

ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the existing process for reviewing and adopting new technologies related to solar and battery system installations in commercial and residential properties.

Recommendation for Council action:

REQUEST the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) to:

1. Approve within 30 days of application submission all applications for products related to solar and battery system installations in commercial and residential properties, including meter socket adapters, that have already received UL certification and been approved by at least two utility companies for deployment in their respective service territories within California.
2. Provide each applicant with a status update at least once every 30 days for each of the applicant's submitted applications related to solar and battery system installations in commercial and residential properties that are under review for LADWP approval. Each status update for each technology should include:
 - a. What stage of approval the technology is currently in.
 - b. An item-by-item description of all criteria that must be met, including tests that must be passed, before the application can be approved.
 - c. A description of which criteria have been met, which are still pending consideration, and which have failed to be met.
 - d. For each criterion that has failed to be met, an explanation of why it was not met and what the applicant can do to reach approval.
 - e. For each criterion still pending consideration, either a date by which the LADWP expects to consider the criterion, or an explanation of why the LADWP is unable to consider the criterion and what the applicant can do to make consideration possible.
3. Report to the City Council once every 90 days with a status update for all submitted applications related to solar and battery system installations in commercial and residential properties that are under review for DWP approval. The status updates should include all the information mentioned in the previous instruction for all submitted applications.

4. Report on benchmarking information on new technology adoption and installation related to solar and battery system installations by the major California Investor-Owned Utilities (PG&E, Southern California Edison, and San Diego Gas & Electric) and also by all other utilities within 100 miles of Los Angeles (public and investor-owned), including information by vendor and product".

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted by the LADWP. Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On June 14, 2024, your Committee considered the April 22, 2024, LADWP report relative to the existing process for reviewing and adopting new technologies related to solar and battery system installations in commercial and residential properties. The report attached to the Council file includes some background on the matter.

After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to approve the recommendation as amended and detailed above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
YAROSLAVSKY:	YES
MCOSKER:	YES
BLUMENFIELD:	YES
DE LEON:	YES
RAMAN:	ABSENT

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