# INDUSTRY PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION CITY OF INDUSTRY



REGULAR MEETING AGENDA APRIL 9, 2015 8:30 A.M.

President Tim Spohn Commissioner Jeff Parriott Commissioner John P. Ferrero Commissioner Roy Haber, III Commissioner Pat Marcellin



Location: City Council Chamber, 15651 East Stafford Street, City of Industry, California

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- Call to Order
- 2. Flag Salute
- Roll Call
- 4. Public Comments

#### 5. **BOARD MATTERS**

5.1 Consideration of Register of Demands.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the Register of Demands and authorize the appropriate City Officials to pay the bills.

5.2 Consideration of the minutes of the February 12, 2015 regular meeting.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve as submitted.

- 5.3 Report from General Manager for the La Puente Valley County Water District.
- 5.4 Presentation of the City's electric utility operations, customer savings, operating profit, new customer additions, and solar implementation for Fiscal Year 2014-2015.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Direct staff as necessary.

6. Adjournment. Next regular meeting: Thursday, May 14, 2015 at 8:30 a.m.

ITEM NO. 5.1

### **Industry Public Utilities Commission**

### Authorization For Payment of Bills Meeting of April 9, 2015

24,726.27

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<u>FUND</u>	DESCRIPTION	DISBURSEMENTS
560	Industry Public Utilities	24,726.27
	TOTAL ALL FUNDS	24,726.27
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<u>BANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	DISBURSEMENTS

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Bank of America

TOTAL ALL BANKS

# Industry Public Utilities Commission Board Meeting April 9, 2015

Check	Date	Payee Name Payee Name						
IPUC.CH	K - IPUC Water BofA Check	ing						
40221	03/10/2015		SO CALIFORNI	A EDISON COMPANY	\$19,813.86			
	Invoice	Date	Description	Amount				
	2015-00001120	03/04/2015	01/30-03/03/15 SVC - 1991 WORKMAN MILL U	\$19,813.86				
40222	04/09/2015		CNC ENGINEER	RING	\$645.01			
	Invoice	Date	Description	Amount				
	43140	03/12/2015	RELOC OF WATER SVC METERS/HYDRANTS	\$488.13				
	43223	03/26/2015	ON-CALL WATER SYS MAINT PROGRAM	\$156.88				
40223	04/09/2015		INDUSTRY PUE	LIC UTILITIES	\$1,400.00			
	Invoice	Date	Description	Amount				
	MAR-15	03/30/2015	REIMBURSE PAYROLL - MARCH 2015	\$1,400.00				
40224	04/09/2015		ROWLAND WA	TER DISTRICT	\$2,867.40			
	Invoice	Date	Description	Amount				
	I-02282015-A	03/04/2015	CONTRACT SVC - FEBRUARY 2015	\$1,484.59				
	I-02282015-B	03/04/2015	CONTRACT SVC - FEBRUARY 2015	\$1,382.81				

Checks	Status	Count	Transaction Amount
	Total	4	\$24,726.27

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#### **CALL TO ORDER**

The Regular Meeting of the Industry Public Utilities Commission of the City of Industry, California, was called to order by President Tim Spohn at 8:30 a.m. in the City of Industry Council Chamber, 15651 East Stafford Street, California.

#### **FLAG SALUTE**

The flag salute was led by President Tim Spohn.

#### **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Tim Spohn, President

Roy Haber, Commissioner John P. Ferrero, Commissioner Jeff Parriott, Commissioner Pat Marcellin, Commissioner

STAFF PRESENT: Kevin Radecki, Executive Director; Michele Vadon, General Counsel; John Ballas, Engineer; and Jodi L. Scrivens, Secretary.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

#### **CONSIDERATION OF REGISTER OF DEMANDS**

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER HABER, AND SECOND BY COMMISSIONER FERRERO TO APPROVE THE REGISTER OF DEMANDS AND AUTHORIZE THE APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO PAY THE BILLS. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

# CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 11, 2014 REGULAR MEETING

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER FERRERO, AND SECOND BY COMMISSIONER HABER TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS SUBMITTED. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

# REPORT FROM GENERAL MANAGER FOR THE LA PUENTE VALLEY COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

General Manager Galindo presented a report to the Commission.

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#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the Industry Public Utilities Commission adjourned.	
TIM SPOHN, PRESIDENT	

CECELIA DUNLAP, ASSISTANT SECRETARY

**ITEM NO. 5.4** 



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Tim Spohn, President Jeff L. Parriott, Commissioner John P. Ferrero, Commissioner Roy M. Haber, Commissioner Pat Marcellin, Commissioner Kevin Radecki, Public Utilities Director Michele R. Vadon, General Counsel Jodi L. Scrivens, Secretary

#### **MEMORANDUM**

To:

Industry Public Utilities Commission Board Members

From:

JD Ballas

Date:

April 2, 2015

Subject: STATUS UPDATE OF ELECTRIC UTILITY

In April, 2002, the City of Industry established an electric utility primarily to serve the industrial developments located easterly of Brea Canyon Road. The utility has grown to include properties along Anaheim Puente Road in the vicinity of the San Jose Creek, which serve the recycled water pump station No.2. Most recently, the utility has begun service to the Pacific Palms Resort. The total number of retail services has increased to 92 with a peak load of about 6.4 MW. The annual budget for the utility is \$4.4 million. Periodically, it is beneficial to provide the Board with an update of the utility. Mr. Richard Mrlik of Intertie will provide a presentation on the following items.

### **Review of Operations**

- Review IPUC Operating & Financial Data for 2014 (7/2013-6/2014);
- Compare against Historical Operating and Financial Data from past 5 years;
- Show detail of operating costs and purchased power cost items;
- Supplier cost comparison (Shell fixed block vs Noble spot)

#### **Customer Savings vs IPUC Operating Profit**

- Calculate customer electric cost savings from taking service from IPUC versus SCE.
- Compare customer electric cost savings to IPUC operating profit. Show historical split.
- Comparison provides the basis for setting IPUC rates. IPUC historical policy has been to split savings with customers. Re-evaluate the customer savings/IPUC profit ratio given that SCE has increased rates over the past four years while IPUC rates have remained flat.

#### Why SCE Rates Have Increased and Why Increases Expected to Continue

- Increase in renewable generation costs;
- Increase in SCE T&D costs as system mostly built immediately after World War II and to accommodate renewable;
- San Onofre write-off and decommissioning expenses;

• Dependent on natural gas for about 65% of their generation. Cap-and-Trade will add cost of emissions to fossil fuel (e.g. gas).

#### **Fundamentals Ahead**

- SCE rate increases have occurred during a time period of low natural gas prices. SCE's conventional generation costs are sensitive to natural gas prices.
- Sixty-five percent of IPUC's purchased power is from gas-fired generation, so need to pay attention to what is happening in the longer-term gas market.
- Sufficient US supply should keep gas prices low, however LNG exports could move US gas pricing to global market where prices are higher.

#### Solar Strategy - Need to Implement

IPUC is meeting its SBX1 2 requirement to buy 25% renewable energy by 2016 via the purchase of renewable energy credits (RECs) from the market. Pursuant to SBX1 2, the renewable requirement for California electric utilities increases to 33% by 2020, which inadvertently caused excess renewable supplies for the compliance period 2014 – 2016, which resulted in competitively priced RECs which IPUC procured to comply in the most cost-effective manner. Beyond 2016, the 33% legislative requirement should balance renewable supplies with demand, and likely will raise REC prices. To prepare itself for the likelihood of increased REC prices, IPUC needs to give a serious consideration at procuring a long-term direct renewable supply from a project via ownership or power purchase arrangement. Local solar is the best option for economic reasons and to satisfy IPUC's Senate Bill 1 Solar Funding requirement. Pursuant to SB1, IPUC has an obligation to incentivize 264 kW of solar installation within the electric utility's service territory by 2017. IPUC has set aside approximately \$450,000 in revenues for SB1 incentive funds which could either be used by the utility or offered as rebates to IPUC customers. These funds must be used or they are lost. The City should begin to evaluate solar projects that could utilize the SB1 funds and help satisfy its long-term RPS requirements. Given the solar investment tax credit expires at the end of 2016, the timing is ideal for the City to sponsor a solar project that could help to satisfy two legislative requirements.

#### Integration of New Customer - Pacific Palms Hotel

- On December 17, 2014, IPUC began serving its now largest customer, Pacific Palms hotel.
- Pacific Palms will comprise about 25% of IPUC's load.

Staff recommends upon completion of the presentation, that direction be given to staff to evaluate a possible rate increase and to further investigate locations within the utility area for the installation of a solar facility which uses SB1 incentive funds and tax credits offered through private ownership of such facility with energy delivered to the City by a long term purchase power agreement.

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HANDOUT ITEM

# 2015 IPUC Operational Review & Strategic Planning

# **Presentation to City Council**



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California

April 9, 2015

# Agenda

## **Review of Operations**

Shared Benefit - Customer Savings vs Operating Profit

SCE Rates Have Increased Should Continue to Rise

**Fundamentals Ahead** 

Need to Implement Solar Strategy

New Customer – Pacific Palms

# **Review of Utility Operations**

	Table 1 - IPUC SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA										
				Year	Ending						
Description	30-Jun-07	30-Jun-08	30-Jun-09	30-Jun-10	30-Jun-11	30-Jun-12	30-Jun-13	30-Jun-14			
OPERATING DATA											
Sales, MWh	26,458	32,680	27,918	27,306	27,679	27,304	27,517	28,860			
Purchases, MWh			32,112	31,474	31,175	31,204	30,911	32,707			
Peak Customer Load, MW		8.10	7.30	7.20	9.09	7.32	7.96	8.21			
Ave. IPUC Rate, c/kWh	10.69	10.58	10.88	11.39	11.47	11.48	11.46	11.61			
Ave. SCE Rate, c/kWh	13.37	12.87	13.17	13.27	13.79	13.57	14.43	15.38			
<b>CUSTOMER SAVINGS</b>	711,293	746,985	638,777	510,887	640,446	\$ 571,590	\$ 819,573	\$ 1,089,658			
Cummulative Savings	2,468,293	3,215,278	3,854,055	4,364,942	5,005,388	\$ 5,576,978	\$6,396,551	\$7,486,209			
PROFIT & LOSS											
REVENUES	2,827,045	3,458,233	3,038,761	3,111,394	3,175,713	\$ 3,134,132	\$ 3,152,269	\$ 3,349,481			
OPERATING EXPENSES											
Energy	1,579,174	2,671,341	2,094,344	1,728,623	1,567,645	\$ 1,289,069	\$ 1,600,093	\$ 1,830,280			
Transmission & Control Area Svc	235,368	300,000	309,524	381,481	368,104	\$ 330,054	\$ 444,843	\$ 482,500			
Total Purchased Power	1,814,542	2,971,341	2,403,868	2,110,104	1,935,749	\$ 1,619,123	\$ 2,044,936	\$ 2,312,780			
Power Cost per kWh sold, c/kVl	6.86	9.09	8.61	<i>7.7</i> 3	6.99	5.93	7.43	8.01			
SCE Wholesale Distribution	130,746	119,740	130,703	139,962	142,160	\$ 142,690	\$ 142,690	\$ 142,690			
Operations and Maintenance	61,651	65,819	91,976	84,636	108,152	\$ 255,483	\$ 172,966	\$ 90,545			
General & Administrative	67,228	52,931_	50,570	75,512	113,141	\$ 89,323	\$ 101,541	\$ 109,316			
Total Operating Expenses	2,074,167	3,209,831	2,677,117	2,410,213	2,299,202	\$ 2,106,619	\$ 2,462,133	\$ 2,655,330			
OPERATING PROFIT	752,878	248,402	361,645	701,181	876,511	\$ 1,027,513	\$ 690,136	\$ 694,151			
Cummulative Operating Profit	2,225,739	2,474,141	2,835,786	3,536,967	4,413,478	\$ 5,440,991	\$6,131,127	\$6,825,278			
Public Benefits	80,571	98,560	86,605	88,675	90,508	89,323	\$ 89,840	\$ 95,460			

Energy sales and rates have been flat over past 3 years, while operating profit has decreased and customer savings increased

# Utility Operations – Purchased Power Cost

					Cost (\$	/MWh)	
	Contract Type	Purchased		Pe	r MWh	Pe	r MWh
Supplier	Source	Quantity	otal Cost	В	ought		Sold
Energy Costs							
Shell	5-Yr Fixed	14,736	\$ 967,418	\$	65.65	\$	74.40
	SP15 Basis Charge		\$ 30,946	\$	2.10	\$	2.38
		14,736	\$ 998,364	\$	67.75	\$	76.78
Noble	Spot Market	17,971	\$ 831,916	\$	46.29	\$	52.46
Subtotal Energy		32,707	\$ 1,830,280	\$	55.96	\$	63.42
Transmission & Contro	ol Area Costs						
CAISO	Transmission per Tarif	32,707	\$ 276,558	\$	8.46	\$	9.58
Control Area Services	Per CAISO Tariff		\$ 150,943	\$	4.61	\$	5.23
Scheduling Fee	Noble Americas		\$ 55,000	\$	1.68	\$	1.91
Subtotal TCAS		32,707	\$ 482,500	\$	14.75	\$	16.72
Total Purchased Powe	32,707	\$ 2,312,780	\$	70.71	\$	80.14	
Wholesale Distribution		\$ 142,690	\$	4.36	\$	4.94	
Power Cost to IPUC Di	stributon System		\$ 2,455,470	\$	75.07	\$	85.08

### Detailed Look at Purchased Power Costs Show

- Energy cost the cause of reduced IPUC operating profit and spot market continues to be lower cost option;
- > CAISO costs continue to increase while SCE WDAT is a bargain.

### Customers now save much more than IPUC makes

### IPUC Customer Savings versus applicable SCE rate

### YE June 30 2014 Rate Comparison by Customer Class

IPUC Customer	Applicable SCE		Max Dmnd	Energy	Average Rate		∆ SCE	IF	PUC Cust																																																																						
Description	Rate Schedule	No.	kW	MWhs	SCE		SCE		SCE		SCE		SCE		SCE		SCE		SCE		SCE		SCE		SCE		SCE		SCE		SCE		SCE		SCE		SCE		SCE		SCE		SCE		SCE		SCE		SCE		SCE		SCE		SCE		SCE		SCE		SCE		SCE		SCE		SCE		SCE		SCE		SCE		IPUC		%		Savings
Large Com. & Ind.	TOU8 ( > 500 kW)	2	1,399	7,970	\$	0.138	\$	0.113	22.1%	\$	199,895																																																																				
Medium C&I	GS3 - ( 500 > kW > 200 )	13	3,900	10,673	\$	0.152	\$	0.115	32.6%	\$	399,420																																																																				
Small C&I	GS2 - ( 200 > kW >20 )	37	2,646	9,689	\$	0.167	\$	0.118	40.6%	\$	466,052																																																																				
Other	Other (<20 kW)	25	178	528	\$	0.185	\$	0.139	33.0%	\$	24,291																																																																				
TOTAL		77	8,123	28,860	\$	0.154	\$	0.116	32.5%	\$1	1,089,658																																																																				

### Annual Increase in IPUC Revenue (△ IPUC) Assuming 20% Lower Rate for all Customer Classes

IPUC Customer	Applicable SCE		Max Dmnd	Energy	Average Rate		Average Rate		Average Rate		∆ SCE	Δ IPUC
Description	Rate Schedule	No.	kW	MWhs	SCE IPUC		%	Rev, \$				
Large Com. & Ind.	TOU8 ( > 500 kW)	2	1,399	7,970	\$	0.138	\$	0.115	20.0%	15,919		
Medium C&I	GS3 - ( 500 > kW > 200 )	13	3,900	10,673	\$	0.152	\$	0.127	20.0%	128,849		
Small C&I	GS2 - ( 200 > kW >20 )	37	2,646	9,689	\$	0.167	\$	0.139	20.0%	197,051		
Other	Other (<20 kW)	25	178	528	\$	0.185	\$	0.154	20.0%	7,982		
TOTAL		77	8,123	28,860	\$	0.154	\$	0.128	20.0%	349,801		

- Current rate structure causing disparity in savings by customer size savings ranges from 22% to 41%;
- ➤ Propose modifying rate structure that gives customers 20% discount to their applicable SCE rate schedule, would add \$350,000 profit to IPUC;

# What is happening with SCE's electric rates

SCE under cost-of-service regulatory compact where rate is based on grid supplied electric cost plus legislated costs

### Look at Rate Factors that Impacted SCE's Rates

Impacts IPUC

- $\uparrow$  Increase in capacity costs due to renewable mix;  $\checkmark$
- ↑ Increase in SCE T&D costs as system mostly built immediately after WWII and to accommodate increasing levels of renewable;
- ↑ Plants retirements, decommission (e.g. SONGs)
- ↑ Distributed generation, EE & programs that shift costs to non participants
- ↑ Cap-and-Trade will add cost of emissions to gas generation ∨
- ↓ Decrease in conventional generation cost due to low natural gas prices

Rate increases would have been much higher if natural gas prices rose

### SCE Rates should continue to rise – IPUC faces same issue

### Main Drivers of California Electric Prices over next Decade

### 1) Natural Gas Prices

- 60% of electricity generated in California comes from natural gas;
- $\triangleright$  most new power plants being planned are gas turbines,  $\checkmark$

### 2) Costs associated with 33% renewable

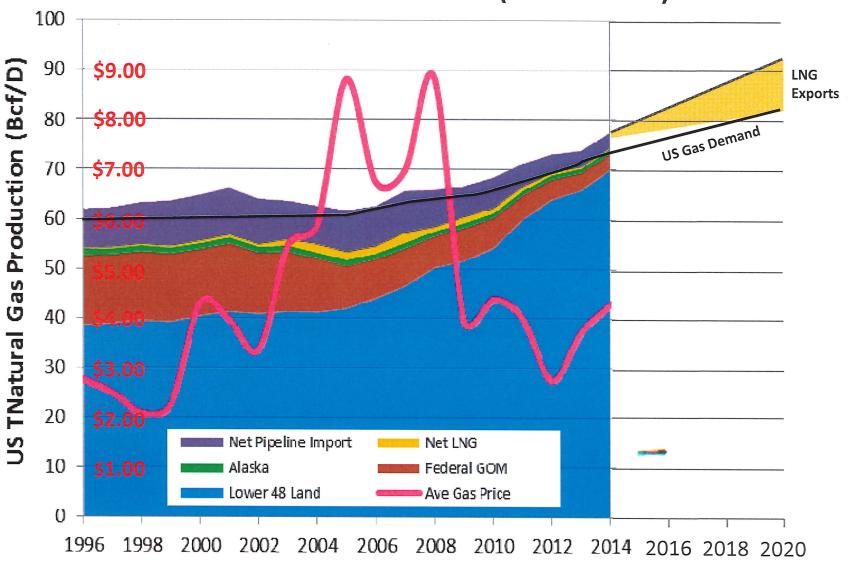
- $\triangleright$  Grid-supplied renewable costs more than gas or coal;  $\lor$
- $\triangleright$  Additional investments needed to maintain grid reliability with larger shares of intermittent generation;  $\lor$
- ➤ California Solar Initiative will total 2,916 MW by 2020 with NEM generation forecast to be \$1.1 billion/yr or 3.1% of SCE's revenue requirement, costs shift to customers (who don't have NEM generation) as utilities adjust rates to compensate for shortfall

### 3) Price of emission allowances in Cap-and-Trade

ightharpoonup Natural gas not as clean as advertised and SCE will soon be paying for GHGs from gas generation  $\sqrt{\phantom{a}}$ 

# Natural Gas Price Follow Fundamentals - Price Going Up

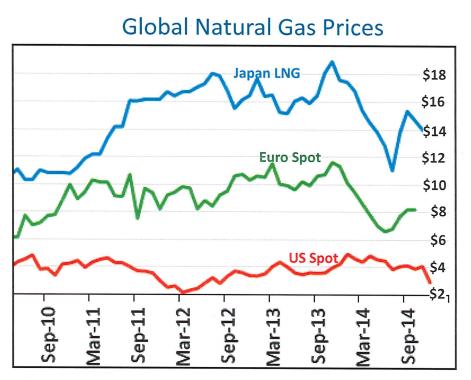
### US Natural Gas Production (1996 – 2014)



> LNG Exports will change US gas market fundamentals

# Natural Gas Price Follow Fundamentals – Price Going Up

- Supply / demand fundamentals drives price;
- ➤ US gas prices tripled (1998 to 2006) due to tight gas supplies and inability to grow production despite price signals;
- Fracking was game changer. US supplies grew 2.6 BCF/D/Yr since 2006, eliminated LNG imports and reduced pipeline imports.
- ➤ US demand grew 1.6 BCF/D/Yr over same period growth in gas fired generation (fuel switch from coal) and petrochemicals;
- Oversupplied US market kept gas prices low;
- ➤ Seven LNG export terminals licensed by US DOE, forecasted to export 10 BCF/D by 2020.
- LNG exports will remove excess capacity.
- ➤ US gas pricing should move closer to global pricing which means higher prices.



# Why IPUC Needs a Solar Strategy

### RPS (SBX1 2) Compliance

Requires utilities to supply customers with 25% renewable by 2016, 33% by 2020

- Excess supply of RPS resources during 2014-16 compliance period due to 33% target in 2020;
- ➤ Was less expensive to buy Renewable Energy Credits or RECs during this period (paid \$19.1/MWh for RECs);
- Supply and demand should be in better balance for 2020, expect REC prices to rise.

# Solar Initiative (SB1) Compliance

SB1 requires utilities to incentivize local solar, funded by public benefit charges in rates

- ▶ IPUC has accrued \$450,000 of public benefit charges, earmarked to satisfy IPUC's Senate Bill 1 Solar Funding requirement;
- Funds must be used to incentivize a local solar project within the utility.

IPUC in compliance through 2016 via REC purchases. No RPS secured after 2016

CEC specified IPUC must incentivise 264 kW solar by 2017. No concrete plan in place.

# Propose Local Solar Project by YE 2016

### Why a Local Solar Project

- Local solar project(s) can utilize SB1 funds and meets RPS requirements, objective is to satisfy two legislative requirements simultaneously;
- Direct renewable supply from a local project provides a long-term hedge for increased REC prices.
- ➤ Right local project may provide similar PPA price to current cost of landed power (\$85) plus RPS (\$19), particularly after 2016.

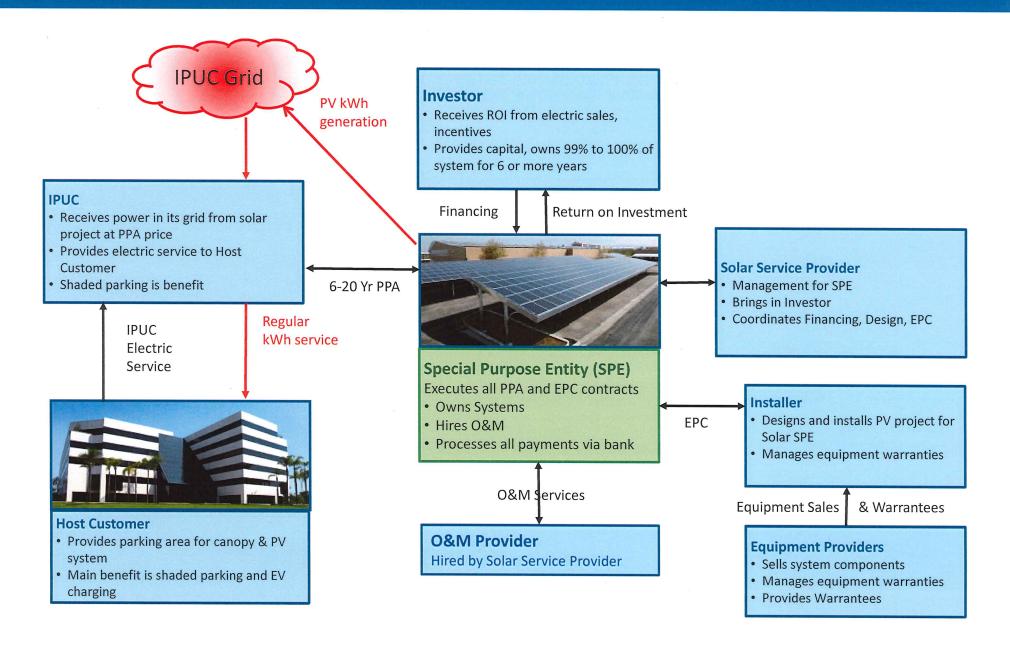
### City's Commitment

- Minimal upfront cash, but long-term obligation to buy power at fixed price from 3<sup>rd</sup> party who builds, finances and operates solar project;
- Facilitates project development within utility, negotiates with host customer and provides interconnection;

### **Timing**

- ➤ Must move quickly for 3<sup>rd</sup> party to take advantage of 30% solar investment tax credit set to expire 12/31/2016.
- ➤ Identify potential host sites, complete conceptual plan and prepare competitive solicitation from 3<sup>rd</sup> party solar firms.

# Project Structure & Role of Participants



### Key Takeaways

- Lower operating profits and higher customer savings;
- ➤ Customers now save more than IPUC makes need to change rate structure that offers same discount to applicable SCE rate;
- Future rate increases will be needed to offset higher CAISO, renewable energy and emissions costs;
- ➤ Natural gas prices (the main driver of California electric prices) will likely go up around 2020;
- > Need to implement solar strategy now
  - Use or lose solar incentive funds from public benefit accrual
  - Hedge against higher RPS costs
  - Fixes a portion of purchased power cost
- ➤ Pacific Palms up and running. IPUC's largest customer, will increase revenues by 25%.