

## CPS ENERGY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING TO BE HELD ON JANUARY 31, 2025, AT 1:00 PM LOCATION: CPS ENERGY BOARD ROOM (500 MCCULLOUGH AVE)

At any time during the Board Meeting, the Board may go into an executive session as permitted by the Texas Open Meetings Act, (Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code) regarding any item on this agenda.

### **AGENDA**

ITEM	TOPIC	ACTION	PRESENTER/ SPONSOR	
1	CALL TO ORDER	Execute	Ms. Janie Gonzalez	
2	SAFETY MESSAGE, INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE		Ms. Brianna Lohse	
3	PUBLIC COMMENT  Pre-Registration is from Monday, January 27, 2025, 5:00 PM – Wednesday, January 29, 2025, 1:00 PM.  Dial (210) 353-4662 or email  PublicCommentRegistration@CPSEnergy.com		Ms. Janie Gonzalez	
UPDAT	E ON CHAIR'S PRIORITIES			
4	CHAIR'S REMARKS	Discuss	Ms. Janie Gonzalez	
5	CEO RECOGNITION	Discuss	Mr. Rudy Garza	
CONSE	NT AGENDA			
6	APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS:  A. Payment to the City of San Antonio for December 2024  B. Minutes from the December Regular Board Meeting, held on December 16, 2024		Ms. Janie Gonzalez	
REGUL	AR AGENDA			
7	BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS  A. Nominations Committee (NC) Meeting held on November 4, 2024 (Dr. Willis Mackey)  B. Operations Oversight Committee (OOC) Meeting held on November 4, 2024 (Dr. Francine Romero)		Ms. Janie Gonzalez	

	A. Community Input Committee Meeting held on January 8, 2025		
8	ELECTION OF NEW BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR	Vote	Ms. Janie Gonzalez
9	PROCUREMENT REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: SYSTEM PROTECTION ENGINEERING SERVICES (Mr. Richard Medina)	Vote	Ms. Janie Gonzalez
10	PROCUREMENT REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: UTILITY LOCATING SERVICES (Mr. Richard Medina)	Vote	Ms. Janie Gonzalez
11	PROCUREMENT REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: OUTSIDE PLANT (OSP) FIBER ENGINEERING SERVICES (Mr. Evan O'Mahoney)	Vote	Ms. Janie Gonzalez
12	EVOLVE: ENTERPRISE RESOURCE PLANNING (ERP) TRANSFORMATION PROGRAM (Mr. Evan O'Mahoney)	Vote	Ms. Janie Gonzalez
13	FY2026 ENTERPRISE SCORECARD & MEASURE TARGETS	Discuss	Ms. Elaina Ball
14	FY2026 BUDGET (Mr. Cory Kuchinsky)	Vote	Ms. Janie Gonzalez
15	FY2026 FINANCING PLAN (Mr. Cory Kuchinsky)	Vote	Ms. Janie Gonzalez
16	HORIZON 2050 FRAMEWORK (Ms. Elaina Ball)	Vote	Ms. Janie Gonzalez
17	EVOLVE: ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (AI) (Mr. Evan O'Mahoney)	Vote	Ms. Janie Gonzalez
18	REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS	Discuss	Ms. Janie Gonzalez
CONV	ENE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION		
19	EXECUTIVE SESSION  A. Attorney-Client Matters (§551.071) & Competitive Matters (§551.086)	Discuss	Ms. Janie Gonzalez
RECON	IVENE TO OPEN SESSION		
20	ADJOURNMENT	Execute	Ms. Janie Gonzalez
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If the Board meeting has not adjourned by 5:40 PM, the presiding officer may entertain a motion to continue the meeting, postpone the remaining items to the next Board meeting date, or recess and reconvene the meeting at a specified date and time.

Known absences: None.							

## CPS Energy Board of Trustees Meeting January 31, 2025

### Approval of Payment to the City of San Antonio for December 2024

The New Series Bond Ordinance that took effect February 1, 1997 provides for a total cash payment to the City of San Antonio (City) in an amount not to exceed 14% of gross revenue as calculated pursuant to such Ordinance, less the value of other services provided to the City, with the percentage (within the 14% limitation) to be determined by the governing body of the City. The cash transfer to the City for the month of December 2024 is based on actual gross revenue per the New Series Bond Ordinance of \$197,329,980.99, less applicable exclusions. The revenue for the month of December 2024 is calculated as follows:

Gross revenue per CPS Energy financial statements		
Electric revenue	\$229,265,757.92	
Gas revenue	19,547,146.74	
Interest and other income	5,563,750.56	
Gross revenue per CPS Energy financial statements	254,376,655.22	
Excluded revenue		
School and hospital revenue per City Ordinance 55022	(6,805,578.79)	
LVG revenue per City Ordinance 100709	(9,694.10)	
Fuel cost component of off-system nonfirm	, ,	
energy sales per City Ordinance 61794		
and revenue for wholesale special contracts	(38,497,217.17)	
Noncash and other income, GASB 31		
investment market value change, miscellaneous		
interest income, gas billing adjustment and unbilled		
revenue	(11,734,184.17)	
Total excluded revenue	(57,046,674.23)	
Gross revenue per New Series Bond Ordinance subject to		
14% payment to the City	\$197,329,980.99	
City payment per Bond Ordinance for December 2024		
based upon December 2024 revenue	\$27,626,197.34	
City payment per memorandum of understanding (MOU)	Ψ=/,0=0,=0/.0.	
regarding wholesale special contracts	430,611.25	
City Payment reduction per gas customer billing adjustment MOU	(12,500.00)	
City payment per Bond Ordinance plus adjustments for		
memorandums of understanding	28,044,308.59	Α
Utility services provided to the City for December 2024	(2,735,898.66)	
Net amount to be paid from December 2024 revenue to		
the City in January 2025	\$25,308,409.93	

## **CPS Energy Board of Trustees Meeting January 31, 2025**

Comparison of City payment per Bond Ordinance (plus adjustments for memorandums of understanding) vs. Budget before deduction for utility services provided to the City:

#### (Dollars in thousands)

December 2024	cember 2024 Actual Budget		Variance		
Current Month A	\$28,044	\$30,224	(\$2,180)	-7.2%	
Year-to-Date*	\$421,700	\$391,125	\$30,575	7.8%	

<sup>\*</sup> Includes a rounding adjustment of \$1 to agree to correctly rounded YTD amount.

Approval of the following resolution is requested:

"BE IT RESOLVED by the CPS Energy Board of Trustees that payment to the City of San Antonio in the amount of \$25,308,409.93 representing 14% of applicable system gross revenues for the month of December 2024, such payment being net of City utility services (\$2,735,898.66), is hereby approved."

## CPS ENERGY MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD ON DECEMBER 16, 2024

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of CPS Energy for the month of December was held on Monday, December 16, 2024, in the Board Room on the First Floor of the CPS Energy headquarters located at 500 McCullough, San Antonio, Texas.

### I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Gonzalez called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

### Present were Board members:

Ms. Janie Gonzalez, Chair

Dr. Francine Romero, Vice Chair

Dr. Willis Mackey

Mr. John Steen

Mayor Ron Nirenberg (arrived at 1:13 p.m.)

### Also present were:

Mr. Rudy Garza, President & CEO

Ms. Shanna M. Ramirez, Chief Legal & Ethics Officer, General Counsel & Board Secretary

Ms. Elaina Ball, Chief Strategy Officer

Mr. Benny Ethridge, Chief Energy Supply Officer

Mr. Cory Kuchinsky, Chief Financial Officer & Treasurer

Ms. DeAnna Hardwick, Chief Customer Strategy Officer

Ms. Lisa Lewis, Chief Administrative Officer

Mr. Richard Medina, Chief Energy Delivery Officer

Mr. Evan O'Mahoney, Chief Information Officer

City of San Antonio officials

CPS Energy staff members

Interested Citizens

### II. SAFETY MESSAGE, INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A safety message, invocation, and the Pledge of Allegiance were delivered by Mr. Jose Reyes, Interim Business Management Strategist.

### III. PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Henrietta LaGrange, community member, stated she appreciated all of those that work at CPS Energy and support the team. She also expressed her appreciation for Mr. Garza and each member of the Board. She wished everyone a good new year.

### IV. CHAIR'S REMARKS

Chair Gonzalez began by reminding the community about winter readiness, and she reviewed the actions CPS Energy has taken to prepare for cold weather. The Chair also provided helpful tips and tools for community members, such as installing/testing fire and carbon monoxide detectors. The Chair expressed her positive thoughts to all of those in the community, recognizing that many of us face challenges during the holidays, and she wished everyone a happy and safe holiday season.

### V. APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS

On a motion by Trustee Dr. Mackey, seconded by Vice Chair Dr. Romero, and upon affirmative vote by all members present (with Mayor Nirenberg being absent at the time of the vote), the following items on the Consent Agenda were unanimously approved:

### A. Approval of Payment to the City of San Antonio for November 2024

The New Series Bond Ordinance that took effect February 1, 1997 provides for a total cash payment to the City of San Antonio (City) in an amount not to exceed 14% of gross revenue as calculated pursuant to such Ordinance, less the value of other services provided to the City, with the percentage (within the 14% limitation) to be determined by the governing body of the City. The cash transfer to the City for the month of November 2024 is based on actual gross revenue per the New Series Bond Ordinance of \$254,302,992.34, less applicable exclusions. The revenue for the month of November 2024 is calculated as follows:

Gross revenue per CPS Energy financial statements	
Electric revenue	\$221,607,100.10
Gas revenue	16,311,299.05
Interest and other income	7,058,587.86
Gross revenue per CPS Energy financial statements	244,976,987.01
Excluded revenue	
School and hospital revenue per City Ordinance 55022	(9,242,837.98)
LVG revenue per City Ordinance 100709	(11,744.38)
Fuel cost component of off-system nonfirm	
energy sales per City Ordinance 61794	
and revenue for wholesale special contracts	(17,693,555.95)
Noncash and other income, GASB 31	
investment market value change, miscellaneous	
interest income, gas billing adjustment and unbilled	
revenue	36,274,143.64
Total excluded revenue	9,326,005.33
Gross revenue per New Series Bond Ordinance subject to	
14% payment to the City	\$254,302,992.34
City payment per Bond Ordinance for November 2024 based upon November 2024 revenue City payment per memorandum of understanding (MOLI)	\$35,602,418.93
based upon November 2024 revenue City payment per memorandum of understanding (MOU)	\$35,602,418.93

regarding wholesale special contracts	370,694.32	
City Payment reduction per gas customer billing adjustment MOU	(12,500.00)	
City payment per Bond Ordinance plus adjustments for		
memorandums of understanding	35,960,613.25	Α
Utility services provided to the City for November 2024	(3,158,912.69)	
Net amount to be paid from November 2024 revenue to		
the City in December 2024	\$32,801,700.56	

Comparison of City payment per Bond Ordinance (plus adjustments for memorandums of understanding) vs. Budget before deduction for utility services provided to the City:

### (Dollars in thousands)

November 2024	Actual	Budget	Varia	ance
Current Month A	\$35,961	\$30,091	\$5,870	19.5%
Year-to-Date*	\$393,655	\$360,901	\$32,754	9.1%

<sup>\*</sup> Includes a rounding adjustment of \$1 to agree to correctly rounded YTD amount.

Approval of the following resolution is requested:

"BE IT RESOLVED by the CPS Energy Board of Trustees that payment to the City of San Antonio in the amount of \$32,801,700.56 representing 14% of applicable system gross revenues for the month of November 2024, such payment being net of City utility services (\$3,158,912.69), is hereby approved."

- B. Minutes from the October Regular Board Meeting held on October 28, 2024
- C. Minutes from the November Regular Board Meeting held on November 18, 2024
- D. Procurement Items: None.

### VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

In the interest of time, Chair Gonzalez accepted the submission of the following reports of Board Committees for the record in lieu of having them read during the meeting:

- A. Audit and Finance (A&F) Committee Meeting held on October 24, 2024. The report is attached as Attachment "A" to the meeting minutes.
- B. Employees Benefits Oversight Committee (EBOC) Meeting held on October 24, 2024. The report is attached as Attachment "B" to the meeting minutes.<sup>1</sup>

Also, in the interest of time, Chair Gonzalez accepted the submission of the following report of the Community Input Committee:

A. Community Input Committee Meeting held on December 6, 2024. The report is attached as Attachment "C" to the meeting minutes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The acceptance of the report for the November 4, 2024 Operations Oversight Meeting was deferred to the following meeting.

### VII. STATE PUBLIC POLICY AGENDA 2025-2026

Ms. Kathy Garcia, Vice President, Government Relations, Regulatory Affairs & Public Policy, presented on CPS Energy's State Public Policy Agenda. She explained the four pillars of the policy: customer affordability & impacts, municipally owned utility business model, reliability & resiliency, and safety & security. She then requested support.

Trustee Dr. Macey moved approval of a resolution, Vice Chair Dr. Romero seconded, and the following resolution was approved unanimously:

### RESOLUTION SUPPORTING CPS ENERGY'S PUBLIC POLICY PRIORITIES

**WHEREAS**, the Regular Session of the 89th Texas Legislature will convene on January 14, 2025 and will adjourn on June 2, 2025; and

WHEREAS, CPS Energy has developed and presented to this Board of Trustees our priorities and anticipated engagement, which are captured in four main pillars: 1) customer affordability and impacts, 2) municipally owned utility business model, 3) reliability and resiliency, and 4) safety and security; and

**WHEREAS**, the customer affordability and impacts pillar will focus CPS Energy on supporting proposals that will assist and protect customers and mitigate potential impacts to energy bills; and

**WHEREAS**, the municipally owned utility business model pillar will focus CPS Energy on opposing proposals that will negatively impact local decision-making authority through our governance model; and

**WHEREAS**, the reliability and resiliency pillar will focus CPS Energy on proposals that enhance generation resources and transmission infrastructure, and align with our commitments to our community and major initiatives such as Vision 2027 and Horizon 2050; and

**WHEREAS**, the safety and security pillar will focus CPS Energy on proposals that protect our employees and assets while integrating new information technologies and addressing physical safety issues; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** this CPS Energy Board of Trustees supports CPS Energy's public policy priorities focused on four main pillars: 1) customer affordability and impacts, 2) municipally owned utility business model, 3) reliability and resiliency, and 4) safety and security.

### VIII. PROPOSED BOARD PROCUREMENT POLICY REVISIONS

Mr. Rudy Garza, President & CEO, introduced the topic, noting CPS Energy's has made progress in this space to develop suppliers in our community to provide services for CPS Energy. He then noted that it was time for us to review the policy and discuss those potential changes.

Ms. Lisa Lewis, Chief Administrative Officer, provided an overview of the policy, procurement organization, strategy, and process. She then presented the proposed revisions to the Board Procurement Policy and Board Procurement Procedures.

Vice Chair Dr. Romero moved to approve the revisions to the Board Procurement Policy and the Procurement Procedures, and Mayor Nirenberg then seconded the motion. Trustee Dr. Mackey introduced some potential amendments, and Vice Chair Dr. Romero seconded the motion with the agreement that each amendment to the motion would be voted upon separately and then a final vote on the base motion, as amended, would occur. The Board then discussed and asked several guestions.<sup>2</sup>

The Board of Trustees then returned to Trustee Dr. Mackey, he moved forward with making the following amendments to the Procurement Policy:

- 1. Revert to the original language in Section I to read "CPS Energy President & CEO," and to not amend this language. The motion passed unanimously.
- Revert to the original language in Section IV regarding the dollar thresholds required for Board approval, and not amend this language. The motion passed unanimously. The Board further directed the President & CEO to benchmark thresholds with other similar utilities and present the information to the Board.
- 3. Remove authority for CPS Energy to provide a one-time contract term extension. The motion was withdrawn by Trustee Dr. Mackey.
- 4. Revert to the original language in Section VI regarding Compelling Business Reasons. The motion was withdrawn by Trustee Dr. Mackey.
- 5. Utilize the name of the position, e.g. Chief Administrative Officer or Vice President, Supply Chain instead of using "senior executive leader." The motion passed unanimously.

Trustee Steen then made a motion to clarify the proposed language in Section 2.4.2(n) of the Procurement Procedures to state that it is for a product or service that is patented, proprietary, or otherwise unique to the provider. Vice Chair Dr. Romero accepted this clarification as a friendly amendment.

The Board of Trustees then voted on the final motion to approve the Board Procurement Policy and the Board Procurement Procedures, including all accepted amendments. The motion was approved with a 4-1 vote, with Chair Gonzalez voting against the motion.

### IX. ENGAGED CUSTOMER RELATIONSHIP UPDATE

Ms. DeAnna Hardwick, Chief Customer Strategy Officer, presented on the Engaged Customer Relationship (ECR) Survey which provides insights derived from customer research to improve our customers' experience and provides an ability to benchmark against other utilities.

<sup>2</sup> Trustee Steen requested that his remarks be included in full in the minutes, and the written statement he provided is attached.

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The Board of Trustees discussed, asked questions, and provided feedback.

### X. FY2025 THIRD QUARTER PERFORMANCE UPDATE

Mr. Cory Kuchinsky, Chief Financial Officer, presented the financial results through the end of the third quarter, which ended on October 31. He noted the overall trends and reviewed the flow of funds. Ms. Elaina Ball, Chief Strategy Officer, reviewed the enterprise metrics and milestones through the third quarter.

The Board of Trustees discussed, asked questions, and provided feedback.

### XI. CEO RECOGNITION

Ms. Elaina Ball, Chief Strategy Officer, recognized the team that planned, coordinated, and hosted Grillsgiving. The team helped make it an unforgettable day of community camaraderie and great food. It was a tremendous success due to this small, but mighty team, and we raised over \$400,000 with the net proceeds all going to the Residential Energy Assistance Partnership (REAP).

### XII. REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS

Ms. Ramirez reviewed the previous action items, and she noted the new action items arose during the meeting.

### XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At approximately 4:11 p.m., Vice Chair Dr. Romero<sup>3</sup> announced the Board would go into Executive Session, and Ms. Ramirez announced that the required notice had been posted and that the Trustees, with only necessary parties in attendance, would convene into Executive Session, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, for discussion of a number of posted items, including the following:

- Real Property (§551.072)
- Attorney-Client Matters (§551.071) & Competitive Matters (§551.086)

The Board reconvened in open session at 4:35 p.m. The quorum was re-established, and four members were present. Ms. Ramirez reported that only the matters cited above, and no others were discussed, and no votes were taken in Executive Session.

### XIV. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, upon a motion duly made by Trustee Dr. Mackey, seconded by Mayor Nirenberg and upon an affirmative vote by all members present, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 4:36 p.m. by Vice Chair Dr. Romero.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Chair Gonzalez departed the meeting and Vice Chair Dr. Romero led the remainder of the meeting.

Shanna M. Ramirez Secretary of the Board





### **NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE**

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY AND CHAIR REPORT FROM THE NOVEMBER 4, 2024 MEETING PREPARED FOR COMMITTEE CHAIR JANIE GONZALEZ FOR REPORT AT THE JANUARY 31, 2025 BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

The Nominations Committee met on November 4, 2024. The Committee discussed the process for nomination and Trustee approval for the Board Chair and Vice Chair for Fiscal Year 2026.

The next meeting of the Nominations Committee is not yet scheduled.

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### **OPERATIONS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (OOC) MEETING**

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY AND CHAIR REPORT FROM THE NOVEMBER 4, 2024 MEETING PREPARED FOR COMMITTEE CHAIR, DR. FRANCINE ROMERO FOR REPORT AT THE JANUARY 31, 2025 BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

The Operations Oversight Committee met on November 4, 2024. As part of the agenda, the Committee:

- A. Reviewed and approved meeting minutes from the prior meeting held on August 12, 2024.
- B. Received a Procurement Preview that included:
  - a. A new contract/rebid for Transmission Conductors,
  - b. A new contract/rebid for Miscellaneous Transmission Hardware,
  - c. A new contract/rebid for 15KV & 38 KV Reclosers,
  - d. A new contract/rebid for System Protection Engineering Services,
  - e. A new contract/rebid for Utility Locating,
  - f. A new contract/rebid for Outside Plant (OSP) Fiber Engineering Services,
  - g. An active PO funding increase for IT Services,
  - h. And a new contract for the Coal Combustion Residual Closure Project
- C. Received a Compensation Strategy Update that included:
  - a. A brief history of the Compensation Strategy,
  - b. A summary of the assessment work to date,
  - c. And a discussion on mitigation initiatives to increase retention and improve workforce attraction.
- D. Received an update on our Engaged Customer Relationship that included:
  - a. A review of the Customer Satisfaction (CSAT) measure,
  - b. An overview of the Engaged Customer Relationship (ECR) measure,
  - c. And a discussion on how we are using both surveys in parallel to better understand our community's needs and where to focus our resources to benefit the customer.
- E. Received an FY2026 Enterprise Scorecard Update & Proposed Measure Targets update that included:
  - a. A review of the Vision 2027 Strategic Initiatives,

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- b. A preview of proposed FY2026 Enterprise Measure Targets,
- c. And a discussion on our major accomplishments on the FY2025 Strategic Objectives and how we utilize benchmarking as a tool in target development.

The next meeting of the Operations Oversight Committee Meeting is Planned for the first quarter of FY2026.

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## Community Input Committee (CIC) Committee Report

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY AND CHAIR REPORT FROM THE JANUARY 8, 2025, MEETING PREPARED FOR COMMITTEE CHAIR, LAWSON PICASSO FOR REPORT AT THE JANUARY 31, 2025, BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

The Community Input Committee met on January 8, 2025. As part of the agenda, the Committee:

- A. Received a presentation on CPS Energy's State Public Policy Agenda (PPA) as preparations continue for the 89<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session. The PPA guides the utility's advocacy efforts in support of the utility's Vision 2027 and Horizon 2050 strategic plans.
- B. Received feedback from the December 9, 2024, Municipal Utilities Committee (MUC) presentation regarding the CIC formation and subcommittee practices.
- C. Discussed a review process for committee bylaws.
- D. Discussed and voted to post agendas for all subcommittee meetings, effective immediately.
- E. Steve Bonnette (CIC At-Large Appointee) accepted the position of 2025 CIC Vice Chair.
- F. Voted unanimously to allow Diana Aguirre Martinez (City of San Antonio District 3 Appointee) to serve one year as immediate past chair on the CIC Executive Committee, in accordance with the CIC bylaws and the preference of the District 3 Councilmember.



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 Item Description: Purchase Category:

**Suppliers:** 

**System Protection Engineering Services** 

**Professional Services** 

Quanta Technology, LLC

SEL Engineering Services, Inc.

Synchrogrid, Inc.

Committee

**Presentation:** Operations Oversight Committee – November 4, 2024

2. **Item Description:** 

**Utility Locating Services** 

**Purchase Category:** 

**General Services** 

**Suppliers:** 

**United Locating Services of Texas** 

Committee

Operations Oversight Committee - November 4, 2024

**Presentations:** 

Audit & Finance Committee – October 24, 2024

3. **Item Description: Purchase Category:** Supplier:

**Outside Plant (OSP) Fiber Engineering Services** 

**Professional Services** 

Binkley & Barfield, Inc.

Black & McDonald Engineering Services, LLC

Burns & McDonnell Engineering Company, Inc.

Cobb, Fendley & Associates, Inc.

CP&Y, Inc. dba STV Infrastructure

EN Engineering, LLC

M&S Engineering, LLC

PAR Western Line Contractors LLC dba QUES

**TOP Engineers Plus PLLC** 

**TRC Engineers Inc** 

Committee **Presentations:**  Operations Oversight Committee - November 4, 2024 Audit & Finance Committee - October 24, 2024

4. **Item Description: Purchase Category: Suppliers:** 

**Active PO Funding Increase: IT Services** 

**General Services** 

Accenture LLP

Capgemini America, Inc

E Source Companies, LLC dba E Source

Fujitsu North America, Inc.

HCL America Inc

Hitachi Energy USA Inc.

Infosys Limited

PricewaterhouseCoopers Advisory Services LLC

Committee **Presentations:** 

**Approval:** 

Operations Oversight Committee – November 4, 2024

Audit & Finance Committee – October 24, 2024

Lewis, Lisa D Date: 2025.01.13 12:25:42

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Lisa Lewis, Chief Administrative Officer

**Approval:** 

Digitally signed by Garza, Rudy Garza, Rudy D. Date: 2025.01.14 15:44:14

Rudy Garza, President & CEO





Item Description	System Protection Engineering Services
Purchase Order Value	\$5,000,000
Purchase Category	Professional Services
Department	Energy Delivery Services
Vice President T&D Engineering and Grid	LooPoy Poroz
Transformation	LeeRoy Perez
Chief Energy Delivery Officer	Richard Medina

### **Detailed Description**

CPS Energy staff recommends that a contract be awarded to Synchrogrid, Inc., a small firm, and Quanta Technology, LLC and SEL Engineering Services, Inc. as the respondents who will provide the services at the best value for CPS Energy based on the evaluation criteria set forth below.

This contract will assist with design of specialized relay protection schemes, ensuring accurate relay calibration and developing settings calculations for new transmission and substation projects. This contract will expire on February 29, 2028

### **Subcontracting Opportunities**

Quanta Technology, LLC and SEL Engineering Services, Inc. have committed to subcontract a portion of the services to one or more local or small businesses.

The solicitation method for this procurement was a Request for Qualifications (RFQ)<sup>1</sup>. An evaluation team considered the following weighted evaluation criteria to determine the best value to CPS Energy.

Evaluation Criteria	Points
Experience and qualifications to perform the Services	100
The financial soundness of the Respondent	Pass/Fail
TOTAL	100

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> CPS Energy is unable to consider price or economic development as Evaluation Criteria for RFQ's.





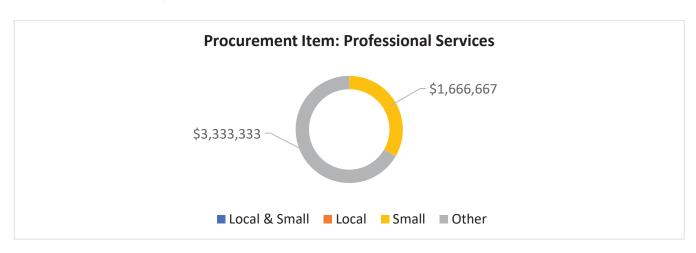


Recommended Respondent(s) & Award							
Respondent Name	SBA Classification & Details	Score	PO Value	PO #	Comments		
Synchrogrid, Inc.	Small	85	\$1,666,667	2224323			
SEL Engineering		85	\$1,666,667	2224324			
Services, Inc.							
Quanta Technology, LLC		75	\$1,666,666	2224325			
	TOTAL	\$5,000,000					

Nine (9) additional respondents were not recommended for award: Arup US, Inc.; Black & Veatch Corporation; Electric Power Engineers, Inc; EN Engineering, LLC; HIVE POWER ENGINEERING LLC; Luzco Technologies, LLC; Qualus LLC; SGC Engineering; and TRC Engineers, Inc.

Annual Funds Budgeted									
Corporate	Funding	Projected	% of FY2025	Projected	Projected	Projected			
Annual Budget Method FY20		FY2025 PO	Annual Corp	FY2026 PO	FY2027 PO	FY2028 PO			
		Spend	Budget	Spend	Spend	Spend			
\$937,000,000	Capital	\$0	0%	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000			
\$890,000,000	Non-Fuel O&M	\$0	0%	\$666,667	\$666,667	\$666,666			

Our current approved budget and latest estimates support these new purchase orders.







Item Description	Utility Locating Services
Purchase Order Value	\$45,000,000
Purchase Category	General Services
Department	Gas Solutions
Vice President Gas Solutions	Richard Lujan
Chief Energy Delivery Officer	Richard Medina

### **Detailed Description**

CPS Energy staff recommends that a contract be awarded to United Locating Services of Texas, a local firm, as the respondent who will provide the services at the best value for CPS Energy based on the evaluation criteria set forth below.

This contract is for utility locating and marking services critical to the safe and reliable delivery of natural gas and electric service to our current and future customers as well as regulatory compliance and public safety. It will allow CPS Energy to leverage 3<sup>rd</sup> party resources to assist internal staff with locating and marking gas and electric infrastructure as part of the Texas 811 one-call notification system. Texas law requires all excavators to call 811 prior to digging. This contract will expire on February 29, 2028.

### **Subcontracting Opportunities**

United Locating Services of Texas has committed to subcontract a portion of the services to one or more local or small businesses.

The solicitation method for this procurement was a Request for Proposals (RFP). An evaluation team considered the following weighted evaluation criteria to determine the best value to CPS Energy.

Evaluation Criteria				
Experience and qualifications to perform the Services	35			
Safety records and training program				
The ability to meet CPS Energy's requirements				
Overall Cost				
Economic Development (Local and Small business consideration)				
The financial soundness of the Respondent				
TOTAL	100			







Recommended Respondent(s) & Award						
Respondent Name	SBA Classification & Details	Score	PO Value	PO #	Comments	
United Locating	Local	77	\$45,000,000	2224101		
Services of Texas						
TOTAL \$45,000,000						

Two (2) additional respondents were not recommended for award: Alisto Engineering Group Inc. and Stake Center Locating.

Annual Funds Budgeted							
Corporate	Funding	Projected	% of FY2025	Projected	Projected	Projected	
Annual Budget	Method	FY2025 PO	Annual Corp	FY2026 PO	FY2027 PO	FY2028 PO	
	Spend Budget Spend Spend Spend						
\$937,000,000	Capital	\$0	0%	\$750,000	\$750,000	\$750,000	
\$890,000,000	Non-Fuel	\$0	0%	\$14,250,000	\$14,250,000	\$14,250,000	
	O&M						

Our current approved budget and latest estimates support these new purchase orders.







Item Description	Outside Plant (OSP) Fiber Engineering Services
Purchase Order Value	\$7,500,000
Purchase Category	Professional Services
Department	IT Infrastructure and Operations
Vice President Technology Services	Anand Vedapuri
Chief Information Officer	Evan O'Mahoney

### **Detailed Description**

CPS Energy staff recommends that a contract be awarded to TOP Engineers Plus PLLC, a local, small firm and Binkley & Barfield, Inc, Black & McDonald Engineering Services, LLC, Burns & McDonnell Engineering Company, Inc., Cobb, Fendley & Associates, Inc., CP&Y, Inc. dba STV Infrastructure, EN Engineering, LLC, PAR Western Line Contractors LLC dba QUES, M&S Engineering, LLC, and TRC Engineers Inc, all local firms, as the respondents who will provide the goods or services at the best value for CPS Energy based on the evaluation criteria set forth below.

This contract provides engineering design services in support of new fiber communications buildouts (new substations, transmission lines, etc.) and maintenance of existing fiber infrastructure (highway crossings, transmission rebuilds, fiber lifecycle replacements, etc.). CPS Energy owns and maintains cable installed throughout transmission, distribution, and underground utility pathways that require design and implementation services. This contract will expire on January 30, 2028.

### **Subcontracting Opportunities**

All large businesses awarded a contract have committed to subcontract a portion of the services to one or more small businesses.

The solicitation method for this procurement was a Request for Qualifications (RFQ)<sup>2</sup>. An evaluation team considered the following weighted evaluation criteria to determine the best value to CPS Energy.

Evaluation Criteria	Points
Experience and qualifications to perform the Services	95
The ability to meet CPS Energy requirements	5
The financial soundness of the Respondent	Pass/Fail
TOTAL	100

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> CPS Energy is unable to consider price or economic development as Evaluation Criteria for RFQ's.





	Recommended Respondent(s) & Award						
Respondent Name	SBA Classification & Details	Score	PO Value	PO #	Comments		
Binkley & Barfield, Inc	Local	100	\$750,000	2224303			
Black & McDonald Engineering Services, LLC	Local	100	\$750,000	2224304			
Burns & McDonnell Engineering Company, Inc.	Local	100	\$750,000	2224305			
Cobb, Fendley & Associates, Inc.	Local	100	\$750,000	2224306			
CP&Y, Inc. dba STV Infrastructure	Local	100	\$750,000	2224307			
EN Engineering, LLC	Local	100	\$750,000	2224416			
PAR Western Line Contractors LLC dba QUES	Local	100	\$750,000	2224418			
TOP Engineers Plus PLLC	Local & Small	100	\$750,000	2224419	Corporate headquarters located in San Antonio Metropolitan area		
M&S Engineering, LLC	Local	97	\$750,000	2224417	Corporate headquarters located in San Antonio Metropolitan area		
TRC Engineers Inc	Local	95	\$750,000	2224420			
TOTAL \$7,500,000							

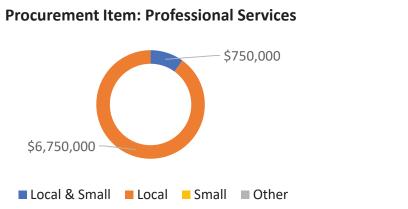
Three (3) additional respondents were not recommended for award: Merrick & Company; CHC Consulting; and CCI Systems, Inc.

Annual Funds Budgeted							
Corporate	Funding	Projected	% of FY2025	Projected	Projected	Projected	
Annual Budget	Method	FY2025 PO	Annual Corp	FY2026 PO	FY2027 PO	FY2028 PO	
		Spend	Budget	Spend	Spend	Spend	
\$937,000,000	Capital	\$0	0%	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000	\$1,500,000	
\$890,000,000	Non-Fuel O&M	\$0	0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	

Our current approved budget and latest estimates support these new purchase orders.











Item Description		Active PO Funding Increase: IT Services
Original Cumulative Purchase Order Value	(A)	\$60,000,000
Previously Added Funds	(B)	\$0
Additional Funds Requested	(C)	\$150,000,000
<b>Projected Cumulative Purchase Order Value</b>	(D)	\$210,000,000
Purchase Category		General Services
Department		Business Solutions & Digital Experience
VP Business Solutions & Digital Experience		Vidya Rangachar
Chief Information Officer		Evan O'Mahoney

### **Detailed Description**

CPS Energy staff recommends that additional purchase order funding be approved for existing contracts for the delivery of IT services. These contracts were previously awarded to E Source Companies, LLC dba E Source, a small business, Accenture, LLP, Capgemini America, Inc, and PricewaterhouseCoopers Advisory Services, LLC, all local businesses, and Hitachi Energy USA Inc., Infosys Limited, Fujitsu North America, Inc., and HCL America Inc, as the respondents who provided the goods or services at the best value for CPS Energy based on the evaluation criteria set forth below.

These contracts provide technical, analytical, strategic, and implementation services related to business transformation with initiatives in IT service management, OT communications transformation, data ecosystem and analytics, data center and cloud transformation, SCADA transformation, application modernization and integration transformation, ERP ecosystem transformation, and digital strategy transformation.

This funding increase is being requested to supplement the purchase orders in support of the ERP implementation. Accenture LLP was selected to provide design, development, and implementation services for the integrated ERP technology platform (Oracle Technology) for CPS Energy.

### **Subcontracting Opportunities**

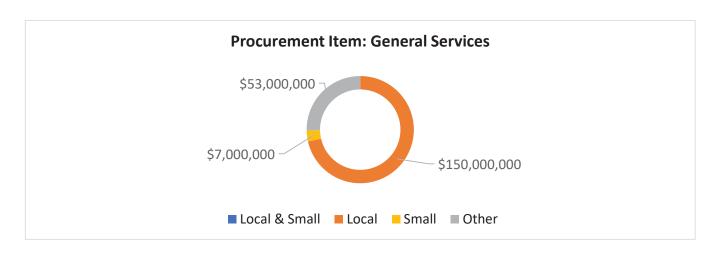
Accenture, LLP has committed to subcontract 20% of the work associated with the ERP system implementation scope of work to local and small businesses.





Recommended Respondent(s) & Award							
Vendor Name	SBA Classification & Details	Original PO Value	Previously Added or Reallocated Funds	Additional Funds Requested	PO#		
Accenture LLP	Local	\$3,000,000	\$0	\$123,000,000	2215298		
Hitachi Energy USA Inc.		\$10,000,000	\$0	\$3,000,000	2215299		
Infosys Limited		\$10,000,000	\$0	\$4,000,000	2215303		
Fujitsu North America, Inc.		\$10,000,000	\$0	\$4,000,000	2215302		
Capgemini America, Inc	Local	\$8,000,000	\$0	\$4,000,000	2215300		
PricewaterhouseCoopers Advisory Services LLC	Local	\$8,000,000	\$0	\$4,000,000	2215304		
HCL America Inc		\$8,000,000	\$0	\$4,000,000	2215301		
E Source Companies, LLC dba E Source	Small	\$3,000,000	\$0	\$4,000,000	2215305		
		(A)	(B)	(C)			
	Totals \$60,000,000 \$0						
Projected Cumulative Purchase Order Value (D) \$210,000,000							

Our current approved budget and latest estimates support this additional purchase order increase.





# PROCUREMENT REQUEST FOR APPROVAL

## SYSTEM PROTECTION ENGINEERING SERVICES

PRESENTED BY:
Richard Medina
Chief Energy Delivery Officer

January 31, 2025
Request for Approval

## NEW CONTRACT / REBID SYSTEM PROTECTION ENGINEERING SERVICES

### **CDS**

- Selected companies will assist with designing relay protection schemes, ensuring accurate relay calibration, and developing setting calculations for new transmission and substation projects
- Customer Benefit:
  - Improves grid reliability
  - Reduces restoration time
  - Safety settings
- The primary focus of these projects will be to facilitate the integration of new renewable energy sources, like solar or wind power, onto our electricity grid, while ensuring sufficient capacity to support the power needs of customers.



Fair Oaks Substation









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## PENDING REQUEST FOR APPROVAL



Current Contracts:

Value: \$1.86 million

Term: 3 years

Expiration: May 2026

New Contract Details:

Value: \$5 million

Term: 3 years

• # Bidders: 12 responded to solicitation (4 Local and 3 Small businesses)

# Awardees: 3 (1 Small business)

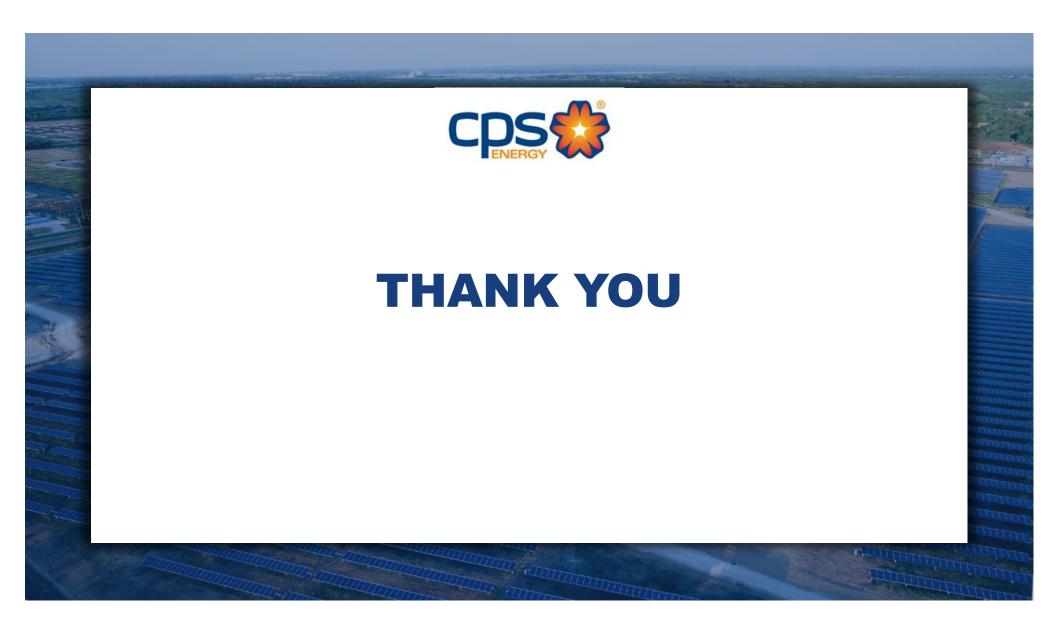


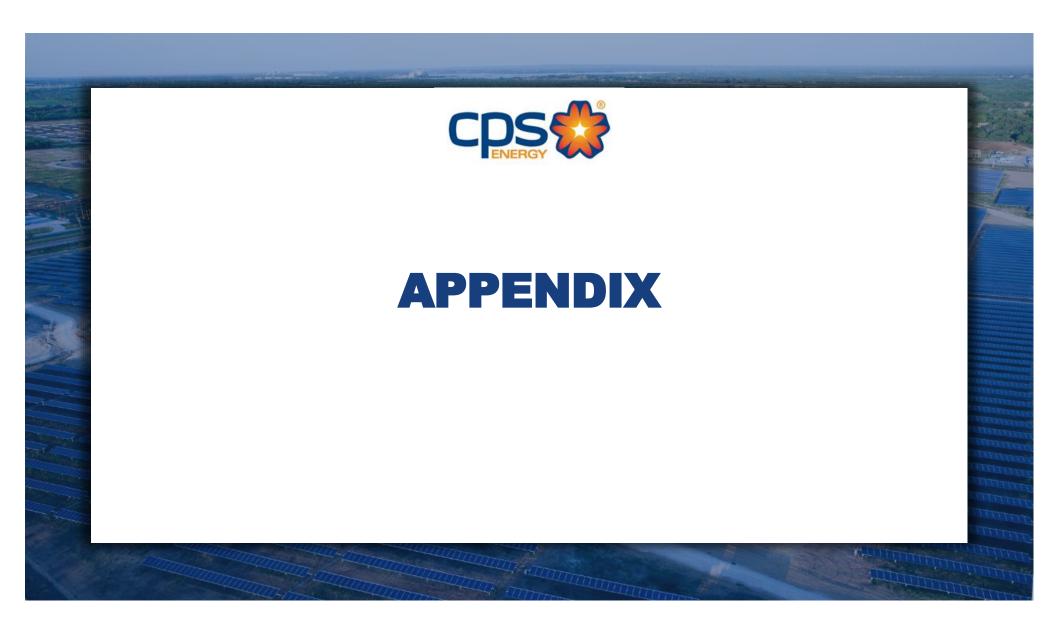






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## **KEY DRIVERS FOR SUPPLY CHAIN**























### **GLOSSARY / DEFINITIONS**



ACRONYM OR WORD	DEFINITION	ACRONYM OR WORD	DEFINITION
ERP	Enterprise Resource Planning		
TCOS	Transmission Cost of Service		



# PROCUREMENT REQUEST FOR APPROVAL UTILITY LOCATING SERVICES

PRESENTED BY:
Richard Medina
Chief Energy Delivery Officer

January 31, 2025
Request for Approval

## NEW CONTRACT / REBID

UTILITY LOCATING SERVICES

- Utility locating and damage prevention services support regulatory compliance and public safety.
- Current Contract:
  - Value: \$39 million
  - Term: 4 years
  - Expiration: February 2025
- New Contract Details:
  - Value: \$45 million
  - Term: 3 years
  - # Bidders: 3 responded to solicitation (1 Small and 2 Local businesses)
  - # Awardees: 1 Local business



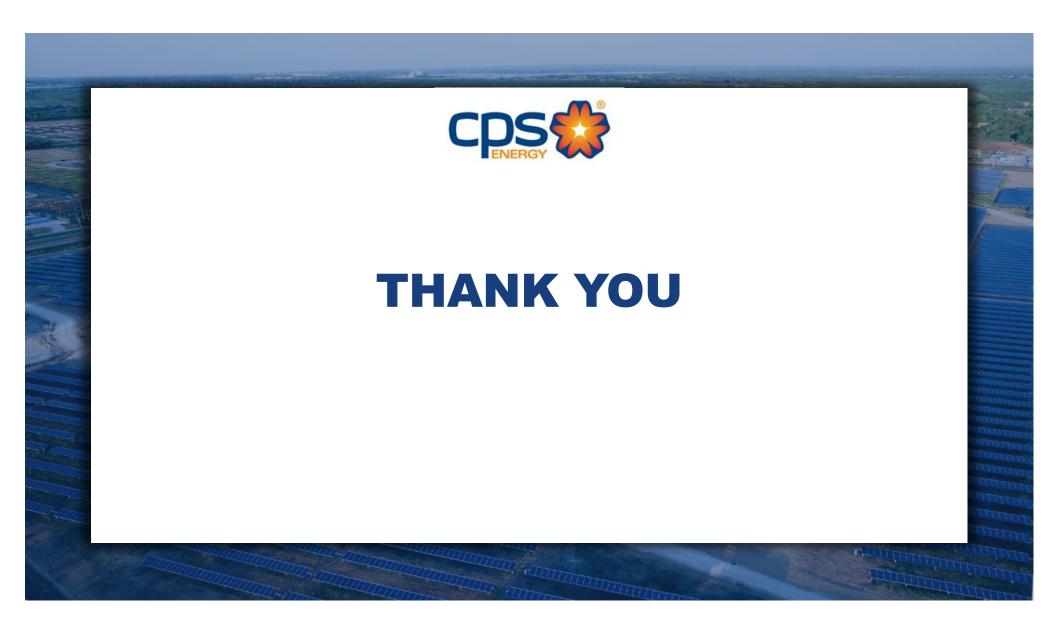


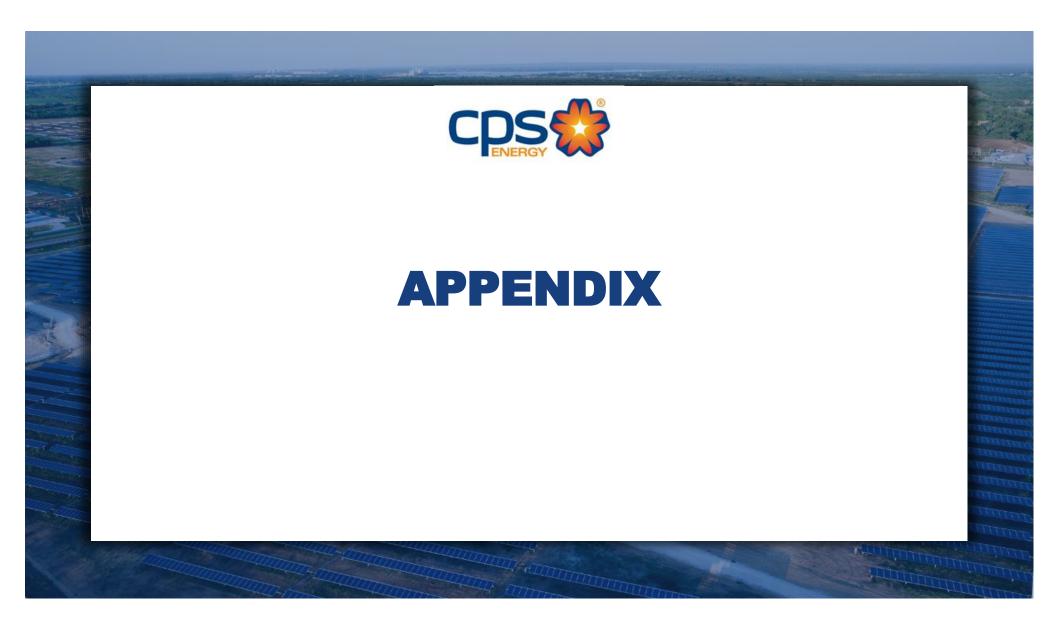
Gas Solutions Journeyman Locator





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## **KEY DRIVERS FOR SUPPLY CHAIN**























## **GLOSSARY / DEFINITIONS**



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# PROCUREMENT REQUEST FOR APPROVAL

# OUTSIDE PLANT (OSP) FIBER ENGINEERING SERVICES

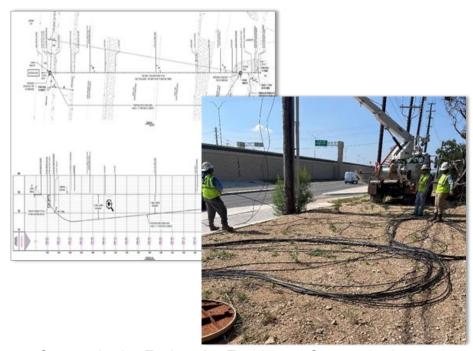
PRESENTED BY:
Evan O'Mahoney
Chief Information Officer

January 31, 2025
Request for Approval

# **NEW CONTRACT**OUTSIDE PLANT (OSP) FIBER ENGINEERING SERVICES



- Communication engineering services for OSP fiber infrastructure to support fiber lifecycle replacement, new-build, and pole attachment processes
- Provide consulting support for fiber path design, GIS data entry, pole application submission/approval and construction package drawings
- Enables grid communications for real-time control and automation



Communication Engineering Enables our Communications



## REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OSP FIBER ENGINEERING SERVICES



Current Contracts:

Value: \$11.8 million

Term: 5 years

Expiration: February 2025

New Contract Details:

Value: \$7.5 million

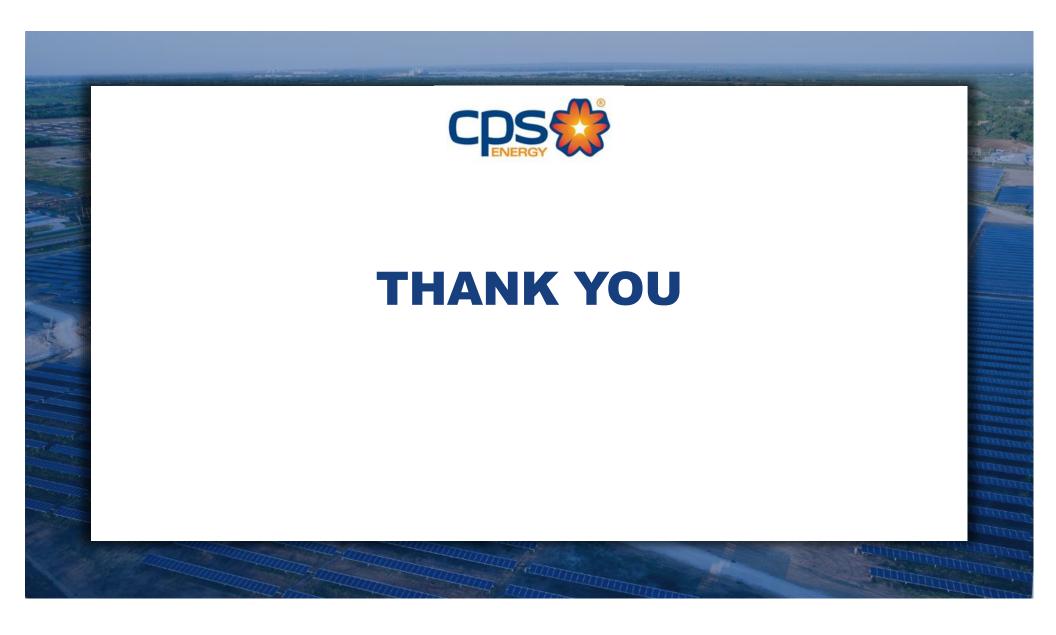
Term: 3 years

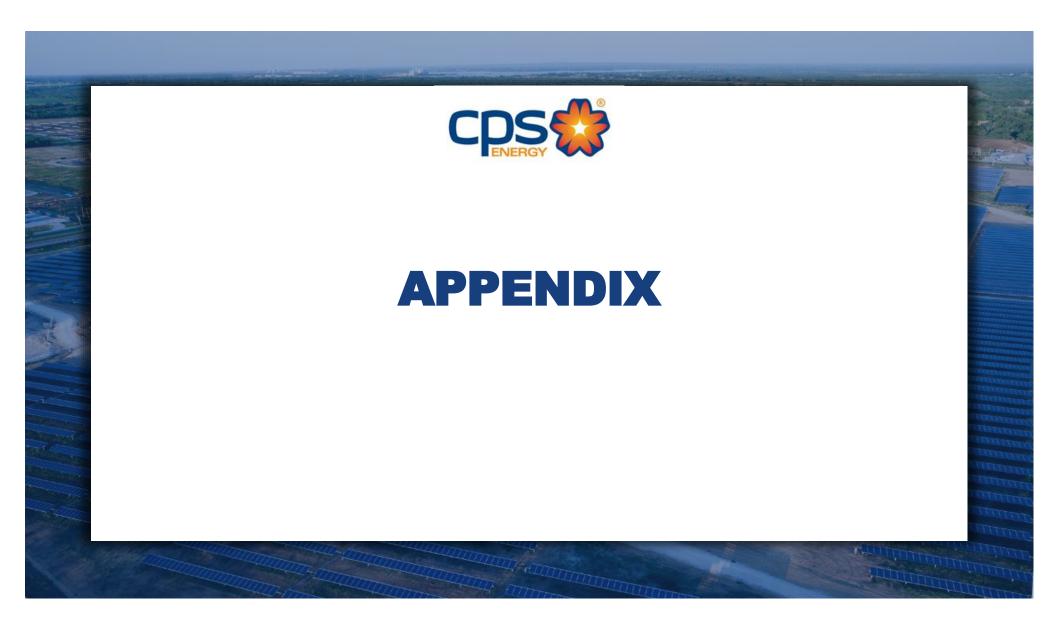
# Bidders: 13 responded to solicitation (1 Small and 10 Local businesses)

# Awardees: 10 (1 Small and 10 Local businesses)



We respectfully request your approval at this time.





## **KEY DRIVERS FOR SUPPLY CHAIN**























## **GLOSSARY / DEFINITIONS**



ACRONYM OR WORD	DEFINITION	ACRONYM OR WORD	DEFINITION
ERP	Enterprise Resource Planning		
GIS	Geographic Information System		
OSP	Outside Plant		
TCOS	Transmission Cost of Service		



## EVOLVE: ENTERPRISE RESOURCE PLANNING (ERP) TRANSFORMATION PROGRAM

PRESENTED BY:
EVAN O'MAHONEY
Chief Information Officer

January 31, 2025
Request for Approval

### **AGENDA**

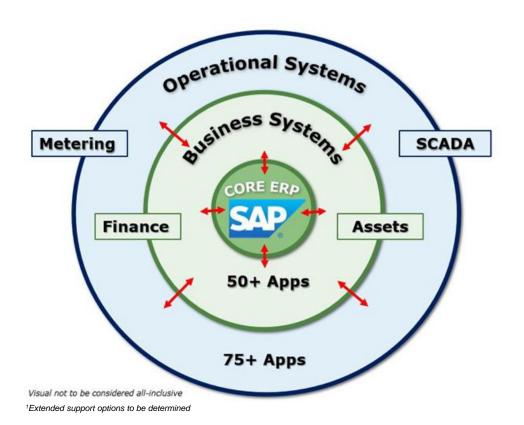


- ERP Program Background
- System Implementation Services Approach
- Request for Approval & Next Steps

We are requesting approval for the addition of funds to the IT Services Framework to support implementation services related to the ERP Transformation program.

## CURRENT STATE OVERVIEW LEGACY SYSTEMS CREATE COMPLEXITY





- SAP ERP technology platform implemented in 2001
- Complex technology landscape with over 400 applications and data integrations
- Disparate data sources lack insights for informed decision-making
- Legacy business processes and sub-optimal platform configurations
- Core system's end of standard support from vendor in 2027<sup>1</sup>

## **ESTABLISHED DIGITAL STRATEGY**



#### **ANCHORED TO VISION 2027 & HORIZON 2050**

Strategic Outcomes		
****	Improved experiences for customers and employees	
	Data-driven insights that enable real-time decisions	
(%)	Continuous improvement to enhance and optimize systems	
	Increased ability to support bill and rate redesign	
8	Enhanced technology reliability and resiliency	
	Expanded customer self-service and payment options	
E CONTRACT	Better able to meet changing industry needs	
	Improved operational processes and efficiencies	



Established business outcomes will measure improvements in software savings, process efficiencies, customer satisfaction, and other in-scope performance areas.

## ADVANCING OUR JOURNEY A DELIBERATE & THOROUGH PROCESS





FY2021-FY2023



FY2024-FY2025



**FY2025** 

1 Objective

Current State Assessment & Business Case Development

Technology Solution Evaluation & Selection

System Implementation Partner Evaluation & Selection

2 Key
Activities
Completed

- Assessment of existing technology platforms
- 187 workshops
- 78 business processes
- 500+ employees engaged
- 2,100+ pain points identified
- 400+ opportunities for improvement Identified

- 8 proposals received
- 600+ employees engaged in evaluation
- 13 functional & technical tracks
- Preferred partner selected based on:
  - Best value
  - Aligned functional & technical fit
  - Industry experience & capabilities

- 100+ employees participated in evaluation
- Preferred partner recommended based on:
  - Skills, experience, and approach
  - Alignment to FY2027/FY2050 strategic objectives
  - Industry experience & capabilities
  - Commitment to small & local partnerships

Outcome

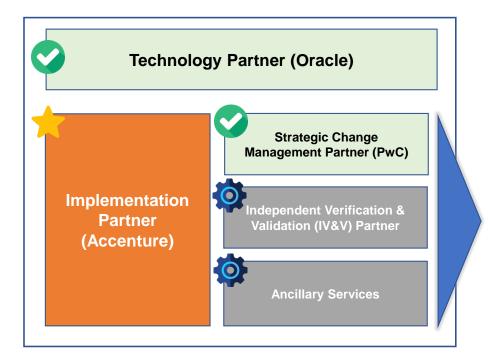
Decision to evaluate technology to support business transformation

Oracle selected as ERP Technology Platform Preferred partner selected to lead platform implementation

### **GROWING OUR ECOSYSTEM**

## **CDS**

#### **TODAY'S DISCUSSION**



Next Steps	Target Completion
TODAY'S DISCUSSION: Request for Additional Funding to be added to the IT Services Framework in support of ERP System Implementation Services	1/31/25
IV&V - Complete contracting with Preferred Partner	Q1 FY2026
Ancillary Services - Identify needs and complete contracting for additional services & support as needed	Ongoing

The selection of our system implementation partner significantly advances completion of our partner ecosystem required to deliver the ERP Transformation Program.



For today's discussion

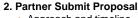




### **ABOUT IT SERVICES**

#### **BACKGROUND**

- IT Services is a mechanism for us to leverage a pool of highly qualified firms for delivery of specific technology services
- Partners in the IT Services eco-system have agreed to pre-negotiated terms & conditions
- Services are procured through the issuance of a task order that all approved vendors can respond to via competitive bid process
- Ability to include detailed technical reference materials to inform proposals from bidders



- Approach and timeline
- Ability to meet work package expectations
- Proposed resources, articulating skills and experience



- Details of Work Package
- Timeline
- Deliverables
- Resource expectations and qualifications
- Submission deadline

#### **Streamlined Procurement Process**

Negotiated Scope of Services	Approved IT Services Vendors
Business Transformation	Accenture*
<ul> <li>Communications Transformation</li> </ul>	Capgemini*
Data Ecosystem and Analytics	• eSource
Data Center and Cloud Transformation	Fujitsu
SCADA Transformation	• HCL
<ul> <li>Application Modernization and Integration</li> </ul>	Hitachi*
Transformation	<ul> <li>Infosys*</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>ERP Ecosystem Transformation</li> </ul>	• PwC*
Digital Strategy Transformation	*Maintains local office(s)

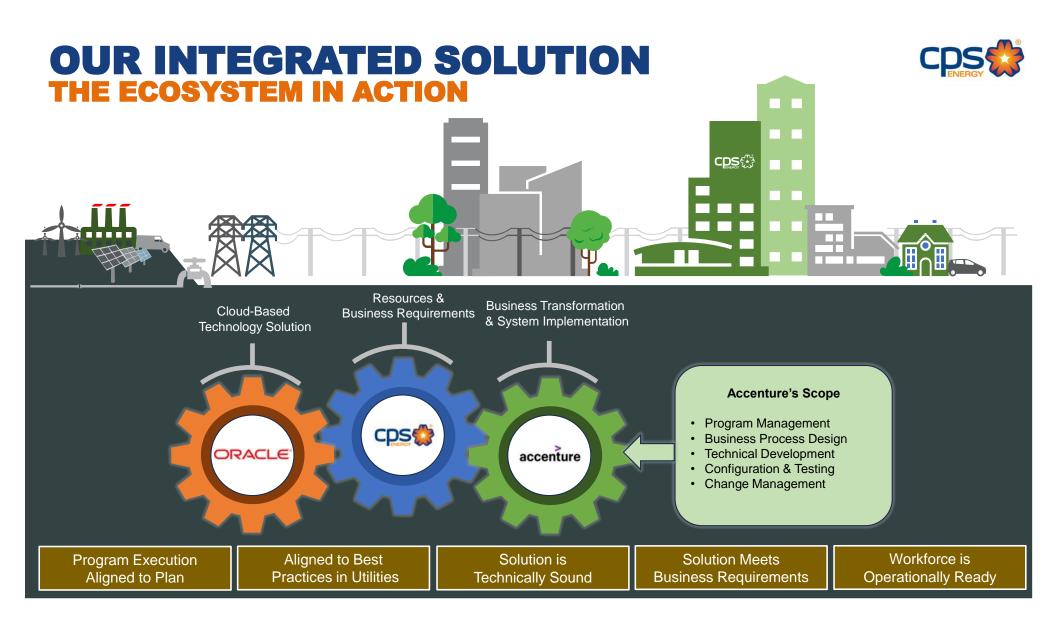
### **BY THE NUMBERS**

## CDS

#### IMPLEMENTATION PARTNER SELECTION

- **Vendors Solicited Under IT Services** 8 **Framework Proposals Received** 6 12 Lead Evaluators **Firms Shortlisted for Oral Presentations** 2 100+ Participants Selection of preferred vendor
- A deliberate, engaging, and thoughtful selection process
- Lead evaluators represented all stakeholder areas across the Company
- Short-listed firms delivered in-person presentations focused on delivery and technical capabilities
- Firms actively included small & local supplier subcontractors in their in-person presentations
- Over 100 CPS Energy employees were involved in proposal evaluations, oral presentations, and due diligence activities





### **ABOUT ACCENTURE**

#### **QUICK FACTS**





## GLOBAL ORACLE & UTILITIES EXPERIENCE

Acknowledged leader in Oracle Consulting

Utilities' experience includes 15 of 23 Fortune 500 Utilities

25K employees dedicated to Utilities industry practice



## LOCAL COMMUNITY IMPACT

3 Offices Located in San Antonio

2,400 Local Employees

\$165M Annual Economic Impact in San Antonio



#### COMMITMENT TO CPS ENERGY

Commitment to subcontract with local and small businesses (20% of contract value) ~\$25M

Commitment to Local
Community Investments
~\$500K

1,750 local employees reside in CPS Energy's service territory

## ACCENTURE EXPERIENCE



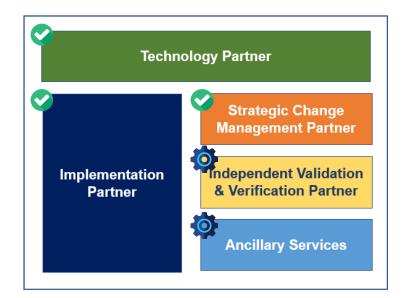




### **GROWING OUR ECOSYSTEM**



#### **NEXT STEPS**



	Key Activities	Target Completion
	Evaluate options and finalize contract for technology partner	Complete
	Evaluate proposals and select Change Management partner	Complete
	Evaluate options and finalize strategy for implementation partner selection	Today's Request
	Evaluate proposals and select Independent Validation & Verification partner	Q1 FY2026
	Engage third-party partners to support additional program needs, as applicable	On-Going

Today's approval of funds to be added to the IT Services Framework will allow the ERP Transformation Program to proceed to the next phase of the project.

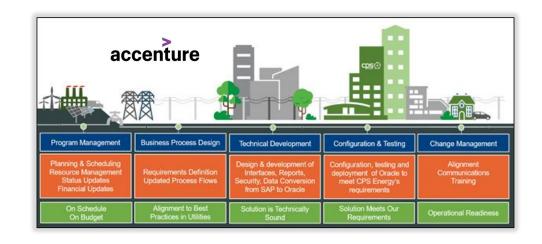


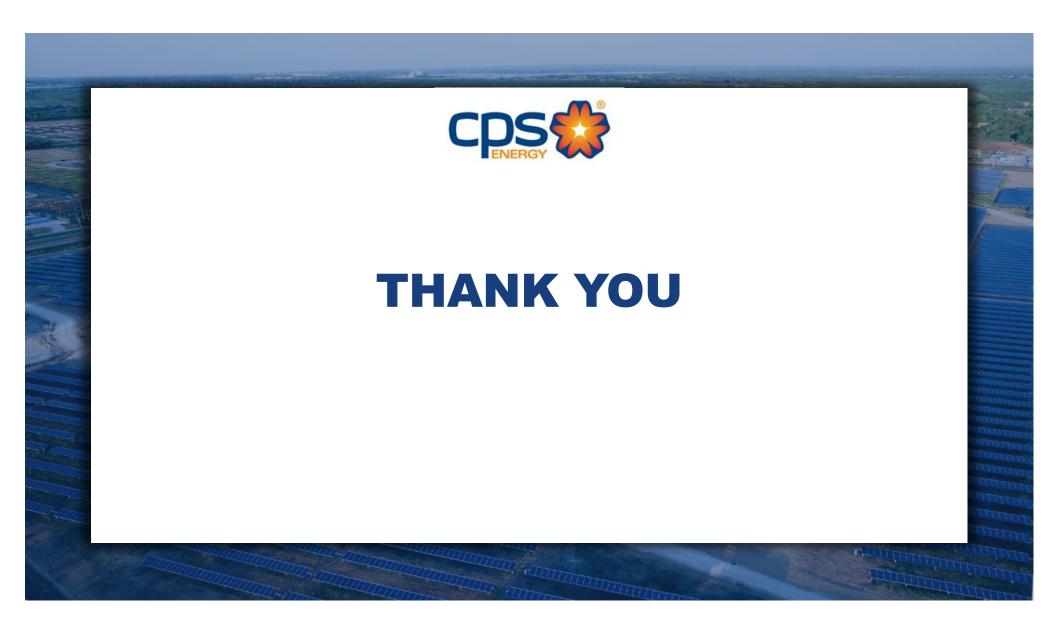
## REQUEST FOR APPROVAL ERP SYSTEM IMPLEMENTATION PARTNER SELECTION

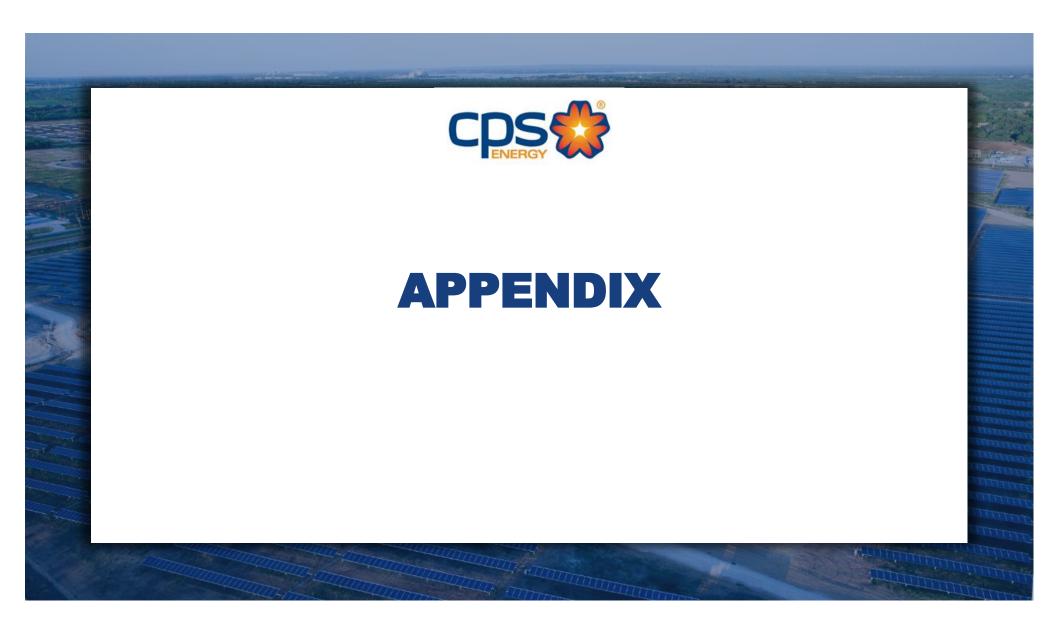


- We respectfully request your approval to proceed with the addition of funds to the IT Services Framework, in the amount of \$150M
- These funds will be used to support system implementation services for the ERP Transformation Program









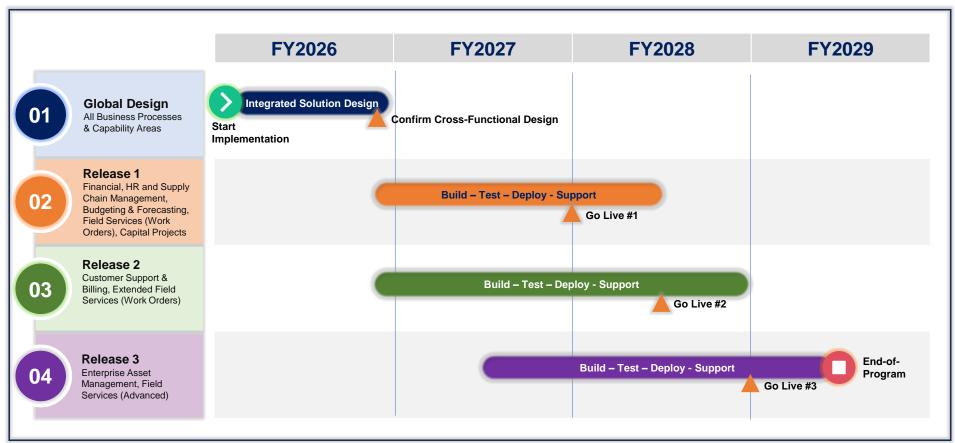
## **GLOSSARY / DEFINITIONS**



ACRONYM OR WORD	DEFINITION	ACRONYM OR WORD	DEFINITION
ВоТ	Board of Trustees	RFP	Request for Proposal
ERP	Enterprise Resource Planning	SAP	Brand name for existing ERP Software utilized by CPS Energy
IT	Information Technology	SOW	Statement of Work
IV&V	Independent Verification & Validation	ТО	Task Order
MSA	Master Services Agreement		
РО	Purchase Order		

## **ERP SCHEDULE<sup>1</sup> FY2026 THROUGH FY2029**





<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Schedule to be confirmed during Global Design Phase

#### **SMALL & LOCAL SUPPLIER OUTREACH**





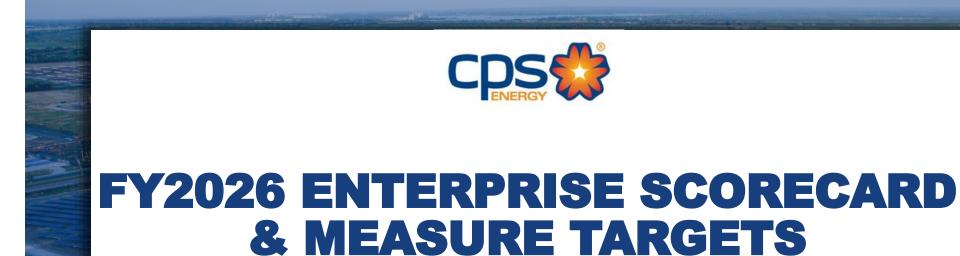




#### APPROVED GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE Approved by Steering Committee 4/13/23 Reports to/Accountable Approved Updated Titles 12/8/23 Independent Risk **Steering Committee** to Steering Committee Approved Updated Risk Management Structure 6/26/24 Subcommittee Strategic - Resolves Major Issues **Enterprise Risk Management Services** (Internal) Formed – Meets Regularly IV&V Partner (External) Formation In Progress **Operating Committee** Planned for FY25 Strategic – Responsible for Overall Success Communicates to Executive Stakeholders (Operating Committee) Communicates Risks to **Operating Committee** Gathers Data & Insights from **Capability Group Leads** Capability Track Leads 3 Tactical – Responsible for Integrated Cross-Functional Solution **Solution Delivery Teams** (Capability Track Leads & Subject Matter Experts) Tactical - Responsible for End-to-End Process Solution **Facilitate and Project Office** Teams on risks **Program Office** and mitigation · Program Management **Governance Management** plans. · Resource Management **Change Management Risk Management Contract Management Financial Management Issue Management**

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A governance process is in place to drive and manage decision-making, culture, controls and accountability for the ERP Transformation Program.



PRESENTED BY:
Elaina Ball
Chief Strategy Officer

January 31, 2025
Informational Update

### **AGENDA**



- Update on Vision 2027 Strategic Initiatives
- FY2026 Enterprise Measures & Targets

Our goal today is to provide awareness of our progress on Vision 2027 Strategic Initiatives and the updated FY2026 Enterprise Measure Targets.

### **GOALS**



- Awareness of FY2025 Strategic Initiative progress and FY2026 milestones
- Understand FY2026 Enterprise Measure targets
- Opportunity to provide feedback

The goal is to receive feedback on elements supporting the FY2026 Scorecard.

#### **OVERVIEW**



In partnership with you, our leadership, and hbaileygroup, LLC consulting, we developed Enterprise Measure targets for FY2026.

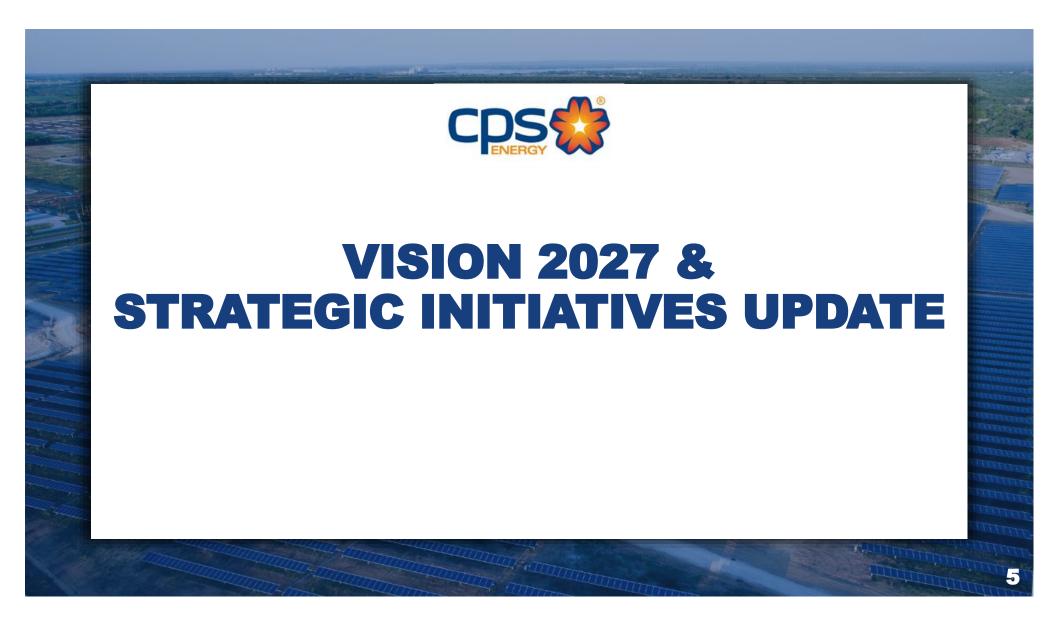
#### **Goals of Enterprise Measures:**

- Align to Vision 2027 Strategic Objectives
- Focus on value to our customers and community
- Measures and targets provide a balanced assessment of performance

#### Approach:

- 1. Leadership and hbaileygroup, LLC proposed and assessed potential measure targets
- 2. Reviewed proposed targets with the Operations Oversight Committee (OOC) in November
- 3. Aligned targets to incorporate feedback from leadership, an external consultant, and the OOC

Our measures provide an assessment of how we are delivering on our mission of reliable, affordable, and sustainable services.



## **VISION 2027 PROGRESS**

## **MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS ON STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES**





- Established new Power Generation Plan (2023)
- Approved new Sustainable Tomorrow Energy Plan (STEP)
- Acquired 1,710MW of natural gasfired generating capacity
- Added 400MW of battery storage and 84MW of wind
- Partnered with Oracle for a new Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) platform
- Launched a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for the Spruce 2 gas conversion in July, with a memo coming soon to outline qualified bidders, followed by a Request for Proposals (RFP) to gather pricing and bid details for contract award
- Added facilities to enhance natural gas service in constrained areas
- Issued Request for Proposal (RFP) for Generator Step Up Transformers (GSU) for the new Peaker Project
- Negotiated an increased ownership in South Texas Nuclear Project (STP) by 2% for carbon-free generation



- Achieved significant growth in non-fuel wholesale performance for FY2024
- Anticipate strong wholesale Performance for FY2025
- Awarded Federal cost-match of \$30.2M grid resilience grant (Grid Resilience and Innovation Partnership)
- Standard & Poor's and Fitch revised rating outlook from negative to stable
- Obtained rate support from the community to fund major investments in reliability, security, technology, and people



- On average, we were at 10 different places in our community each day, 6 days a week
- Expanded Equity–Focused Programs and Outreach
- Reached highest customer satisfaction rating in Managed Accounts
- Calculated energy burden levels for all customers (i.e. energy burdened – 6-10% and severely burdened – over 10%)
- Enhanced customer payment options to now include Apple Pay, Google Pay, E-Payment Center (e-wallet), American Express, Pay by Text, and Future Dated Payments
- Secured \$1M grant for Casa Verde Weatherization Program



- Completed Organizational Culture Assessment
- · Stabilized staffing levels
- Stabilized investment volatility for employee benefits



- Increased transparency and clarity of communications; issued FY2023 community impact report; launched public engagement and awareness campaign for Horizon 2050; ongoing awareness tied to Vision 2027
- Residential Energy Assistance Partnership (REAP) maximum benefit for Bexar County residents outside San Antonio has increased from \$400 to \$1,200
- Awarded System Operational Achievement Recognition (SOAR) for excellence in operating our natural gas utility by the American Public Gas Association (APGA)
- Participated in the "Light Up Navajo" Project in rural Arizona, ending generations of darkness

These are the community commitments we have delivered over the last 2+ years.

## **VISION 2027 STRATEGIC INITIATIVES**



## **PURPOSE & FY2026 MILESTONES**

#### **POWER GENERATION PLAN**



Transition power generation portfolio by phasing out aging units and adding new, efficient resources to reduce emissions while providing reliable and cost-competitive energy to meet our growing community's needs.

#### FY2026 Milestones:

- · Complete Wave 2 Transition Plan of new acquisitions
- Achieve commercial operation for new solar and storage resources
- Award key contracts including Engineering, Procurement, and Construction (EPC) and major equipment supply for the Peaker Project and Spruce 2 Natural Gas Conversion Project
- Support ERCOT reliability through execution of directed RMR contracts

### **SYSTEM RESILIENCY & GROWTH**



Support safe and responsible growth by enhancing resilient, safe, responsive, and modern electric and gas services.

#### FY2026 Milestones:

- Complete Emergency Management System (EMS) Supervisory Control & Data Acquisition (SCADA) System Roll-Out and continue upgrading Advanced Distribution Management System (ADMS) SCADA System
- Continue the South Reliability Electric Transmission Line and execute gas strategies, including Permian Hwy to Rio Nogales, Southgate to Rio Nogales, North Outer Loop, and Westcreek Station
- Complete Geographic Information System (GIS) Utility Network Phase 1 (Electric Data Migration) and Phase 2 (Electric Integration to ADMS)
- Transmission Rates & Revenue team coordinates support for recovery of increasing transmission infrastructure investment and requirement for increased frequency of rate filings
- Submit Transmission Cost of Service (TCOS) rate filing package developed through significant crossfunctional efforts and with internal and external legal guidance

#### **EVOLVE: ERP**



Provide technology foundation that supports operational evolution through enhanced experiences for customers and employees.

#### FY2026 Milestones:

- On-board System Implementation (SI) partner and remaining program team roles
- Complete Global Design
- Execute change management efforts and communication strategy

#### **CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE**



Strengthen our reputation, customer satisfaction, and revenue by fostering employee engagement and delivering positive customer experiences.

#### FY2026 Milestones:

- Onboard a consultant to develop a customer experience (CX) roadmap, refining customer segmentation and conducting surveys for quality control
- Form a CX Championship Team to define the CX framework, set goals, and create a communication and training plan to align employees in enhancing customer experience
- Support the development and execution of products and services to include customer feedback and effective engagement

These are our milestones supported by the FY2026 budget plan.



# TARGET SETTING PHILOSOPHY

# **CDS**

## **DYNAMIC & ENGAGED PROCESS**

- Goal is to set achievable stretch targets considering multiple factors on the right
- Engage in a multi-step process with external experts to identify considerations, challenge assumptions, and compare to benchmarks
- Partner with third-party consultants and come to consensus on targets



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# FY2026 ENTERPRISE MEASURE TARGETS CDS



## **ACHIEVABLE STRETCH GOALS**

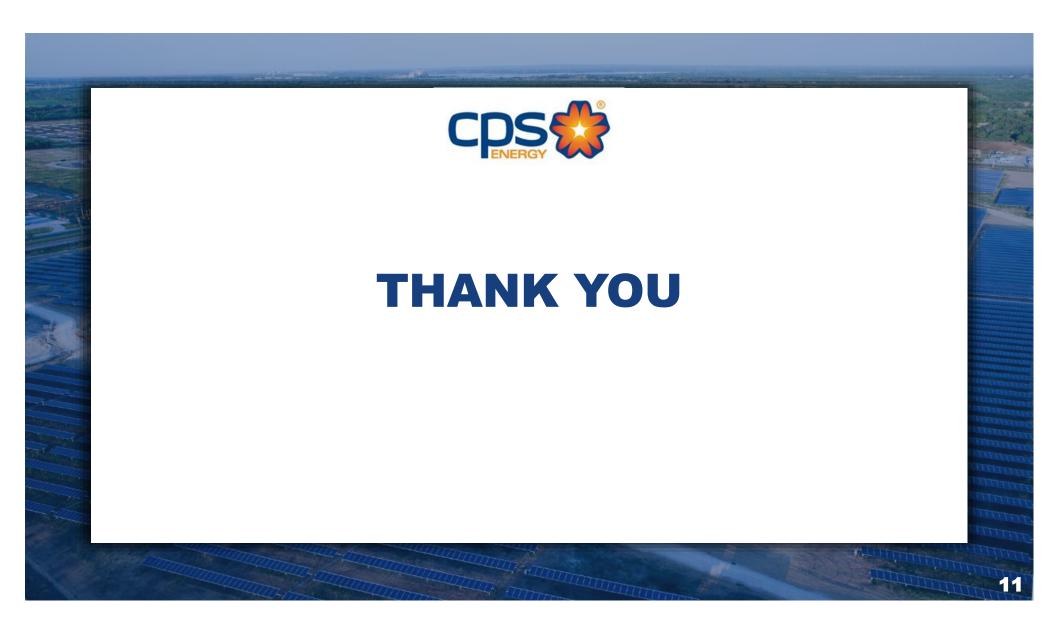
	MEASURE NAME	FY2025/ CY2024 LE <sup>1</sup>	FY2026/ CY2025 TARGET	DESIRED DIRECTION	BENCHMARK/ COMPARISON <sup>2</sup>
Operational	Average Customer Outage Duration (SAIDI)	63.50	64.15	•	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quartile
Evolution	Plant Availability (Critical Months EAF)	89.5 <sup>3</sup>	90.5	Alig	ned with plant by technology and/or fleet level
	Gas Safety (Leaks Remaining at End of Year)	0.25	0.54	•	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quartile
Financial Stability	Fiscal Resiliency (Index of Key Measures)	3.13	Band Range ≥3.0	<b>1</b>	Aligned with thresholds taken into consideration by Rating Agencies
Customer Experience	Customer Perception (Residential ECR)	680	699	<b>1</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quartile
Team Culture	Living Mission & Values (Gallup 12+ Index)	4.15 ³	4.15	•	1 <sup>st</sup> Quartile
	Safety Performance (RIR)	1.22	1.09	•	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quartile
Community Partnership & Growth	Strategically Investing in the Community (Local Spend Percentage)	73.00	70.00	<b>1</b>	Aligned with forecasted spend

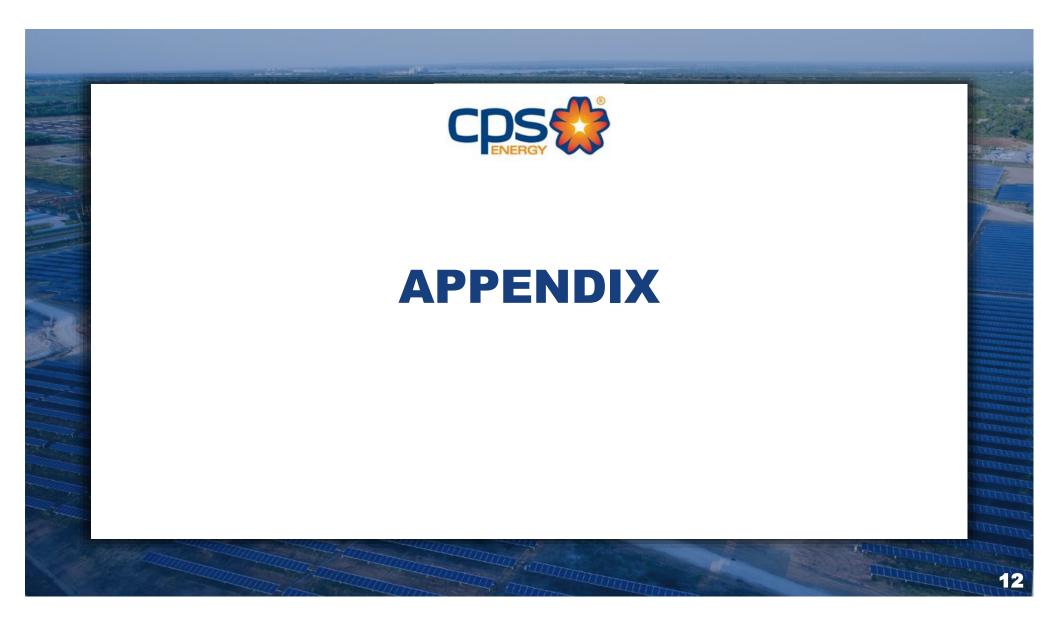
## All targets are supported by 3<sup>rd</sup> party consultants.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> FY2025 Latest Estimate (LE) is based on performance through November 30

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Source information in individual measure slides in appendix

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Final performance measure result for FY2025





# **GLOSSARY / DEFINITIONS**



ACRONYM OR WORD	DEFINITION	ACRONYM OR WORD	DEFINITION
ADMS	Advanced Distribution Management System	GIS	Geographic Information System
АН	Available Hours	GSU	Generator Step Up
CAAP	Climate Action and Adaptation Plan	GRIP	Grid Resilience and Innovation Partnerships
CS	Customer Strategy	IEEE	Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers
CX	Customer Experience	KPI	Key Performance Indicator
DCOH	Days Cash on Hand	LE	Latest Estimate
DIMP	Distribution Integrity Management Program	LiDAR	Light Detection and Ranging
DOE	Department of Energy	OER	Operational Efficiency Review
EAF	Equivalent Availability Factor	O&M	Operations & Maintenance
ECR	Engaged Customer Relationship	OSS RnF	Off System Sales Revenue net Fuel
EFDH	Equivalent Forced De-rated Hours	PH	Period Hours
EMS	Energy Management System	PHMSA	Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration
EOY	End of Year	PPA	Power Purchase Agreement
EPC	Engineering, Procurement, and Construction	REAP	Residential Energy Assistance Partnership
ERCOT	Electric Reliability Council of Texas	RFP	Request for Proposals
ERP	Enterprise Resource Planning	RFQ	Request for Qualifications
ESDH	Equivalent Scheduled De-rated Hours	RIR	Recordable Incident Rate
FY	Fiscal Year	SAIDI	System Average Interruption Duration Index
GCI	Genesis Consolidated Industries	SAIFI	System Average Interruption Frequency Index

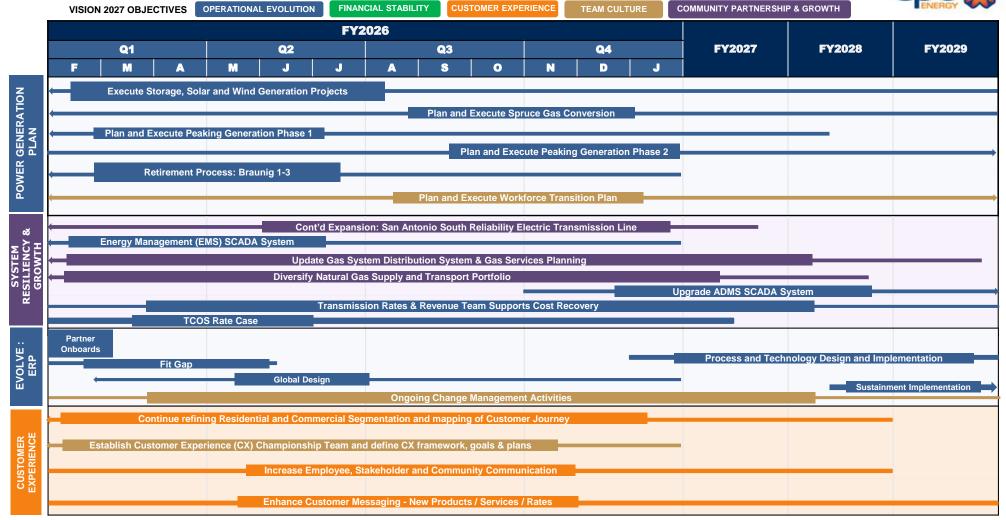
# **GLOSSARY / DEFINITIONS (CONT'D)**



ACRONYM OR WORD	DEFINITION
SCADA	Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition
SI	System Implementation
SOAR	System Operational Achievement Recognition
SSV	Smart Sniffer Vehicles
STEM	Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics
STEP	Sustainable Tomorrow Energy Plan
STP	South Texas Nuclear Project
TCOS	Transmission Cost of Service
URD	Underground Residential Distribution

## STRATEGIC INITIATIVES ROADMAP





# FY2026 ENTERPRISE SCORECARD DRIVING ACTIONS TO DELIVER ON OUR MISSION



**VISION 2027 OBJECTIVES** 





CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE



COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP
& GROWTH

Strategic Execution - Forward Looking Progress Towards Vision 2027								
Power Generation Plan		System Resiliency & Growth		EVOLVE: Enterprise Resou	urce Planning	Customer Experience		
FY2026 Milestone Status		FY2026 Milestone	Status	FY2026 Milestone	Status	FY2026 Milestone	Status	
Complete Wave 2 Transition Plan of new acquisitions		Complete Emergency Management System (EMS) Supervisory Control & Data Acquisition (SCADA) System Roll-Out and continue upgrading Advanced Distribution Management System (ADMS) SCADA		On-Boarding of System Implementation (SI) partner and remaining program team		Onboard a consultant to develop a customer experience (CX) roadmap, refining customer		
Achieve commercial operation for		System		roles		segmentation and conducting surveys for quality control		
new solar and storage resources		Continue the South Reliability Electric Transmission Line and execute gas strategies, including Permian						
		Hwy to Rio Nogales, Southgate to Rio Nogales, North Outer Loop, and Westcreek Station		Complete Global Design		Form a CX Championship Team to define the CX framework, set goals, and create a		
Award key contracts including Engineering, Procurement, and Construction (EPC) and major		Complete Geographic Information System (GIS) Utility Network Phase 1 (Electric Data Migration) and Phase 2 (Electric Integration to ADMS)  Transmission Rates & Revenue team coordinates support for recovery of increasing transmission infrastructure investment and requirement for increased frequency of rate filings				communication and training plan to align employees in enhancing customer experience		
equipment supply for the Peaker Project and Spruce 2 Natural Gas						·		
Conversion Project				Execute change management efforts and		Support the development and execution of products and		
Support ERCOT reliability through execution of directed RMR contracts		Submit Transmission Cost of Service (TCOS) rate filing package developed through significant cross-functional efforts and with internal and external legal guidance		communication strategy		services to include customer feedback and effective engagement		

## **Enterprise Measure Targets**

64.15

Average Customer Outage Duration 0.54

Gas Safety

90.5%

Plant Availability

≥3.0

Fiscal Resiliency 699

Customer Perception

4.15

Living Mission & Values

1.09

Safety Performance

70.00%

Strategically Investing in the Community

Milestones and measures are aligned with our Mission, Vision 2027, and Strategic Objectives.

# FY2025 ENTERPRISE MEASURE RESULTS CDS



**AS OF NOVEMBER 30, 2024** 

Strategic Objective	Measure Name	Measure Frequency	, FY/CY	CY Unit	Target Indicator	Historical Actuals		Current Year (FY2025 / CY2024)		Year-End	Latest	
						FY2023 CY2022	FY2024 CY2023	YTD Target	YTD Actual	Year- End Target	Forecast	Estimate
	Average Customer Outage Duration (System Average Interruption Duration Index - SAIDI)	monthly	CY	#	↓	59.81	61.19	54.26	60.08	57.68	Unrecoverable	63.50
Operational Evolution	Plant Availability <sup>1</sup> (Critical Months Equivalent Availability Factor - CMEAF)	monthly	CY	%	1	88.9	94.4	90.5	89.5	90.5	Unrecoverable	N/A <sup>2</sup>
	Gas Safety (Leaks Remaining at End of Year Per 1,000 Customers)	monthly	CY	#	ļ	0.58	0.61	0.54	0.21	0.54	On Track	0.25
	Fiscal Resiliency <sup>3</sup> (Index of Key Financial Measures)	monthly	FY	#	1	3.13	3.71	3.20	3.46	≥3.0	On Track	3.13
Customer Experience	Customer Perception (Residential Engaged Customer Relationship – ECR)	quarterly	CY	#	1	682	699	699	677	699	At Risk	680
Team Culture	Living Mission & Values (Gallup 12+ Index)	annually	FY	#	1	NT <sup>4</sup>	4.12	4.15	4.15	4.15	Achieved	N/A <sup>2</sup>
l eam Culture	Safety Performance (Enterprise Recordable Incident Rate - RIR)	monthly	FY	#	<b>↓</b>	1.49	0.85	1.12	1.22	1.12	Unrecoverable	1.22
& Growth	Strategically Investing in the Community (Local Spend Percentage)	quarterly	FY	%	1	73.97	74.78	70.00	74.09	70.00	On Track	73.00

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Critical month calculation includes January, February, and June through September

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> N/A signifies LE not applicable due to completion of measurement period

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> More information about this measure can be found in the Monthly Financial Update

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> NT signifies no historical results in FY2023 because measure was not tracked

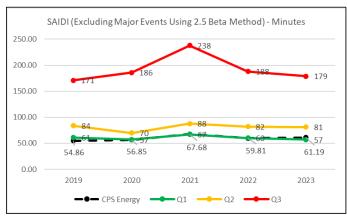
# BENCHMARKING A TARGET SETTING TOOL

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## **Example Measure**

**Average Customer Outage Duration (SAIDI)** 

- Review Performance History
- Review Benchmarkable Data
- Conduct Target Analysis
  - Our SAIDI range has been 54.86 67.68 over the past five years
  - Excluding CY2021, our SAIDI range is 54.86 61.19
  - We have performed between 1st and 2nd Quartile in the past five years
  - An aggressive yet realistic target for the SAIDI measure CY2024 was 57.68
    - 57.68 will be the lowest target we have strived for within the past five years (next lowest target was 61.00)
    - We achieved performance in the mid to upper 50s in three of the past five years



Source: 1st Quartile Consulting CY2023 data, 24 utility companies (23 U.S. companies, 1 Canadian company)

CY2019					
1st Quartile	61				
2nd Quartile	84				
3rd Quartile	171				
<b>CPS Target</b>	61.00				
CPS Actual	54.86				

CY2020						
1st Quartile	57					
2nd Quartile	70					
3rd Quartile	186					
CPS Target	62.04					
CPS Actual	56.85					

CY2021						
1st Quartile	67					
2nd Quartile	88					
3rd Quartile	238					
<b>CPS Target</b>	65.63					
CPS Actual	67.68					

CY2022					
1st Quartile	60				
2nd Quartile	82				
3rd Quartile	188				
<b>CPS Target</b>	63.70				
CPS Actual	59.81				

CY2023					
1st Quartile	57				
2nd Quartile	81				
3rd Quartile	179				
<b>CPS Target</b>	63.70				
CPS Actual	61.19				

# AVERAGE CUSTOMER OUTAGE DURATION (SAIDI) ENERGY DELIVERY SERVICES



## **Details & Notes**

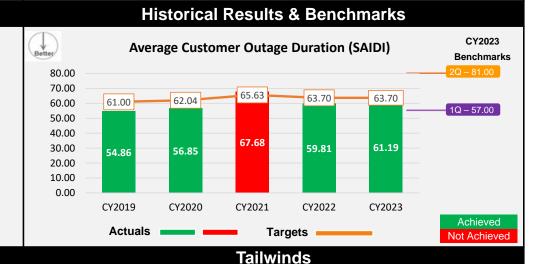
Measure Definition/Description: The System Average Interruption Duration Index (SAIDI), identified as Average Customer Outage Duration, represents the average outage duration per customer. Mathematically, it is derived by taking the total number of customer interrupted minutes divided by the total number of customers served, as defined by the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE 1366).

#### Measure Formula:

Sum of Customer-Minutes of Interruption / Total Number of Customers Served Rounded to the nearest hundredth decimal. Calendar year measure.

#### Notes: Key Details

- CY2025 Proposed Target: 64.15
- CY2024 Target: 57.68
- SAIDI calculation conforms to IEEE standards.
  - · Measure excludes outages that are less than 5 minutes (sustained outages only)
  - · Measure excludes major event days (when daily system SAIDI exceeds an annual threshold value)
  - · Measure represents planned and unplanned outages
- Benchmark: First Quartile Consulting CY2023



#### **Headwinds**

- Increased extreme weather conditions could bring the potential for events such as high heat, strong winds, and lightning storms
- 2. Supply Chain issues that could limit or delay restoration efforts
- Ability to access infrastructure and right-of-way Resource constraints:
  - Labor constraints
  - Material constraints
  - Inflation and budget constraints

- A. Key reliability-focused programs (Vegetation Management, Recloser Deployment, Strategic Undergrounding, Pole Replacement Program, Underground Residential Distribution (URD rehab))
- B. Increasing technology and data used to support vegetation management and infrastructure maintenance (LiDAR, drones, satellite services)
- C. Increased use of Outage Prediction tool to help with proactive storm restoration resource planning and collaboration with our Chief Meteorologist to support storm preparations
- D. Increased Vegetation Management funds will allow us to do more tree trimming, which contributes to reduced outages caused by trees
- E. DOE grant funding
- F. Partnering with Community Engagement to educate and inform customers of our reliability programs

## PLANT AVAILABILITY (CRITICAL MONTHS EAF) CDS **ENERGY SUPPLY**



## **Details & Notes**

Measure Definition/Description: Critical Months Equivalent Availability Factor (CMEAF) - The fraction of net maximum generation that could be provided after all the types of outages and de-ratings during the critical seasons (January through February & June through September) are taken into account. The calculation will include coal, large gas (steam), peaking, and combined cycle.

#### Measure Formula: ((AH\*NMC)-(ESDH+EFDH)\*NMC) / PH\*NMC

- AH: Available Hours
- NMC: Net Maximum Capacity
- ESDH: Equivalent Scheduled De-rated Hours
- EFDH: Equivalent Forced De-rated Hours
- PH: Period Hours

#### Notes:

- CY2025 Proposed Target: 90.5%
- CY2024 Target: 90.5%
- These calculations will roll up based on Net Maximum Capacity. Unit Capacities are not seasonally
- Units included are Spruce 1&2, von Rosenberg, Rio Nogales, Lee West 1-4, Lee East 5-8, Sommers 1&2, and Braunig 1-3
- Benchmark: N/A, target based on historical performance and forecast based on unit type

#### **Historical Results** Better **Plant Availability (Critical Months EAF)** 96% 94% 92% 90.5% 94.4% 90% 89.5% 88% 88.9% 86% CY2022 CY2023 CY2024 Actuals Targets Achieved **Note:** This is a newly created measure for which no historical targets are available Not Achieved

**Headwinds Tailwinds** 

- Aging gas steam units and equipment.
- Increased cycling of units due to:
  - Volatile market profiles
  - ERCOT's conservative operational reserve strategy
  - Environmental permit constraints
- Loss of experienced workforce
  - Employee retirements
  - Workforce transition due to unit retirements

- A. Capital improvements in flight, focused on enhancing reliability and resiliency at all plants
- B. Unit summer preparedness (seasonal prep) activities completed at all plants
- C. Reliability Improvement Plans and challenge sessions used to determine root causes of unit events such as trips and derates and implement appropriate solutions at all plants

# GAS SAFETY (LEAKS AT END OF YEAR)



## **ENERGY DELIVERY SERVICES**

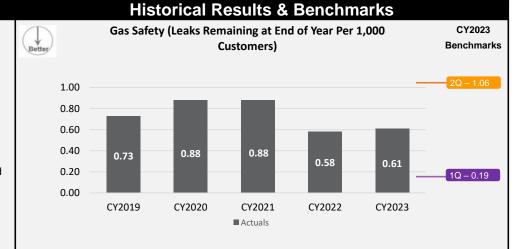
### **Details & Notes**

**Measure Definition/Description:** The Gas Safety measure represents the leaks remaining at the end of the calendar year (EOY) per 1,000 customers.

**Measure Formula:** Sum of Gas Leaks Remaining at EOY / (Total Number of Gas Customers Served / 1000)

#### Notes:

- CY2024 Target: 0.54
- Proposed CY2025 Target: 0.54
- This single year-end measure can be benchmarked directly against other gas distribution utilities using data reported to the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA)
- FY2026 implementation of new survey schedule developed to reduce variations in leaks discovered year-over-year.
- The year-over-year trend in gas leak rate performance may also provide insight on:
  - The strengthening or weakening of the gas distribution system infrastructure health
  - · Maintenance program effectiveness
  - · Leak elimination performance
- Benchmark: 2<sup>nd</sup> Quartile American Gas Association CY2023



**Note:** This is a newly created measure for which no historical targets are available.

### **Headwinds**

- As gas leak measuring technology sensitivity improves, more leaks will be found per 1,000 customers. Since the 2021 incorporation of two Advanced Leak Detection Smart Sniffer vehicles (Gaston SSV) into our Leak Survey Program, more leaks have been found due to the high sensitivity of the equipment utilized
- Many leaks result from construction activity dig-ins. As the city continues to rapidly grow, the number of leaks caused by dig-ins is likely to increase
- Our leak survey schedule includes inspection of each pipeline in the system every 5 years. As
  annual surveys move across the service area, some regions have greater concentrations of leakprone pipes resulting in EOY variations of remaining leaks year-over-year

## **Tailwinds**

- A. Key improvement programs identified in our gas Distribution Integrity Management Program (DIMP) should reduce the number of leaks due to reduced material issues with main and service piping
- B. Our budget is over \$21M annually for the replacement of system mains and services replacing on average 4.5 miles of main pipeline and 36 miles of service pipeline (~3,400 services) each year
- C. High-performing Damage Prevention program that is focused on continuous improvement

# GAS SAFETY LEAKS AT END OF YEAR



- Recommended by Daymark in Operational Efficiency Review
- Three Levels of Leaks:
  - Grade 1: Hazardous Fixed immediately
  - Grade 2: Non-Hazardous Fixed within 6 months
  - Grade 3: Non-Hazardous Fixed within 15 months
- Enhanced leak detection technology has increased the number of leaks we've proactively found
- Traditional leak survey cycle shifts year to year, focusing on different parts of town.
- Improving leak survey schedule to promote year-to-year consistency in leaks found.

We repair all hazardous and customer-reported leaks immediately!

Our goal over time, through enhanced operations is to accelerate the repair of non-hazardous leaks to improve safety, efficiency and sustainability.

# FISCAL RESILIENCY FINANCIAL SERVICES



#### **Details & Notes**

Measure Definition/Description: A balanced scorecard weighting, using three factors; Financial Flexibility, Liquidity Cushion, and (Actual/LE) Performance to Budget. Liquidity Cushion inputs are days cash on hand and days liquidity on hand, Financial Flexibility inputs are adjusted debt service coverage and debt capitalization ratio, and Financial performance inputs are Non-fuel revenues, O&M, and Capital spend.

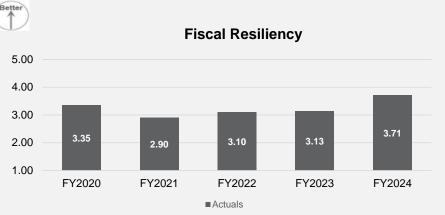
#### Measure Formula:

				<u>Level Bands</u>					
Category	Metrics	Weight	1	2	3	4			
Financial Flexibility	Adjusted Debt Service Coverage	33.0%	<=1.49x	1.50-1.59x	1.60-1.99x	=>2.00x			
	Debt Capitalization	27.0%	>=70.00%	69.99% - 65.00%	64.99% - 55.01%	<=55.00%			
Liquidity Cushion	Days Cash on Hand	15.0%	<= 99	100 to 149	150 to 199	=>200			
	Days Liquidity on Hand	15.0%	<= 149	150 to 199	200 to 274	=>275			
	Non-Fuel Revenue w/ OSS RNF	5.0%	=> - 8.00%	-7.99% to -5.01%	-5.00% to +4.99%	=> +5.00%			
Actual / LE to Budget Performance	O&M	2.5%	=> +/- 10.00%	+/- 9.99% to 5.01%	+/- 5.00% to 2.01%	<= +/- 2.00%			
	Capital	2.5%	=> +/- 15.00%	+/- 14.99% to 10.01%	+/- 10.00% to 2.01%	<= +/- 2.00%			



- FY2026 Proposed Target: ≥3.00
- FY2025 Target: Band Range ≥3.00
- Benchmark- N/A, bands based on external financial advisor guidance

# Historical Results



Note: This is a new index for which no historical targets were available

#### Headwinds

- 1. Increases in labor, and material costs, combined with inflation, may impact customer affordability
- 2. Supply chain issues may impact both O&M and Capital costs and timelines
- 3. Challenges to accommodate rapid customer growth
- 4. Risks of future weather events impacting systems and customers

## Tailwinds

- A. Investors continue to watch the utility sector and ERCOT specifically, yet recent financing transactions indicated our bonds are still viewed favorably in the market along with revised outlooks by Fitch and S&P from negative to stable
- B. Enhanced business controls, operational processes, and fiscal discipline mitigate risks and ensure business alignment
- C. Utilization of data analytics and digital tools to improve efficiency and asset optimization
- D. Recently announced and future interest rate reductions over the next year by the Federal Reserve Board
- E. Strong Texas economy and business growth
- F. Additional length to sell in the wholesale market related to CCL plants

# CUSTOMER PERCEPTION - RESIDENTAL ENGAGED CUSTOMER RELATIONSHIP (ECR) CUSTOMER STRATEGY



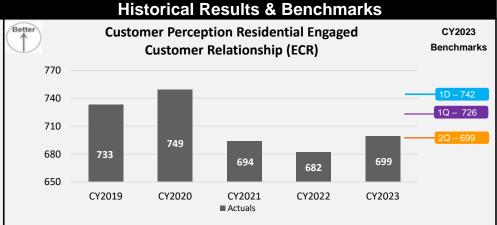
## Details & Notes

**Measure Definition/Description:** The Customer Perception measure uses Escalent's Residential Engaged Customer Relationship, or ECR, to measure our customers' value perceptions. The ECR is composed of three subcomponents: Brand Trust, Product Experience, and Service Satisfaction.

**Measure Formula:** The Residential Engaged Customer Relationship score (ECR) is continually updated and uses a 12-month rolling average value as a measure of performance. Our Residential ECR is compared with utilities providing electric and natural gas service to its customers throughout the southern US.

#### Notes:

- CY2025 Proposed Target: 699
- CY2024 Target: 699
- Multiple factors go into each subcomponent, and multiple attributes, in turn, go into each factor.
   This provides us with a single benchmarkable measure for its customers' value perceptions across multiple attributes
- Benchmark: Escalent CY2023



**Tailwinds** 

Note: This is a newly created measure for which no historical targets are available

### Headwinds

- 1. Rate increases impact customer perceptions of value
- 2. Legacy IT Systems impact service offerings
- 3. Competing priorities leveraging the same, limited resources impact forward progress
- A. Communication, products, and services tailored to unique customer needs
- B. Experienced, well-skilled workforce is dedicated to Customer satisfaction
- C. Increased recognition of the importance of Customer Experience and journey mapping

## LIVING MISSION & VALUES (GALLUP 12+ INDEX) CDS



ADMINISTRATION 🐼

## **Details & Notes**

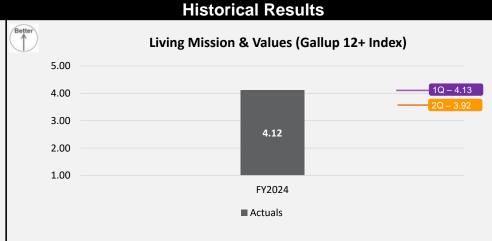
**Measure Definition/Description:** Measure of organizational performance in four key areas that make up the demands of a changing workforce and are a reflection of employees' perception of the corporate culture.

**Measure Formula:** Corporate Culture is measured by 4 questions, referred to as the Q12+ by Gallup International. All statements are measured on a Likert scale of 1 (strongly disagree) to 5 (strongly agree) and can be averaged together to get the organizational score known as the Corporate Culture Index.

Rounded to the nearest hundredth.

#### Notes

- FY2026 Proposed Target: 4.15
- FY2025 Target: 4.15
- Questions asked for the first time in Nov 2023 as part of the Employee Engagement Survey
- Results will serve as a baseline measure for future trending and target establishment
- Currently benchmark data only exists for the individual Q12+ question
- Gallup is working to establish benchmark data for the Q12+ Index (target date of late 2024)
- Benchmark: Gallup 2024



Note: This is a newly created measure for which no historical targets are available.

#### Headwinds

- Strengthening culture is an on-going process. By leveraging Gallup's Q12+ (Culture) Index, we will
  continue our multiyear effort towards growing and strengthening culture at CPS Energy, which will
  elevate the employee experience throughout all stages of the employee life cycle and help us
  attract and retain talent.
- Continue to leverage engagement to adapt to changing workforce needs and expectations that are driving cultural changes such as greater work/life balance, physical and mental well-being, financial health, and connection to an organization's mission and purpose.
- Employ effective action planning to strengthen both engagement and culture which will help
  ensure that employees and teams are aligned with our mission and values and that employees
  have the resources they need to be successful and contribute to organizational success.

## Tailwinds

A. Completion of the Corporate Culture audit

- C. Expansion of the Employee Experience and Engagement Team and additional resources (Engagement Champions)

B. Establishment of our Culture Index baseline with the Nov 2023 Employee Engagement survey

# SAFETY PERFORMANCE (RIR) ADMINISTRATION



## **Details & Notes**

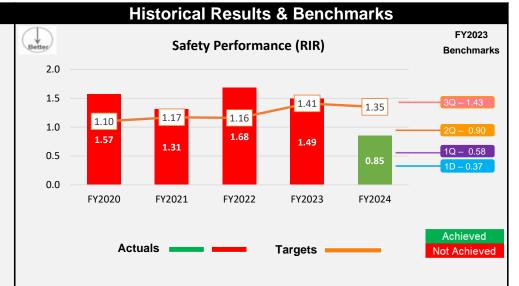
**Measure Definition/Description:** A measure of the number of recordable incidents per 100 full-time employees involved in a recordable injury or illness. Recordable is an injury that requires medical treatment other than first aid, as well as one that causes death, days away from work, restricted work, transfer to another job, or loss of consciousness. 200,000 is the standard number of hours used by OSHA, which represents 40 hours per week for 100 full-time employees. Number of Productive Hours is the cumulative number of employee hours worked. It does not include any nonwork time such as vacation, sick leave, or holidays. If actual hours worked are not available (i.e. salaried employees and executive) the hours are estimated based on 8 hours per workday.

Measure Formula: Number of Recordable Incidents \* 200,000
Productive Hours

Rounded to the nearest hundredth of a point. Fiscal year measure (Feb 1 - Jan 31)

#### Notes:

- FY2026 Proposed Target: 1.09
- FY2025 Target: 1.12
- The value is accessible to all CPS employees via the Safety Dashboard, which is periodically reconciled against the data in SAP to ensure accuracy
- Benchmark: First Quartile Consulting FY2023



### **Headwinds**

- 1. 1 Fatality
- 2. 43% of all recordable injuries are soft tissue injuries (12)
- 3. 31% of overall injuries were deemed recordable (28)
- 4. 90 overall injuries (28 Recordable; 44 First Aid Only; 18 Report Only)

A. Increased reporting of injuries allows us to measure the effectiveness of our safety program allowing us to become more proactive

**Tailwinds** 

- B. Continued focus on Behavior Based Safety (BBS) Observations; initial indications show a potential inverse relationship between quantity of observations and overall injuries
- 49% of the overall injuries are first aid only, signifying employees are receiving care prior to the injury worsening (44 of 90)

# STRATEGICALLY INVESTING IN THE COMMUNITY (LOCAL SPEND PERCENTAGE)



ADMINISTRATION (SE)

## **Details & Notes**

**Measure Definition/Description:** This measures the percentage of eligible enterprise purchase order spend with businesses located within the San Antonio Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA). Where eligible, purchase orders are purchase requisitions having any probability of being spent with businesses with a local presence

Measure Formula: Total Eligible PO Spend for Enterprise

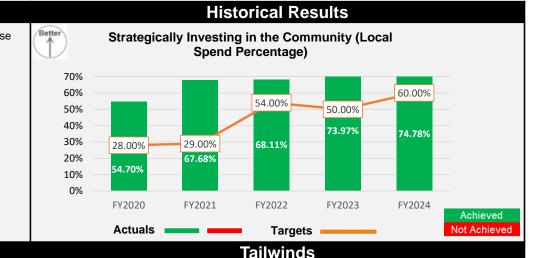
Rounded to the nearest hundredth decimal. Fiscal year measure

#### Notes:

FY2026 Proposed Target: 70.00%

• FY2025 Target: 70.00%

No benchmark data available



### **Headwinds**

- Local businesses are often small businesses with less competitive pricing than non-local businesses with a national or global footprint
- 2. Material scarcity; our purchases goods and services local firms are unable to provide
- Pattern of local business closures, mergers, and buy-outs leading to decreasing availability of local firms
- A. Efforts at enterprise-level to debundle and award contract opportunities to multiple suppliers
- B. Continued momentum to expand local supply chain
- Heavy engagement from political leaders at local, state, and federal levels seeking increased utilization of local and small vendors

## PERFORMANCE MEASURES OVERVIEW



## **TERMINOLOGY**

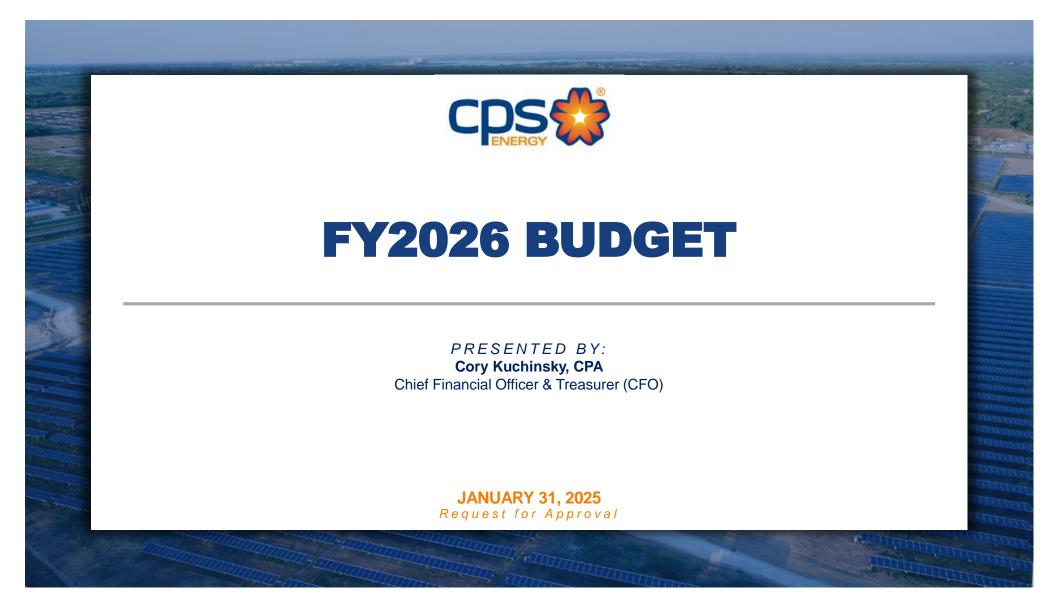
Performance Measure Level and Description	Reporting Frequency
Annual Performance Measures	
Enterprise Measures – Highest level measures aligned to Vision 2027 strategic objectives. These measures provide a balanced view of how CPS Energy is meeting its mission of service.  NOTE: Measure targets are updated annually in partnership with the Board, our leadership and third-party consultant.	Quarterly Presentations and Monthly Updates to Board of Trustees and Senior Leadership
Corporate Measures – Key measures which provide diagnostic and proactive information to Senior Leadership to manage and adapt operations to meet Enterprise Measures. They represent metrics needed to achieve the results critical to the performance of each business unit that supports success at the enterprise level.	Monthly Reports to Senior Leadership
<b>Business Unit</b> – Team specific measures which provide key performance indicators on current and forecasted performance. Provide leaders with diagnostic information and drivers of higher-level measures.	Quarterly Reports to Business Area Leadership

The terminology and description of the measures reflect a strategy in alignment with Vision 2027, ensuring enhanced service to our customers.

# HBAILEYGROUP, LLC OVERVIEW CONSULTANT PARTNERSHIP



- hbaileygroup, LLC established in 2019 and based in Austin TX, performs utility strategic, operational and regulatory consulting, as well as executive leadership coaching.
- Heather Bailey, president and founder, has been an auditor and former executive of the Lower Colorado River Authority (LCRA) where she oversaw administrative, financial, and operational functions. In addition, Ms. Bailey has utility board oversight experience for a Texas utility.
- From 2012 2018, Ms. Bailey served as the Executive Director of Energy Strategy and Electric Utility Development for the city of Boulder, Colorado, overseeing the city's Energy Future project.
- Ms. Bailey spent 20 years at one of the largest public power companies in the US, from where she retired
  after holding positions of Controller, Treasurer, Deputy CFO, CIO, Executive of Corporate Services, and
  COO of Transmission.
- The project team, led by Ms. Bailey, comprises experienced subcontractors Donald Harker, Dan Stathos, and Chris Grier. Each has over 30 years of experience in the utility industry, including public power. They are also former consultants with a major firm and have collaborated on similar projects.
- Relevant experience includes:
  - Developed performance metrics and KPIs for various utilities.
  - Developed Board of Directors dashboard report for transmission company.



## **AGENDA**



- Budget Governance
- Trends & Outlooks
- FY2026 Budget Plan

This budget continues to execute plans the Board previously approved, such as Vision 2027, the Generation Plan, and the Technology Plan. FY2026 places us into a period of high investment as we look to empower our community for generations.

# **GOVERNANCE**



BUDGET COMPONENT	TIMING	BOARD OF TRUSTEES	CITY COUNCIL
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RATE SUPPORT	As needed		$\bigcirc$

# FISCAL YEAR 2026 TRENDS & OUTLOOKS



## **Industry**

- Load growth will drive higher operating costs, capital spending & debt (Moody's)
- Spending to support new generation & to connect generation to the grid (Moody's)
- More severe weather requiring continued investment in the resiliency & maintenance of electric & gas supply (Fitch)
- Increase in balance sheet leverage (Moody's)
- Continued moderate inflation with sensitivities to macrolevel economic & world events (Fitch)
- Supply chain disruptions & escalating costs of extreme weather response (Fitch)
- Significant rate increases have taken place nationwide since 2021 (AGVP Advisory)

## **CPS Energy**

- Increased plant reliability & new generation investment
- Increased investment in new generation & transmission to support demand
- Higher volume of work due to extreme weather response, infrastructure maintenance, and physical, cyber & technology integration
- Period of high investment
- Inflationary cost pressures on services & commodities
- Supply chain disruptions
- Most affordable rates in Texas & top five nationwide

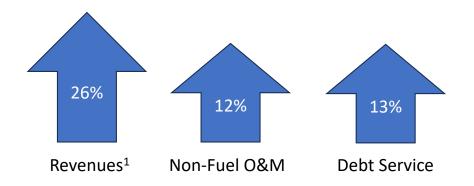
Peer public power with sizable investment programs: Seattle City Light (Aa2 stable), Los Angeles
Department of Water & Power (Aa2 stable), Salt River Project Agricultural Improvement & Power District
(Aa1 stable), Nebraska Public Power District (A1 stable) & Orlando Utilities Commission (Aa2 stable)

## **FY2026 BUDGET OVERVIEW**

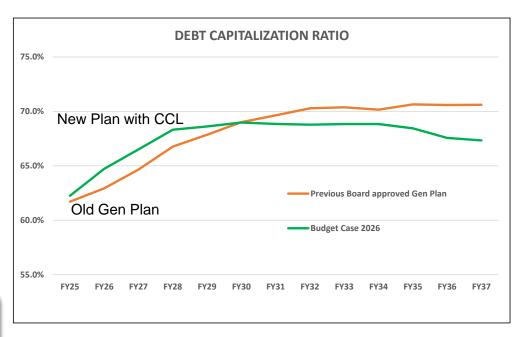
# **CDS**

## A STEP FORWARD

FY2026 - Previous Plan to Current Plan



Our ADSC, Cash, R&R additions & Net Income are UP compared to the previous plan.



## Improved financial health vs. prior Board-approved plan

- Long-term financial metrics improved from previous 25-year plan
- Provides rate plan flexibility

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Represents Total Revenue from the Flow of Funds

# FORECASTED CAPITAL FY2026 BUDGET OF \$1,501M



42% - \$638M

## Electric and Gas Infrastructure Reliability

- Electric and Gas distribution and transmission infrastructure projects
- Minimize the quantity and duration of customer outages

20% - \$296M

### **Customer Growth**

- · Upgrade and extend service to new customers
- New meters, subdivisions, and commercial services

25% - \$368M

## Power Sustainability and Reliability

· Generation fleet overhauls, planned upgrades, and new projects

9% - \$136M

## Technology & Security

Address physical security risks, computer system upgrades, and computer-based communication

4% - \$63M

## Customer and Community Engagement and Shared Services

• Invest in Critical Support Operations - Administration, Financial Services, Legal, Customer, Fleet, and Real Estate Master Plan projects

Our Capital budget addresses continued customer growth, while providing a reliable electric and gas system for our customers.

## **FORECASTED NON-FUEL O&M**



## **FY2026 BUDGET OF \$982M**

46% - \$450M

## Labor

Salaries and Wages, Benefits, Other Compensation

31% - \$305M

## Power Sustainability and Resiliency

Generation fleet overhauls and seasonal maintenance to maximize plant availability and minimize downtime

10% - \$100M

## Technology & Security

 Maintain and assess enterprise technology systems, execute cyber security initiatives, and design future state of technology platforms

8% - \$82M

## Electric and Gas Infrastructure Reliability

• Electric and Gas distribution and transmission infrastructure maintenance minimize the quantity and duration of customer outages

5% - \$45M

## Customer and Community Engagement and Shared Services

- Investment in programs that promote engagement with customers and stakeholders
- Invest in Critical Support Operations, including Administration, Financial Services, and Legal

Our O&M budget supports key strategic initiatives, including Customer Growth and Outreach, Technology Improvements, and Reliability.

## **FY2026 PLAN SUMMARY**



	FY2023 Actual	FY2024 Actual	<u>FY2025</u> <u>Plan</u>	<u>FY2026</u> <u>Plan</u>
Fiscal Resiliency Score >= 3.0			<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Adjusted Debt Service Coverage Ratio	1.66	2.21	1.60 - 1.99x	1.60-1.99x
Debt Capitalization Ratio	61.8%	60.8%	55% - 64%	55.01% - 64.99%
Days Cash On Hand	166	201	150 - 199	150 - 199
Days Liquidity on Hand	305	432	>=275	200 - 274
Capital	\$789M	\$1,005M	\$937M	\$1,501M
Non-Fuel O&M	\$689M	\$788M	\$890M	\$982M
R&R Fund Additions	\$385M	\$557M	\$320M	\$449M

## **REQUEST FOR APPROVAL**



Requesting Approval of our Capital & Non-Fuel O&M Budget for FY2026

The FY2026 proposed budget will fund investments that will benefit our community & meet our commitments, including:

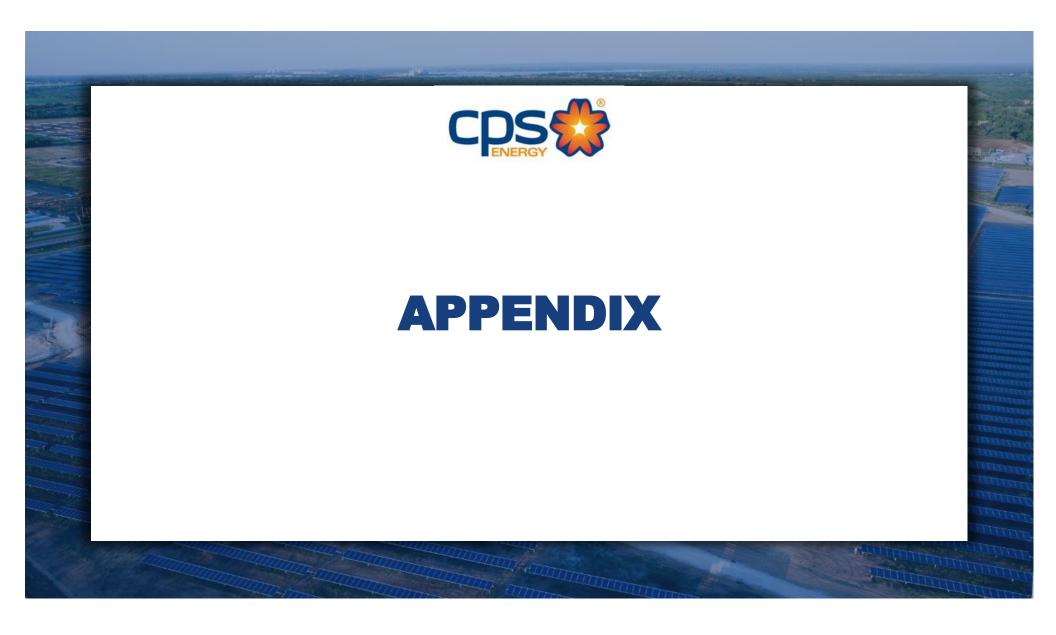
- Meeting customer growth of our community
- Investing in Infrastructure Modernization & Resiliency
- Enabling our digital transformation strategy
- Investing in new generation
- Funding & plan expense for employee benefit obligations
- Continuing to develop our workforce

	Budget	
(\$ in millions)	FY2026	
Capital	\$1,501	
Non-Fuel O&M	\$982	









## **GLOSSARY / DEFINITIONS**



	<del> /</del>		ENERGY
ACRONYM OR WORD	DEFINITION	ACRONYM OR WORD	DEFINITION
Adjusted Debt Service Coverage Ratio (ADSC)	Measurement of available cash flow to pay current debt obligations	GRIP	Grid Resilience and Innovation Partnerships
CCL	Corpus Christi and Laredo (natural gas plants)	O&M	Normal costs incurred to keep business operations ongoing (Operating & Maintenance)
Days Cash on Hand (DCOH)	Represents the number of days a company can continue to pay its operating expenses with current cash available	R&R	A restricted cash account which may be used to fund construction costs (Repair & Replacement account)
Days Liquidity on Hand (DLOH)	Represents the number of days a company can continue to pay its operating expenses with no revenues using current cash and available lines of credit	STP	South Texas Project
Debt Capitalization Ratio	Measurement that shows the proportion of debt a company uses to finance its assets, relative to the amount of cash (equity) used for the same purpose		
Debt Service	In the Flow of Funds, the annual amount of principal and interest payments due to bond holders		
ERCOT	Electric Reliability Council of Texas		
ERP	Enterprise Resource Planning		
EVOLVE	Program for implementing ERP system		
FY	Fiscal Year		

# **FORECASTED CAPITAL**

#### **FY2026 BUDGET**

- The proposed FY2026 Capital budget is \$1,501 million, an increase of \$564 million (+60.2%) as compared to the FY2025 Budget
- Major FY2026 expenses not included in FY2025 Budget:
  - 1. Electric & Gas Infrastructure Reliability
    - Increased transmission spend \$155M, five-year total of \$263M
    - Community Energy Resiliency/ GRIP projects, \$36M, five-year total of \$57M
    - · Execution of grid resiliency projects:
      - Reclosers, \$12.6M, five-year total of \$70.1M
      - Underground strategy, \$9.5M, five-year total of \$57.5M
      - o Cable rehabilitation, \$18M, five-year total of \$103M
      - Circuit upgrades, \$10.8M, five-year total of \$70.1M

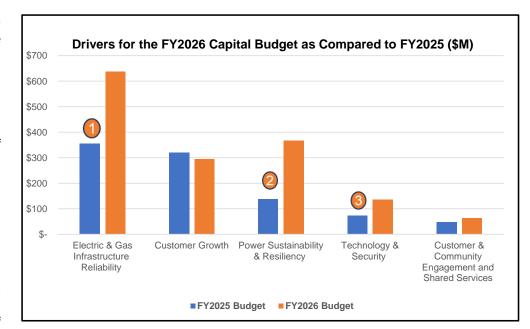
#### 2. Power Sustainability and Resiliency

- Planned overhauls and plant reliability projects for the CCL plants, \$40M
- Generation Plan New Build of Peaking Units, \$86.6M, five-year total of \$581.2M
- Generation Plan Spruce Gas Conversion, \$15.7M, five-year total of \$138.7M
- STP 2% Acquisition expense FY2026, \$81M

#### 3. Technology & Security

· Evolve (Including ERP) continued execution to plan





# **FORECASTED NON-FUEL O&M**

# **CDS**

#### **FY2026 BUDGET**

- The proposed FY2026 Non-Fuel O&M budget is \$982 million, an increase of \$92 million (+10.3%) as compared to the FY2025 Budget
- Major FY2026 expenses not included in FY2025 Budget:
  - 1. Power Sustainability and Resiliency
    - Planned overhauls and plant reliability projects for the CCL plants, \$40M

#### 2. Technology & Security

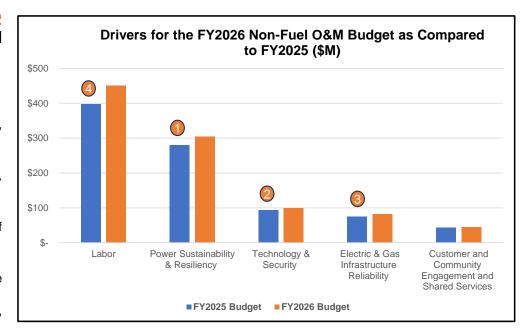
 Increased Software Maintenance, \$11M, and Cyber & Physical Security, \$4M

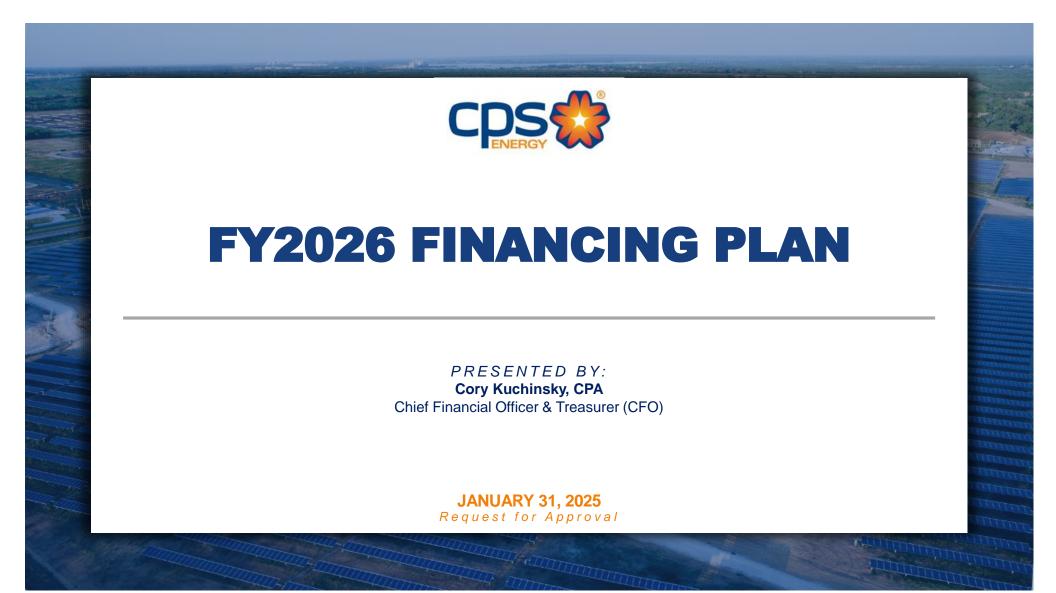
#### 3. Electric & Gas Infrastructure Reliability

 Sustain Vegetation Management activities to allow for ~1000 miles of vegetation per year

#### 4. Labor

- Incorporated planned cost of employees due to the acquisition of the CCL plants, \$16M
- Insurance actuarial results identified additional funding requirement, \$6M





# **AGENDA**



- Financing Plan Governance
- FY2026 Financing Plan

Our objective today is to receive approval for financial transactions that improve our fiscal resiliency and seek potential savings for our customers.

# **GOVERNANCE**



BUDGET COMPONENT	TIMING	BOARD OF TRUSTEES	CITY COUNCIL
CAPITAL	Annually	$\bigcirc$	
NON-FUEL O&M	Annually		
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FUEL PURCHASES	As needed per policy		
RATE SUPPORT	As needed		

We will request your approval of our FY2026 Financing Plan to execute the FY2026 Capital Budget.

# **FY2026 FINANCING PLAN**



## **APPROVAL SUMMARY**

Proposed Actions:		Par Amount	Planned New	Reason	Required Approval	
	Executable before February 12, 2026		Debt		Board	Council
A.	Standard Authorizations					
1	Refunding of outstanding interim financing and/or New Money	\$1.5B	Y	Supports the FY2026 Capital Plan	Y	Y
2	Refunding of Ref. NS 2015 and NS 2015	\$381.8M	N	To lower interest costs paid by customers	Υ	Υ
3	Remarketing or Refunding of Series 2018 & 2020 Bonds	\$262.6M	N	Secure rates or convert to long-term bonds	Y	Y 1
4	Renew or replace existing CP Liquidity agreements	\$250.0M	N	Series C expires 06/2025 & NS C expires 10/2025	Y	Y 2
В.	New Authorization					
5	NS CP Program capacity increase	\$250.0M	Υ	Supports the FY2026 Capital Plan	Υ	Υ
C.	Recurring Authorizations					
6	Refunding authority of maximum EMCP outstanding	\$150.0M	N	Maintain long-term takeout capacity for EMCP	Υ	Y
7	Tender of taxable and tax-exempt bonds3	\$1.3B	N	To lower interest costs paid by customers	Y	Υ
8	Refunding of BABs (NS 2009C & 2010A and Series 2010A)	\$955.0M	N	Eliminates subsidy uncertainty (i.e. sequestration)	Y	Y

<sup>1.</sup> City Council approval is required only for refunding of Series 2018 & 2020 Bonds

City Council approval required for replacement of existing agreement
 Target tender candidates: NS2016, NS2017, Ref NS2017, NS2018A, Taxable NS2020 & NS2022

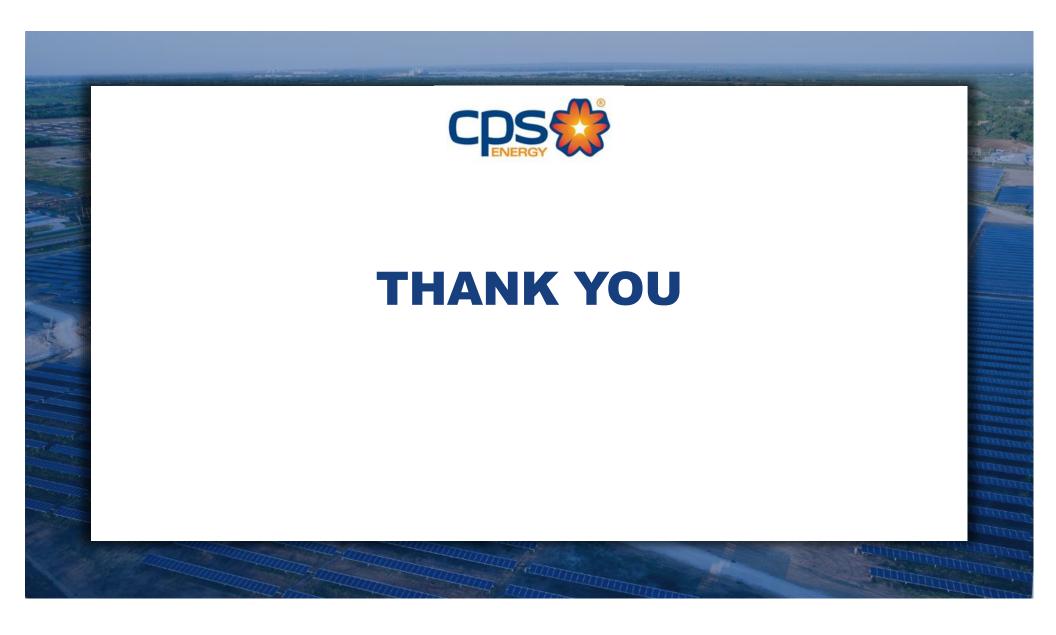
# REQUEST FOR APPROVAL VOTE - FY2026 FINANCING PLAN

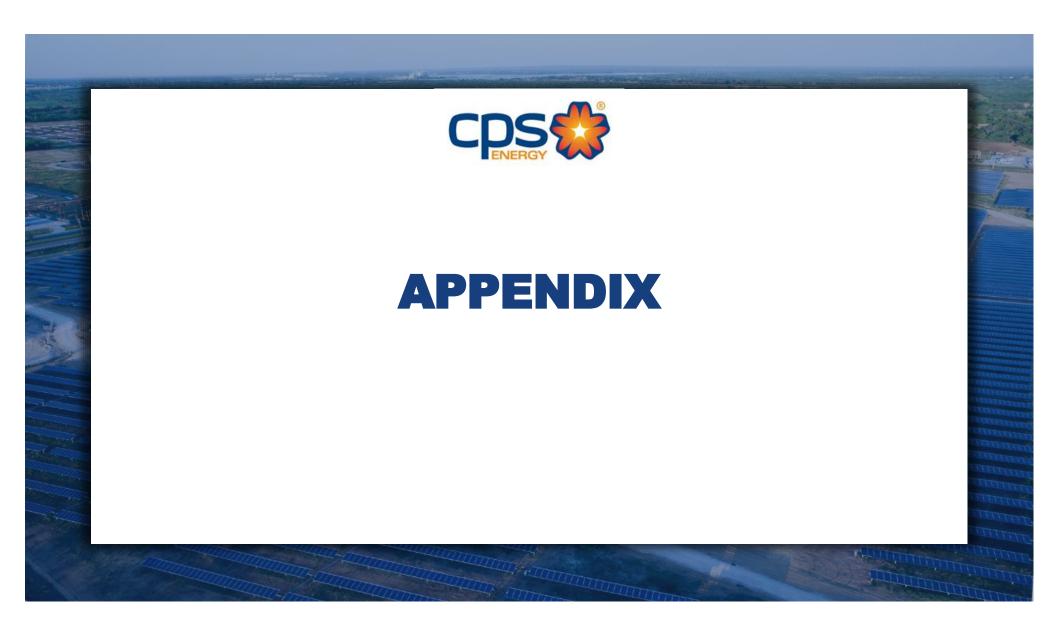


Authorization, without obligation, to execute the following transactions by delegating authority to the Chief Executive Officer or Chief Financial Officer over the next 12 months:

 Vote to approve the FY2026 Financing Plan consisting of Standard, New, and Recurring Authorizations

Your approval will enable us to continue to support investments in our community, improve our risk profile, and seek potential savings for our customers.





# **GLOSSARY / DEFINITIONS**



ACRONYM OR WORD	DEFINITION	ACRONYM OR WORD	DEFINITION
BABs	Build America Bonds	O&M	Operations & Maintenance
CP	Commercial Paper; could be issued as Taxable, abbreviated as TCP, or Tax-Exempt abbreviated as TECP	Paying Agent	Initiates payments between bond issuers and investors
EMCP	Extendible Municipal Commercial Paper	Tender	Bond issuer makes offer to buy their bonds from the bondholders
New Money Bonds	Using bond proceeds for new capital projects		
NPV	Net Present Value		
NS	New Series, designation for Senior Lien bonds		

# A. STANDARD AUTHORIZATIONS



#### **OVERVIEW**

- Refunding of outstanding interim financing and/or New Money \$1.5B Refund outstanding short-term debt into long-term bonds and/or issue new long-term bonds in support of the FY2026 Capital Budget
- 2. Refunding of Ref. NS 2015 and NS 2015 \$381.8M Refund callable bonds to lower interest rates and generate debt service savings (\$6.0M \$23.5M¹), subject to market conditions
- 3. Remarketing or Refunding of Series 2018 & 2020 Bonds \$262.6M Provide flexibility to secure short-term rates for an additional 1 to 7 years or refund into long-term fixed-rate bonds
- 4. Renew or replace existing CP Liquidity agreements \$250.0M Seek to extend or replace liquidity agreements with Wells Fargo and PNC, which expire in June and October 2025, respectively

These standard transactions will provide the flexibility needed to support our planned operations and provide potential debt service savings (related to the bond refunding transactions) of approximately \$6.0M - \$23.5M<sup>1</sup>.

1. Represents range of NPV under current market conditions, as of January 6, 2025, plus / minus 0.50% in interest cost; Interest costs based on the AAA BVAL index plus a CPS Energy specific credit spread; Lower bond savings calculation excludes any elements of the refunded bonds which would generate negative savings under that interest rate environment.

## **B. NEW AUTHORIZATION**



#### **OVERVIEW**

**5. NS CP Program capacity increase-** \$250.0M – Seek to increase CP capacity to support the FY2026 Capital Budget, improve our fiscal resiliency, and reduce costs to our customers with the strategic use of lower-cost interim financing

#### Seek to extend capacity to match increasing average annual spend

Fiscal Years	2012-2018	2019-2023	2024-2028	2026-2030	2026-2030 with CP Increase
Average CapEx*	\$585	\$686	\$1,085	\$1,349	\$1,349
CP Capacity	\$600	\$700	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,250
Ratio of CP to CapEx	103%	102%	92%	74%	93%

<sup>\*</sup> FY2012-FY2024 actuals, FY2025 LE9 and FY2026-FY2030 are estimated. Estimates are refreshed as part of the LE and annual budget processes.

The CP Program has allowed us to fund a portion of the FY2026 Capital Budget with a lower-cost strategic option to improve our fiscal resiliency.

# C. RECURRING AUTHORIZATIONS



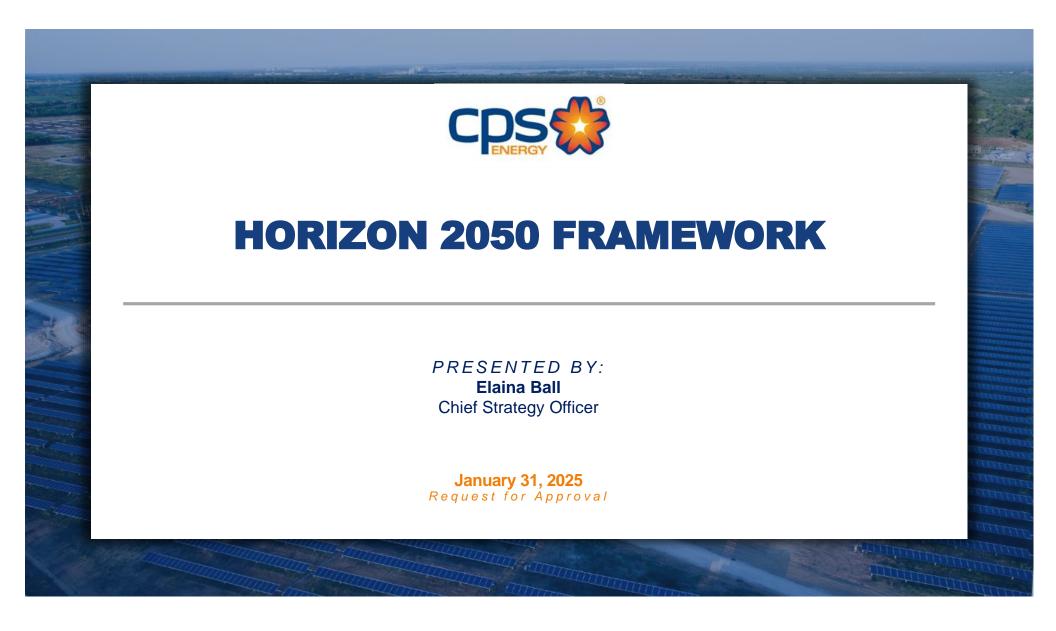
#### **OVERVIEW**

- **6. Refunding of maximum EMCP outstanding \$150.0M** Required annual refunding resolution that is adopted by the Board and City Council. EMCP financing tool was approved last year to issue CP directly to investors, which mitigates our risk of losing liquidity providers due to state-imposed regulatory changes related to SB13 and SB19
- 7. Tender of taxable and tax-exempt bonds \$1.3B Reauthorization to repurchase and retire outstanding bonds with new tax-exempt bonds to generate debt service savings (\$7.0M¹ \$55.0M²), subject to market conditions and bondholder participation
- 8. Refunding of Build America Bonds (NS 2009C & 2010A and Series 2010A) \$955.0M Reduce exposure to partial or full elimination of federal subsidy, subject to market conditions. The ordinance will reflect a maximum loss of \$9.8M

These recurring transactions provide the flexibility needed to support our planned operations and potential debt service savings.

<sup>1.</sup> Low estimate calculated with historically low savings and existing bondholder participation rates, which are 5% participation on taxable bonds with 3% NPV savings and 15% participation on tax-exempt bonds with 5% NPV.

<sup>2.</sup> High estimate calculated with historically high savings and existing bondholder participation rates, which are 10% participation on taxable bonds with 10% NPV savings and 40% participation on tax-exempt bonds with 15% NPV.



# **AGENDA**



- Updated Horizon 2050 Strategic Framework
- Five Year Refresh Cycle

Our goal today is to seek your input on our long-term strategic direction.



#### HORIZON 2050

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# **PATH TO HORIZON 2050**

#### Five-Year Strategic Checkpoints

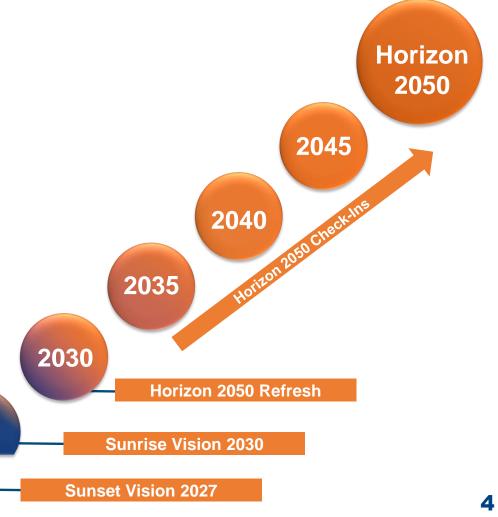
- Establish check-ins every 5 years
- · Review and update where needed

#### Ongoing Community Engagement

 Continue to seek input and feedback from all external stakeholders

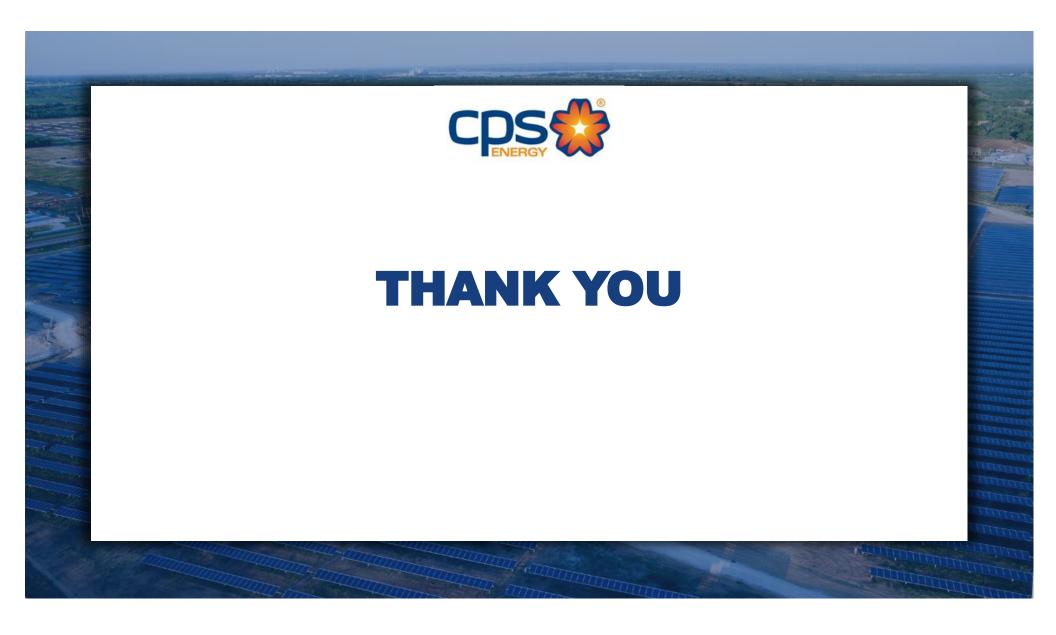
#### Collaboration for continued Success

 Continue to involve internal stakeholders to share milestones and updates



Feb 1, **2027** 

Jan. 31, **2027** 



#### **RESOLUTION ADOPTING HORIZON 2050 STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK**

**WHEREAS**, CPS Energy is a municipally-owned utility and proud community partner to the City of San Antonio and surrounding communities; and

**WHEREAS**, a unique benefit of public power is that it is reflective and responsive to the values of our community; and

**WHEREAS**, CPS Energy developed Vision 2027 as a 5-year strategic plan to guide our evolving utility through the rapid change occurring within the energy industry; and

**WHEREAS,** through Vision 2027, CPS Energy has paved a path to the future, while continuing to serve our community with reliable, competitively priced, and sustainable energy services; and

**WHEREAS,** this Board of Trustees recognizes that the energy industry will continue to experience unprecedented change over the next 25 years, and long-term strategic planning will allow us to navigate through these future disruptions and uncertainties within the energy industry; and

**WHEREAS**, such thoughtful strategic planning is necessary to balance competing goals and chart a future-proof course for our business operations into 2050; and

**WHEREAS,** this long-term strategic plan is a joint effort between CPS Energy and our local community which has provided feedback through open houses, town halls, media and social media outreach, a survey, and many other types of engagement; and

WHEREAS, this collaborative effort has resulted in a strategic framework known as Horizon 2050 which envisions CPS Energy as a utility empowering our community for generations; and

**WHEREAS**, this strategic framework will direct our performance metrics and allow us to set goals at shorter and longer-term intervals to achieve our strategic path to 2050; **NOW**, **THEREFORE**:

**BE IT RESOLVED,** that the CPS Energy Board of Trustees adopts the Horizon 2050 strategic framework, attached to this resolution, and directs CPS Energy Management to continue planning efforts in accordance with this Horizon 2050 framework.

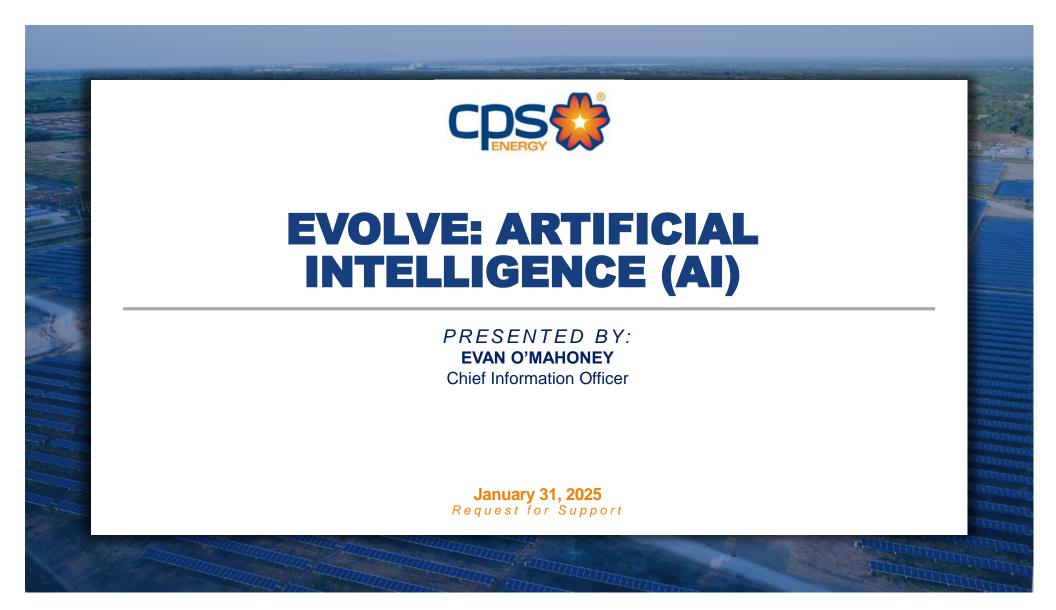
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** the CPS Energy Board of Trustees directs CPS Energy Management to provide this Board of Trustees with updates and seek the necessary approvals for our strategic plans.

Shanna M. Ramirez Secretary of the Board



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# **AGENDA**



- Al Landscape
- Roadmap & Progress Update
- Generative AI (GenAI) Policy
- Request for Support

Formulating our strategy and establishing governance will mitigate risks and support our ability to effectively seek out GenAl opportunities to deploy within our operations.

# AI LANDSCAPE

#### ALIGNED TO OUR DIGITAL STRATEGY

# **CDS**

## **Established Use Cases**

MACHINE LEARNING | ROBOTIC PROCESS AUTOMATION | EVIDENCED BASED REASONING

- Market Price Forecaster
- Vegetation Management
- Storm Outage Prediction
- Underground Cable Failure Detector
- Cyber Security Detection
- Accounts Payable Automation
- Overloaded Transformer Dashboard



## **GenAl**

THE ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE CONTINUUM

#### **Leveraging Internal & External Partners to Inform Strategy Development**









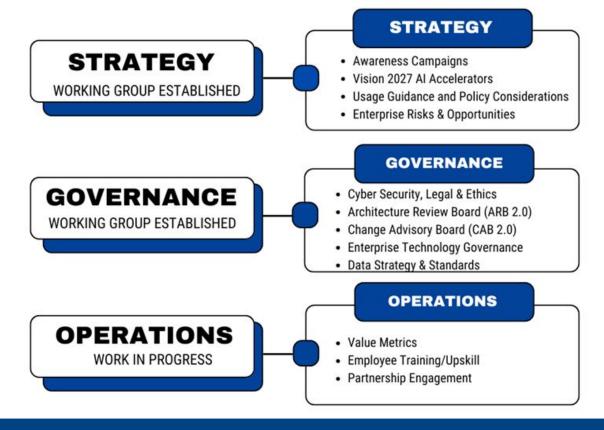


Artificial Intelligence is actively leveraged as a tool to enhance internal efficiencies and support data-informed decision-making across various operational teams.

# AI FRAMEWORK

#### ENSURING DIGITAL GOVERNANCE

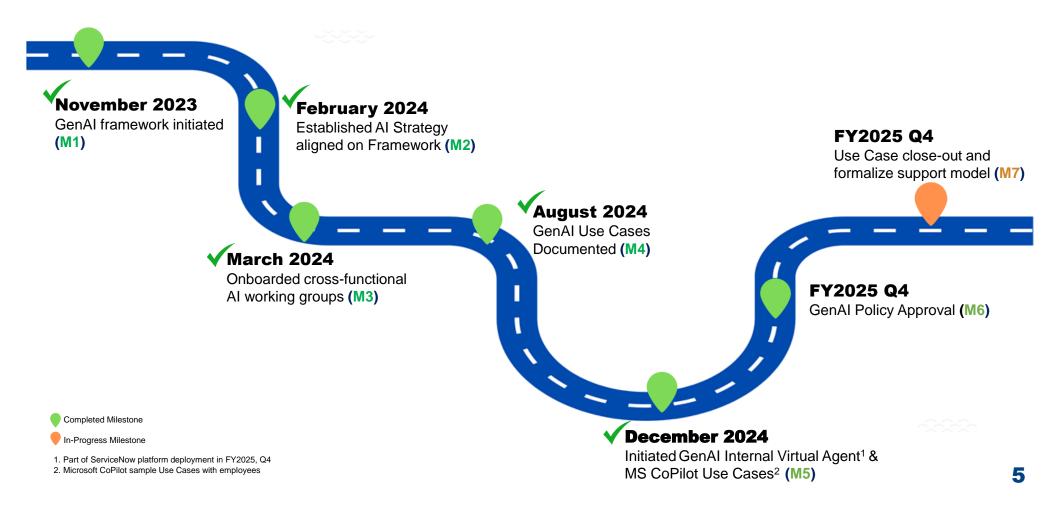




GenAl is disruptive and requires a disciplined approach to strategy and framework development through which use cases will be prioritized and successfully deployed.

# **GENAI ROADMAP & MILESTONES**





# ESTABLISHING GOVERNANCE IMPORTANCE OF A GENAI POLICY



- Provides a framework to ensure the ethical, responsible, and compliant development and use of artificial intelligence systems
- Ensures all stakeholders understand the expectations and guidelines regarding AI usage
- Supports data handling practices and security measures that can help mitigate associated risks
- Aligns with established processes for technology solution evaluation via the Architecture Review Board (ARB)
- Ongoing development of Usage Guidance to ensure adequate awareness and education for impacted employees



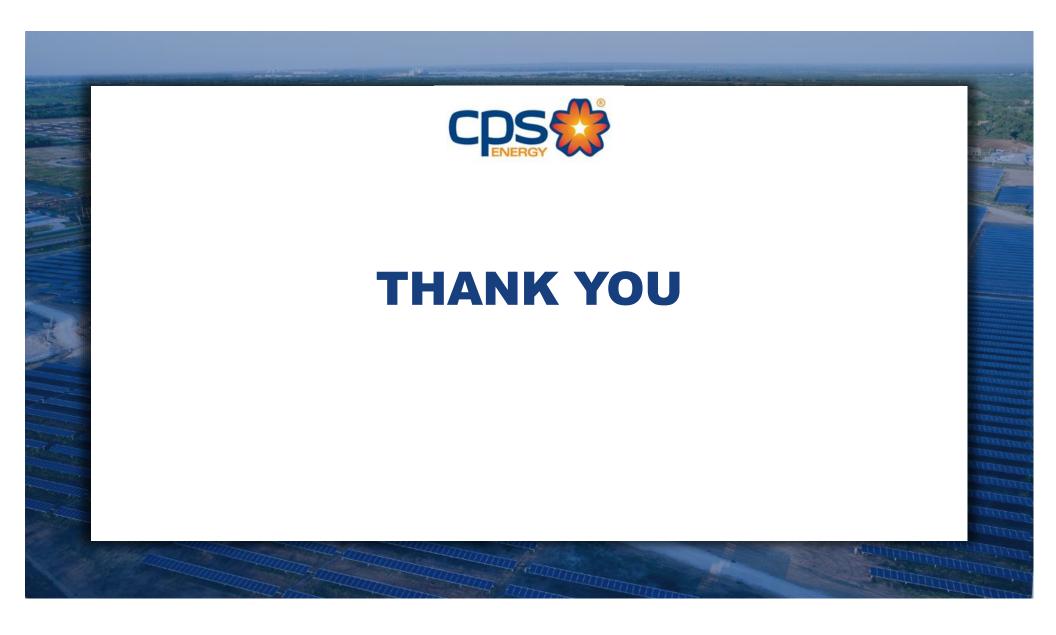
Our GenAl Policy serves as a blueprint for our Al journey, guiding our organization through decision-making processes and ensuring our use of GenAl is responsible, ethical, and aligned with our business goals and objectives.

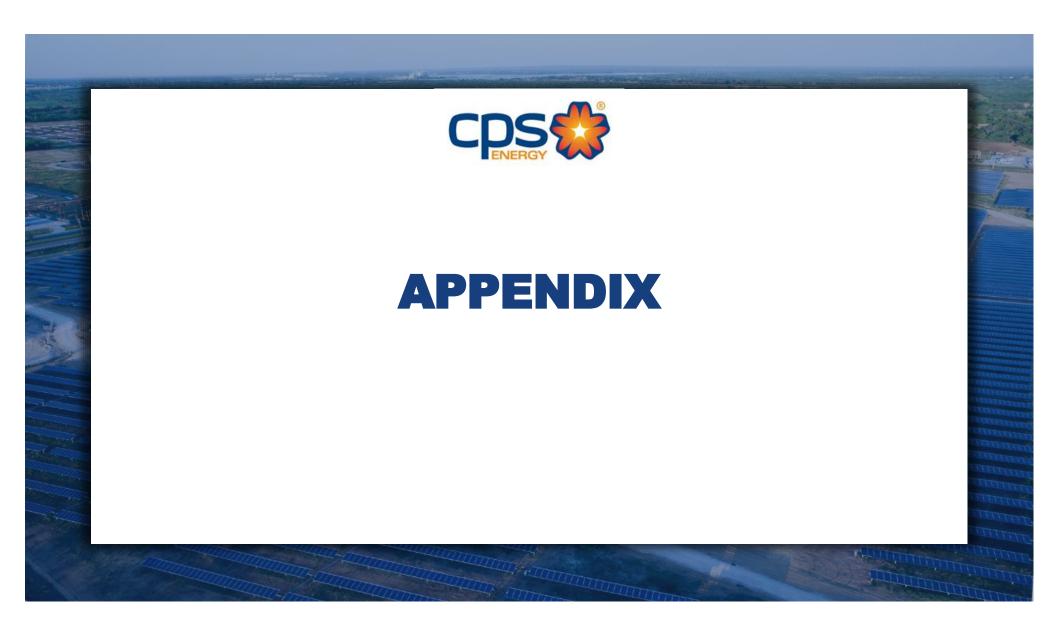
# REQUEST FOR SUPPORT GENERATIVE AI POLICY



Your support reinforces management's direction to ensure Generative Al's safe, ethical, and innovative deployment Is in alignment with our short and long-term goals.







# **GLOSSARY / DEFINITIONS**

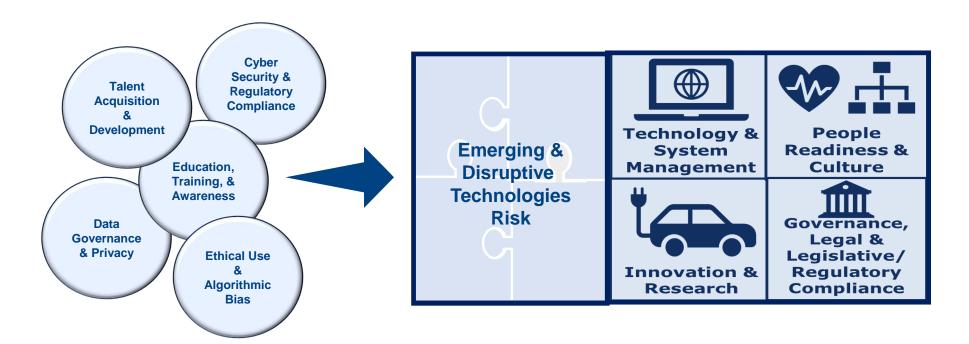


ACRONYM OR WORD	DEFINITION	ACRONYM OR WORD	DEFINITION
Al	Artificial Intelligence	Machine Learning	Used to make predictions or decisions leveraging data and algorithms
Al Accelerator	Initiative where AI will be a good fit to achieve CPS Energy vision	MS	Microsoft
ARB	Architecture Review Board		
САВ	Change Advisory Board		
Co-Pilot	Microsoft AI Productivity Tool		
Generative AI GenAI	Used to generate outputs that resembles human created content like text, images, music, computer code and designs		

# RISK CONSIDERATIONS

# **CDS**

### **ALIGNMENT WITH ENTERPRISE RISKS**



Leveraging advancements in technology, such as GenAI, can significantly help us deliver value to our customers and community, but risks must be managed effectively.



## Policy Statement:

Generative Artificial Intelligence (Gen AI) is a technology and tool that has the potential to transform society and provide opportunities for CPS Energy to enhance safety and resiliency by enabling predictive maintenance, improve operational efficiency, optimize its service delivery, and ultimately provide an enhanced customer experience. Opportunities are created by using Gen AI, however, it also comes with certain potential risks. This Gen AI Policy (Policy) exists to manage the opportunities and risks of Gen AI within the context of CPS Energy's principles, including safety, security, and service availability.

#### **Purpose:**

The purpose of this Policy is to ensure responsible employee and contractor use of Gen Al in line with emerging standards, best practices, and legal requirements. Particular focus will be on Gen Al technologies that make consequential decisions impacting safety, security and service availability.

#### Oversight:

Enterprise Information Technology (EIT) monitors compliance. As knowledge and use of Gen AI evolves, CPS Energy will review and update this Policy, as needed, to reflect technological advancements, best practices, and legal developments.

Technical or process questions regarding day-to-day application of this Policy should be referred to EIT by emailing <u>EA-Review@cpsenergy.com</u>

#### Scope:

This Policy applies to all CPS Energy employees and anyone else authorized to use AI systems ("authorized users") with access to sensitive information as defined in the CPS Energy Confidentiality Agreement. It covers all Gen AI use related to CPS Energy work, on Company or personal devices, and where Confidential Information is involved.

This Policy is intended to complement other existing CPS Energy policies. Employees are encouraged to review the following related policies and documents:

- The Ethics Policy, the Information Systems Use Policy, and the annually executed Confidentiality Agreement for information regarding the handling and protection of Confidential Information.
- The Information Security Policy relating to ways of identifying and preventing the compromise and misuse of CPS Energy information.
- The Personal Identity Information Policy and the Customer Information Privacy Policy relating to the prevention and mitigation of employee and customer and identify theft; and
- The Enterprise Cyber Security Policy (Non-NERC) relating to the protection of all forms of CPS Energy's cyber assets.
- The Identity and Access Management and Records Management Policies.



**Definitions:** All capitalized terms in this Policy are defined in the Appendix.

Confidential Information:

Data shared with a Gen Al tool (including data or materials uploaded as context while prompting) may be used by the Gen Al Tool provider to train models or in other ways that are not appropriate for sensitive Confidential Information. This could, in some cases, result in such Confidential Information being publicly released or made available to third parties. Sharing, uploading or otherwise exposing Confidential Information with or to Gen Al tools could result in CPS Energy violating energy sector and national security laws and regulations (including U.S. export control laws and federal electricity generation, transmission and reliability regulations), data privacy laws, and contract obligations. These violations could result in civil and criminal penalties for CPS Energy and authorized users, in addition to disputes with third parties and reputational risks.

For these reasons, authorized users SHALL NOT input, upload or otherwise share or use Confidential Information in operating, prompting training or developing Gen Al Tools without prior written approval from EIT.

For purposes of this Policy, Confidential Information is information (regardless of format) related to CPS Energy's strategic, financial, business or operations processes and procedures that have not been publicly disclosed. Confidential Information includes, but is not limited to employees' personal information, confidential information about business affiliates, confidential customer information, any competitive sensitive materials, regulatory data and information. Employees must comply with the CPS Energy Confidentiality Agreement on Connect. Other examples of Confidential Information include, but is not limited to the following:

- Personally Identifiable Information.
- CPS Energy confidential information and software code. This includes meeting minutes or other summaries of information shared orally.
- Third party confidential information, including vendor and customer data.
- Information and know-how subject to U.S. and other applicable export control laws, including the U.S. Department of Energy's nuclear technology regulations at 10 CFR Part 810 or the U.S. Department of Commerce Export Administration Regulations (whether belonging CPS Energy or third parties);
- Data about the generation and transmission of electricity like plant capacity, generation output, operational details, location and fuel sources that could be considered sensitive due to market



- competitiveness, implications for grid stability or security, including data subject to Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and North American Electric Reliability Corporation guidelines.
- Data about CPS Energy's natural gas transmission and distribution system that could be considered sensitive due to market competitiveness, implications for system stability or security, including data and information subject to Transportation Security Administration, Texas Railroad Commission or Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration guidelines.
- Non-public CPS Energy instructions, manuals or other information relating to Company operations and or the operations of any facilities owned by CPS Energy, physical security or cybersecurity. Examples include sensitive operating processes, operational technology configurations, or other technical instructions that should not exist in the public domain.

If there are questions about whether data to be used in Gen Al Tools constitutes Confidential Information, employees and contractors "authorized users" must reach out to EIT or Legal Services.

## Bias, Fairness and Accuracy:

Before their use, Gen Al Tools must be approved by Architecture Review Board (ARB) to avoid discrimination. Users, as data experts, are responsible for checking outputs for biases and inaccuracies. Audits are conducted to correct any identified biases.

Gen Al outputs may contain fictitious information ("hallucinations") and biases that conflict with CPS Energy's values. Furthermore, many Gen Al models are often trained on large, publicly available datasets which may not always be accurate or up to date. It is critical that all content obtained through interactions with Gen Al Tools are carefully reviewed by individuals with the ability to properly confirm that the output is accurate, does not infringe third party rights, and is otherwise appropriate. Unreviewed output can cause errors, favoritism, damage the Company's reputation, or violate third-party rights. Users are encouraged to use sound judgement when creating content with Gen Al. At a minimum, users should validate that appropriate controls are in place to verify accuracy and ensure content does not violate other existing CPS Energy policies.

# Intellectual Property Rights:

Users must respect intellectual property rights when using generative Gen Al Tools. Any content generated by Gen Al Tools may infringe on third-party intellectual property rights. Furthermore, output produced by Gen Al is not inherently copyrightable and may lack the originality required for legal protection. Employees must not rely solely on Gen Algenerated content for proprietary or commercial purposes without conducting proper due diligence, including reviewing and verifying the originality and ownership of the material.



# Transparency and Explainability:

Transparency and explainability in AI operations are encouraged. All content generated using Gen AI must be clearly identified to employees and, where appropriate, on any outward-facing content. The following is a non-exhaustive checklist to reference when utilizing Gen AI Tools

- <u>Check Input Data</u>. Ensure prompts do not include Confidential Information.
- <u>Review Output Carefully</u>. Verify the accuracy, coherence, and relevance of Al-generated content.
- <u>Label Al-Generated Content</u>. When sharing Gen Al content with others, clearly state that Al was used. For example, "This content includes contributions generated by Al."
- <u>Ensure Originality</u>. Check output for potential intellectual property infringement and confirm originality using appropriate resources.
- <u>Avoid Over-Reliance</u>. Do not use Al generated content as the sole source for critical decisions or sensitive communications.
- <u>Seek Approval When Needed</u>. Obtain supervisor or Legal Services approval for external or high-stakes use of Al generated content.

# Security and Data Integrity:

Users are responsible for using Gen AI systems in a secure manner and be mindful of the potential impact that AI and Gen AI have to critical systems that make consequential decisions about safety and resiliency. To maintain security and data integrity, user shall not:

- Create Gen Al accounts that manage, interact with, or share data with CPS Energy enterprise systems without explicit approval of the ARB.
- Implement any form of persistent data connection or Application Programming Interface (API) to generative business functionality or AI systems without Change Control Board approval.
- Implement software custom code or business functionality generated by Gen AI on Company systems, without prior approval through the Architecture Review Board and/or Change Control Board.

Adequate security measures, including encryption and access controls, must be implemented to protect against unauthorized access, data breaches, and tampering. The use of Al Tools must comply with CPS Energy's applicable policies, as stated in the section entitled "Scope" above.

**Authorized Uses:** The following use cases are preapproved for general use:

- Translating text from a secondary, publicly available source.
- Conducting high-level background research into a non-sensitive topic.



- Creating initial drafts for non-sensitive reports, presentations, or internal communications, which must be reviewed and refined by human users.
- Summarizing information available in public meetings, such as conferences or webinars open to members of the public.

All other uses of Gen Al require preauthorized approval from the ARB.

#### **Prohibited Uses:**

The following uses of Gen AI within CPS Energy are strictly prohibited:

- Using personal accounts with Gen Al Tools for Company-related purposes.
- Creating accounts on Gen Al Tools that are not approved.
- Sharing any Confidential Information on any Gen Al Tool UNLESS that tool was approved by CPS Energy for that specific type of data. This includes meeting minutes or any other Confidential Information shared orally.
- Engaging in impersonation or creating fake accounts.
- Creating or sharing malicious, harmful, defamatory, misleading content, biases, or discriminatory language. Creating content that promotes hate speech, discrimination, harassment, or any form of offensive or illegal behavior or behavior that violates any CPS Energy Policy.
- Misusing Gen Al-generated content for deceptive practices, fraudulent activities, or unlawful purposes.

#### Requirements for utilizing Generative AI:

The following requirements must be followed when using Gen Al:

- Complete CPS Energy's mandatory training program. This training will cover responsible Al use, data privacy, and security, as well as the guidelines outlined in this Policy.
- Exercise judgment and ensure the use of Gen Al aligns with CPS Energy's the goals and values.
- Use Gen Al in a manner that promotes inclusion and respect for all individuals, regardless of their race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, age, abilities, or other protected classes.
- Review and revise any content created by Gen Al to ensure it aligns with this Policy.
- Verify the accuracy of content generated by Gen AI, especially when it is used in public communications or decision-making processes.
- Independently research claims made by the Gen Al to ensure the information provided is accurate and reliable.



- Identify and address, any biases in the positions or information generated by AI to avoid potential harm to vulnerable populations.
- Disclose the use of Gen AI in any content created, including the version and type of model used.
- Document the process and prompts used to generate content to promote transparency and take into consideration Gen Al's limitations and potential biases.
- Embrace a culture of responsible experimentation with Gen Al while maintaining control and understanding of its use.
- Be accountable for the risks associated with using Gen AI, such as accuracy, biases, or unintended consequences. Be aware of these risks and actively manage them, while following policies and procedures.
- Include a reference as a footer to indicate the use of Gen AI, for example: "This content was generated using Generative AI Model X."

#### **Corrective Action:**

Failure to comply with these requirements by authorized users may lead to revocation of access to CPS Energy's AI and information systems. Additionally, employees who fail to comply with any provision of this Policy may be subject to corrective action or termination of employment.

Suspected, actual, or potential violations of this Policy must be immediately reported to any of the following:

- An immediate supervisor or manager
- Employee Relations at 210-353-3996
- Ethics Hotline at 1-888-255-8144

Any exception to this Policy will require the review and approval by the Chief Information Officer.

Reviewed and	
recommended	by:

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#### **Appendix**

#### **Definitions**

Term	Definition
ARB	Architecture Review Board
Artificial Intelligence (AI)	Artificial Intelligence (AI) refers to the simulation of human intelligence in machines or computer systems that can perform tasks typically requiring human intelligence. These tasks include problem-solving, learning from experience, understanding natural language, recognizing patterns, and making decisions. AI systems use mathematical models and data to process information, adapt to changing circumstances, and improve their performance over time. AI is a multidisciplinary field that encompasses various subfields, such as machine learning, natural language processing, computer vision, robotics, and expert systems, all aimed at creating machines capable of mimicking human cognitive functions. AI applications range from virtual assistants and self-driving cars to medical diagnosis and financial forecasting.
Confidential Information	See p. 2 of this Policy
Gen Al Tool(s)	Software, services or platforms, the include Gen Al, LLMs and ML. This includes Gen Al Tools, as defined below.
Generative AI (Gen AI)	Generative AI (Gen AI) is a subfield of AI that focuses on creating AI models and algorithms capable of generating new, original content, such as text, images, audio, video, and other forms of media using machine learning algorithms. Unlike traditional AI systems that are designed for classification, prediction, or pattern recognition, Gen AI is centered around creative tasks where the AI system generates content that wasn't explicitly programmed.



Gen Al Tools	Gen Al software, platforms or services such as Open Al's ChatGPT, Anthropic's Claude, and Google's Bard, that utilize artificial intelligence models (LLMs) that excel in natural language processing tasks, such as generating human-like text, answering questions, and engaging in text-based conversations. Similar platforms or services that create images, video or audio using Gen Al are also considered Gen Al Tools.
Large Language Model (LLM)	A Large Language Model (LLM) is a specialized type of Al technology that has been trained on vast amounts of text to understand existing content and generate original content.
Machine Learning (ML)	Machine Learning (ML) is a subfield of Al that focuses on developing algorithms and models that enable computers to learn from and make predictions or decisions based on data, without being explicitly programmed. In other words, machine learning systems are designed to improve their performance on a specific task by learning from data and experience.
Personally Identifiable Information	Personally Identifiable Information is any information about an individual that can be (1) used to distinguish or trace an individual's identity, such as name, social security number, date and place of birth, mother's maiden name, or biometric records; or (2) linked or linkable to an individual, such as medical, educational, financial, and employment information.

#### RESOLUTION SUPPORTING GENERATIVE ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE POLICY

**WHEREAS**, as an evolving utility, CPS Energy seeks to empower our community for generations by driving innovation in our processes while ensuring safety, security, accuracy, and transparency in such processes; and

**WHEREAS,** CPS Energy recognizes that generative artificial intelligence has the potential to transform society and provide opportunities for CPS Energy to enhance safety and resiliency by enabling predictive maintenance, improve operational efficiency, optimize its service delivery, and ultimately provide an enhanced customer experience; and

**WHEREAS,** CPS Energy also recognizes that the adoption of advances in technology, including generative artificial intelligence, must mitigate risks, adhere to legal requirements, and align with best practices to ensure ethical and responsible use; and

**WHEREAS,** to address these opportunities, CPS Energy Management has developed a Generative Artificial Intelligence Policy to guide CPS Energy's use of this emergent technology; **NOW, THEREFORE:** 

**BE IT RESOLVED,** the CPS Energy Board of Trustees supports CPS Energy's Management in the adoption of the new Generative Artificial Intelligence Policy.

Shanna M. Ramirez Secretary of the Board