



Energy Providers of Southern California Urge Customers to Conserve Electricity and Natural Gas During Heat Wave

Southern Californians Encouraged to Conserve Energy to Avoid Power Outages

Los Angeles—June 20, 2017—The Energy Providers of Southern California are urging customers to conserve electricity and **natural gas during this week's heat wave**. The California Independent System Operator issued a statewide Flex Alert, calling for voluntary electricity conservation from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Tuesday, June 20, and Wednesday, June 21. A Flex Alert is a call for consumers to conserve electricity during heat waves when power use outstrips electricity supply.

About 60 percent of the electricity generated in California comes from power plants that run on natural gas. With the limited availability of natural gas from the Aliso Canyon storage facility, there is less natural gas locally to produce electricity, particularly during high-usage periods, which could lead to power outages.

The Energy Providers of Southern California are urging customers to:

- 1) Set your AC to 78 degrees, and turn off if away.
- 2) Reduce the temperature on your water heater.
- 3) Turn lights off when you leave the room.
- 4) Use a **power strip and turn it off when the connected equipment isn't in use**.
- 5) **Air dry dishes instead of using your dishwasher's drying cycle**.
- 6) Take short showers instead of baths, and use low-flow shower heads.
- 7) Only run full loads of clothes and dishes.
- 8) Wash clothes in cold water.
- 9) Keep windows and doors closed when heating or cooling your home.
- 10) Clean or change air filters regularly.

The Energy Providers of Southern California is a joint coalition of Southern California natural gas and electric utilities, in partnership with the California Public Utilities Commission, California Independent System Operator, and local city governments. Over the past two summers, the Energy Providers of Southern California have supported conservation efforts through [Conserve Energy SoCal](#)—an initiative to bring Southern California residents together to conserve energy, save money and reduce the risk of natural gas and electricity shortages during the summer months.

The Energy Providers are offering the following spokespeople for interviews on energy conservation this summer:

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About The Energy Providers of Southern California

The Energy Providers of Southern California is a coalition of the Greater Los Angeles region's natural gas and electric utilities, in partnership with the California Public Utilities Commission, the California Independent System Operator, and local city governments. With 2017 expected to present challenges in natural gas availability, the Energy Providers of Southern California have united in a concerted effort to help the people of Southern California conserve energy and avoid shortages through educational programming.

Members include: Azusa Light & Water (ALW), Burbank Water & Power (BWP), California Independent System Operator (CAISO), City of Colton Electric Utility (CCEL), Glendale Water & Power (GWP), Los Angeles Department of Water & Power (LADWP), Pasadena Water & Power (PWP), Riverside Public Utilities (RPU), San Diego Gas & Electric (SDG&E), Southern California Edison (SCE), Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas), Southern California Public Power Authority (SCPPA), and the Southern California Regional Energy Network (SoCalREN).