

City of San Rafael Email Update from MCE

September 15, 2016

I would like to provide an update on the latest MCE news and opportunities available for your community and San Rafael staff to promote sustainability.

Here are a few exciting highlights:

- **[New Lower Rates](#)**: MCE's rates have been reduced an average of 9%, effective in September
- **Major Win for Climate**: MCE has calculated estimated greenhouse gas savings of over 122,000 metric tons from 2010 - 2014 or equivalent to taking close to 26,000 cars off the road
- **New MCE Communities**: This September, MCE service began in the North Bay communities of American Canyon, Napa, Yountville, St. Helena, and Calistoga as well as the East Bay communities of Lafayette and Walnut Creek. This brings MCE's service to a total of 24 communities;
 - Overall enrollment in these communities is about 91.% with 719 accounts choosing our Deep Green 100% renewable energy option
- **[Solar Customers Win Big](#)**: MCE paid out more than \$1 million dollars to our solar customers in 2016;
- **[Local Sol Feed-in-Tariff Project](#)** update: 1.5 MW Solar Carport in Novato will power 300 homes in MCE service area soon. [Check out the video!](#)
- **[Billing Made Easy](#)**: Check out our latest video to help answer any billing questions;
- **[Business Savings](#)**: Remember, small commercial properties in MCE's service territory, including city buildings, are eligible to receive a range of cost-saving measures and a free energy assessment. Contact us to learn more.

This might be good time to resume our conversation about opting up municipal accounts to MCE's 100% renewable Deep Green option. By taking this step, San Rafael would eliminate the electricity-related greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions associated with your municipal operations. You would join Belvedere, Sausalito, Fairfax and San Anselmo as one of [MCE's proudest Deep Green Champions](#).

MCE is committed to helping our member communities making last positive changes. We are always available for meetings and presentations. Is there a convenient date and time we could talk by phone? I would also like to offer to present the upcoming City Council meeting to provide the City with a formal presentation. Please let me know if there is available space at any of the up-coming meetings. I hope you continue to think of us on our path towards a better future.

Thank you again for your time and consideration. Please feel free to send me any questions you have about our service, our rates, our programs, and how we can help your community reach your climate goals.

Please feel free to forward this email along to the Mayor and City Council members as well.

Best,

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