Dear **Santa Clara Green Power** member,

Spring is here, and you are about to have the coolest summer ever. How do we know? You have taken the first step by reading this newsletter. We know our little newsletter isn't quite up there with trips to the beach and we can't change the whole world in just one issue, but thanks to your commitment to Santa Clara Green Power you are helping us to make an enormous difference. Your environmental action translates into making the world a cooler place. **Literally.**

Santa Clara Green Power is Helping to **Make an Enormous Difference**



Santa Clara Mayor Patricia Mahan receiving green power award.

Silicon Valley Power was recognized by the U.S. Department of Energy as 2007 Green Power Program of the Year. The Santa Clara Green Power program is now three years young, yet already has a participation rate five times the national average. The year 2007 saw a 50% increase in renewable energy sales. You can pat

yourself on the back now, but we're not about to rest on our laurels. In our efforts to make a good thing even better, Santa Clara



Green Power has been Greene® Energy certified! Green-e® Energy certifies that Santa Clara Green Power meets the strict environmental and

consumer protection standards established by the nonprofit Center for Resource Solutions. For more information on Green-e® Energy certification requirements, call 1-888-63-GREEN or visit www.green-e.org. Taking this step is just one more way we can ensure that choosing Santa Clara Green Power helps make a difference.

Santa Clara Joins Elite Group of **EPA Green Power Communities**

Santa Clara was recognized in April by the United States Environmental Protection Agency as a Green Power Community. Currently only 14 cities (including Santa Clara) meet the U.S. EPA Green Power Partnership's renewable energy supply requirements for this elite status. These 14 communities are protecting the environment by purchasing nearly 300 million kilowatthours of green power annually. Santa Clara is the 2nd largest Green Power Community both in terms of population

and size of green power commitment. Santa Clara's commitment as a community is 57 million kilowatthours annually based on sales of Santa Clara Green Power - this amount is above and beyond the standard utility electricity mix. Thank you to all participants for supporting Santa Clara Green Power and making Santa Clara green!



UPCOMING EVENTS



Saturdays, 9 am to 1 pm (ONGOING EVENT) Jackson Street between Homestead Road & Benton Street







For more information about Santa Clara Green Power: Please call (408) 244-SAVE (7283), send e-mail to green@siliconvalleypower.com, or visit us on the web at siliconvalleypower.com/green

A Highlight of the Latest Santa Clara Green Power Program News!

You're Greening Your Power Already, Now Help Us Save a Tree!

We're willing to wager that you now have a piece of paper in your hand. Chances are you also have an email account. Before you toss this in the recycling bin, please sign up to receive our newsletter by email! We send out the email quarterly. Just visit siliconvalleypower. com/green and enter your email address in the email collection form. We'll do the rest. Your email address will only be used to send program information.

We're Cheap - But in a Good Way!

Did you know that **Santa Clara Green Power** provides you with 100% renewable energy for less than the cost of the neighboring utility's notso-green power? Even with the 1.5 cents per kilowatt hour premium over Silicon Valley Power's standard rates, Santa Clara Green Power one of the lowest residential rates in the Bay Area!

Spring Cling!



Enclosed please find a "Choose Santa Clara Green Power" window cling. These removable decals cling to windows and are a great way to show green power pride. Suitable for cars, business entryways - anywhere you want to show your green colors!

COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

A Green Place to Live...

The City of Santa Clara has increased its commitment to renewable energy for municipal buildings by supporting the generation of over a million kilowatt hours of renewable energy through Santa Clara Green Power. This amount is equal to more than the annual output of 1/4 of one utility-scale wind turbine, prevent the emission of over 407 tons of carbon dioxide each year - the same as planting over 339 acres of trees!

A Green Place to SLEEP...



The Marriott Santa Clara has established itself as the greenest hotel in town by committing

to supporting the generation of 1,608 megawatt hours of renewable energy through Santa Clara Green Power. This is in addition to Marriott Santa Clara's many other environmental initiatives. Their green power purchase is equal to the annual output of 1/2 of one wind turbine prevents the emission of over 641 tons of carbon dioxide each year and has the environmental impact of taking 139 cars off the road for one year.

PRODUCT CONTENT LABEL. This product matches 100% of your estimated electricity usage. The product will be made up of the following new renewable resources averaged annually. Green-e® Energy Certified New2 Renewables in Santa Clara Green Power Generation Location.

California Wind	97.5%
California Solar	2.5%
TOTAL Green-e® Certified New Renewables	100%

For specific information about this electricity product, please contact Silicon Valley Power, 408-244-SAVE (7283), siliconvalleypower. com/green The Green-e Energy Program certifies that Santa Clara



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¹ These figures reflect the power that we have contracted to provide. Actual figures may vary according to resource availability. We will annually report to you the actual resource mix of the electricity you purchased during the preceding year. 2 New Renewables come from generation facilities that first began commercial operation on or after 1/1/97. For comparison, the current average mix of resources supplying Silicon Valley Power includes: Coal (19%), Natural Gas (32%), Hydroelectric (21%), and Eligible Renewable (29%).