



Item 6:
Retail Sellers Renewables Portfolio Standard (RPS)
Procurement Verification Report (Verification Report)
Compliance Period 4 (2021-2024)

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RPS Legislative History

20% by 2017

2002
(SB 1078)
Sher

20% by 2010

2006
(SB 107)
Simitian

33% by 2020

2011
(SB X1-2)
Simitian

50% by 2030

2015
(SB 350)
DeLeon

60% RPS 2030
100% Clean Energy by 2045

2018
(SB 100)
DeLeon,
Skinner, et al



Benefits to Californians



Verifies accurate reporting



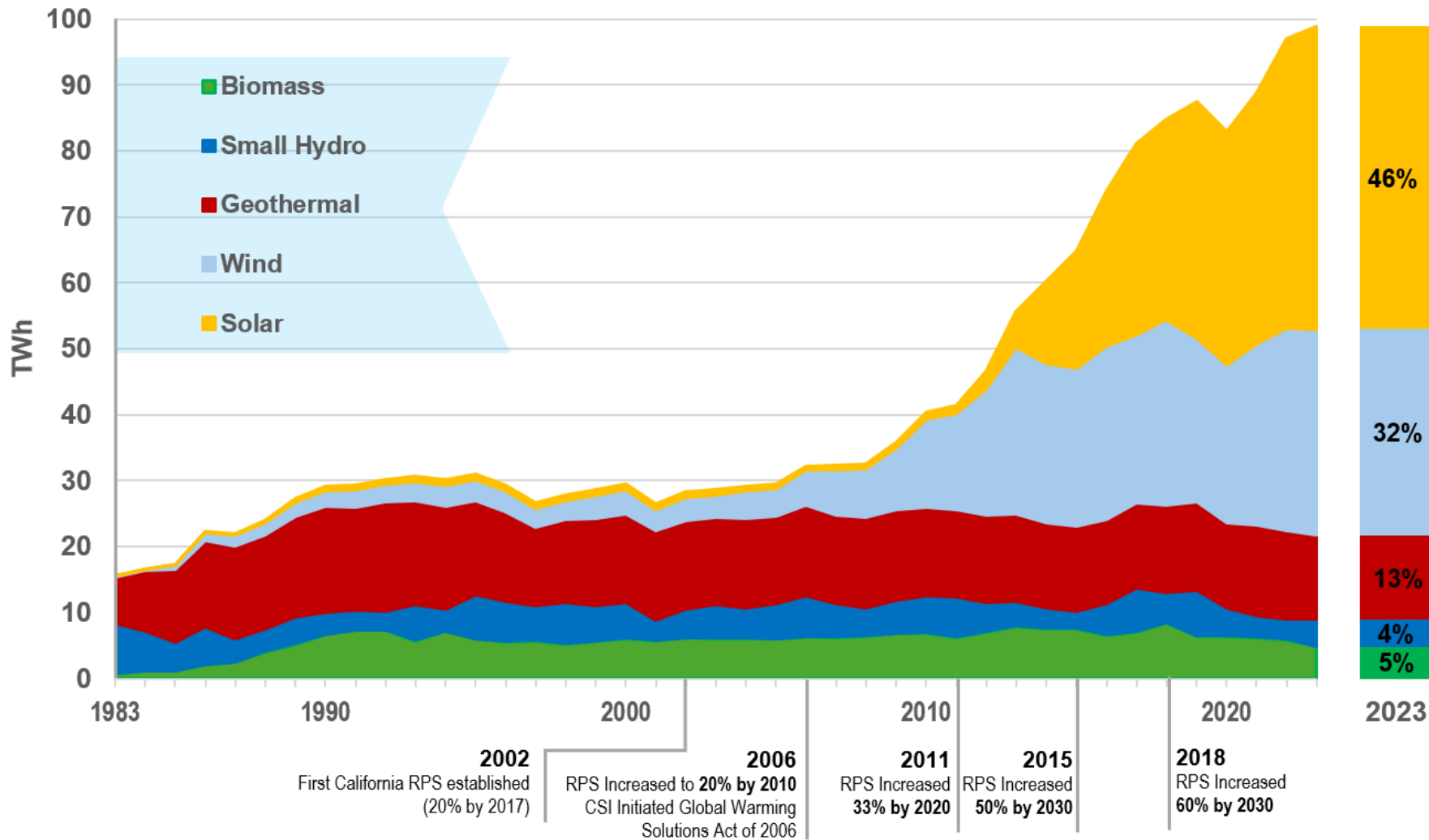
**Provides regulatory
certainty**



**Supports renewable
energy & zero carbon goals**



Renewables Then and Now



In 2023, 43% of California's retail electricity sales were served by RPS-certified renewables



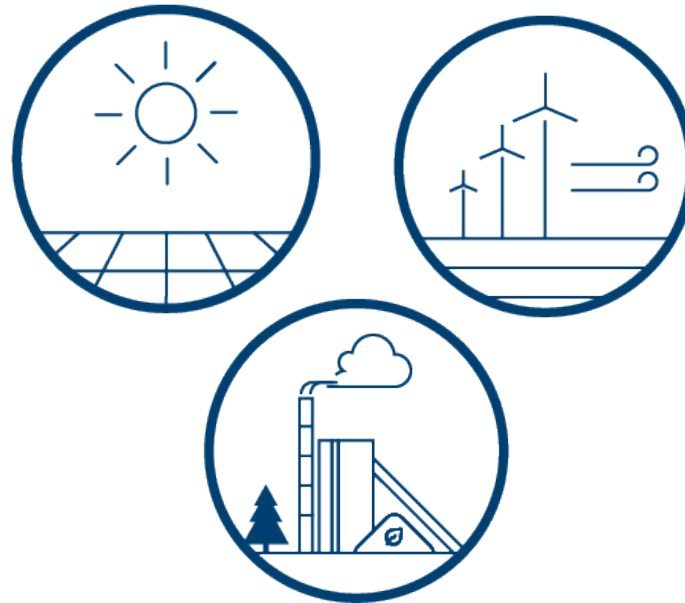
RPS - Policy, Markets & Regulatory

RPS % of electricity sales



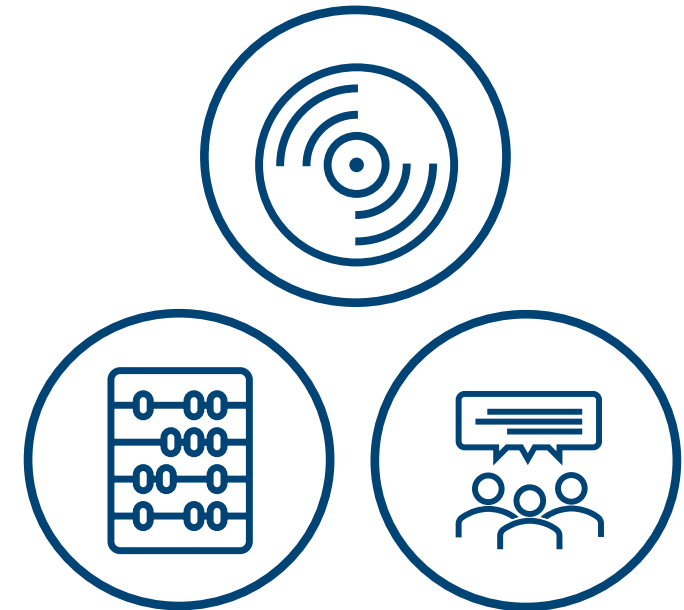
Energy & renewable energy credits

Power Purchase Agreements
Infrastructure investment



Economic & environmental benefits

Metering

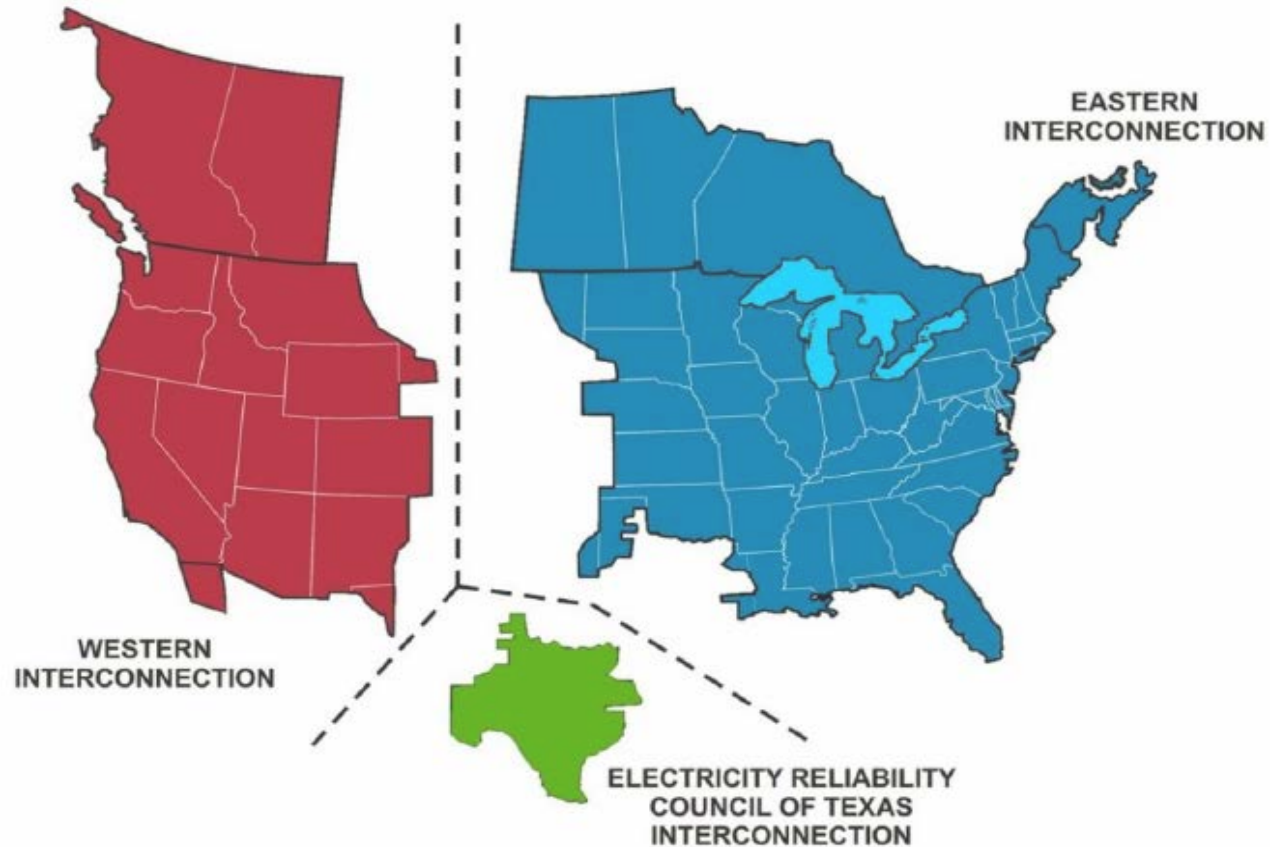


Tracking, trading & complying



CA drives Western Renewable Development

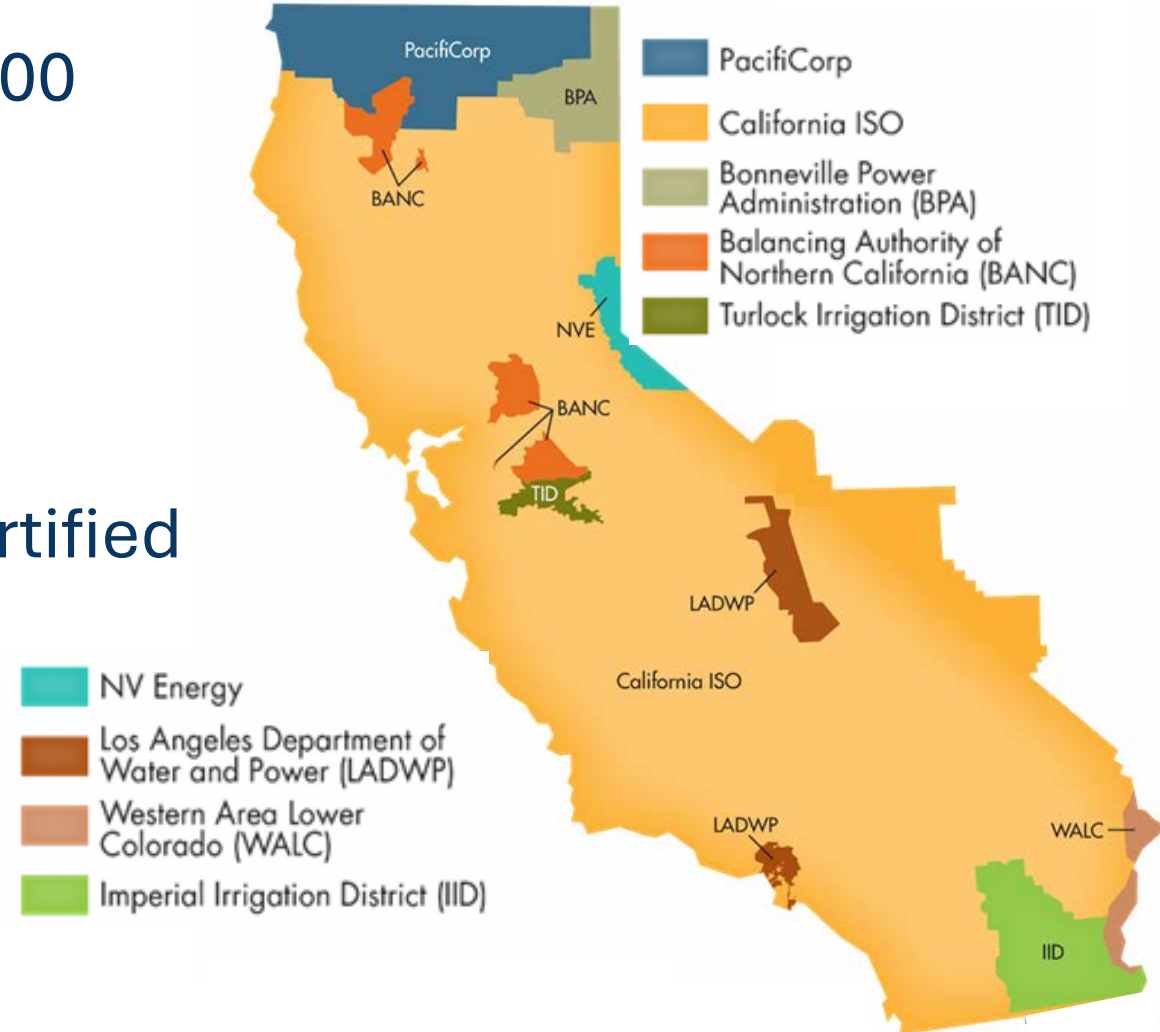
- 1st point of interconnection within the Western Interconnection
- 14 states, 2 Canadian Provinces and Baja Mexico
- 4,500 CA RPS certified facilities





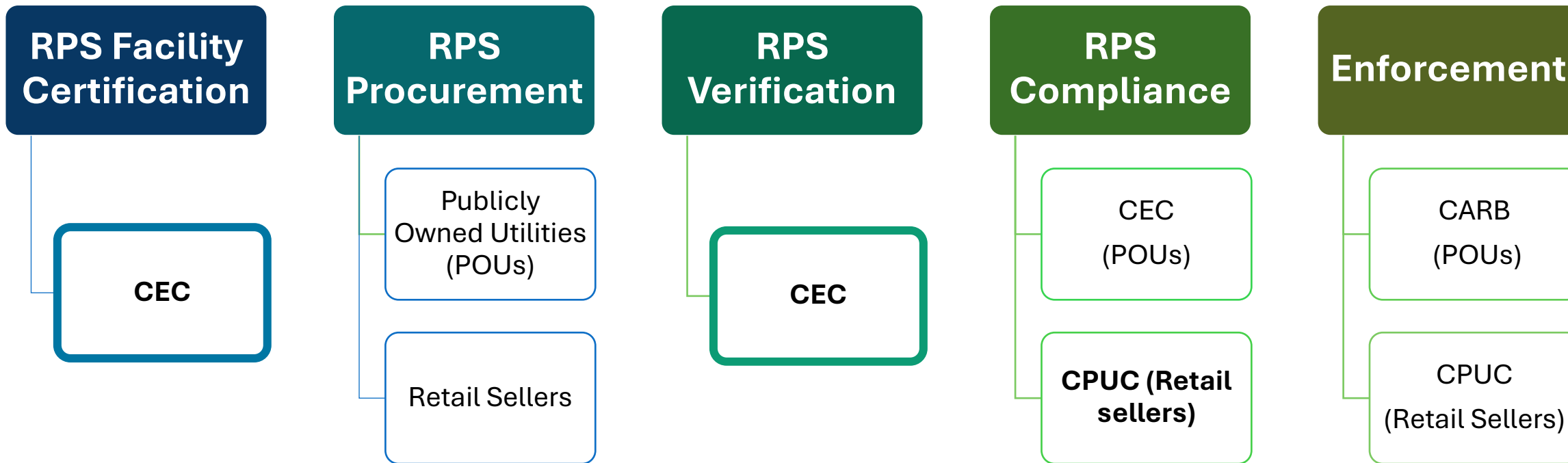
CA RPS Reaching New Heights

- In 2025 alone, staff reviewed 700 applications and certified renewable capacity totaling approximately 15,000 MWs
- CA is nearing 100 GWs RPS certified capacity





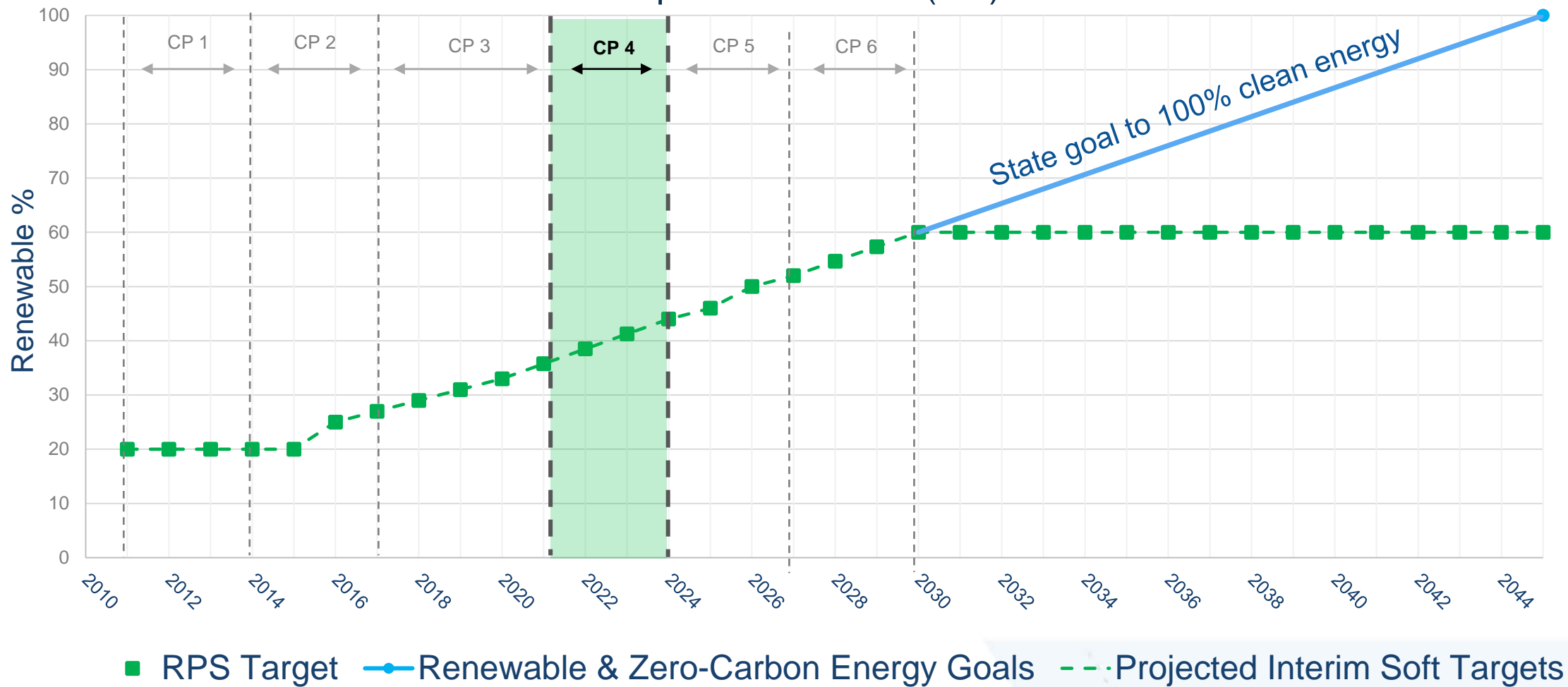
Statewide Coordination





Decarbonizing the Electric Sector

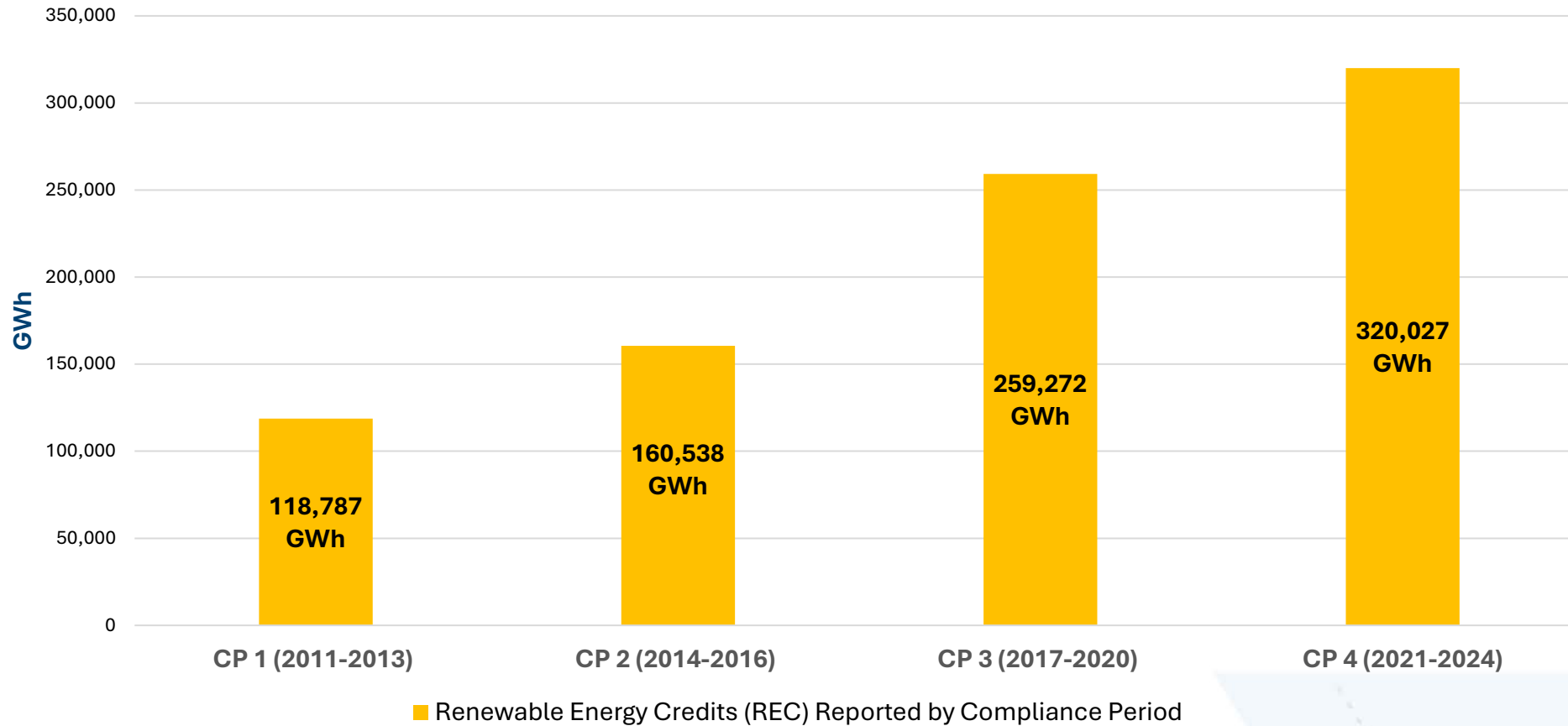
Compliance Periods (CP)





Increasing Renewables Over Time

Retail Seller RECs Reported by Compliance Period



# of Retail Sellers Serving Load	
CP 1	21
CP 2	26
CP 3	43
CP 4	43



Retail Sellers Break Out

- **50 retail sellers subject to RPS Program**
 - Investor-Owned Utilities (3)
 - Small and Multijurisdictional Utilities (3)
 - Electric Service Providers (17)
 - Community Choice Aggregators (27)
- **43 retail sellers served electricity customer load**
- **Transmit retail seller reports to CPUC**



Retail Sellers Verification

- **Verification Analysis**
 - RPS-certified facilities
 - Facility generation
 - Retirement requirements
 - Double counting
- **Verification Determination**
 - Summary of eligible, ineligible, and withdrawn REC claims

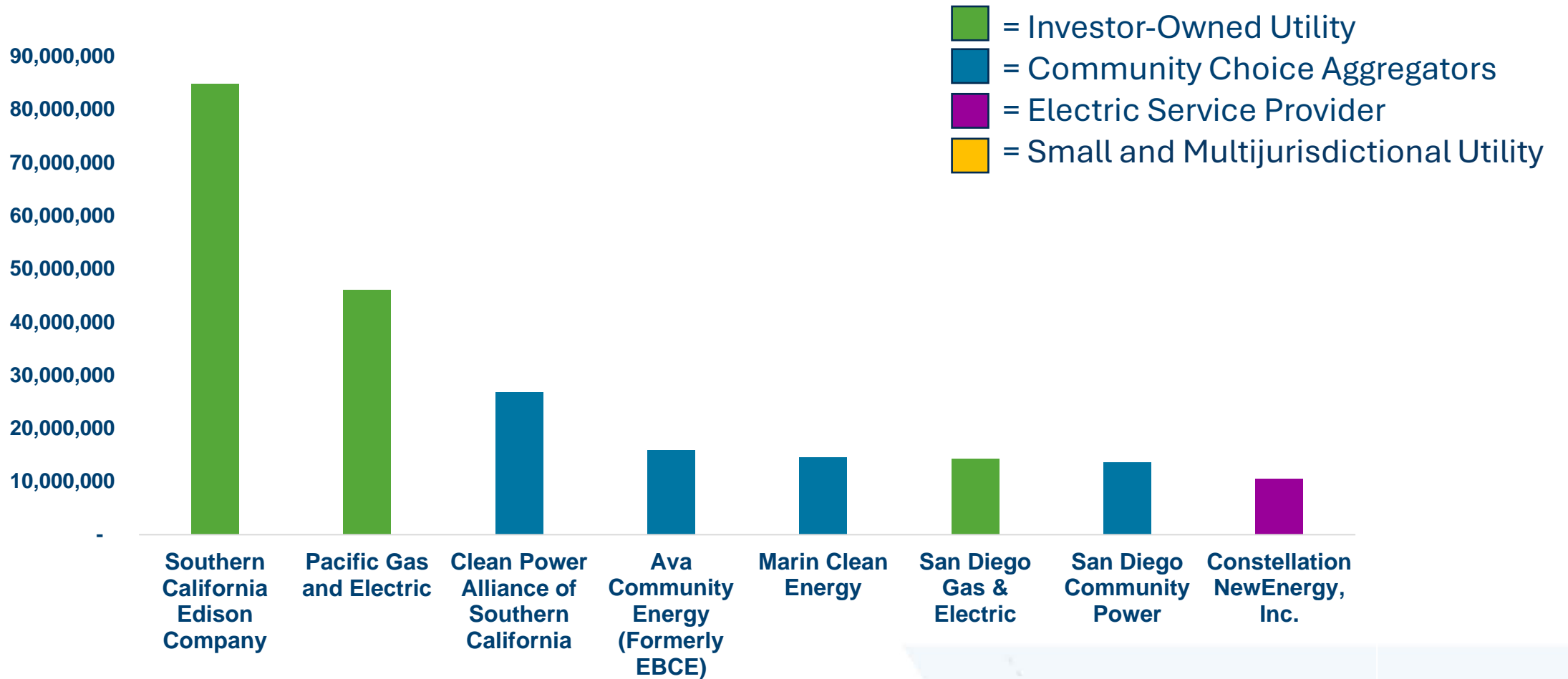


Retail Sellers CP 4 Contribution

- Retail Sellers represent **77%** of total eligible RECs reported
- Large IOUs (PG&E, SCE, SDG&E) make up **46%** of RECs reported by Retail Sellers
- CEC verification determines eligibility of claims only
- CPUC conducts compliance analysis and enforcement, if needed

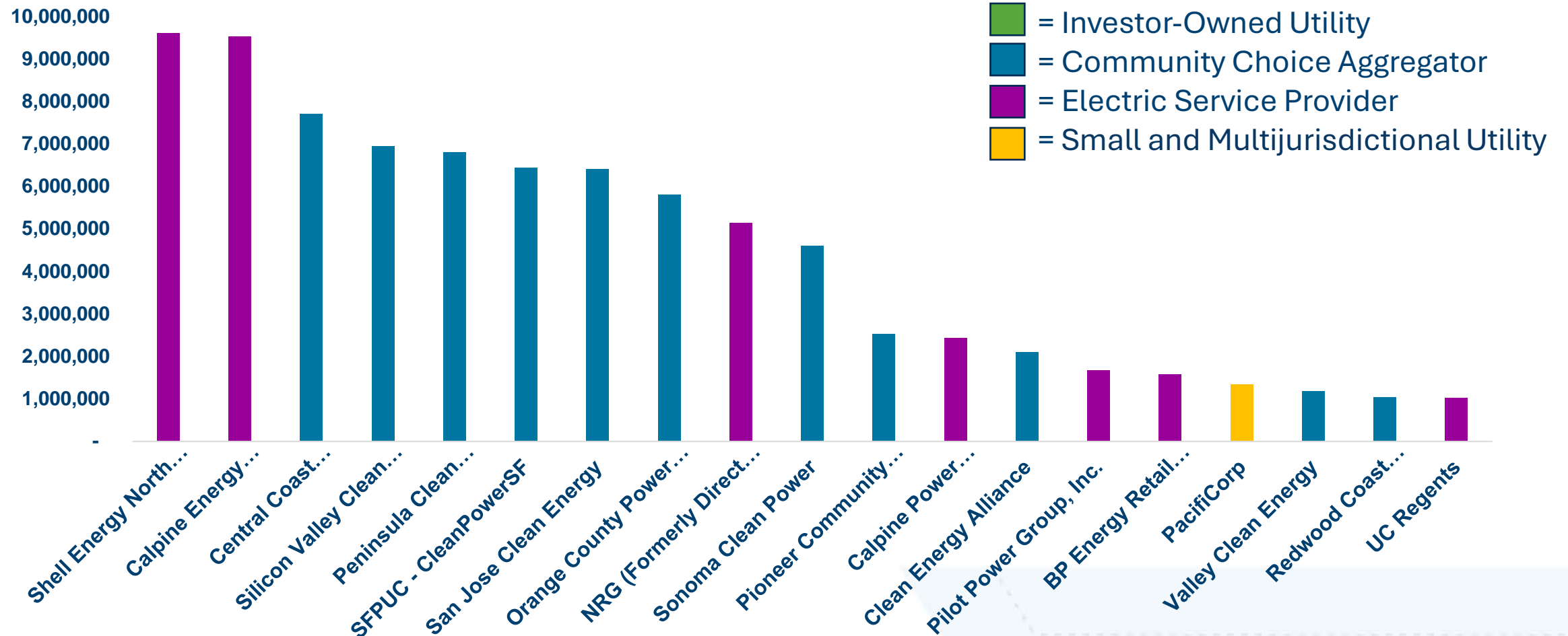


Greater than 10 million RECs



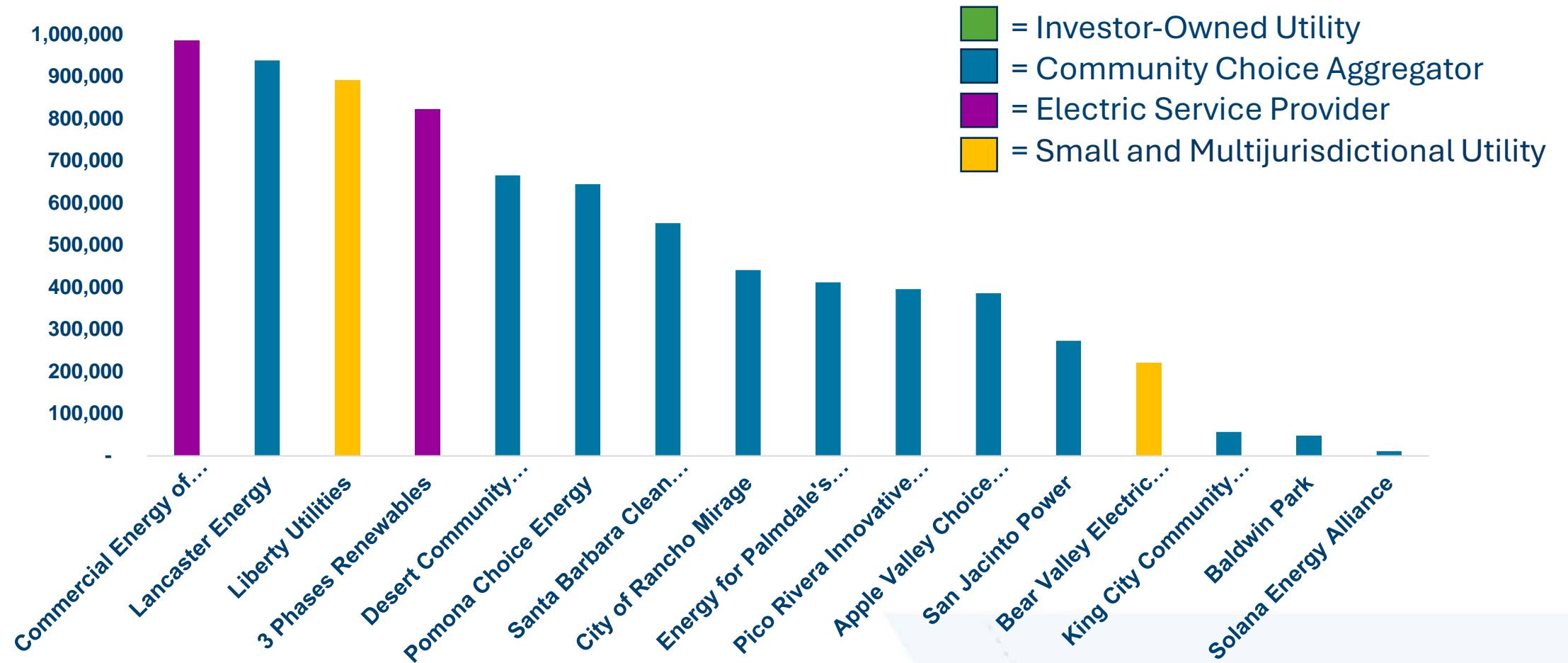


1 to 10 million RECs





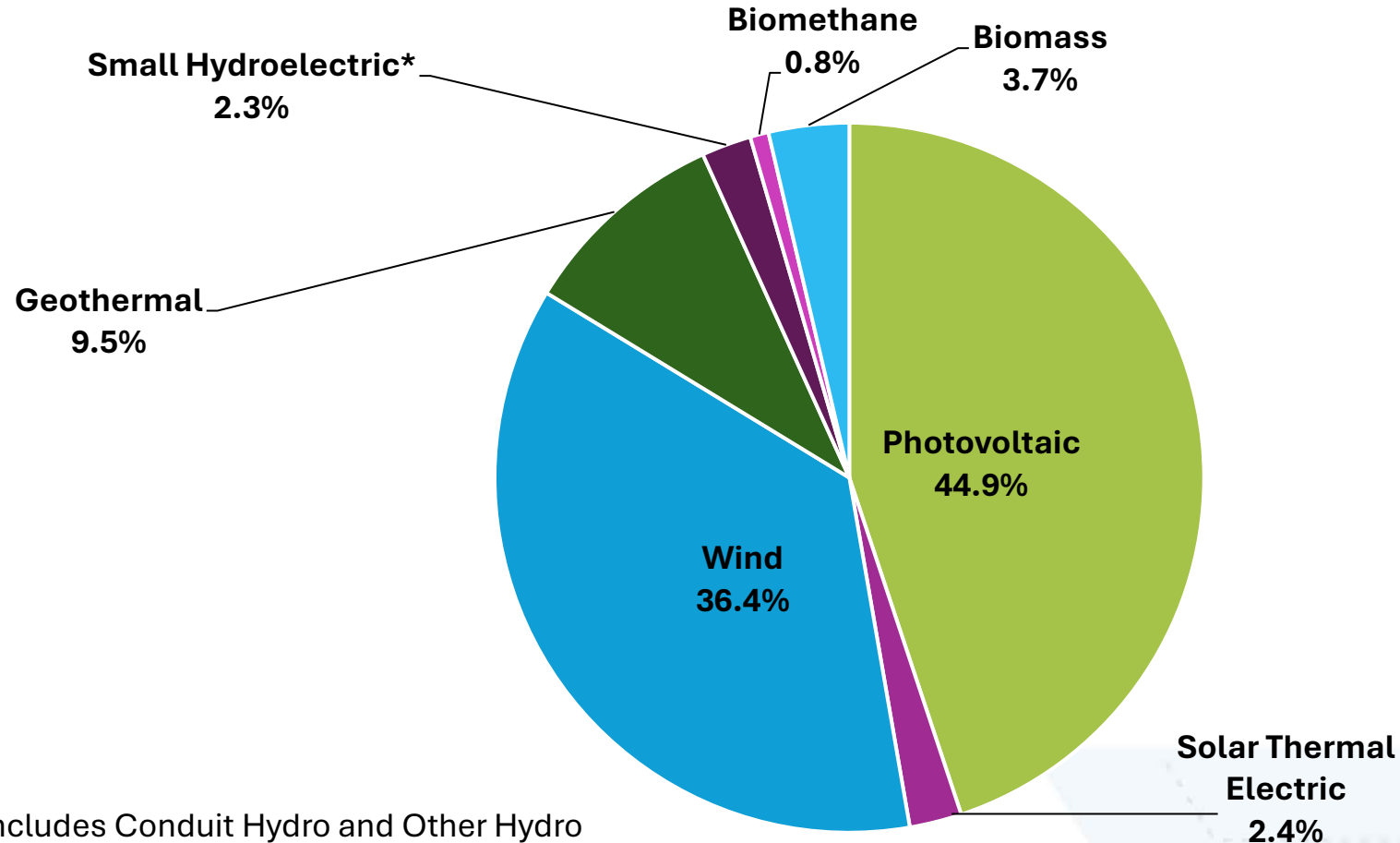
Less than 1 million RECs





Retail Sellers' RPS Resource Mix

Total Retail Sellers' RECs by Resource Type for Compliance Period 4 (2021–2024)



*Small Hydro includes Conduit Hydro and Other Hydro



Public Comment Period

- Report posted with 10-day comment period

Comments to date

- Marin Clean Energy (MCE) requests reclassifying 935 RECs as eligible consistent with prior staff approval.
- Silicon Valley Clean Energy (SVCE) requests 2968 RECs marked ineligible be withdrawn.

With your approval today, staff will reflect these changes in the final version of the Retail Sellers' Procurement Verification Report for Compliance Period 4.



Staff Recommendation

- Update and finalize the Verification Report to include requested updates and minor editorial fixes
- Adopt the finding that the Retail Seller Procurement Verification Report is not a project under CEQA or alternatively exempt
- Adopt the Resolution approving the Verification Report