



# **Energy Companies an Indispensable** Ally in Combatting Climate Change, **Earley Tells World Energy Ministers**

# BY TOM SCHMITZ

SAN FRANCISCO — In the urgent battle against climate change, nations around the world can make the greatest progress, at the quickest speed, by enlisting energy companies in the struggle.

That was the message Tony Earley, PG&E Corporation chairman, CEO and president. delivered on June 1 to a global audience of energy policymakers gathered in San Francisco for the Clean Energy Ministerial, a follow-up meeting to last December's historic climate summit in Paris.

In his keynote address, Earley stressed the unique tools that electric power companies - with their enormous scale, scope and access to capital resources — can bring to

bear in reducing greenhouse gas emissions and accelerating the transition to clean energy sources.

"Look to the utility sector as a source for solutions," Earley said. "This is an industry that was built to do big things. It's also an industry that was designed to serve the public interest. That's part of our DNA."

Utilities "reach into every home and business in the country and have relationships with millions of customers," Earley pointed out.

That allows the industry to help with a wide variety of problems, from supporting clean transportation and other carbon-cutting

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technologies to serving as a channel for public awareness and education.

"Look to us as partners," Earley asked the ministers, along with the many federal, state and local leaders listening, including U.S. Secretary of Energy Ernest Moniz, California Gov. Jerry Brown and San Francisco Mayor Edwin M. Lee.

As an example of such a partnership effort, Earley announced the launch of PG&E's "Better Together Resilient Communities" grant program, a shareholder-funded initiative to assist local governments in Northern and Central California to better prepare for, withstand, and recover from extreme events and other risks related to climate change — such as sea level rise, flooding, land subsidence, heat waves, drought and wildfires.

"Some cities and counties already have sophisticated planning efforts under way," Earley said. "But others are just getting started or face budget constraints.

"These grants are designed to produce solutions that others can learn from and adopt, with a particular focus on disadvantaged areas where exposure is high and resources are lacking."

Earley opened his remarks by recalling the devastation of the "California megaflood," an "atmospheric river" storm that unleashed 43 straight days of rain over the winter of 1861-62, drowning much of the state.

"Not only was there a tremendous loss of life," Earley recalled, "but 25 percent of the economy was destroyed and a state built by the Gold Rush was driven into bankruptcy."

The difference between then and now, he explained, is that today's policymakers have the opportunity to understand the looming threat and take the necessary steps to prepare for and limit the potential impact.

"I believe we can be successful," Earley said.
"(And) that over the next few decades, we can create
the solutions to stave off a catastrophic climate
disaster. But that will depend upon governments
setting the right policies, companies acting with or
without mandates, and individuals stepping up to do
the right things."

# Retirements

Michael Albert	Jeffrey Elin	Hugh Manix	Bradley Setser
38 years of service	35 years of service	43 years of service	35 years of service
Clifford Allee	Edgar Faugier	Kevin Markoe	Denise Silverthorne
32 years of service	31 years of service	38 years of service	25 years of service
Donald Ansley	Laron Fields	Lillian Martinez	Thomas Stickelman
32 years of service	37 years of service	26 years of service	38 years of service
Juan Barron	John Francis	Gwenetta MArshall	Dale Stone
31 years of service	46 years of service	21 years of service	30 years of service
Russell Barrow	James Fung	Steve Marshall	T Taylor
37 years of service	37 years of service	38 years of service	32 years of service
Garrett Batula	Manuel Garcia	Glenn Murray	Wayne Tomasello
36 years of service	43 years of service	32 years of service	33 years of service
Gregory Beratlis	Barry Goodwin	Stephen Olmos	Suketo Urabe
32 years of service	39 years of service	44 years of service	32 years of service
Lawrence Berg	Steven Graham	Jurgen Ostertag	Steven Valdovinos
35 years of service	33 years of service	43 years of service	33 years of service
Josephine Brown	Gregory Hari	Robert Overturf	William Waldon
32 years of service	15 years of service	32 years of service	38 years of service
Wayne Brown	John Hayes	Blane Phillips	Winnie Wan
39 years of service	35 years of service	28 years of service	35 years of service
Martin Brutlag	Richard Hernandez	Irene Price	Billy Warmbrodt
44 years of service	31 years of service	34 years of service	31 years of service
Craig Bryan	Josephine Hom	Marian Rayburn	Joseph Wernet
38 years of service	30 years of service	40 years of service	28 years of service
Mari Busse	Stephen Hostetter	Kathleen Redd	Eric Wirth
20 years of service	31 years of service	35 years of service	41 years of service
Kenneth Cheng	James Jensen	Richard Reimer	Genn Wong
26 years of service	38 years of service	35 years of service	26 years of service
Matthew Cowry	Wilbert Joseph	Michael Reiswig	Timothy Yamaguchi
25 years of service	37 years of service	31 years of service	40 years of service
Michael Cravotto	Edward Kelling	Larry Rochholz	Robert Ying
30 years of service	30 years of service	42 years of service	35 years of service
Shirley Crawford	Neal King	Steve Ryan	Lyudmila Zinkova
22 years of service	19 years of service	13 years of service	20 years of service
Michael Cummings	David Klingerman	Craig Sanchez	
37 years of service	38 years of service	32 years of service	
Louise De Lateur	Gene Lighty	Michael Saso	
42 years of service	38 years of service	31 years of service	
Steven De Lima	Bart Linnenbrink	Robert Schlumbohm	
37 years of service	37 years of service	33 years of service	
Cynthia Dutcher	Joseph Lugo	Gil-Soon Seo	
31 years of service	45 years of service	37 years of service	

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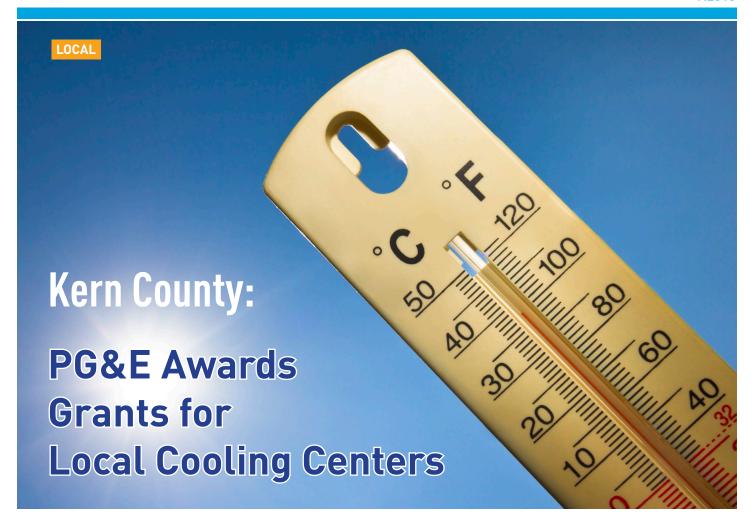
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# BY EVELYN ESCALERA

A RECENT \$30,000 grant from PG&E to the Kern County Aging & Adult Services department will help fund and operate cooling centers in Kern County.

The grant is just one of several grants PG&E is providing throughout Northern and Central California to help ensure cooling centers remain open for those who need them most.

For many of the community agencies — many of which serve the elderly or low-income — the PG&E funding is critical.

"This grant is an essential part of the Department of Aging and Adult Services' ability to operate and facilitate cooling centers for our county residents," said Lito Morillo, the director of the county agency. "We would not be able to open the cooling centers without this grant. We are extremely grateful."

PG&E began funding cooling centers as part of a pilot project in 2007 following a 2006 heat wave in California. Since then, it has provided more than \$500,000 to support established cooling centers, mostly located in already established

local government-run senior centers, neighborhood parks and recreation centers. For the past 10 years PG&E has proactively worked with the California Public Utilities Commission to provide safe havens to those in the community during unusually and dangerously high temperatures, said Denise Newton, senior manager of PG&E's Kern Division. These cooling centers are crucial to those in the community who are at risk. We are proud to support access to safe and comfortable cooling centers throughout our service territory."

The San Joaquin Valley/Kern River Valley centers will open when the temperatures are 105 degrees or higher. The mountain centers will open when the temperatures are 95 degrees or higher and the desert enters will open at 108 degrees or higher.

PG&E expects to provide eight additional grants to fund local cooling centers in Arvin, Fresno, Fowler, Sanger, Merced, Madera, Santa Clara and Contra Costa County this year.

Go to PG&E's website for information on cooling centers or contact your local city or county to find a cooling center near you.

The cooling center locator toll free line is 877-474-3266. Summer safety tips and cooling center information brochures are available in English, Spanish, Vietnamese, and Chinese.



# PG&E Helps Lead Effort Toward

# BY ALMA DE LA MELENA COX

PG&E AND CALIFORNIA'S energy companies are leading the drive to reduce the state's carbon emissions through smart energy use. We're working to supply 50 percent of our customers' power from renewable sources by 2030, and we're supporting the state's plan to make all new residential building "zero net energy" by 2020.

PG&E is defining having "zero" energy in a positive way with its sustainability portfolio and is engaging the community with clean energy building solutions that address climate change.

One example is the Zero Net Energy Home Display and ZNE Modular Classroom at the Energy Training Center in Stockton. The facility gives visitors an opportuity to have a hands-on, virtual experience to understand how a home can be built so that it's carbon footprint is reduced significantly.

ZNE refers to a building that uses less than or equal to the amount of energy produced through an onsite renewable energy system, such as solar PV.

Advanced design doesn't have to be costly, as the home demonstrates. It takes advantage of natural assets such as building orientation, shade for better thermal control and the sun for solar generation.

Air conditioning and heating ductwork are placed inside the insulation "envelope" which means energy is delivered to the home rather than leaking outdoors. The

less energy that is wasted means less dollars spent by customers.

Cutaways in the walls (pictured right) and attic give visitors detailed views of high performance infrastructure that uses advanced framing techniques which allow more room for insulation and provides a robust air seal, saving on lumber and framing costs.

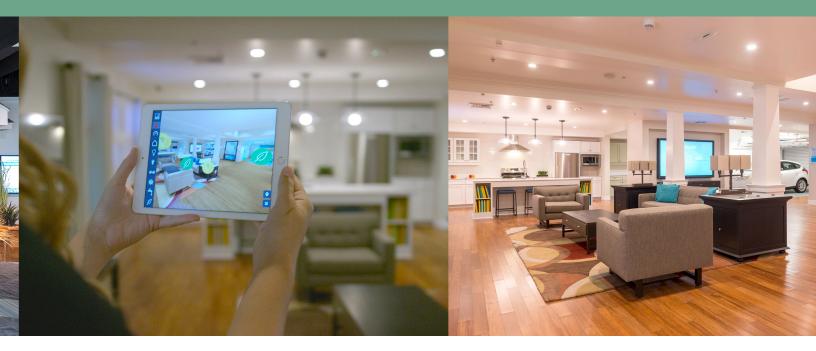
A large touchscreen dashboard (below) greets visitors and invites them to compare the energy use of this ZNE home to a typical home built to comply with the 2005 California Building Code.

Incandescent, LED, CFL?

Lighting options can be confusing, but the ZNE home interactive displays shine the light on cost-cutting options and their







# Clean Energy Building Solutions



best applications. Displays show how color shifting lighting techniques can aid the body's natural sleep rhythms for better rest and productivity, while also providing a beautiful experience.

A window display describes solar heat gain and how best to utilize invisible heat in Stockton's climate.

The home also shows how energy efficient appliances, low flow toilets, water conservation fixtures and a variable speed

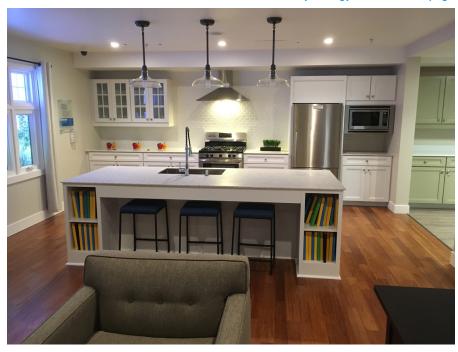
pool pump display all contribute to more sustainable, cost-efficient living.

But it's not all about energy efficiency. PG&E's ZNE house tells an important energy generation story too, one that espouses solar for its customers and electric vehicle adoption. ZNE homes depend on PG&E's safe and reliable grid to manage the power exchanges into and out of their onsite system, so customers can feel secure the energy their wise

investments produce will always be there for them when they need it.

PG&E invites builders and designers, homeowners and community members to visit this "home of the now" to learn more about energy efficiency, living sustainably and how they can incorporate these principles into their own new home construction projects.

To learn more visit: http://www.pge.com/en/community/energycenters/index.page



# PG&E Tests Technologies that Could Offer Early Warning, Speedy Restoration after a Major Earthquake

BY PAUL DOHERTY

SAN FRANCISCO — A magnitude 6.9 earthquake hits the Bay Area. The devastation stretches along the Hayward Fault in the East Bay with impacts in Marin County, San Francisco and the Peninsula. Bridges, roads, mass transit, hospitals and gas and electric service are severely impacted, the cell network is nearing full capacity and aftershocks are still to come.

And life has changed for millions of people. Does this sound like the latest summer blockbuster? It's not.

In the exercise scenario, which included more than 400 employees in San Francisco, Oakland, Concord, San Ramon and in other locations, the shaking lasted for 10 to 25 seconds and devastated much of the Bay Area.

The one-day drill was broken up into two parts, practicing the company's immediate response after the quake struck as well as its restoration and customer-support efforts 72 hours later.

PG&E leveraged its earthquake damagemodeling system, DASH — an acronym for The utility was able to restore service to about 70,000 customers in a little more than 24 hours, and quickly checked on gas leaks and sent many employees to the area to check in on customers.

PG&E utilized ShakeCast and ShakeMaps — open-source software developed by The U.S. Geological Survey — to produce near-real-time digital maps of ground motion and shaking intensity, facilitating notification of shaking levels at key facilities.



"For PG&E, the key is preparedness. Natural disasters will take place and they will impact gas and electric service," Anderson added. "It's our job to improve our processes to ensure a safe and efficient response."

PG&E continues working with partners, including the Bay Area chapter of the American Red Cross and U.C. Berkeley's Seismological Laboratory, to expand the use of early warning systems.

Earthquakes can be powerful forces of nature that can disrupt essential services, and just as PG&E has robust emergency response plans, the company encourages its customers to have their own personal plans for emergencies as well.

Practicing its response to a major earthquake, PG&E staged a company-wide exercise on June 8 at various facilities in the Bay Area. The event tested the company's readiness and demonstrated how the integration of earthquake-related technologies helps in its quake-related preparation and response.

Leveraging in-house and open-source technology to simulate the impacts of a magnitude 6.9 quake along the Hayward Fault, PG&E confirmed its ability to quickly estimate resource needs and identify where potential impacts could occur.

Dynamic Automated Seismic Hazard — to generate rapid, facility-specific damage estimates that help prioritize where to dispatch assessment and repair crews.

"Within 15 minutes of the magnitude 6.0 Napa earthquake in August 2014 — the largest earthquake in California since the magnitude 6.9 Loma Prieta earthquake in 1989 — these modeling technologies enabled us to develop resource requirements and immediately deploy more than 200 electric employees," said Barry Anderson, PG&E's vice president of Electric Distribution overseeing the company's emergency-response organization.

Customers should maintain an emergency preparedness kit with enough supplies on hand to be self-sufficient for at least three days, and preferably up to one week. Customers should also prepare and practice their personal emergency plan to ensure all members of their household know what to do in the event of an emergency — especially since everyone may not be together. To help customers develop plans for earthquakes and other natural disasters, useful preparedness information can be found at websites for the American Red Cross and the California Office of Emergency Services.

# PG&E Helped Customers Save Millions through Energy Efficiency Programs in 2015

BY ARI VANRENEN

CUSTOMERS SAVED \$227 million on their energy bills through energy efficiency programs in 2015. By participating in these programs, on average, a typical PG&E residential customer saved \$60-100 during the year, along with doing their part for climate change and cleaner air by reducing their energy waste.

PG&E customers saved an average \$60 to \$100 last year by taking part in energy efficiency programs.

This summer, PG&E encourages customers to take advantage of the various programs, tools and tips available to save energy and lower their electric bills when it gets hot. "As we head into summer, we want to remind customers about the many ways they can save energy as temperatures start to rise from now through October," said Vincent Davis, PG&E's senior director of energy efficiency programs, policy and strategy.

"Because PG&E is committed to ensuring affordability for our customers, we encourage them to save energy at home and work. By choosing from the many programs and tools PG&E offers, customers can take control of how much energy they use, and help create cleaner air in California."

# Start Your Summer Off Right with these Tips

Sign up for My Account on pge.com to stay on top of your energy usage and monthly statement. Be sure to review the different rates to make sure you're on the option that works best for you and your family. Contact PG&E on our dedicated rates hotline at 1-800-743-0514 with any questions.

# Know where you stand:

Ensure energy efficiency at home with a free Home Energy Checkup. This simple web-based assessment allows customers to find out how much of their household's energy goes to heating, hot water, appliances, and lighting, and receive a customized list of tips to boost energy efficiency within their home.

# Take control of your bills:

During the summer, more energy is used with kids at home and air-conditioning needed around the clock in hot climate areas. By signing up for PG&E's newly improved Energy Alerts, customers can better manage their summer bills and avoid being surprised by a high energy statement.

# Before you cool down, get a checkup:

Customers who sign up for the SmartAC program receive a \$50 incentive for participating in this easy and automated

program that helps prevent power interruptions during high-usage times like the hottest summer days. New to this year, customers enrolled in the program receive a free AC Check Up from a SmartAC technician to make sure equipment is running smoothly to avoid wasting energy. Up to 50 percent of home energy spending goes to heating and cooling, so a healthy AC reduces your home's electricity usage and costs.

# Be rewarded for buying energy efficient appliances:

PG&E Marketplace is a one stop shop for all energy saving appliances and consumer electronics — including those that offer customers money back via a rebate. Customers can receive a rebate of up to \$150 by buying energy efficient clothes washers and explore Advanced LED lighting options, which use 75 percent less energy than incandescent lightbulbs.

# Cool down in your community to stay refreshed:

PG&E's Cooling Center Program, in partnership with local counties, offers customers a cool place to go during times of extreme heat. Find a location online at www.pge.com/coolingcenter or by calling 1-877-474-3266.

# Swim to more energy savings:

Pools are a great way to keep cool over the summer, but pool pumps often consume the most energy in a home. PG&E offers a \$100 Pool Pump Rebate to help customers with pools save energy with a more energy efficient pump, which can save customers up to \$1,000 in energy costs per year.

# Save both energy and water:

With California still experiencing severe drought despite recent rains, The PG&E Simple Savings Kit offers residential gas and electric customers an easy and affordable way to save water and energy. The kit includes efficiency-boosting products that are easily incorporated into customers' homes to help reduce energy and water waste — including a high-efficiency shower head, two bath faucet aerators, two LED light bulbs and more. For only \$10 (a \$70 retail value), customers can save on bills and help to promote sustainability.

For more tips on what you can do in your home this summer, visit

www.pge.com/summer.

# **Retiree Activities**

## San Jose/DeAnza Chapter

Aug. 2, 1p.m. Executive Meeting Fold/Stuff Flyers Cinnabar Service Center 308 Stockton Ave., San Jose

### Coast Valleys Chapter

Aug. 10 Bayonet Blackhorse Golf Club Seaside Joanie Lozano, 831-663-4608

### **Russian River Chapter**

Sept. 7, luncheon Charlie's at the Windsor Golf Course 1320 19th Hole Dr., Windsor James Ruzicka, 707-584-5981 ziecque@pacbell.net

# **Sacramento Chapter**

Aug. 31, Brookside Restaurant 9819 Horn Rd., Sacramento Arlene Cook, aacook2003@yahoo.com

### Fresno Chapter

Sept. 1, Pardini's Restaurant 2257 W. Shaw Ave., Fresno 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Annavee Beshears 559-435-8207, 559-476-0359 annavee1702@comcast.net

### SF/Peninsula Chapter

Sept. 13, Election Day Luncheon 11:30 a.m. no-host cocktails 12:30 p.m. lunch South San Francisco Elks Club 920 Stonegate Dr., South San Francisco Annette Primus, 415-587-5658

### Kern Chapter

Sept. 15, Hodel's Restaurant 11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. Del Sands, 661-664-9151 dsands@bak.rr.com

# Silverado Chapter

Sept. 15, luncheon, 11:30 a.m. La Strada Restaurant 6240 Napa Vallejo Hwy 29 American Canyon Eileen Talbott, 707-275-0485



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Pacific Service Employees Association 800-272-7732

PG&E Retirement Award Customer Service 800-385-3139

San Joaquin Power Employees Credit Union 800-637-5993

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Antoniette Caillaux 5/10/16; Ret. 4/1/86 Design General Office

Francis Camacho 5/4/16; Ret. 10/1/93 CS San Jose

Agapito Carames 5/14/16; Active DCPP Mechanic Maintenance

Jerry Davis 5/2/16; Ret. 6/1/93 Hydro Engineering and Construction Encon - GO James Doherty 4/17/16; Ret. 9/1/01 Los Padres Richard Einer 5/29/16; Ret. 9/1/06 Engineering & Planning OM&C Area 2

Howard Ingels 5/14/16; Ret. 7/1/07 Electric Field Services OM&C area 3

James Harlan 5/26/16; Ret. 8/1/99 Welding OM&C Area 3

Jesse Heller 4/21/16; Ret. 6/1/83 Generation Planning General Office

Robert Hudson 5/21/16; Ret. 6/1/84 Electric EB Mission John Lormans Jr 4/16/16; Ret. 3/1/92 Electric Construction Sierra

Earl Lovett 4/13/16; Ret. 7/1/84 General Construction

Thomas Martinez 5/17/16; Ret. 7/1/93 Regional General Services Redwood

Oma Maupin 4/15/16; Ret. 4/1/87 Gas Ops General Office

John Mizera 5/19/16; Ret. 6/1/86 Materials Building General Office

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