

SCL Initiative 937 Conservation Target RES

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Council Action Required?	Y	If YES, within the next 3 months?	Y
Public Hearing Required?	Y		
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Summary Statement

This Resolution acknowledges and approves City Light’s adoption of a biennial energy conservation target of 23.68 aMW for 2014-2015 and a ten-year conservation potential of 118.4 average megawatts (aMW). This acknowledgement and approval by City Light’s governing board in a public meeting is required under Washington Administrative Code 194-37-070.

Background

Ballot Initiative 937 (Energy Independence Act, aka I-937) was passed by Washington State voters in November, 2006 and requires qualifying electric utilities to undertake cost-effective conservation. This Initiative requires electric utilities to adopt a biennial energy conservation target and a ten-year conservation potential in January 2010 and at least every two years thereafter. In establishing the conservation potential, utilities must use methodologies consistent with those used by the Northwest Electric Power and Conservation Planning Council (NWPPCC) in its most recently published regional power plan (their Sixth Power Plan).

The option City Light chose to assess the ten year potential was a Utility Analysis Option, also known as an energy conservation potential assessment (CPA). Enernoc (formerly Global Energy Partners) completed the CPA for City Light consistent with the documentation procedures outlined in WAC 194-37-070. The CPA resulted in the establishment of a biennial energy conservation target of 23.68 aMW and a ten-year potential of 118.4 aMW. It is anticipated that City Light will meet or exceed the biennial conservation target established for I-937.

City Light Issue Paper

City Light will initiate an update of the 2013 CPA in mid- 2014 to establish the 2016-2017 biennial target and in late 2015, will begin updating the ten-year potential.

Key Issues

City Light's proposed 2014 budget is anticipated to be sufficient to meet the biennial acquisition targets for 2014-2015.

The Revised Code of Washington (RCW 19.285.060) provides for a financial penalty if there is a failure to meet the energy conservation targets.

Next Steps

City Light will continue to administer its conservation programs in support of meeting the I-937 and other conservation targets.