24 was looking for.

25 MR. SUYEYASU: Okay, great. Thanks, Abhjeet.

1 MR. SHIRAKH: So, I have one question. You know,
2 Pat Splitt, I guess your suggestion is to basically save 15
3 percent for Tier 1 and 30 percent for Tier 2, and just leave
4 it at that, and then let people decide how they want to get
5 there?

6 MR. SPLITT: There's the next time around that
7 it's going to be 15 percent of a lot lower, you know, of a
8 much more stringent number, so it's not like we didn't
9 change it, we just brought everything down together.

10 MR. SHIRAKH: So would that be easier for you
11 guys?

12 MR. SPLITT: I'm a deer in headlights right now.

13 MR. SHIRAKH: But his proposal is to define Tier 1
14 as 15 percent beyond whatever 2013 standard is, and Tier 2
15 would be 30 percent beyond that. I'm sorry -

16 MR. SPLITT: I understand.

17 MR. RAYMER: This is Bob Raymer, CBIA. I see
18 great merit to that, although I think there's going to be a
19 huge price associated with the 30 percent given some great
20 basic calcs that we've already done. You've got a lot of
21 local jurisdictions, particularly with Build it Green out
22 there that has been very popular in the Bay Area, where they
23 have for many years been looking at a 15 percent increase.
24 So, with respect to Tier 1, there's a rather large consensus
25 out there of understanding, 15 percent beyond the energy

1 Regs is where the next tier goes. Furthermore, that's been
2 reinforced by the adoption of the Cal Green, which
3 specifically comes out in states, 15 and 30. And you know,
4 we're doing a lot of training out there right now, half the
5 people coming to these training sessions are local building
6 departments. We probably should get them thinking that this
7 is perhaps a temporary thing. I don't know where this is
8 all going to end up with the Energy Commission, but
9 switching from a 15 and 30 is going to be significant. And
10 given what I've seen, what you've discussed today in terms
11 of what is cost-effective, or will be considered cost-
12 effective for both Tier 1 and Tier 2, is much much
13 different, and actually more. As you said, probably 20-25
14 percent for Tier 1, and who knows what that number would be
15 for Tier 2? And that's much different from where we were
16 kind heading. See, we are looking at water efficiency
17 provisions at 15 and 30 percent increases, we're looking at
18 other things at 15 and 30 percent increases, we're trying to
19 look at life cycle analysis for these things so we can
20 measure the greenness of one to another, and that's why, you
21 know, who is to say that 15 and 30 is the best numbers to
22 pick, it's just what we're familiar with right now, and it's
23 probably a whole lot of where some of these private sector
24 programs have been heading. This goes in a significantly
25 different direction.

1 MR. PRICE: One thing I would -

2 MR. PENNINGTON: I have a question for Bob. When
3 you say that we're looking at 15 percent and 30 percent for
4 water, is that with respect to the Code that would go into
5 effect in 2014?

6 MR. RAYMER: No, 2011. HCD is already starting to
7 look at residential provisions, as is the Building Standards
8 Commission for commercial occupancies, and it may well be a
9 lot easier to look at the Tier 1 and Tier 2 requirements for
10 water efficiency than it is for resource management, simply
11 because we're kind of getting - we're new to this recycling
12 on a large scale basis and resource management on a large
13 scale, we've got to figure out a way to calc it. But, yeah,
14 they are looking at 15 and 30 for water conservation.

15 MR. PENNINGTON: For 2014.

16 MR. RAYMER: For 2014, but it's not chiseled into
17 stone, it's just right now they have no idea that you're
18 thinking about this, and I'm sure they, you know, it would
19 be nice for everybody to kind of talk to each other so
20 they're on the same page. I can assure you right now, the
21 assumption is that you're going to have 15 and 30, that is
22 the clear assumption about HCD and the BSE.

23 MR. SUYEYASU: I guess just two things to point
24 out here, one is the 20 percent that the TDV has increased
25 won't necessarily result in 20 percent savings, we're only

1 going to apply this to a certain subset of existing
2 efficiency measures, so it's just based on capacity of
3 researchers to do the work. So, it could just be a third of
4 the efficiency measures, and a building will actually get
5 evaluated and move to a Reach 1 level, I have no commitment
6 as to what that number is.

7 MR. RAYMER: Off the top of my head, I'm thinking
8 the numbers are going to be much higher than 15 and 30,
9 respectively, unless the CEC takes a different direction.

10 MR. SUYEYASU: Yeah.

11 MR. WILCOX: One of the things - this is Bruce
12 Wilcox - one of the things I like about this proposal vs.
13 the flat 15 and 30 percent is that this, it seems to me,
14 responds better to opportunities and that are there because
15 of the climates and the building styles and the market for
16 efficiency measures that exist. We've run into past
17 versions of the Standards where we tried to do alternate
18 proscriptive packages to, you know, we did an alternate
19 prescriptive package to the glazing package last time and,
20 in some climate zones it was easy, and in some climate zones
21 you couldn't get there. And I think you get the same
22 problems with 15 and 30 percent, you know, it may be in
23 Climate Zone 15 that 30 percent is too far, and maybe in
24 Climate Zone 1, it's too easy, or vice versa. And in terms
25 of resource use, putting the statewide resources into the

1 measures in the places where it saves the most energy, it
2 seems to me, fundamentally makes more sense than some flat
3 number.

4 MR. SHIRAKH: So, Bruce, do we know if that's a
5 problem, actually? Or is it something we've assumed, that
6 it's going to be a problem in some climate zones?

7 MR. WILCOX: Well, we know from past experience
8 that it was very hard to get a package in Climate Zone 15
9 that allowed you to go back to the - I don't remember
10 exactly the problem but the previous window standard or
11 something.

12 MR. RAYMER: Yeah, hard conducted frames.

13 MR. WILCOX: Yeah, hard conducted frames.

14 MR. SUYEYASU: Bruce, some of the graphs you
15 produced for your presentation will kind of illuminate this
16 different effect, won't it?

17 MR. WILCOX: Some of the comparisons I'm going to
18 show you, things are really different in different climate
19 zones for what the effects are and how the measures trade
20 off against each other.

21 MR. RAYMER: One last point, an issue that Mike
22 Hodgson touched on earlier, and that is ARB's projection of
23 housing production. As he did indicate, ARB is looking at
24 185,000 to 190,000 units being constructed - this is
25 residential - being constructed in California from the years

1 2008 through 2020. There are already a half million units
2 short because of the economic downturn and it's not like
3 we're going to come back to business as usual and then build
4 those 500,000 units on top of business as usual, so there is
5 greenhouse gas production from those 500,000 units that are
6 already not built that isn't going to be occurring. ARB
7 will most likely be revisiting its numbers, but if you're
8 assuming overall net energy efficiency benefits to
9 California from the new housing stock, the numbers are
10 probably going to be significantly smaller if you start
11 using the revised numbers that the Legislative Analyst's
12 Office is using and that ARB is perhaps reconsidering. It's
13 not to say that energy efficiency in new construction is not
14 warranted, but just to be looking at the global projection
15 of benefits that we're going to have over the next 20-30
16 years, you're not going to see the greenhouse gas reduction
17 numbers - total numbers - come from that. So it's a real
18 concern.

19 MR. PRICE: Yeah, we already have a to-do list,
20 some statement around the impact on the economy and housing
21 starts, so...

22 MR. YASNEY: I have a comment from online from Tim
23 Rosenfeld, a comment and a question. "I applaud the
24 direction for rethinking of TDV for Reach Codes, however, I
25 work with local governments that want to go beyond the State

1 Code to reduce greenhouse gas and keep more money in the
2 local economy. Today, many local officials don't understand
3 TDV and equate a 15 percent TDV beyond the State Code is the
4 same as a 15 percent reduction in greenhouse gas for new
5 buildings. TDV combines electricity and natural gas and
6 doesn't clearly allow for us to understand and value the
7 real greenhouse gas impact, especially for the future
8 potential to reduce greenhouse gas. For example,
9 orientation, better building envelope measures over slightly
10 more efficient HVAC, pre-plumbing and pre-wiring for future
11 solar. How can we disaggregate some of the components that
12 go into calculating TDV to better look at the localized
13 greenhouse gas impacts and local monies that might stay in
14 the community?" Any comment?

15 MR. PRICE: Well, I can comment on it, I mean,
16 because that is exactly - the way we build up the TDVs is we
17 actually have an estimate of carbon emissions, sick [ph.]
18 reduction, bi-hour for your building, so you know, the
19 disaggregated components are there to actually do that
20 analysis that the commenter is talking about. I don't know
21 what's involved with, you know, creating a formal process
22 and getting all of that out to everybody, but that's
23 fundamentally how we build up the carbon part of our TDVs,
24 so with an estimate of carbon savings.

25 MR. SHIRAKH: Nehemiah.

1 MR. STONE: Nehemiah Stone. Bruce, you mentioned
2 that one of the arguments for doing it this way is the
3 differences between climate zones. I'd like to add to that,
4 that if you set a percentage of 15 and 30 percent as your
5 targets across the board, you're going to find that you end
6 up imposing a much higher cost per square foot for high-rise
7 buildings than you do for lower rise buildings. It's a lot
8 harder - multi-family, I'm talking about - it's a lot harder
9 to get a higher level of percent savings in high-rise
10 buildings, so doing it in a way where you've got a target
11 that's a reduction rather than a percentage of the energy
12 makes it more fair across the Board. I have a related
13 question and I don't remember who was making the
14 presentation, I still don't remember who it was, I thought
15 for a moment, anyway, with the J-Curve and the difference
16 between setting the standards or the base level being at the
17 lowest life cycle cost, and I thought I heard you say that,
18 then, the Tier 1 would be set at the level where it was the
19 same life cycle - a higher level of efficiency, but the same
20 life cycle cost, so where the J-Curve hit the horizontal
21 line for the base, the current conditions, that's not the
22 same thing. Did I mis-hear?

23 MR. SUYEYASU: They work together. We have not
24 decided affirmatively that we're going to use that different
25 interpretation of the J-Curve. We may use it for some

1 measure analysis. The point is that, if you do that
2 reinterpretation of the J-Curve, that is still cost-
3 effective, the new measure that you're implementing, as
4 compared to your base case, even though it's a different
5 point, cost-effective -- it basically leaves open any
6 solution underneath that line as cost-effective. It works
7 in collaboration with these new TDV numbers. The new TDV
8 numbers will basically help determine the shape of the J-
9 Curve and where it's positioned on that chart in relation to
10 the Y axis.

11 MR. STONE: The reason I ask is because, if you're
12 going to set a target that is consistent across from one
13 measure to the next, whether -- you may be 5 percent better
14 than the base case condition where your J-Curve crosses the
15 equal cost -

16 MR. SUYEYASU: Yeah.

17 MR. STONE: -- or, you may be 80 percent better,
18 and so - and it's not until you look at all the measures in
19 aggregate for that kind of building in that zone that you're
20 going to be able to get that kind of percentage.

21 MR. SUYEYASU: Yeah and, you know, certain
22 measures may be close to cost-effective out there at the
23 edge of the J-Curve where it's still less than present base
24 case cost, but for one reason or another, they're not quite
25 as market-ready, so we may just back off a little bit, but

1 we're just sort of putting that out there as one of the
2 tools in the toolbox here.

3 MR. STONE: If I may, I'd like to make one more
4 comment. When we were working on the 1992 standards, there
5 was an argument made that we were pushing too hard and we
6 were going to make housing unaffordable. And I'm hearing
7 echoes of that same argument today, and I'd like to remind
8 people who were around there at the time that we did a study
9 where we looked at the sale price of new homes in one large
10 region, Sacramento, tracked that over a 20-year period,
11 compared to the cost of the two largest cost inputs, labor
12 and lumber, and found that they had absolutely no
13 relationship. The cost of new homes more than probably any
14 other item we could think of is not driven by the cost of
15 the inputs, it's driven by the demand of the market. And
16 when you can get a lot for a home, you're going to make a
17 lot of profit. When you can't, you won't. They keep
18 building, then they go out of business. That's not a fault
19 of the Standards.

20 MR. SPLITT: It's Pat Splitt again. I just wanted
21 to go back to the 15 and 30 percent. I was assuming that
22 this is going to be successful come January, but if there
23 are these problems with areas that can't make 30 percent and
24 the Building Departments are going to adopt these, they're
25 going to do it in January, and your Reach Codes will be a

1 failure before you ever get around to doing this and nobody
2 - it will be too late. So, if there's a problem with those,
3 I think maybe somebody should think about it right now and
4 start talking to the Building Departments and, say, maybe
5 you don't want to go to Reach 2, or don't do a Reach 2, or -
6 it just seems like either it's a good idea or it's a bad
7 idea, it's not -

8 MR. PENNINGTON: I would just comment that most of
9 the local government ordinances that we're seeing are
10 shooting for a Tier 1 level kind of ordinance, maybe some
11 exceptions for very large buildings. But, in general,
12 they're not shooting for Tier 2 currently.

13 MR. SHIRAKH: Bill, we can hardly hear you.

14 MR. PENNINGTON: Okay, so I just was saying that
15 most of the local government ordinances that we're seeing
16 are shooting for Tier 1 levels, rather than Tier 2 levels,
17 to respond to Pat's concern that maybe Tier 2 is
18 overshooting, that's not what they're choosing to do, with
19 maybe the exception of for very large buildings.

20 MR. YASNEY: And we're about 15 minutes late, so
21 we want to -

22 MR. SHIRAKH: That's okay, it's important to have
23 this conversation. Mike.

24 MR. HODGSON: Just a quick comment. Mike Hodgson,
25 ConSol. Being part of the collaborative process, it came up

1 with Cal Green and the impact of why Tier 1 and Tier 2
2 exist. I haven't heard that mentioned in here today and the
3 way the process worked at the State agencies, the Energy
4 Commission was one of the groups that participated, was that
5 Tier 1 in the existing Cal Green Code is basically what
6 they're going to look at to adopt in the next adoption
7 cycle, so it's like a three years heads up practice with
8 this stuff, see how it works, and bring that product into
9 the market. Tier 2 is three years out, plus three years
10 out, you know, the next Code cycle, so it's six years plus
11 out, probably leading edge technology, no market traction,
12 no real quick cost data. So there are a lot of State
13 agencies who treat Tier 1 and Tier 2 like that in the
14 Building Code now that we've adopted, and by the way, that
15 is relatively innovative nationally, no one has done that,
16 that I know of in the United States that has a code
17 voluntary -- first of all, codes really don't have voluntary
18 sections, but when they do, or if they do, they usually
19 don't look forward, they have like an ancillary cost, ASHRAE
20 6022, or pick a fun one, right? So, we're really moving
21 away from that philosophy here, and I'm just making you
22 aware of it, I'm not saying that's good or bad, but the way
23 California Building Codes are going is the first standard is
24 supposed to be what we're going to be adopting theoretically
25 in the next revision, and if that happens to be Reach 1, I

1 don't know because I don't quite get what's going to come
2 out of Reach 1 yet, and it definitely would not be Reach 2
3 because Reach 2 is way out there, it's a zero energy
4 concept. So, just so you know, there are a lot of agencies
5 that are kind of thinking about what Tier 1, Tier 2 mean, I
6 appreciate they're called "Reach 1 and Reach 2," but I know
7 eventually these are going to be blended, at least I think
8 that's the intent, to have these actually adopted by State
9 agencies, so just be interesting to let other agencies have
10 input into this process, too.

11 MR. PENNINGTON: So, my question, is it your view
12 that having sort of long term notice like this for upcoming
13 changes for code is attractive to building industry, for
14 one, and also is a presentation that effectively
15 communicates to the people that you're trying to train and
16 that you're getting an appreciation from it?

17 MR. HODGSON: Well, I think the idea of having a
18 look forward of a Code is very valuable to the building
19 industry primarily from the manufacturing standpoint and the
20 implementation standpoint. As an example, we have in our
21 2008 Standards a charge indicator device that doesn't exist,
22 but we get credit for it, and we have Title 24 consultants
23 up and down the State who take credit for it, and it doesn't
24 exist, but the Building official doesn't know that, it's
25 check the box and so what? It's an enforcement issue. If

1 we try not to adopt things that don't exist in our code,
2 which I would recommend, then we could have a three-year,
3 six-year timeline to try to bring those products that look
4 very useful into the market and try to implement them, and
5 try to build them, and try to manufacture them, and try to
6 distribute them, and figure out what they cost. I mean, we
7 shouldn't do things that we've already done, so I thought
8 the Tier 1 and the Tier 2 process adds great value to the
9 Code development process because it's a practice area and
10 it's a heads up - this is what we think is valuable in the
11 future. Now, it doesn't mean Tier 1 becomes Code, it just
12 means that we look at those things when we get to the next
13 Code cycle.

14 MR. PRICE: I, before just really quick, in
15 thinking about that, I talked about AB 32 a lot and one of
16 the policy goals for 2020 is the Zero Net Energy concept,
17 and so I think this isn't completely divorced from the idea
18 of putting things out there that will then march towards the
19 Code, right? Although it's not obviously proposed as being
20 prime time in all buildings, and everything that was
21 envisioned in the policy, it is a test ground for what it
22 would take to do these buildings before 2020.

23 MR. SUYEYASU: So, at least on the residential
24 side, it aligns perfectly with 2020 in terms of being two
25 additional code cycles past 2014.

1 MR. SHIRAKH: So, Mike, if I may ask a question,
2 you are having this horizon three years and the six years,
3 it would seem to argue that we should have a package or
4 proscriptive requirement for Reach 1. Presumably that
5 Package "R" will become Package D in 2016. That's basically
6 what you -

7 MR. HODGSON: Well, it could be a package or it
8 could be a percentage.

9 MR. SHIRAKH: Yes.

10 MR. HODGSON: I mean, if you have a package,
11 you're going to tell them 15 things to do, right?

12 MR. SHIRAKH: Right.

13 MR. HODGSON: If you have a percentage, then
14 you're going to let the market say, "Here's what I can do to
15 get the 15 percent over code," there's more flexibility.
16 I'm not saying one way is better than the other, I don't
17 know.

18 MR. WILCOX: There's no more flexibility.

19 MR. HODGSON: There's no more flexibility, okay.

20 MR. WILCOX: If you get to meet the Tier 1 using
21 the performance method, you know, it's just not 15 percent,
22 it might be 14 percent, or 17 percent, that's all. The
23 flexibility is the same.

24 MR. RAYMER: In answer to Bill's question to Mike,
25 yes, there is benefit, particularly with Tier 1. For the

1 building industry and the building officials, but mostly the
2 industry, to know where, in 2017, where they need to be for
3 minimum compliance, we've seen this happen for the last two
4 updates where there was a good idea of where the CEC was
5 heading, i.e., a 15 percent update or a 15 percent increase,
6 this last time was around 20 percent, but at least we had a
7 good ballpark understanding and a transition, and this is
8 the important part. The transition was made somewhat easy
9 because we could sort of pre-suppose what the CEC was going
10 to be, and you had a number of projects where the builder
11 went ahead and had his architects design to that 15 percent
12 increase, and they implemented the standards in some cases
13 early because the start of the project - you don't want to
14 change your brochures and everything half way through. So,
15 there's benefit to knowing a long term plan and that's
16 keyley [sic] important with Tier 1.

17 MR. PRICE: Any other comments on the Reach. I
18 know we're a little bit behind on our agenda.

19 MR. STONE: Yeah, I'll be really quick. Maybe I'm
20 mathematically challenged, but it seems to me that, if we're
21 going to get to Net Zero in 2020, then the logical
22 progression is, in this next Code, we reduce by 33 and a
23 third percent, and then in the next Code we reduce by 50
24 percent, and the next Code we reduce by 100 percent. I
25 mean, how else do you get there? You know, how many times

1 can you multiply 15 percent times something before you get
2 to zero?

3 MR. SHIRAKH: Net Zero presumes there's going to
4 be renewables on-site, so it's not all from efficiencies.

5 MR. STONE: Okay, then let me bring it back again
6 to high-rise residential. You know, where are you going to
7 put the solar on high-rise residential? You got equipment
8 up there? You've got a whole lot less roof space per square
9 foot, so, I mean, that would argue the opposite of what I
10 was saying earlier that, for high-rise residential, we ought
11 to push twice as hard on the Code.

12 MR. PRICE: But, so, Nehemiah, that's one of the
13 reasons why we're proposing Zero Net Energy ready, so we're
14 not actually saying that the high-rise has to generate,
15 maybe it's unfeasible where they're at, urban area, who
16 knows, it's all the efficiency up to the point where that
17 would be the next option.

18 MR. STONE: That's what I was afraid of, so we're
19 going to redefine the word "zero." And net zero doesn't
20 actually mean net zero?

21 MS. CHAPPELL: This isn't the first time that
22 that's been -

23 MR. STONE: I know that.

24 MR. SHIRAKH: This issue of what is net zero,
25 where the renewable source is going to come, if it's going

1 to be site built, I mean, those are all things to be
2 determined.

3 MR. STONE: Because it gets real hard to explain
4 to people who are developing that we're going to get to net
5 zero in 2020 and, oh, by the way, here's the definition of
6 "zero," and it's not what you thought it was.

7 MR. SHIRAKH: Okay, any other comments on Reach
8 TDV? Okay, we're going to move to the next topic, which is
9 the Weather Files. Mr. Huang, you're on.

10 MR. HUANG: Okay, first, I'd like to thank Pat and
11 the Commission for rescheduling my presentation from earlier
12 this morning because I had an emergency to fight with the
13 Passport Office in San Francisco, and the good news is that
14 everything worked out, so now it looks like I will be able
15 to go to China on Friday.

16 What I was asked to do was to give a report on a
17 project that I'm doing right now, it's a PIER project, it's
18 to update the Energy Commission's Weather Files for use in
19 building Energy Standards. So, the scope of the project, in
20 the beginning I was told that, well, everything is on the
21 table; but, very quickly it became a can of worms, and are
22 we going to redefine the boundaries, are we going to have -
23 how many climate zones, etc. So, we decided pretty early
24 that this is not an attempt to evaluate or revise the
25 current CTZ boundaries, this is really - the focus is on

1 just developing a more current set of reference weather
2 files, taking advantage of - and I have to emphasize that,
3 there is a great increase of availability of weather and
4 solar data within the past five years that will give us the
5 potential to do a lot better than what we've done before.
6 And what I was doing was - it's really a two-step process, a
7 procedure to first develop and archive as many historical
8 weather files as possible for California locations, and so
9 what you have is like an archive of all these actual year
10 historical weather files for as many locations as we could
11 find. And then, once we had these what I call "historical
12 weather files," or "real weather files," then it's just a
13 statistical effort to come up with a typical year weather
14 files. And so, we ended up with 88 locations with typical
15 year weather files, and then we also created from that, or
16 we selected from that, 16 of them as the certified weather
17 files for use in updating the Title 24 Energy Standards.
18 So, we didn't want to over-burden our consultants to run a
19 huge mass of weather files.

20 The work that is yet to be done, and this is what
21 I need to emphasize, that this is really PIER research - P-
22 I-E-R, not P-U-R-E, this is PIER research, and it's not
23 meant to impact the current 2013 Energy Standard effort, so
24 consultants don't have to be worried unnecessarily, but the
25 work, especially the last part, that work is going to

1 explore the potentials that we could have, you know, what we
2 can do with the weather files, but it's really up to the
3 Commission whether they want to do that, and one of the
4 things is that - and I'll get into this later - we really
5 have the capability now of creating weather files that
6 basically would be at a 10 kilometer grid for the entire
7 state, and so this would cover all the microclimate
8 variations, that we have that capability, you know, whether
9 it's a wise thing to do, or whether it's going to be an
10 administrative morass, as some people have mentioned, you
11 know, that waits to be seen. But we do have that
12 capability. The other thing that I've been asked to do is
13 to develop future year weather files, which means take the
14 current weather files, which is really the weather for the
15 past 12 years or so, and then, using global climate change
16 models, and predict regional trends and global climate
17 changes, come out with weather files for the future, like
18 2030, 2080. I've already done that on a previous PIER
19 project, so the procedure is pretty clear to me, and this is
20 really, of course, hypothetical, and so that's really for
21 the analysis side of the Commission. Even myself, I don't
22 suggest that we use these future year weather files to set
23 the standards, so nobody needs to get too worried about
24 that.

1 Okay, so just to back up a little bit, what's the
2 existing weather files that we've been using, it's hard to
3 imagine, but for the past 30 years? So this is quick
4 review. They were done by the late Loren Crow, who happens
5 to be a personal friend of mine for totally unrelated
6 reasons, he did this in the early '80s, defined 16
7 California Thermal Zones, CTZs, and then he developed for
8 each CTZ a reference weather file using raw data for the 30
9 years previous to that. So, you could just keep this in
10 mind, that the existing CTZ weather file used weather data
11 that is from 1950 to 1980, that's a little bit shocking when
12 you think about it. And then, of course, the 16 climate
13 zones are boundaries, and they were originally defined in
14 the early '80s, and then they've gone through lots of
15 revisions, but overall, I mean, my own feeling is that the
16 definition of the 16 climate zones has proven workable. I
17 mean, all the revisions, you know, people fight over whether
18 it's on this side of the street, or that side of the street,
19 these are little tweaks. Another change that was made to
20 the existing weather files is that, in 1990, they were
21 modified because there was a real limitation in the amount
22 of weather data so that the location that got picked may not
23 be the mean weather of any region, and an effort was made in
24 1990 to adjust these weather files to better represent the
25 mean within each CTZ. I have a lot of concerns about that,

1 but that was done, and those were the files that we're not
2 using.

3 On the right, I just show you, this is the first
4 CTZ boundary map done by Loren Crow in the very beginning,
5 and it's almost naïve, you know, there are these straight
6 lines along latitudes and longitudes, but then this quickly
7 got changed to something that is more realistic, and you'll
8 notice that this is 1983, and this is what we're using now,
9 and you have to look at it very carefully to see where the
10 differences are. So, you know, I give Loren a lot of
11 credit, I think what he has done has stood the test of time.
12 There are problems or limitations because the data when it
13 was done, data availability, but I think he did a pretty
14 good job. So, having given Loren his due credit, what are
15 the limitations? Well, the first glaring one is that the
16 average age is 45-years-old, and if you take the average
17 between 1950 and 1980, go from there to now, so the average
18 weather we're using is 45-years-old, and the climate may
19 have changed. Everybody has heard about global climate
20 change, but I'm also concerned about human effects that are
21 irreversible, like urbanization, like the weather file for
22 Riverside at the time it was made, it was probably not very
23 settled and now, you know, it's all urban. So, what effect
24 does that have? The selection of the referenced locations,
25 highly limited by data availability. In those days, in the

1 early '80s, Loren was still working with open real tapes,
2 and then many of the CTZs really just had one location from
3 which he could choose. Solar data on some of the files are
4 questionable. I know Bruce has noticed that, that they have
5 - some of them differ significantly from average values from
6 weather sources such as National Solar Radiation Database,
7 also heard horror stories that they were taken from one site
8 and from a different period of time, and just mapped on to
9 the weather data that was there. And then the last
10 limitation - and this is really no fault of Loren's, but it
11 is because of increased usage of the CTZ files, and maybe
12 Snuller talked about that earlier this morning, but I wasn't
13 here - the weather files are not synchronized. In other
14 words, a file for one location uses a different period of
15 time, different months, historical months, then the
16 neighboring one, so there's no way to correlate these,
17 there's no way to interpolate, and when you add on the TDVs
18 which are very time dependent, it gets to be a mess. So
19 project status right now, this is very current. I created
20 historical weather files for the last 12 years, 1997 to
21 2008. Incidentally, what I consider an advance that we've
22 made is that we've gone away from the fixation of more data
23 is better because, if you look at the TMYs, we've always
24 used 30 years, and yet I've seen studies that say that, if
25 you do seven years, you're probably doing pretty well in

1 capturing what they call the "synoptic variations." And if
2 you go longer than seven years, you're just picking up more
3 long term trends. So, we've all decided, the Commission and
4 myself, to just stick with the last 12 years. And so I've
5 created historical weather files for 88 locations from NCDC,
6 that's National Climatic Data Center, Asheville, North
7 Carolina, and they've provided this database, fantastic,
8 it's called Integrative Service Hourly Database, I'll
9 mention that a little bit later on. I've gone through the
10 ISH basically and pulled out all the locations that had
11 enough data to produce historical weather files for the last
12 12 years, and I ended up with 88 California locations.
13 Then, the second part, I'm also very enthusiastic about,
14 solar data is always a big problem, you know, solar data is
15 like justice, you know, if you look closely enough, there is
16 never any real solar data, it's all model data. I mean,
17 even if you look at TMY, it's all model data because nobody
18 puts out a Pyranometer and lets it run for 30 years. And
19 the second point is, Richard Perez at State University of
20 New York has been working for years on getting solar
21 estimates from satellite observation, so he's developed an
22 algorithm that looks at a satellite observation of cloud
23 cover, then he does a lot of fancy correlations, and he's
24 able to create solar estimates for any place in the U.S. on
25 a 10 kilometer grid starting from 1998 until now. And of

1 that, from 1998 to 2005, NREL has purchased that from
2 Richard, and then has made that publicly available, and so,
3 for California, we've obtained that data from '98 to 2005
4 for California, it's on a six-mile grid, and then we have
5 incorporated that, we've just put that into the weather
6 files in place of the model results that I have been
7 generating. And then, after you have all these weather
8 files, '88 locations, 12 years, or actually it's eight years
9 because of the solar limitation, then you do a search of the
10 typical months, so a typical year is just 12 typical months
11 strung together. And the wrinkle here is, the Commission
12 and I have discussed the problem with files not being
13 synchronized, and we decided that, well, let's just do
14 statewide typical months; in other words, we pick a month to
15 represent - we pick a year and a month, like let's say March
16 of 2000, that will be used to represent March for the entire
17 state. We're not going to do that city by city, so that way
18 you can interpolate between two locations, TDVs will not
19 have any of this time problem, and we've done that, and I
20 have a few slides here, I'll skip through that if people
21 find that too boring. But we've selected these statewide
22 typical months and then we create a typical year of weather
23 files, which are really the same as the CTC weather files we
24 now use, but now we have 88 of them. And then, and this has
25 happened a couple months ago, the Commission and I and Bruce

1 Wilcox, we went through all 88 and we selected the reference
2 locations for the 16 Climate Zones, and I looked at some
3 fancy algorithm to do the selection with population weight
4 and all this, but in the end, you know, you still only have
5 like three to five locations to choose from and, in the end,
6 the choice always requires a human element. And the
7 remaining task is that I've also just very recently also
8 obtained from Richard Perez, the satellite derived solar for
9 the last three years, and so I've got that data, and now I'm
10 going to put that into the pool so that we now have 11 years
11 of weather files, and then I haven't done this yet, but then
12 I will create modified weather files that would represent
13 typical data from the 11 years. Then, the second point is
14 really serendipitous, I never asked for it, but when I was
15 getting the solar data for the last three years, the person
16 who was providing it to me said, "Oh, do you want the
17 temperature and wind?" I said, "Yeah, why not?" So, when I
18 got it, what I found out was that this is METAR data, and
19 METAR data is not really measure data, it's the stuff that
20 you hear when you have the TV Broadcast, you know, the
21 temperature for Moraga will be such and such tomorrow? That
22 is all METAR data, it's model data pushing forward from
23 current conditions, but now I have METAR data for
24 temperature and wind speed on the same 10 kilometer grid for
25 all 11 years for the entire State of California. So, the

1 task there is to see if I can merge that data with the human
2 observations of the 88 locations, and then, if that is
3 successful, I'll be able to create weather files for any
4 location on this six-mile grid for the entire state for 11
5 years. But that's a future research effort.

6 Then, the last thing I've already mentioned,
7 develop future year weather files. Okay, I'll go through
8 this very quickly. The ISH database NCDC has decided that
9 their main service to the country and to the world is to
10 provide all of the data that they've been archiving with the
11 World Meteorologic Organization, so they've taken this huge
12 huge database, the ISH, which is like 12,000 weather
13 stations around the world, report their data for the last
14 almost 30 years to the NCDC, and instead of keeping it on a
15 computer in Asheville, they have put it on the Web, and so
16 that is the data I'm using to create these 88 weather files.
17 The solar data, I've already mentioned this, this is a
18 technique developed by Richard Perez. This is a map that
19 he's provided to the Commission for California, these are
20 long term averages. He also has hourly records on this 10
21 kilometer grid, and I've already sort of gone through that,
22 so I won't mention that anymore, but we now have 11 years of
23 that data for a 10-kilometer grid for the entire state.

24 Okay, so, where are we? This is a map, the
25 standard CTZ map, very colorful. And if you count them,

1 there are 88 dots, and those are the stations that I've
2 created typical year weather files, as well as the 12 years
3 of historical files. And these are the 88 locations. You
4 notice that, within each climate zone, now we have a choice.
5 We have at least three stations in some climate zones, like
6 16, which really isn't a climate zone, this is everything
7 left over. We have like a maximum of eight stations and
8 then the colors represent which ones are to standard -- what
9 I call CZ2010 locations -- the red are the ones where it's a
10 reference location also was an old CZRV2 location, and the
11 orange is a new reference location, and the blue is the old
12 location that is no longer used. I have better maps later
13 on.

14 Just a little bit on selecting typical months.
15 This is really the TNY method developed by National
16 Renewable Energy Laboratory, you know, it makes a lot of
17 sense to me. What you try to do is capture the long term
18 cumulative distribution of the weather, so you have a bold
19 line there on this plot, the bold line is the 30-year
20 average, the temperature distribution for a location. And
21 then, the thinner lines are each year. And what you try to
22 do is define the year where the difference between the thin
23 line and the bold line is the smallest, so one thing that
24 always annoys me is when people say, "Oh, a typical year is
25 a very bland year," it's not a very bland year, it's really

1 the most typical. You have average amounts of variation.
2 So, I think this method works quite well and I notice that
3 recent efforts to do typical year weather files all use this
4 method. And you learn a new word, the Fingleston-Schaffer
5 statistic, that is just a measure of how big the difference
6 is between the thin lines and the thick lines. I'll skip
7 through this. This is - and then what I did was, I looked
8 at the FS statistic for all 88 locations and then summed
9 them together, weighed them by the population because you
10 don't want to get a typical year that is really good for the
11 mountains and then kind of bad for the places where the
12 houses are built, so I put in the population weight, and
13 then I add it altogether, and then it's very simple, you
14 pick the year that has the smallest photo weight FS value.
15 This is March for the entire state, I've only showed the
16 first few stations, you notice, with the little asterisks,
17 the year that was picked was the year 2000. And you also
18 notice if you scan down there, that the year 2000 happens to
19 be the best year, or the most representative year for a lot
20 of stations. However, I do want to point out that there is
21 a complication or a flaw in this method. Take a look at
22 Arcata. Arcata for the year 2000, it's actually not very
23 good, 2001 would be better for Arcata, but now we're stuck
24 with using 2000. And I'll show another plot later on that
25 shows you some of the problems. Okay, so we go through all

1 of this, a lot of statistics, and then this is what we ended
2 up with, so these are the certified Energy Commission
3 typical months pulled from these eight years. This may
4 change when I add in the three newer years. You may not
5 change, who knows? So, January is 2004, February is 2003,
6 etc. for the entire state. So, one advantage of this is,
7 let's say you want to have a weather file for your location,
8 like Pittsburgh, let's say, well, you're able to find data
9 for Pittsburgh and you have these time periods, you put them
10 altogether and you have a TMY, and of course, with the METAR
11 data that I have, I may be able to do that on the 10
12 kilometer grid, so you will see one of the advantages of
13 having everything synchronized. What you have is a map for
14 the entire state that you could then pull out what you need.

15 Okay, these are just some plots showing - this is
16 Sacramento, the thick line is what I came up with for the 12
17 months for degree days, heating and cooling degree days,
18 radiation, wind speed, and then the little lines are the
19 individual historical records. And this is mainly to
20 convince ourselves that the algorithm works, that we're
21 picking the average. So this is Sacramento, this is
22 Oakland, you know, these Oakland cooling degree days aren't
23 very much, so there is a lot of variation, but we seem to be
24 doing decent job in coming out with an average. Okay, now,
25 focusing in on these maps, I've cut it into two. You notice

1 this is Northern California, the big change relatively, for
2 Climate Zone 16, we're no longer using Mt. Shasta, we're
3 using Blue Canyon. I wonder how many people have heard of
4 Blue Canyon. But it turns out that Blue Canyon represents
5 the statistical weather and climate zone, 16 better than the
6 other seven stations, and so we moved Blue Canyon instead of
7 Mt. Shasta. And then, at the bottom, Climate Zone 4, well,
8 we have been using Moffat, Mountain View, that station is
9 actually defunct now, so we've moved it now to the San Jose
10 Reid Airport, and everybody feels better about that. Okay,
11 Southern California - you notice that, actually, there's
12 been a good number of changes. You know, first we thought,
13 well, we may end up with the same locations because
14 population weighing by itself would force you to the bigger
15 airports, but Climate Zone 14, we had China Lake, I don't
16 know how many people live in China Lake, but now we're using
17 Palmdale. Climate Zone 16, instead of El Centro, we now use
18 Palm Springs. I think most people would say that's much
19 closer to where people live and it's probably more
20 representative. Climate Zone 8, instead of El Torro, which
21 is another defunct station, we're using Fullerton. And
22 Climate Zone 6, we're using Torrance in place of Long Beach.
23 So, here is the list of - on the right are the existing
24 locations, on the left are the new ones that we're
25 proposing. Oh, I forgot to mention Climate Zone 9, instead

1 of Pasadena - actually, nobody is very sure what Climate
2 Zone 9 - where the file is because there's no airport at
3 Pasadena. But anyway, Climate Zone 9, we're now going to
4 Burbank, Glendale. So, these are the proposed list of
5 reference locations. You know, if you just want to use 16
6 for your Building Standards analysis, although keeping in
7 mind that these are just 16 out of the 88. This is some
8 comparisons between the old ones and the new ones, just for
9 the 16, and the diagonal, if it's on the 45 degree diagonal,
10 it means exactly the same. If it's on the left, then that's
11 20 percent more for the new files. On the right, the dollar
12 line is 20 percent more for the old files. And this is a
13 little bit surprising to me. I had assumed that we would
14 have weather files a little bit warmer; as you see here, on
15 heating degree days, actually a lot of the locations had
16 more heating degree days on the new files than the old
17 locations, in particular, Climate Zone 1, which is Arcata,
18 has 20 percent more heating degree days than before. It's
19 also somewhat surprising that the places where we switched
20 locations, there was actually no big change in the degree
21 days and the locations where we did not switch, like Climate
22 Zone 5 is Santa Maria, still Santa Maria, actually had a big
23 change. Cooling degree days, you will notice that it will
24 tend to be a little bit warmer, although not very drastic,
25 going to cooling degree hours, 75 is a better measure of

1 sensible load, not that big of a change. You shouldn't pay
2 too much attention on just the outliers. But it is
3 interesting. Climate Zone 11 for some reason has a
4 significantly more cooling degree hours than before.
5 Average wind speed just shows that it's sort of a random
6 scatter, no real bias, no real change. And solar, for all
7 the hoopla about the solar, the average totals don't change
8 very much. You see that it's pretty random, no bias, and
9 keeping in mind that these two are not plotted starting from
10 zero, so you're looking at just the smaller section from
11 1000 to 2000 Btu's per square foot or whatever. There is
12 actually no bias observable between the new files and the
13 old files.

14 Okay, then, the last thing we did was compare the
15 files to TMY3's, these are the latest set of TMY files
16 developed by NREL. They have actually got 48 of these 88
17 locations that I did, and if you compare them, and I put up
18 Arcata to point out that you notice that the red line is
19 what I produced, and you see that Arcata, March, looks
20 someone anomalous, that March actually had the most heating
21 degree days of all the months. That doesn't show up on the
22 TMY3's, it could be, you know, I think that's just because
23 we're using statewide typical months. But the solar, you'll
24 notice, is very close. Wind speed is also very close, and
25 cooling you can ignore because look at the scale, I mean,

1 this is Arcata, there is no cooling. Actually, we looked
2 more intensely on the solar radiation predictions. Now,
3 this is really not a fair comparison between - because
4 TMY3's also use the same method, they also use Perez's model
5 to derive their solar. So, what you're looking at here is
6 really whether the months I picked are typical vs. the
7 months that the TMY3 picked, and I'm gratified to see that,
8 in cases where there are little spikes and jumps, it's
9 actually the TMY3. Like, you look at Marysville TMY3, it
10 has a jump in May, and mine don't. But most of them, I was
11 struck at how close they are, like look at the first two,
12 Alturas and Bakersfield, we predicted almost exactly the
13 same. And once again, that's no surprise because we're
14 using the same technique. So, the current status, there are
15 88 files created with eight years of data, completed in
16 June. It's been provided to the Commission staff and
17 consultants and people have been using them. I've heard
18 some glitches that were found, not in the TMY2 version, but
19 in the DOE-2 version, that has been fixed. I'm not sure if
20 I'm - I don't know, I'll leave it to the Commission on how
21 they want to disseminate these, but I have made them
22 available to the Commission staff and consultants. The
23 weather files are available in several formats, the sort of
24 official version is TMY2 format, there is also what I call a
25 FIN4 file, which is a text readable file that I like, then

1 there is also TMY3CSV file, DOE-2 bin file, and Energy Plus
2 EPW file, so you could use any of these, they are all
3 equivalent. And then, the subset that I just mentioned for
4 the 16 climate zones, and then the ongoing work, I've
5 already mentioned this, I've got more solar data, and I'd
6 like to merge those in there. I've also got this METAR data
7 that I'm very curious to start working with, see if I could
8 come out with, you know, micro-climate weather files, and
9 then the future year weather files, I haven't started on
10 yet, but I did a previous project on that and so I have the
11 methodology all in hand. And that's it. That's my compact
12 information, and I'm happy to answer any questions about
13 this project, and you could also e-mail me if you have some
14 questions I can't answer here. Nehemiah.

15 MR. STONE: Nehemiah Stone, Benningfield Group.
16 I'm glad to see that you're redoing them, it's about time,
17 I'm glad to see that you're using a 12-year scale.
18 Unfortunately, I think that is where my happiness with it
19 ends. First off, some of your data about where the current
20 files are from is wrong, they are not the files from 1950 to
21 1980, the ones that were current. When they were redone in
22 1990, it wasn't just modified; what we did is we looked at
23 every station that was valid, we went out and visited
24 stations to find out if they ought to be considered valid,
25 picked five years out of the previous 15 years, actually

1 going - not the nearest five years, but five years out of
2 the 15 years before that, so the oldest of that data would
3 have been 1970, and it would have been 1970 to '75, that's
4 what the oldest files were that would have been used. The
5 reason I bring up the fact that we went out to sites and
6 looked at them is because the primary reason that I ended up
7 working at the Energy Commission was because the Arcata site
8 is wrong for that zone, it's just flat wrong. It's not in
9 Arcata, it's the McKinleyville Airport. The McKinleyville
10 Airport was built in World War II because the Army Air Corps
11 needed to find a place where they could test out their
12 flying blind planes, and so they picked the foggiest place
13 in the nation, windswept, etc., to build the airport. It
14 doesn't represent Climate Zone 1 at all. What we did in
15 that period was to - even though it says there is a referent
16 city, there is no referent city, it was all of the valid
17 stations were melded into a typical file. I guess I would
18 encourage you to a) go away from feeling like you need to
19 pick a city because that's where a lot of the problems came
20 up before, and I can see the same sort of problems, you
21 know, creeping back in and, secondly, statewide average, I
22 understand the advantage of doing that, you know, picking
23 "this is the best month statewide," but picking something
24 that is right on average for the state means it's going to
25 be wrong definitively, and I'm not going to bore you all,

1 most of you heard my joke about "on average," so I don't do
2 that one again. But it's going to be wrong for a lot of the
3 individual climate zones, and you know, Climate Zone 1 there
4 jumps right out at me, going back to McKinleyville, picking
5 a month that is almost 50 percent off the norm because,
6 well, that's kind of the month that looks best for the rest
7 of the state, it's just the wrong thing to do. So, I don't
8 know when you're planning - if you're planning on pulling
9 these files into the ACM, but I would recommend that Jim
10 Augustyne, who ran that project, Chip Barnaby, who was on
11 it, you were on it, I think, too, weren't you, Bruce? No?
12 Well, anyway -

13 MR. HUANG: Yeah, could I respond to that?

14 MR. STONE: -- I would suggest that you have them
15 all take a look at the methodology because, I mean, you're
16 going back to some things that we'd fixed before, and one
17 last thing, Joe -

18 MR. HUANG: Okay.

19 MR. STONE: There are Pyranometers around the
20 state. Jim Augustyne runs a fleet of them and collects data
21 on them, so there is solid solar data from sites in the
22 state, probably not for every climate zone, but you don't
23 have to use a model to come up with, "Well, here's what the
24 solar ought to be."

1 MR. HUANG: Well, you've mentioned a lot of
2 things, so I don't know if there is enough time to address
3 all of it. I'm very familiar with the work by Barnaby and
4 Augustyne, and I don't really agree with you, I don't think
5 they've actually created the hourly files from the aggregate
6 of the stations. They took the aggregate of the stations,
7 came up with a mean for the climate zone, then they
8 stretched the hourly files that were already there. But,
9 you know, I mean, I'm extremely familiar with that project.
10 I actually don't like the idea of creating an artificial
11 year because then you don't know whether you're right or
12 wrong, like the stretched years, I never use them because I
13 found that, in Climate Zone 4, after it got stretched, you
14 had a wet bulb that was higher than the design wet bulb for
15 the Bay Area. So, and also, you know, when you look at
16 these CZRV2 files, you don't know what you're looking at. I
17 mean, I can't evaluate it, it's just right or wrong, I can't
18 tell. So, I have a difference of opinion about that. The
19 other thing is, I like Richard Perez's work because it's not
20 a model, I mean, it is a model, but it's a model that uses
21 observed cloud data, and then many other climate factors to
22 come up with the solar. And I am aware, there are measured
23 solar, but it's not uniform, you know, it's different
24 places, different instrument, different groups maintain
25 them. One thing I want to do is have a researcher compare

1 Richard's data with available data in California. There are
2 probably a bunch of other things, but I don't think there's
3 time to go into that. Thanks.

4 MR. SHIRAKH: Any other comments on the weather
5 data. Just one comment, though, and I'm actually very
6 familiar with Humboldt County, and it seems like Arcata is
7 fairly representative of the coastal communities up there.
8 You know, if you're talking about Eureka and -

9 MR. STONE: Mazi, Arcata is, but the Arcata
10 weather station is not in Arcata, it's at the McKinleyville
11 Airport, which is fogged in and, on the top of that cliff,
12 it's in the wind all the time, so it's not representative,
13 it's called Arcata, so you think, well, geez, Arcata is
14 pretty typical, but it's non-Arcata weather, and because of
15 that was used before, the proscriptive requirements in the
16 Climate Zone 1 were way out of line with the cost-
17 effectiveness compared to the other climate zones at the
18 time.

19 MR. HUANG: But do you think it's too mild or too
20 severe?

21 MR. STONE: The McKinleyville Airport is too cold
22 to be representative of Climate Zone 1. It's too windy,
23 it's too foggy, it is not typical Climate Zone 1.

24 MR. HUANG: Yeah -

1 MR. STONE: If you have data from Eureka, I'm not
2 sure why you wouldn't use Eureka because -

3 MR. HUANG: Yeah, we have Eureka.

4 MR. STONE: -- I mean, that's almost half the
5 population of the County and it is pretty typical.

6 MR. HUANG: Okay, thank you.

7 MR. SHIRAKH: Sir.

8 MR. CUMALI: My name is Zulfikar Cumali, I'm an
9 energy consultant. I'm trying to figure out why is it
10 difficult to make synthetic data, and the reason for that
11 is, all you have is some input and something that takes it
12 and then transforms it into energy, that is really what
13 you're going - you're not trying to replicate the data,
14 you're trying to find out that it creates an equivalent
15 amount of energy, depending on how you pick it, so you can
16 slice it and do it all kinds of ways, and I've done this
17 maybe about - quite some years ago using fast four-year
18 transforms, and you can maintain all the statistical
19 qualities, as well as the wet bulb doesn't exceed the dry
20 bulb, all that kind of constraints, and you can do these and
21 you can come up with almost identical end results, and it's
22 much simpler because you're never going to be able to go
23 into an area, find out there is going to be some excuse it's
24 not quite the same as something else, so you've got to fix
25 something. So, what you can do is use methodology of that

1 type, and then come up with fairly usable information
2 because your end result is not to predict the weather, but
3 actually get something that is a base that can predict
4 energy. What's your -

5 MR. HUANG: What is my feeling? Well, I mean, it
6 sounds like you're supporting something like Meteonorm,
7 which the Swiss have done, and is promoting it and it gives
8 you weather anywhere in the world if you type in latitude
9 and longitude. My question is, the only way you could tell
10 how good it is are if you get some real data to compare it
11 to, you know? So -

12 MR. CUMALI: Well, obviously. I mean, you can do
13 it with 10 years of weather data, or 20 years of data, which
14 one are you going to use?

15 MR. HUANG: I would use the real data.

16 MR. CUMALI: All 20 years of it?

17 MR. HUANG: No, no, that's why we're coming out
18 with the typical year. I mean, but, you know, it's tricky.

19 MR. CUMALI: I mean, it's the same idea because
20 you're making a transformation.

21 MR. HUANG: Sure.

22 MR. CUMALI: And it's the transformation that
23 determines which one is typical.

24 MR. HUANG: Yeah, but I mean, you know, the
25 yardstick that you use has to be the real data, so we're

1 just stopping at that point. Yes, we could go one step
2 further and do a four-year transformation and call with this
3 mathematical weather, but then we've already got the data -
4 I don't know the advantage of that.

5 MR. CUMALI: You only need a few dozen constants
6 and then you create the whole thing. No.

7 MR. HUANG: You'll create something, but it won't
8 match the real records.

9 MR. SHIRAKH: When you start talking about the
10 four-year transformation, you've lost me. Any other
11 comments on the weather files. Thank you, Joe.

12 MR. HUANG: Thank you.

13 MR. SHIRAKH: So last, but not least, Mr. Wilcox
14 and his improved Residential Compliance Software and he's
15 going to have some sample runs for us.

16 MR. WILCOX: Thank you, Mazi. So, this is kind of
17 a status update on where we are on our new Residential
18 Standards Research Tool and New Calculation Engine, and just
19 so that things would be interesting and Mike would stay for
20 this part of the talk, a little preview on how things are
21 actually kind of looking for when we exercise all the parts
22 of this complicated system we've just been talking about
23 today. Okay, so what I'm going to talk about is the new
24 California simulation engine, although I'm not going to go
25 into details on that because I've talked about the details

1 of that before, and it will definitely put you to sleep at
2 this time of the day. I'm going to describe this 2013
3 Standards Research program that we're finishing up, and then
4 I'm going to preview some results using the combination of
5 the new weather files, the new TDV files, and the New
6 Research program, and show how things are sort of trending.
7 Of course, none of the results are definitive at this point
8 because the simulation program isn't completely finished and
9 debugged and so forth, so just keep that in mind.

10 So the CEC public domain simulation engine was a
11 project that's been supported by investor-owned utilities
12 and the Energy Commission, it's a major revision of the
13 models that have been used up until this point, including
14 the 2008 standards, CALRES model, and the goals were to
15 improve the treatment of solar gains to get a better, more
16 accurate picture of cooling energy, particularly on peak, to
17 deal with building shale and interior mass effects, as
18 related particularly to cooling and ventilation, and to also
19 deal with ventilation and its impact on cooling loads, so
20 that we could differentiate between the benefits of openable
21 windows and advance mechanical ventilation systems, and so
22 forth. We've also been forced to stretch and add new
23 capabilities for comfort analysis, mechanical ventilation
24 and evaporative cooling to the capabilities in the current
25 program. So there's a lot going on there.

1 So, the program that we're actually going to be
2 delivering is what I've been calling the 2013 Standards
3 Research Tool, and this is a computer model that's developed
4 specifically for use in developing the 2013 Standards. It's
5 the same approach we've used in the previous two cycles of
6 the Standards where we make a custom program and it is based
7 on the current - in this case, the 2008 - Standards modeling
8 rules and so forth, and then we build in the capabilities
9 for handling new algorithms and so forth that can be used in
10 the next version of the Standards. And it's used by
11 stakeholders, by the Case Project Authors, by the CEC and
12 the consultants, and so forth to do the Life Cycle Cost
13 Analysis that we've been talking about earlier today for
14 residential. So it has built in the TDV factors and the
15 weather files, and all the stuff to do the Life Cycle Cost
16 Analysis for the measures. This particular version has got
17 this new calculation engine, it has got the attic model that
18 we developed for the 2008 Standards, and then we hang this
19 -- for pragmatic reasons, we're embedding this in the
20 current Micropass CALRES user interface as a way of making
21 it available to people to use right away. We didn't have
22 the time or budget to develop a new user interface and
23 particularly some of the more sophisticated stakeholders
24 that are already well versed in using this software tool, so
25 this is a good approach, we think, for the short term. And

1 part of that is the new weather files new lifecycle cost
2 using the new TDV values, and that's all in place now.

3 So, the primary thing I wanted to show you today
4 is kind of as a way of seeing where we're at with the
5 economic analysis structure that we've been talking about,
6 is looking at the changes in the sort of likely outcome for
7 interesting representative measures and buildings, and
8 comparing the 2013 analysis approach with 2008 analysis
9 approach to see how things have changed. That includes the
10 change due to the weather that Joe just talked about, and to
11 the TDV values that Snuller and Amber talked about earlier,
12 and also to the preliminary version of this new engine,
13 which is a completely different calculation of the base
14 loads in the residential building. And my approach here was
15 to take a prototype that happens to be the 2700-square-foot
16 CEC official prototype that is documented in the ACM Manual,
17 start with the 2008 Proscriptive Package D, and the 2008 ACM
18 Rules that determine things like thermostat set points and
19 all of those things, the assumptions in the building. And
20 then, just compare the calculation results for heating,
21 cooling, and domestic hot water for the base case package D
22 version of this building in the 16 climate zones, and then
23 it went on to compare measure savings for some example
24 measures, increasing the air-conditioner EER, the air-
25 conditioner efficiency, increasing the furnace efficiency,

1 increasing the water heater efficiency, how does this look
2 in terms of it essentially whether things are going to be
3 more or less cost-effective than they were the last time we
4 did this exercise.

5 I also looked at the insulation quality, Pat, I
6 just wanted to mention that while I'm here, adding roof deck
7 insulation is one of my favorite approaches to the world,
8 and that's in here, too. Infiltration reduction is also of
9 some interest and kind of trades off a whole bunch of things
10 going on with weather and the model calculations, and so
11 forth. So that's what I'm going to show and there are a lot
12 of - there are a lot of red and white bar graphs. So this
13 is a picture of the 2700-square-foot prototype house, just
14 to give you an example, it's pretty straightforward, very
15 simple, two-story, single-family house. So, here is the
16 prototype approach, the lights are a lot brighter on this
17 screen than on that screen, so sorry. So, this is the
18 standard approach that I'm making for the presentations
19 here, we have the 16 climate zones across the bottom, 1
20 through 16, and then up the side here, we have a measure of
21 energy or life cycle cost, or whatever, in this case it is a
22 measure - it is source energy KBT per square foot, and then,
23 for each climate zone, I have two calculation results. And
24 in this case, what I'm comparing is the 2008 weather data to
25 the 2013 weather data, so the white bars are the 2008

1 current building standards official weather files, and the
2 red bars are the 2013 official weather files, so this is
3 looking at what Joe just presented, how much, you know, how
4 much has changed when you change the weather files, and the
5 reason is this source energy over here, being kind of an
6 archaic term, the reason it is a source energy is that,
7 since the TDV factors are intimately connected with the
8 weather files, there is no way to separate the TDV factors
9 and look at TDV for -- and look at the weather for the two
10 different sets in TDV versions because they don't really
11 compare. So, this is a source energy version. And my
12 assessment of this is that, yeah, there's some changes, but
13 by and large, the difference is not enormous. The ones that
14 Joe pointed out, Climate Zone 11, you know, the energy
15 consumption went up, Climate Zone 15 went up, 15 is probably
16 because we changed the weather site to Palmdale. Climate
17 Zone 1 is because we did the wrong thing, just as Nehemiah
18 said, and Climate Zone 5, something happened in the climate,
19 the change, because that's the same location, and so forth.
20 Climate Zone 9, it's a different location now, same with
21 Climate Zone 6, and so forth. But, by and large, I don't
22 think this is, you know, not shocking. Mike?

23 MR. HODGSON: So when you say source, is the
24 source TDV or not TDV?

25 MR. WILCOX: Not TDV.

1 MR. HODGSON: Just straight source?

2 MR. WILCOX: This is just straight loads,
3 basically. But it's some of cooling and heating, right?
4 So, in order to get that, the source is one set of units
5 that do that. Okay, so the next plot, same format, and this
6 is a comparison of the new residential model and the current
7 residential model. And again, it's source energy because,
8 in the context I was working with here, that keeps the thing
9 consistent so this is the 2008 CALRES with 2013 weather and
10 it's the 2013 CSE with 2013 weather, so it's the same
11 weather for both sets, and the difference here is strictly
12 the calculation engine. And so, actually, the loads go down
13 in most climate zones, they go down quite a bit in the
14 cooling dominated climate zones, and I think that's
15 something that those of us working on the project expected
16 to happen because we're doing what we think is a more
17 sophisticated job of calculating the cooling loads than the
18 old model did. Joe.

19 MR. HUANG: Do you have any explanation why 15 -

20 MR. SHIRAKH: May I ask you, I can see the anguish
21 in his face when people start yelling from the audience.

22 MR. HUANG: Yeah, this is Joe Huang. Do you have
23 any explanation, Bruce, for why, from going from 15 to 16,
24 it went up before, and now it goes down?

1 MR. WILCOX: Yeah, that has to do with the bottle.
2 I'll show you the separate heating and cooling in a minute
3 here, it'll help point that out, I think. So, if you
4 combine the TDV and weather together, this is the same -
5 this is the new calculation engine with the old weather and
6 TDV vs. the new weather and TDV, and this is where Snuller's
7 description of the changes in the TDV in residential really
8 comes out, that in spite that the models predict lower loads
9 in the new model, and so forth, there is a big difference
10 here, and I think it's almost entirely due to the new TDV
11 values for residential that we're getting substantially
12 bigger values. And then, if you put it altogether and you
13 compare the old CALRES calculation engine for the 2008
14 weather and the 2008 TDV with the new calculation engine and
15 new weather and new TDV, again, in general, everything goes
16 up. And it particularly goes up in places where we change
17 the climate zones to Climate Zone 15 moving to Palm Springs
18 because Palm Springs is a hotter place, and I think that is
19 right, and Climate Zone 11, for some reason Red Bluff got a
20 lot hotter. Red Bluff is now the second hottest climate
21 zone in the State, or the third hottest, I guess, behind
22 Fresno and Palm Springs. If anybody has questions, please
23 interrupt as we go along, but we're going to see the same
24 things in different ways. So, if you look at the breakdown
25 in the calculation one step further and look at the

1 components, this is cooling calculations. The previous one
2 was total of heating, cooling, and domestic hot water, and
3 everything combined together. But if we look at cooling,
4 which, as we all know, is one of the big drivers of electric
5 demand in California and one of the more important parts of
6 the TDV valuation approach and everything, so this is the
7 impact of the new weather files only, again, it's the new
8 calculation engine, and the only difference is the weather
9 and this is, again, we're back to source energy, so we don't
10 have TDV as part of this, this is just the weather. And
11 Climate Zone 15, the weathers change quite a bit, John, I
12 think that's part of what's going on, and also in Climate
13 Zone 11, the weather changed quite a bit. And Climate Zone
14 6, but the cooling is so small, you can't see it on here.
15 So that's the impact of new weather. Here is the impact of
16 the new calculation engine and, as I said, by and large, the
17 cooling in the hotter, sunnier places is substantially lower
18 with the new engine, and I think, you know, it's our opinion
19 that that is a result of doing a better job of calculating
20 the actual cooling loads on the building. And Climate Zone
21 15 is - I'm not sure exactly what's going on there that
22 keeps it as close as it is, but that's the way it came out.
23 Go ahead.

24 MR. CUMALI: Do you get the same results -

25 MR. SHIRAKH: Can you come up, sir, please?

1 MR. WILCOX: I can't get the same results doing
2 the same run twice, let alone whatever your question was!

3 MR. CUMALI: This is Zulfikar Cumali. I wondered
4 if the old engine and the new engine, if you run on the same
5 weather, what kind of results - differences are you getting?

6 MR. WILCOX: Old weather, new weather -

7 MR. CUMALI: No, not the weather, just same
8 weather. I mean, and two different engines, what kind of
9 results are you getting?

10 MR. WILCOX: That's the one I just showed you, I
11 think. Let's see, one of these is that one, here it is -
12 that is this one, this is the same one, so they are two
13 engines.

14 MR. CUMALI: Why that much difference, I mean -

15 MR. WILCOX: Well, it's a completely different
16 calculation engine.

17 MR. CUMALI: Yeah, but have you checked it against
18 something else as to - well, the cooling load is much lower,
19 you say, well, why is it lower compared to what it was
20 before? Is it being compared to something else?

21 MR. WILCOX: Well, I have a lot of answers for
22 that, but I'm not sure this is the -

23 MR. CUMALI: Well, no, I'm just -

24 MR. WILCOX: I'd be happy to talk about that in
25 detail and there will be other places to talk about it in

1 detail, but we have looked at it in detail, for sure, and it
2 has to do with the way the solar gain is handled, the way
3 the solar gain through opaque surfaces is handled, all of
4 those things have been changed -

5 MR. CUMALI: I mean, when there is that much
6 difference, one has a big number of questions, that's all.

7 MR. WILCOX: Yeah. All right, and if you combine
8 the TDV and weather, you're back to the same picture that
9 the TDV values really change the story on cooling with the
10 same calculation engine. And if we combine all three
11 together, it looks sort of like that overall one where the
12 cooling is generally higher and, in some climate zones, it's
13 a lot higher, part of that is weather, and part of it is the
14 TDV values. Any questions on that?

15 MR. STONE: When you combine the new weather with
16 the new TDV values, did you go through and shift all 8760
17 values to match the peak hours in the new weather? Because
18 you have 8760 multipliers in there for each hour and they're
19 based on, you know, the peaks in the system at that time;
20 well, if you now shifted the peaks in your weather file -

21 MR. WILCOX: No, because we're using the same
22 weather file that was used to generate the peaks - this new
23 approach with the coordinated weather files is really very
24 powerful because the same weather that we're running here is

1 the same weather that Amber ran through the production model
2 that generated -

3 MR. STONE: To get the TDV values, okay. So
4 that's a yes to my question.

5 MR. WILCOX: Yeah, I feel very confident that this
6 is a very sort of solid and integrated approach here that
7 we're taking.

8 MR. PENNINGTON: Question, it seems like the
9 comparisons that Joe was showing indicated that the cooling
10 every day changes, were relatively modest, in general no
11 greater than 20 percent, and your weather only change is
12 showing a bigger change than that, I think?

13 MR. WILCOX: Do you want to back up to the weather
14 - there's the weather only. Part of the reason is the
15 cooling degree days is not really a very good way to
16 estimate cooling loads because it ignores all the solar
17 gain, which is a big part of what's going on in residential
18 buildings.

19 MR. PENNINGTON: So that's all within 20 percent,
20 except for Climate Zone 11?

21 MR. WILCOX: Yeah, Climate Zone 11, there was some
22 big change, I'm not sure exactly what is involved there, and
23 Climate Zone 15 is the one where there is a different
24 weather station. So the combined impact and the combined
25 changes is a substantially bigger effect, substantially

1 bigger TDV values in the new analysis for the hot climates.
2 If you go to the heating calculations, the differences are
3 much smaller, except for Climate Zone 16 and so that's why
4 that Climate Zone 16 difference, I think, is that the
5 heating and cooling difference, part of this, we have a new
6 infiltration model, and I suspect that is a big part of
7 what's going on in the cold climates. We also have, you
8 know, the difference between Mt. Shasta and Blue Canyon, in
9 terms of solar and a bunch of other things that are going on
10 there, too. I'm not sure I've looked at the details, but I
11 think that's part of what's going on. Otherwise, it's a
12 very small difference in heating.

13 MR. PENNINGTON: This is just the engine, not the
14 weather.

15 MR. WILCOX: I'm sorry, the engine, I'm - there is
16 the combined changes. So, the engine causes a pretty
17 significant difference in Climate Zone 16, and generally it
18 is lower everywhere. And if you throw the combined TDV and
19 weather and engine together, the results are mixed, but, you
20 know, as Snuller explained, the big difference is in the
21 electrical TDVs, not so much in the gas TDVs and so I think
22 this represents that kind of situation, as well.

23 MR. PENNINGTON: So, question. Did you change the
24 internal loads for this new model?

1 MR. WILCOX: No, we did not change the internal
2 loads. One of the things that Bill wants us to do is to
3 change the internal loads, and we're -

4 MR. PENNINGTON: Consider a change.

5 MR. WILCOX: -- so we're starting to look at that,
6 but we have not done it yet. As I said, it's basically all
7 the current ACM rules for calculations, we haven't changed
8 anything except we changed the natural ventilation slightly
9 to reduce the effectiveness in window ventilation slightly.
10 Okay, so there's the domestic hot water calculation, it's
11 basically a six or seven percent increase in the TDV for
12 natural gas, that's the only change, that's the calculation,
13 it hasn't changed at all, and nothing else has changed so
14 that's the impact. And that's the TDV value.

15 MR. SPLITT: Bruce?

16 MR. WILCOX: Yeah.

17 MR. SPLITT: Are their plans to change the water
18 heating calculation?

19 MR. WILCOX: Marc is working on that, but I don't
20 know whether there are plans or not.

21 MR. HOESCHELE: We're planning to change the
22 distribution system modeling.

23 MR. SPLITT: Is there a lot - to get to zero net
24 energy, I'm also working with Passive House, really
25 efficient homes, and already I'm coming up with there are a

1 lot of systems that combine hydronics systems, air to water,
2 heat pumps, that we can't model, and there's a lot more
3 stuff in Europe that, by 2014, it's going to be here. And
4 if you don't do something to make this more heating/space
5 heating calculation more robust, you're not going to be able
6 to model half the equipment that people want to use to get
7 to that zero. So somebody should work on it.

8 MR. WILCOX: Start working on it.

9 MR. HOESCHELE: Okay.

10 MR. STONE: When Marc said - Nehemiah Stone - when
11 Marc said he's changing the distribution, while he's talking
12 about single-family home, or in the dwelling in a multi-
13 family, the distribution model for the multi-family is a
14 separate issue and the biggest thing that you can do to save
15 energy, and that you can't model today either, and that's a
16 temperature modulation control or a demand control, and
17 Yanda has the research to hopefully get us to that new
18 model. So, is that part of the plan to that for this set of
19 Standard, too? Mr. Project Manager?

20 MR. SHIRAKH: Do you recall - I mean the CASE
21 project you are sponsoring?

22 MS. CHAPPELL: Yeah, I think they will be -- Cathy
23 Chappell, Hescong Mahone Group -- we're looking at that for
24 multi-family [inaudible].

25 MR. WILCOX: Any other questions? Joe?

1 MR. HUANG: I'm learning to use the mic. Although
2 I didn't quite agree with Zulfi on the weather stuff, I do
3 share his surprise at how big the differences are between
4 the engines for cooling loads.

5 MR. WILCOX: Uh huh.

6 MR. HUANG: And it's particularly surprising
7 because the comparisons I've done between - let's say I go
8 to an Energy Plus, it shows at a more detailed model
9 generally produces somewhat higher cooling loads because
10 it's taking radiant effects into account, so I'm wondering,
11 you know, when you show the cooling loads going down by a
12 half, I mean, that's quite bothersome to me, and I'm
13 wondering, is it because you're venting a lot of the loads
14 or something? And maybe you should do some parametrics
15 where you turn off all these things that are modeled
16 differently and just look at the conduction part, just look
17 at the ventilation part, and maybe, you know, find out why
18 the changes are so large.

19 MR. WILCOX: I think that's a great plan, Joe.
20 It's sort of - I've spent a lot of time doing that, I don't
21 have any answers to show today, but I think that's a very
22 important thing to do. Okay, so now we get to the
23 interesting stuff, which is sort of the relative value of
24 different measures and different climates, and this first
25 one here, which was the - again, we're showing the 2008

1 analysis with the light bars, and the 2013 analysis with the
2 red bars, and this is for changing your air-conditioner from
3 ER10 to ER12. This is one of the measures that is defined
4 in the ACM standard, and so forth. And so all these climate
5 zones for the cooling loads are really small, you know, you
6 don't get much out of that, but the climate zones over here
7 where the cooling loads are big, we get a big TDV savings,
8 and generally it's much bigger under the new analysis than
9 it was under the 2008 standards. And these numbers are
10 pretty big. In these three Climate Zones 11, 13, and 14,
11 which are the hot Central Valley Zones, just changing from
12 10 to 12 EER in your air-conditioner is 9 percent of the
13 total energy consumption for the building. So, when we
14 start talking about these 15 percent and 30 percent numbers,
15 you know, if you happen to be in Palm Springs, all you have
16 to do is buy an efficient air-conditioner and you're there,
17 Tier 1, everything else could be the proscriptive standard,
18 and they're cheap. Well, so, the question is, is it cost-
19 effective? Well, so if you look at this pattern, and
20 Snuller made this point earlier, that the TDV KBTU's per
21 square foot is exactly proportional to the TDV dollars, so
22 this can be directly converted into dollars saved, right?
23 And that's what I'm showing on my next graph, this is
24 exactly the same shape, this is the dollars per house for
25 this 2,700-square-foot house that you save by making this

1 change, and then, in these hot climates, we're talking
2 \$4,000, Climate Zone 15, \$8,000 to go from EER 10 to EER 12.
3 What? What's the time period? This is the present value
4 according to the Energy Commission Life Cycle Cost Analysis
5 Method we've all been looking at today, so this is the
6 savings side of that, so I haven't tried to estimate the
7 cost yet. I don't know if everyone saw this, but Mike, when
8 I put that slide up, said, "Oh, these things are cheap!"
9 So, I don't know how cheap is in relation to \$4,000, but I
10 bet it's less than \$4,000. So, I guess the point is that
11 these are likely to be cost-effective, they probably would
12 have been cost-effective even under the 2008 analysis
13 approach, and you know what? We've never done this before
14 because this is all NAECA covered equipment and we weren't
15 allowed to look at the life cycle cost-effectiveness of this
16 equipment because it was federally preempted. The
17 difference - there are a couple of differences that makes
18 this interesting at this point, one is that I don't think
19 we're preempted, at least fully, or maybe not as much, or
20 maybe not at all, in the Reach Standards from using non-
21 NAECA minimum equipment. Certainly shouldn't be pre-empted,
22 it seems to me, in the second Reach level from using NAECA
23 minimum equipment, in which case, then, all this stuff is
24 open to get into that infamous packaged R or Package R2.
25 That's one of the reasons why I think a simple 15, 30

1 percent thing may not actually give you the answer that you
2 really would like to get to. Nehemiah.

3 MR. STONE: Quick question. Are there any EER 12
4 air-conditioners that just meeting the Federal standard for
5 SEER?

6 MR. WILCOX: I don't know, actually. There may
7 be. I picked this out of - I know you can get the EER12,
8 that's what Proctor did with its hot/dry air-conditioner
9 project and I believe there is equipment available.

10 MR. STONE: SEER13.

11 MR. WILCOX: I don't know whether it's SEER13,
12 probably not.

13 MR. STONE: So if you set a standard at EER12,
14 then - if you set a standard at EER12, then you're -

15 MR. WILCOX: Not violating the NAECA Standard.
16 Well, see, there are all these political things that were
17 going on in the background and may or may not be anymore,
18 and stuff that would allow California to have their own EER
19 standard. I don't know if that's really going to happen or
20 not.

21 MR. HODGSON: My comment on the timeframe is in
22 the lifecycle cost, how many times did you replace that air-
23 conditioner over the 30-year period?

24 MR. WILCOX: Oh, I did not replace it at all.
25 This is just a simple - I did not forget the cost.

1 MR. HODGSON: Okay, so, I mean, that's an issue
2 because your air-conditioners don't last 30 years, in fact,
3 they don't perform that well over a few years. But on the
4 preemption issue, that's actually an argument for percentage
5 rather than 12 EERs, because we have this argument - excuse
6 me, discussion - going on right now with the LA
7 jurisdictions who are going 15 percent over code, Tier 1,
8 and to get there, they want to go with 14 SEERs and they
9 can't. And the reason they can't is the preemption issue.
10 So, what we're doing to circumvent that is we go with the
11 percentage and then give them more than one package of
12 tradeoffs on how to get there, so there's no unique
13 specification for that piece of equipment. And if you say
14 12EER, then I don't - I think you will violate the
15 preemption, but I'm not a trade attorney. So, if you said
16 15 percent over Code, or pick a number -- 27 percent over
17 Code, whatever your number comes to be -- and you give them
18 packages which include an EER of some number, but it's not a
19 singular package, it's package, you know, P1, P2, P3, then I
20 think you have some flexibility.

21 MR. WILCOX: Thank you. Yeah, we've been talking
22 about the possibility of having alternate packages as sort
23 of a way to talk about it.

24 MR. HODGSON: There's a bunch of us who have been
25 doing work on that, including HCD, on how to - can't speak

1 for HCD - on how to avoid the preemption issue. How's that?
2 Being diplomatic.

3 MR. PENNINGTON: We'd love to see results from
4 that.

5 MR. HODGSON: Yeah, I think that's a discussion
6 you should have with Doug.

7 MR. PENNINGTON: Okay.

8 MR. TAM: Bruce, I've got a question online. "Why
9 are the Climate Zone 12 cooling loads and savings so low
10 compared to Climate Zone 11 and 13?"

11 MR. WILCOX: The question is why are the Climate
12 Zone 12 cooling loads and savings so low compared to 11 and
13 13. Well, I thought about this and looked at it some, but I
14 think the answer is that Climate Zone 12 is where we are
15 right now, it's Sacramento, it's actually a much milder
16 climate than anyplace going north or south from here because
17 Climate Zone 12 gets a lot of wind from San Francisco Bay
18 and tends to be cooler in the summertime than the ends of
19 the valley. That's my theory.

20 MR. SHIRAKH: That's Delta breezes, basically.

21 MR. WILCOX: Yeah, the Delta breezes is the
22 answer, I think. So, any other questions? Okay, so here's
23 the other side. This is what happens if you go from AFUE 72
24 which is the standard minimum NAECA - the current standard
25 furnace, to an AFUE 95, which is a condensing high end

1 furnace. And the lifecycle cost savings here are, I think,
2 also impressively high, but that's, again, we've never
3 looked at this, so we don't have any feel for this, but
4 we're talking 10 percent savings in all these 1,2, 3, 4 -
5 not 3 - but 1, 2, 4 and 5, and also in Climate Zone 16. So,
6 I think there's some benefits to be had by figuring out how
7 to get around to make preemption rules, particularly for the
8 Tiers. Pat.

9 MR. SPLITT: Did you look at all at heating
10 savings with the heating side of a heat pump with these
11 changes?

12 MR. WILCOX: No, I haven't looked at that. We
13 heard this morning that, in the long run, we have to get
14 everything electrified, so maybe we should start looking at
15 that now. I haven't looked at that. As I said, this is
16 mainly to try and - what I was looking for here was a range
17 of measures that people could look at and kind of understand
18 where we're going with the weather, the TDV, and the
19 calculation engines for residential, so this is - I think
20 heating has got some possibilities. Coastal Southern
21 California, you're not going to get much benefit in the cold
22 places -

23 MR. SPLITT: But the electrical TDV for heating -
24 for a heat pump, it's not the same rate, so it may come off
25 totally different.

1 MR. WILCOX: Yeah, that's right. It's been so
2 long since I've done a heat pump, I don't even remember what
3 the basis is for that comparison. Okay, here's the one that
4 Mike doesn't want us to find out about, I don't know, I did
5 it anyway. So, this is what happens when you go from a
6 standard minimum gas - efficiency gas - water heater to an
7 energy factor of .85 gas water heater. And it doesn't
8 matter where you do it, except for the change in water
9 temperature which is minor and the TDVs are slightly
10 different from zone to zone. It saves between \$2,000 and
11 \$2,500 of present value in every climate zone, so I think
12 that might be cost-effective. I bought at retail a grade A5
13 water heater for my daughter a few years ago and it cost
14 \$1,800 installed on a retrofit basis, so....

15 And so here is the adding R13 insulation to the
16 roof deck of your house, so you take that amount - I'm not
17 going to say this is an optimum solution here, but if we
18 start with package D, whatever ceiling insulation is
19 required, whether it's got a radiant barrier or not, this is
20 the proscriptive package, so in some climate zones it's a .2
21 reflected shingle, in others it's a .08, and so forth. And
22 just to make things real simple, I just added R13 to the
23 bottom of the roof deck, so it is like putting an R13 that
24 stapled up between your roof trusses. And that's \$2.00 a
25 square foot at present value if you do that, \$2.00 a square

1 foot of roof deck, sort of, in the high climates. Whether
2 or not this is okay to do or not is another question and
3 we're going to look into that, but I think there is
4 certainly some perspective here that's positive. And here
5 is the insulation construction quality, you just flip that
6 switch and, in the simulation, it says we're going to change
7 from our use to improved construction quality, which implies
8 a HERS Rater inspection, and you're going to do a number of
9 things to make the insulation work better. And, you know,
10 that range is up to \$1,500, \$1,600 in Climate Zone 16 -
11 what's the old standard -- \$1,000 plus in a lot of climate
12 zones? I don't know whether that's cost-effective or not,
13 but that's something relative to look for some costs.

14 MS. CHAPPELL: Did you change anything in the
15 methodology of how you calculated it?

16 MR. WILCOX: Well, except for the model is
17 completely different, I mean, so, yeah, it's -

18 MS. CHAPPELL: Other than that.

19 MR. WILCOX: We converted the insulation
20 construction quality model to work with our new simulation,
21 so it's different, but it's the same basic impact and the
22 same - almost the exact same factor of improvement. Any
23 questions on that? Okay, but I'm assuming when you reduce
24 the air leakage, and to get a bump here in the standard,
25 this house gets a 3.8 SLA under Package D and I dropped it

1 down to 2.5, which means it's reducing it by about a third.
2 So, this is a substantially tight house, but not ridiculous.
3 Mike does these all the time. And that's worth a thousand
4 dollars in all of the hot climates and a few hundred dollars
5 in every climate. So, I don't know whether that's cost-
6 effective or not, but, again, it's certainly something we
7 ought to do a cost estimate of. And this is one of those
8 defined measures that we have never tried to put in a
9 proscriptive package before, but clearly could be put in
10 there if we want to do it.

11 Okay, now, to cut this the other way, very
12 quickly, to sort of demonstrate how these measures compare
13 and how different climates are different, I've done the
14 comparison cutting the other way, so those six measures,
15 EER12, AFUE95, energy factor of .85, roof deck insulation of
16 R13, insulation construction quality and the reduced air
17 leakage 2.5, and, again, it's the 2008 version vs. the 2013
18 version, the red bar is 2015, and this is Climate Zone 3,
19 Oakland. And you get 10 percent savings overall out of the
20 water heater, and 6 percent out of the furnace, and the roof
21 deck 6 percent, and so forth. So, the only thing it doesn't
22 do anything for you is the air-conditioner because we don't
23 have any air-conditioning really in Climate Zone 3.

24 MR. SHIRAKH: The roof deck doesn't do anything
25 for you either, right? It's higher.

1 MR. WILCOX: Well, it's doing 8 percent of the
2 total, that's better than all the other ones, except for the
3 water heater. Sorry?

4 MS. CHAPPELL: Can you explain - it's percent of
5 total TDV savings?

6 MR. WILCOX: If you just take the total TDV budget
7 for the house, everything - the water heating, everything -
8 and look at the savings due to this one measure, what
9 percentage of the total is it.

10 MS. CHAPPELL: So, the higher value is more
11 savings, so roof deck insulation is the only one that is
12 giving you more this time than it did in 2008?

13 MR. WILCOX: Yeah, in this climate zone.

14 MS. CHAPPELL: In this climate zone.

15 MR. WILCOX: That's only one of the points of
16 this. The other point of this slide is what do we get out
17 of the new TDVs and all that stuff. So, here's Climate Zone
18 7 in San Diego, and boy, you'd like a water heater in San
19 Diego, that's the official water heater, and that just all
20 by itself gets you 20 percent savings on the total energy
21 budget. And, again, air-conditioning doesn't do anything,
22 heating doesn't do anything, as you would expect in San
23 Diego where there isn't any air-conditioning or heating,
24 really. Here's climate zone 9, Los Angeles, Burbank, that
25 whole area, things are kind of moderate, but again, there's

1 two measures - there are several measures that are in the 8-
2 10 percent range. Here's Sacramento, very similar and
3 moderate. Palm Springs, this is where the EER12 air-
4 conditioner really shines because EER really only pays off,
5 and particularly in our model, the EER factor only pays off
6 when it's 95 or above. So, that's part of the reason that
7 it pays off in these hot zones so much. And the roof deck
8 insulation is a big factor. You know, the savings from the
9 energy efficient water heater is basically the same as they
10 are in all the zones, which is that all the other energy
11 consumption is so big that it doesn't save proportionally as
12 much. This is why I think that - personally, this is why I
13 think it makes sense to make a proscriptive package, because
14 all of these things trade off differently in different
15 climate zones, but that's to be done either way. And
16 there's Climate Zone 16, similar. The R13 pays off, the
17 energy factor pays off, the AFUE pays off.

18 Okay, so in terms of where we are with this
19 residential analysis model, we're finishing up the window
20 model, which is not in the current - we're going to a state-
21 of-the-art window model, and that's being finished up right
22 now. We still have to add the comfort analysis and
23 evaporative cooling, so Abhjeet will be happy. And then we
24 have to do this - review and revise the rules, including
25 looking at the internal gains, maybe looking at the

1 thermostats, maybe adjusting that. We need to add new
2 thermal mass rules because we're now explicitly modeling all
3 the stuff in the building and we can't use the Btu numbers
4 like we used to use for thermal mass. And then we need to
5 maybe make some further adjustments in natural ventilation.
6 And then, hopefully, that will be done very quickly and
7 Ruben can start analyzing away.

8 MR. PENNINGTON: Could you explain what you're
9 doing related to the comfort analysis, what will happen
10 there?

11 MR. WILCOX: Yes. We're making a facility in the
12 program so that you can take the results of a simulation and
13 run it through a comfort model as a standard, well, it's
14 actually several standard comfort models that are ASHRAE and
15 various - it's a standard 55PMV, Predicted Mean Vote
16 analysis, I think there are two other ones, as well, it's a
17 package that was developed for us by UC Berkeley, Center for
18 Built Environment, and they're developing the same package
19 for ASHRAE and LBL, and so it's basically the consensus
20 methods for evaluating comfort, and you will be able to -
21 this will read an hourly results file from the simulation
22 and from there on, we're not exactly sure what you do, you
23 know, do you use 8,760 hour average comfort? Or is it
24 peaked hours? The models are complicated and, for example,
25 you have to know how much clothes people are wearing hourly

1 for the entire year in order to tell whether they're
2 comfortable or not. Earlier today, Martha Brook said she
3 was probably uniquely qualified to figure this out.
4 Somebody is going to have to do that in order to understand
5 what it means. So, this is a tool that, at least, Abhjeet
6 and some of the people he is working with think is very
7 important in terms of analyzing cooling and passive houses
8 so that you can compare on a comfort basis, rather than
9 strictly on a temperature basis how successful the designs
10 are. So that's - we're building the tools. I'm not sure
11 exactly what the rules are yet for using them, I think we'll
12 have to experiment with that and figure it out.

13 MR. STONE: Can I ask a question related to that?
14 To do that, can you turn off the HVAC equipment so you get
15 your data for the comfort analysis, assuming no heating
16 equipment nor -

17 MR. WILCOX: Well, in the research mode, in
18 principle, you can do anything with the inputs in the
19 program, so, yeah, that would be the idea, is you would run
20 your high mass, well shaded, well insulated house with no
21 AC, and compare it to the base case house that has the air-
22 conditioner and see how different they are. I hope it
23 doesn't turn out to be related to the low value you assume
24 in the middle of the night and in the winter time.

1 MR. STONE: I have another question.
2 Traditionally, we've approached looking at the standards and
3 the analysis work on how residential affects single-family
4 homes, and all of your analysis here was with that one base
5 case building, the 2,700 square foot house.

6 MR. WILCOX: Yeah.

7 MR. STONE: I would posit that you would end up
8 with some startlingly different results than if you were
9 looking at, you know, a garden style apartment building, or
10 looking at a six-story multi-family building, both of which
11 are also residential.

12 MR. WILCOX: Yeah, well, we have a defined eight-
13 unit garden apartment that we have been using.

14 MR. STONE: You're running all the same graphs?

15 MR. WILCOX: I could, but I have not done that
16 yet. But I was looking for a simple case that we could, you
17 know, for this presentation that we could look at and having
18 more prototypes, it's making it that much harder to figure
19 out what's going on, in my -

20 MR. STONE: Yeah -

21 MR. WILCOX: -- but you're right, I mean, you do
22 get different answers with different prototypes, and that's
23 how we got the different prototypes.

24 MR. SPLITT: Bruce, I had a question about the
25 adjust natural ventilation to match data. We now met

1 mechanical ventilation requirements, but that hasn't been
2 around long, so I don't think there's a lot of data yet that
3 you can -

4 MR. WILCOX: Yeah, I'm talking about cooling
5 ventilation, opening windows, basically, so we're talking
6 about adjusting.

7 MR. SPLITT: Right, but then would you assume that
8 the mechanical ventilation is going to keep going all the
9 time? Or someone would shut it off when they open the
10 windows?

11 MR. WILCOX: No, it goes all the time. That's the
12 assumption. I mean, that's not - there's nothing religious
13 about that.

14 MR. PENNINGTON: So, I'm curious about the
15 ventilation, also. Will there be an ability to model whole
16 house fans?

17 MR. WILCOX: Yes. That is -

18 MR. PENNINGTON: So, mechanically assisted
19 ventilation.

20 MR. WILCOX: Yeah. The plan is to be able to
21 model window ventilation, whole house fan ventilation, and
22 we've actually carried out some experiments. Marc Hoeschele
23 and his crew has done some measurements in some houses with
24 whole house fans to figure out some of the characteristics
25 so we can develop the model for that. And then we also plan

1 to have a model for economizer style natural ventilation
2 systems and use the central air handler fan and run to cool
3 the house at night. Right now, well, the proposal is that
4 those kind of systems can run 24 hours whereas the windows
5 right now are not allowed to be opened in the middle of the
6 night, so there are some differences.

7 MR. PENNINGTON: So, you know, my concern with
8 openable windows is what are the driving forces, you know,
9 is wind really enough? Is wind not oriented properly
10 relative to the windows enough to draw very much? And if
11 you have whole house systems, or some other kind of
12 economizer type systems, then you can create a driving
13 force, so you really get something out of those openable
14 windows.

15 MR. WILCOX: Yeah, I think there is a strong
16 argument to be made -

17 MR. PENNINGTON: And the other piece of that is
18 that you really want to try to vent the attic because, if
19 the attic is sitting up there hot, you know, especially in a
20 heat storm or something, then opening the windows doesn't do
21 a lot - in my experience.

22 MR. WILCOX: You don't have enough windows in your
23 attic.

24 MR. PENNINGTON: That's true, no, I have plenty of
25 windows in my attic, none from the house to the attic.

1 MR. SPLITT: Another question is, with
2 ventilation, would one be able to model like an attached sun
3 space and the model of ventilation between the space to the
4 house for solar - trying to get to Zero Net Energy, or no?

5 MR. WILCOX: Boy, is that out of the past.

6 MR. SPLITT: Well, we're going back there.

7 MR. WILCOX: I think it's in the model, I think
8 the current model we're using right now, I think, allows you
9 to do that. We haven't done anything about setting it up in
10 this model for the Standards development - so far.

11 MR. SPLITT: It's what goes around comes around.

12 MR. WILCOX: Yeah, I know. Any other questions?

13 MR. TAM: Bruce, there are a couple questions on
14 the line. The first one, "Are these differences between the
15 2008 and 2013 software largely due to how the two deal with
16 the cooling loads?"

17 MR. WILCOX: I think that it has mostly to do with
18 cooling, I think, but it has to do with the different
19 approach to modeling opaque surfaces that applies to both
20 heating and cooling, I think, is really the answer.

21 MR. TAM: The second question, "Are you looking at
22 introducing EE targets and standards that can apply to
23 existing residences, or inefficient existing homes fully
24 exempt from EE Standards?"

1 MR. WILCOX: Well, it's a complicated subject. In
2 the 2008 standards, some parts of the New Building Standards
3 apply their existing buildings if you do retrofits or
4 replacements. The 2008 Standards, the cool roof
5 requirements, a version of them, applies to existing
6 buildings if you replace your roof. The ducts standards
7 apply under certain circumstances when you replace your air-
8 conditioner. And I think there's a general interest among a
9 lot of people involved to expand the application of the
10 standards to existing buildings. I'm not sure how far we're
11 going to go.

12 MR. SHIRAKH: Well, in general, the standards we
13 developed for new construction also applies to additional
14 alterations, but in second 152, sometimes we modify those
15 based on climate zones or other criteria. But typically you
16 can assume that all of these would apply to additions and
17 alterations.

18 MR. WILCOX: So, the big step is whether you would
19 ever be obligated to upgrade your house simply to save
20 energy. And at this point, I don't think that ever occurs,
21 but there's no reason why it couldn't.

22 MR. NITTLER: Ken Nittler with Enercomp. I think
23 the question on additions and alterations, it's interesting
24 to answer, is does this mean, by 2020, that alterations are

1 supposed to be net zero energy, too? That's a pretty big
2 question.

3 MR. SHIRAKH: I really don't have an answer to
4 that. I mean, that's too far - we haven't even figured out
5 what the definition of Zero Net Energy is.

6 MR. HUANG: This is Joe Huang. This isn't meant
7 as a criticism, but - I got your attention now, right - but,
8 you know, I'm still struck by the big differences between
9 two models that are really - one is a derivation of the
10 other, or they have similar progeny, or whatever, done by
11 the same people, right? I mean, I'm just struck that
12 they're that different, and I am looking for evidence that
13 we're getting better results, and I'm suggesting that, you
14 know, it might be very illuminating to do some benchmarking
15 against other models like DOE-2 or Energy Plus. I mean,
16 especially since your numbers are going down in cooling, it
17 really troubles me. That's all.

18 MR. WILCOX: Okay. Any other questions?

19 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: [Inaudible]

20 MR. WILCOX: That's a good approach, too. Any
21 other questions? Okay, thank you.

22 MR. SHIRAKH: Okay, so that concludes our formal
23 presentations. Any other questions related to anything that
24 was presented today? Either in the room or online? Okay,
25 so with that, we'll conclude this workshop and there will be

1 transcripts of this workshop and we will post it on our
2 website and all the presentations and reports. Thanks so
3 much.

4 [Adjourned at 3:45 P.M.]

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