

## CEO'S REPORT

#### REGULAR BOARD MEETING

PRESENTED BY:

#### **Paula Gold-Williams**

President & Chief Executive Officer (CEO)

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Informational Update

Please note the disclaimer at the end of this presentation.

### **OBJECTIVES & TAKEAWAYS**



- EXPLAIN HOW OUR VALUE PILLARS GUIDE US
- HIGHLIGHT AFFORDABILITY & RELIABILITY
- COVER SUSTAINABILITY SUCCESSES
- SHOW HOW OUR RESIDENTIAL RATES COMPARE WELL TO COMPETITIVE TEXAS MARKETS
- COVER COMPLEXITIES, INCLUDING:
  - **□** WHOLESALES SALES, RENEWABLES, ETC.
- SHOW HOW BUSINESSES HELP RESIDENTS
- AGAIN DEMONSTRATE HOW VELOCITY MATTERS

### **AGENDA**



- VALUE PILLARS AFFORDABILITY & RELIABILITY
- OUR MANY ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY COMMITMENTS
- S.A. RESIDENTIAL BILL FAVORABILITY
- UTILITY ENERGY BUSINESS COMPLEXITIES
  - **□ WHOLESALE SALES & RELIABILITY**
- VELOCITY MATTERS

## **GUIDED BY OUR VALUE PILLARS & FOUNDATION**





All business decisions are based on our commitment to being one of the best-managed & most financially responsible utilities in the nation!

## GUIDED BY OUR VALUE PILLARS We listen to our customers TO AVOID RISKS

Per frequent surveys, customers tell us that their first priorities are:

Reliability



We work to prevent ROLLING BLACKOUTS!

Customer Affordability



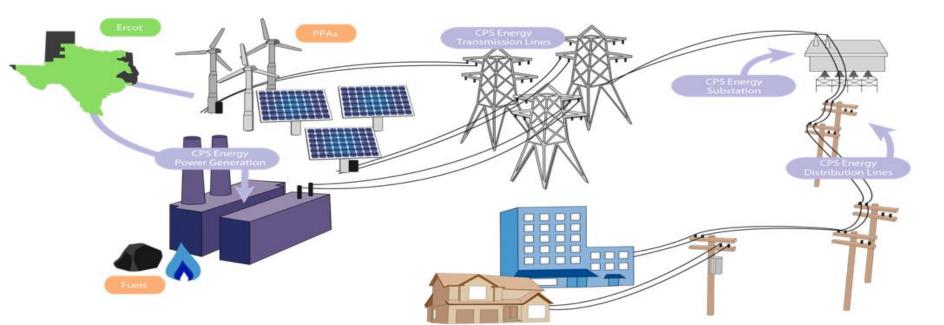
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### **UTILITY ENERGY**



#### **MAKE IMPORTANT INVESTMENTS**

TO SUPPORT RELIABILITY & AFFORDABILITY, we fulfill our obligation to serve by building & maintaining infrastructure. This is a significant part of our overall cost structure.



## GUIDED BY OUR VALUE PILLARS OUR APPROACH IS SUCCESSFUL



#### **RELIABILITY**:

 We developed our innovative <u>Flexible Path<sup>SM</sup></u> strategy to ensure we incorporate clean energy proactively & carefully.

#### **CUSTOMER AFFORDABILITY:**

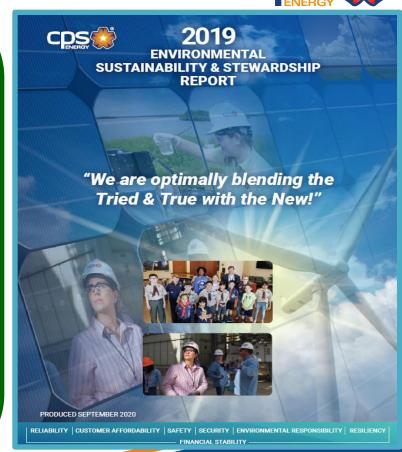
- We have had ONLY 1 Rate Increase in almost 10 years.
- That 1 Rate Increase was 6 Years ago.
- Our generation portfolio has protected S.A. from energy market PRICE SPIKES.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY**



## KEY SUCCESSFUL ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITMENTS TO DATE!

- 2000 → We started investing in wind.
- 2012 → We started investing in solar.
- 2017 → I created the Flexible Path SM.
- 2018 → We closed OLDER Coal units.
- 2019 → Via our Flexible Path SM, we are focused on 80% reductions in carbon emissions by 2040.
- 2019 → Board of Trustees endorsed the CAAP & we are now working toward full carbon neutrality by 2050.
- 2019 → STEP successfully completed.



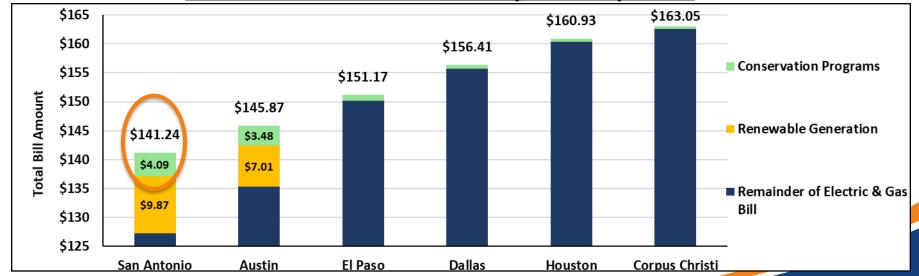
## DRIVING VALUE FOR CUSTOMERS GET MORE FOR THEIR MONEY – ANNUALLY





~10% of customers' bills goes to funding our commitment to sustainability (vs. <1% in some Texas cities).

#### **Texas Cities Residential Monthly Bill Comparison**



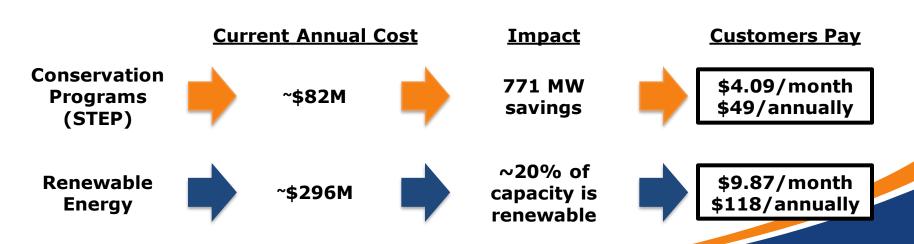
Note: Bills reflect 12-month average pricing through August 2020; shown at average monthly usage of 1,000kWh & 5MCF. This data represents standard, non-promotional rates.

## DRIVING VALUE FOR CUSTOMERS HOW WE SPEND MATTERS



#### **EVERYTHING COSTS MONEY:**

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- We are engaging our community to design the future of these programs.



### **UTILITY ENERGY**



#### **COMPLEX - COST PLUS / RECOVERY BUSINESS**



- Our sources of revenues come from our customers WE DON'T PRINT MONEY.
- We do not get tax credits or Federal Funds like CARES<sup>1</sup>.
- Statutorily, we must charge "rates sufficient."
- Our competitive businesses help offset costs / add value to retail electric customers!

### **WE ACTIVELY MANAGE RISKS**



We work to prevent ROLLING BLACKOUTS!

Reliability



#### **PROBLEM:**

- No SOLAR energy when the sun doesn't shine!
- No WIND energy when the air doesn't blow strongly!

We work to prevent BILL SHOCK!

**Customer Affordability** 



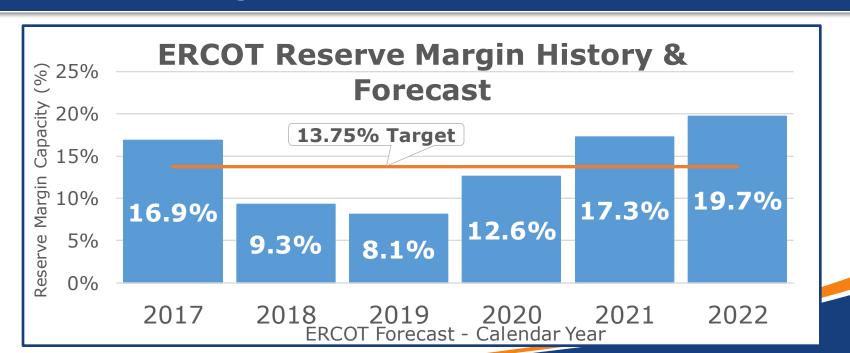
#### **EVERYTHING COSTS MONEY!**

- COLLABORATION OVER CONFLICT!!
- CHOICES must be made!!!

## ERCOT WHOLESALE PRICES RENEWABLES IMPACTING RM

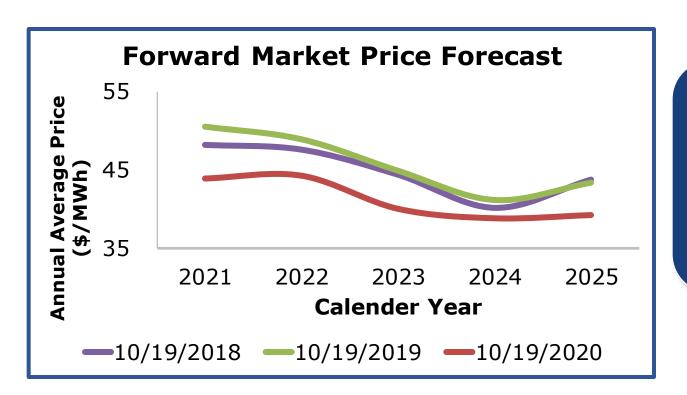


- ERCOT's Generation Capacity = 25.5% Renewable & 2X the 2020 Reserve Margin (RM).
- While the RM is higher, Renewables are more intermittent.



## WHOLESALE PRICING PRICE TRENDS





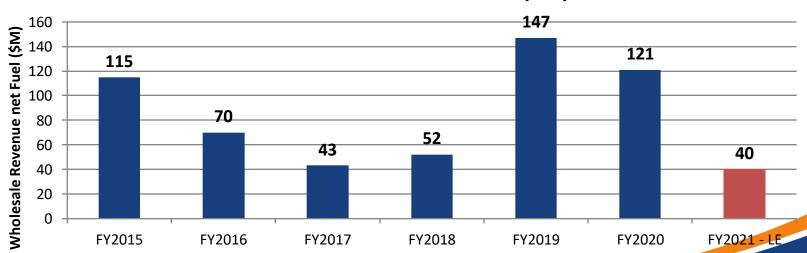
2020 has lower wholesale revenue, driven by an abundance of natural gas, wind & solar.

### WHOLESALE REVENUE NET FUEL



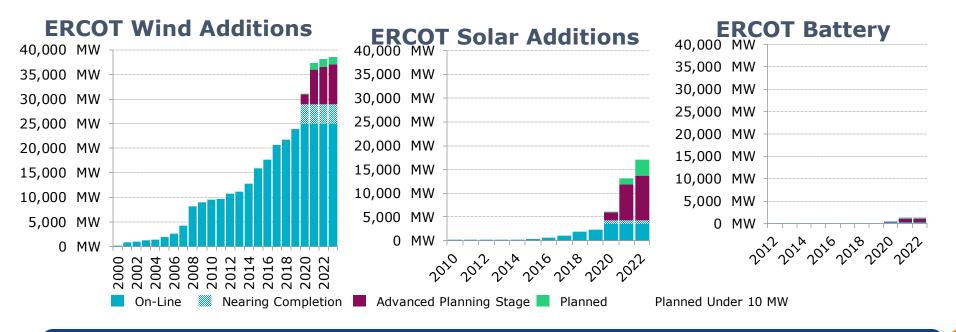
While we have had several good years of wholesale revenue, we can't assure that same success every year. The current year's decline is driven by high volumes of renewables & natural gas.

#### Wholesale Revenue net Fuel (\$M)



## ERCOT CAPACITY ADDITIONS RENEWABLES & STORAGE





Battery storage can compensate for solar & wind intermittency to some degree, but not for long enough time spans.

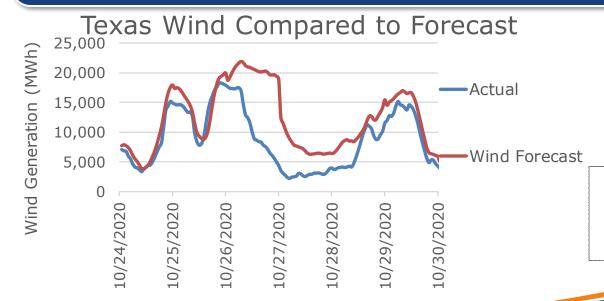
### RELIABILITY CHALLENGE





#### Icing conditions in October impacted West Texas/Panhandle wind production:

- We can't expect an all-renewable fleet to maintain reliability.
- Conventional generation fills in the gaps to maintain reliability.
- Renewable intermittency can lead to price spikes.



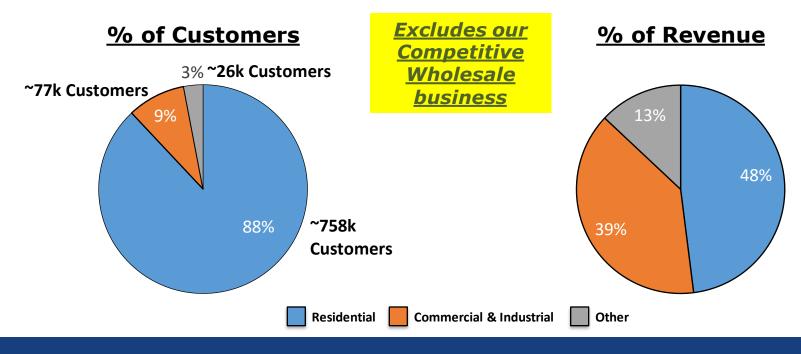
At peak load hours, wind output was 40% to 60% below forecast due to icing conditions.

#### **ERCOT Wind Performance**

	<u>26-Oct</u>	27-Oct	28-Oct	
ERCOT Peak Hour	17	20	10	
ERCOT Wind Forecast	20,070	6,045	8,126	
ERCOT Wind Actual	7,839	2,910	4,780	ľ
ERCOT Wind Variance	(12,231)	(3,135)	(3,346)	
% Variance	-61%	-52%	-41%	

## OUR CUSTOMERS RETAIL REVENUE CHARACTERISTICS



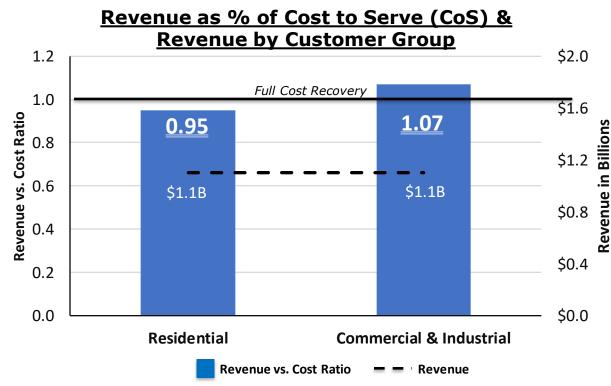


Residential customers make up nearly ~90% of our customers, but contribute less than 50% of all revenue.

### **BUSINESSES HELP RESIDENTS**

#### **HISTORICAL & CURRENT STATE**





- While Business
   (e.g., C&I)
   customers pay a
   lower effective
   price per unit, they
   are actually
   contributing more
   than their CoS,
   107%.
- As a regulatory standard, no Customer Group should pay more than 110% of their CoS.

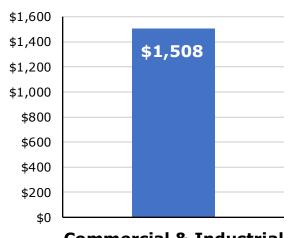
Note: Based on FY2017 Cost of Service Model; Residential includes RE, RA, & RCE; Commercial & Industrial (C&I) includes PL, LLP, ELP, LPT & SLP (including Public Authorities); Excludes all lighting groups

## C&I BILLS > 10+ TIMES HIGHER THAN RESIDENTIAL BILLS



#### **Average Monthly Bill by Customer Group**





**Commercial & Industrial** 

On average, businesses pay a much higher monthly bill (10 times more) than Residential customers.

### BUSINESS PRESSURE SA'S IMPORTANT CREDIT RATINGS



Ratings Agencies are watching our financial performance & local issues that could impact our governance.



**S&P Global** Ratings

**Fitch**Ratings

**CPS Energy Rating:** 

Aa1
Outlook: Stable

**AA**Outlook: Stable

AA+
Outlook: Negative

"The Negative Outlook reflects Fitch's concern that rate increases required to maintain a financial profile consistent with the current rating may not materialize...

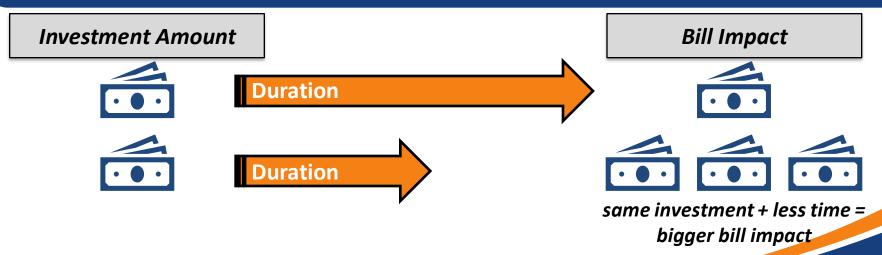
A recent petition was proposed... ...that would revise the governance & management structure of the utility, as well as institute certain carbon reduction & rate policies. Fitch views the proposed governance change as a potential asymmetric additive risk consideration."

## OUR CUSTOMERS THE VELOCITY OF CHANGE MATTERS



#### **TODAY & TOMORROW:**

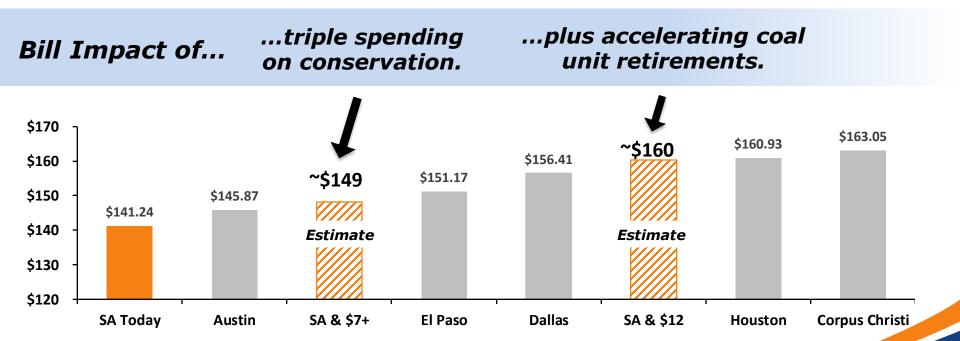
As we design the future of our conservation & renewable energy programs, balancing the sequence & timing of investment is important to ensure bills remain *Affordable*.



## VELOCITY IMPACTS AFFORDABILITY CDS



### PRELIMINARY ESTIMATE VIEW



Note: Data represents trailing 12 month averages ending August 2020; deregulated markets electric data from powertochoose.org (Terms 12; 4&5 star rated REPs); bills calculated at average monthly usage of 1,000kWh & 5MCF. This data represents standard, non-promotional rates.

## VELOCITY IMPACTS AFFORDABILITY CAMPAGAIN, EVERYTHING COSTS MONEY



#### THERE WILL BE MORE DISCUSSIONS ABOUT THE IMPACTS OF:

- Energy Efficiency,
- Renewables,
- Storage Technologies,
- Fossil Fuels,
- Customer Assistance Programs, etc.

**MORE TO COME...** 

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## Thank You



## **Appendix**



# GLOSSARY / DEFINITIONS (1 OF 2)

Acronym or Word	Definition	Acronym or Word	Definition
Residential	Revenues billed on RE, RA, & RCE Rates	SB	Small Business
RE	Residential Service Electric Rate	PL	Power & Light Electric Rate
RA	Residential All Electric Service Electric Rate	LCI	Large Commercial & Industrial
RCE	Large Use Residential Capacity Energy Electric Rate	LLP	Large Lighting & Power Service Electric Rate



# GLOSSARY / DEFINITIONS (2 OF 2)

Acronym or Word	Definition	Acronym or Word	Definition
ELP	Extra Large Power Service Electric Rate	TS & STLT	Revenues billed on Traffic Signal, Streetlight, & ANSL Rates
LPT	Large Power Time of Use Electric Rate	TS	Traffic Signal Service Electric Rate
SLP	Super Large Power Service Electric Rate	STLT	Streetlight & ANSL Rates
Resi + SB	Combined Residential & Small Business	ANSL	All Night Security Light Electric Rate