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Austin Energy's Resource, Generation and Climate Protection Plan to 2020 Update

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# Public Participation Update to EUC & RMC

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### Introduction

Set Scope & Objectives Develop Inputs & Assumptions

Modeling & Scenario Analysis Risk & Financial Analysis

Select Preferred Strategy



- ✓ Tuesday 2/25 10 a.m. to noon
- ✓ Tuesday 2/25 6 to 8 p.m.
- ✓ Thursday 2/27 1 to 3 p.m.
- 102 total stakeholders attended meetings
- Requested feedback from stakeholders
  - ✓ Presentation + Q & A (Video taped)
  - ✓ Interactive booths : deep dive with subject matter experts
  - ✓ Note cards & online Q&A
  - ✓ Resource allocation excercise
  - ✓ Online survey
- Today's EUC Meeting summarize feedback





### **Resource Allocation Exercise Feedback**

% of	Target	Avg. Desired		
Responses	Goal Year	Renewables		
38%	2020	66%		
41%	2025	69%		
11%	2030	66%		
5%	2040	83%		
5%	2050	18%		
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100%

Notes:

**Based on 37 responses** 

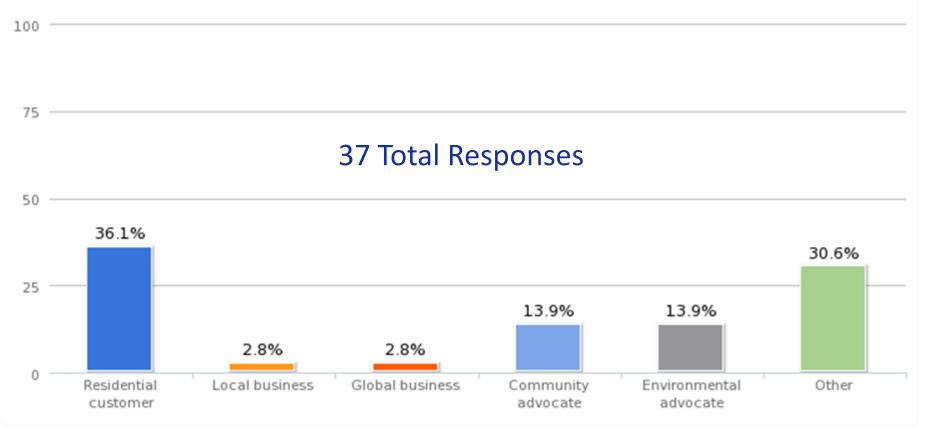
Target years grouped for summary purposes



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**Other = COA Commissions/UT/Commercial Property/Community Member etc.** 



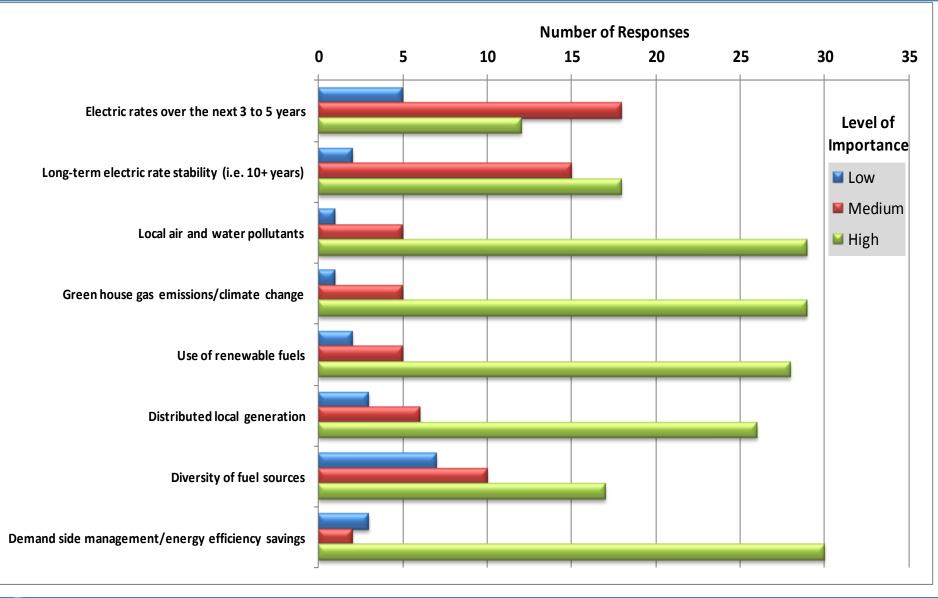


### Survey Highlights

- Renewables, Demand Side Management, greenhouse gas emissions and reducing pollutant received most favorable scores
- Short-term and long-term rate importance received only a few high scores
- Open ended question response:
  - Support 50% renewables for 2020 and 60% by 2024 (half local and 1/4 customer controlled by 2020) and a 10% solar goal by 2024
  - AE's generation and customer consumption are not tied together
    - AE can be 100% green but ERCOT carbon emissions would continue to increase
  - Simplify complex policy options now and moving forward
    - AE should have strategic environmental goals over time but allow the utility to have discretion for execution to meet goals
    - Set targets and back load rollout or adoption if required
    - Change AE business model so selling less power doesn't jeopardize financial stability
  - Don't force price increase on low-income customers
- Customer willing to pay on average per month
  - To be an early adopter: \$8 median (Ranges from \$0 to \$300)
  - CO<sub>2</sub> Emission reductions: \$9 median (Ranges from \$0 to \$200)
  - Local Solar vs West Texas Solar: \$2 median (Ranges from \$0 to \$200)



#### **Power Generation Issues**





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- Environmental & Climate Change
  - Carbon pricing
  - Impact of fracking & methane regulation
  - Coal ash regulations
  - □ Community impacts on running FPP
  - Emergency response mode for climate change
- Scenarios
  - Expand goals with more wind & solar
  - Increase Demand Side Management
  - Compressed Air Energy Storage & other storage technologies
  - Smaller gas plant or built in multiple phases
  - Distributed generation

- Education & Clarification
  - Better understanding of the ERCOT market
  - Modeling of Demand Side Management in load forecast
  - Emissions and dispatch of Decker Creek Power Station
  - Impacts of rates if Austin did not own any resources
  - Budget for solar and Demand Side Management





### Summary of Scenarios and Key Uncertainties

		Potential Scenarios								
				Increase Goals			Replace FPP & Decker			
		Least Cost Plan Meeting Council Goals	No Additional Generation	1000 MW of DSM with 40% Renewables by 2020	1200 MW of DSM with 50% Renewables by 2025	100% Emission Free by 2025	With Renewables + Natural Gas Simple Cycle Peakers	Renewables +	With Renewables + Compressed Air Energy Storage	
Key Uncertainties (Relative to Current Forecasts)	High Gas									
	Low Gas									
	High Load									
	Low Load									
	High Carbon									
	Low Carbon									
	Capacity Market									
	PTC/ITC Extn									

• Scenarios cover a wide range of values for key uncertainties

• Selected scenarios cover most feedback from the stakeholders





## **Proposed Timeline to City Council**

