

**2006-8 Energy Efficiency Portfolio
Quarterly Report Narrative**

Program Name: Ventura County Energy Resource Center
Program Number: SCG3521
Quarter: First Quarter 2006

1. Program description

The Ventura County Partnership is an alliance between the Ventura County Regional Energy Alliance (VCREA), SCE and SCG to create the Ventura County Energy Resource Center (VCERC). The VCERC serves as a local clearinghouse of energy information (non-resource) including energy efficiency trainings, demand response, self-generation, CEC, DOE, EPA, and low-income and CARE programs. In addition, the VCERC provides a Comprehensive Public Sector Program (resource) of technical assistance and project management to public facilities and 'community asset' organizations, including schools, hospitals, museums and community centers throughout the region. The VCERC will funnel customers to statewide IOU energy efficiency programs to support the policy set forth in CPUC Decision 05-01-055 which notes that "current or future partnerships between IOUs and local governments can take advantage of the unique strengths that both parties bring to the table to deliver cost-effective energy efficiency services."

2. Administrative activities

- Partners established monthly meeting schedule
- The VCERC relocated to a new office suite that provides more suitable training space
- Lead utility administrator was changed from SCE to SCG

3. Marketing activities

- Bi-monthly publications (Energy Leader and VCEDA Newsletter) met milestones
- VCREA hosted 2 kick-off briefings to engaged public agencies in energy and introduce local utility representatives.

4. Direct implementation activities

- Training events are scheduled at two per month, which will permit the VCERC to meet and exceed goals.
- Briefings were developed and will be implemented in the Second Quarter as a new approach to training and linking energy efficiencies to such topics as solar energy, and water consumption.
- Public agency contacts have been made and corresponding projects identified to save over 3 million kWh during this program cycle.

5. Program performance/program status (describe)

Program is on target

Program is exceeding expectations

Program is falling short of expectations

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Explain

Program is rolling out on target because the letter of agreement are in place.

6. **Program achievements (non-resource programs only):**
 - Not applicable
7. **Changes in program emphasis, if any, from previous quarter (new program elements, less or more emphasis on a particular delivery strategy, program elements discontinued, measure discontinued, budget changes, etc.).**
 - None
8. **Discussion of near-term plans for program over the coming months (e.g., marketing and outreach efforts that are expected to significantly increase program participation, etc.)**
 - Draft annual schedule of activities was developed in January, far ahead of prior partnership first quarter efforts.
9. **Changes to staffing and staff responsibilities, if any**
 - SCE and SCG reversed lead administrative roles; SCG will be the lead administrator for the 2006-08 program cycle.
10. **Changes to contracts**
 - Draft contract being developed by the utilities.
11. **Changes to contractors and contractor responsibilities, if any**
 - None, Joy Yamagata is the contact.
12. **Number of customer complaints received**

None.
13. **Revisions to program theory and logic model, if any**

None.