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Malibu Moves to 100% Renewable Energy at City Facilities

(Malibu CA) – As a part of the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget, the Malibu City Council approved having all City facilities run on 100% renewable electricity generated from non-polluting, clean and renewable sources such as solar, wind, and hydroelectric power during the City Council meeting on Monday, June 24.

“Malibu is proud to be a leader in environmental protection policies, and we continued that tradition when we approved 100% clean energy for City facilities,” said Mayor Jefferson “Zuma Jay” Wagner. “All cities, counties and states should come together to be part of the global effort to combat climate change.”

In December 2018, the City joined the Clean Power Alliance (CPA), a public agency made up of 31 local governments across Los Angeles and Ventura counties working together to bring clean, renewable power choices to our communities. CPA purchases clean power and Southern California Edison (SCE) delivers it. SCE will continue to send just one bill and be responsible for resolving any issues with electricity service.

By selecting 100% clean energy for City facilities, Malibu will meet the California Senate Bill 100 mandate of 100% zero-carbon, clean renewable energy electricity by 2045. About one third of the CPA members selected the 100% Green Power tier, including Culver City, Manhattan Beach, Ojai, Oxnard, Rolling Hills Estates, Santa Monica, South Pasadena, Thousand Oaks, Ventura, Ventura County, and West Hollywood.

Unlike fossil fuels, such as oil, natural gas, and coal, which cannot be replaced and produce greenhouse gas emissions, renewable energy regenerates naturally in a short period of time. The facilities that produce CPA’s electricity are located in California and on the western grid.

CPA energy for residential customers in Malibu began in February 2019 and non-residential customers in May 2019. Customers in Malibu are automatically enrolled to receive 50% of their power supply from renewable sources at the same cost as SCE, which consists of only 34% renewable electricity. Customers can also choose to get 36% of their energy from renewable sources and get a 1% discount or choose 100% renewable electricity and pay an additional 9%. Customers may also opt out completely. To change your rate option, visit <https://cleanpoweralliance.org/rate-options/> or call CPA at 888-585-3788.

Some customers may have seen their rates go up, however, that is not due to the City joining the CPA. To see how your bill compares with SCE, check out the rate comparison calculator at <https://cleanpoweralliance.org/rate-options/residential-rates/>. For commercial rates, go to <https://cleanpoweralliance.org/rate-options/commercial-rates/>. Customers who have enjoyed special rates or programs in the past, such as CARE, FERA, Medical Baseline, Level Pay or Summer Discounts, will still have access to these programs and discounts. Clean Power Alliance will also develop new and unique programs exclusively for local customers.

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