WHAT IS THE SUMMER RELIABILITY PROGRAM?

Southern California Edison's (SCE) Summer Reliability Program (SRP) offers participants performance based compensation to reduce energy usage during times of high grid stress with the goal to avoid rotating outages while minimizing costs to ratepayers. The program assists commercial and residential customers to purchase and install energy efficiency measures to reduce electricity demand for the summers of 2022 and 2023.

The program focuses on peak energy reduction that qualifying vendors, called Trade Professionals, can help customers achieve. These Trade Professionals will directly recruit and engage with targeted customer segments that demonstrate high peak energy usage for a select group of measures.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF SRP?

The program has been designed with a streamlined application and review process that will allow projects to be approved and installed within a reduced timeframe. Pre- and post-site audits are also not required (SCE may, as part of its quality assurance framework, select a random sample of projects to confirm technologies were installed and commissioned).

The Summer Reliability Program offers a whole building approach to energy efficiency where individual measures are rolled into energy savings on a building level (based on the utility revenue meter). SRP is also a pay for performance program that compensates Trade Professionals based on their success in implementing energy efficiency projects at a customer's site that permanently reduce peak and net-peak energy usage as well as provide energy savings throughout the year. They also have the discretion to vary incentives to optimize customer enrollment.

- Net-Peak hours: 4-7 P.M. on business days between June 1-September 30
- Peak hours: 7-9 P.M. on business days between June 1-September 30
- Non-Peak hours: All other hours

With this program design, incentives can be higher than those in traditional energy efficiency programs.

WHO'S ELIGIBLE?

Commercial target sectors are based on NAICS (North American Industry Classification System) codes and include:

- Supermarkets and Other Grocery (except Convenience) Stores
- Other Grocery and Related Product Wholesalers
- Drugs and Druggists’ Sundries Wholesalers
- Pharmacies and Drug Stores
- Limited Service Restaurants
- Gasoline Stations with Convenience Stores
- Convenience Stores
- New Car Dealers
- Warehouse Clubs and Super Stores
- Home Centers
- Department Stores
- Indoor Horticulture

Eligible Residential customers include:

- Single-Family Homes
- Manufactured Mobile Homes

1 SCE is not a party to, or guarantor of such contract and customers should thoroughly review the terms and conditions of your contract with the Trade Professional, so customers know their rights and obligations before contracting. Pursuant to this Program, SCE compensates Trade Professionals directly only for savings actually achieved at a customer’s site. SCE does not compensate customers directly for site savings.

2 The program’s target sectors were identified due to their alignment with the required Population Normalized Metered Energy Consumption (NMEC) measurement approach, including their homogeneous energy usage profiles compared to similar groups within the same industry sector and high savings potential. SRP does allow for the submittal of projects outside the target list, however, this will require an extended review period and may be declined if the necessary criteria are not met to conduct a Population NMEC analysis.
HOW DOES THE PROGRAM WORK?

SRP utilizes a Population NMEC approach to energy savings and verification. The program identifies meter based energy savings which are then compared against similar industry peers to identify incremental savings beyond normal operating conditions. Performance is tied to grid benefits based on the hourly avoided cost value of projects (adjusted for program administration and other costs).

Each project within a portfolio will have its performance calculated three times per year (for one year), and a Trade Professional's collective portfolio performance will be paid out. SCE will compensate Trade Professionals based on the performance of their portfolio (group of projects) over three 4-month periods in a total of three payments. The combined total of each of the three payments will be based on the confirmed Total System Benefits utilizing ex-post savings measured at the meter (adjust for program administration and other costs).

OTHER PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

- Customers must pay the Public Purpose Program (PPP) surcharge on the electric meter in which the energy-efficient equipment is being proposed.
- The project site is not currently participating in, and has not participated in the past 12 months, in a CPUC ratepayer-funded energy efficiency program.
- Tenants/Renters must have authorization from the property owner or property management company to implement the upgrades.
- Commercial projects must achieve at least a 5% energy reduction on the utility revenue billing meter.
- Residential projects must achieve at least a 3% energy reduction on the utility revenue billing meter.
- Projects must be installed and commissioned no later than August 1, 2023.
- The project site does not have on-site generation (solar, thermal energy storage, or battery storage, etc.) and agrees not to install any during the 12-month performance period.
- Projects that will take more than 14-30 days to install and commission may not fit into the program's scope of work and should consider other energy efficiency program offerings.
- Fuel substitution and Natural Gas measures are not eligible.
- Additional terms and conditions will apply.

TO LEARN MORE

If you are a Trade Professional that would like to participate and are not currently registered in SCE's Trade Ally Community, you may go to the Trade Ally Community portal page to enroll.

For more information, email: SummerReliabilityProgram@sce.com

You may also go to: sce.com/SRP