

## Avoid the rush. Book an annual safety checkup for your gas

**furnace today.** Make sure your heater is ready to go before cold weather arrives. We offer this service free for our natural gas customers. Visit *sdge.com/serviceorder* or call 1-800-411-7343, wait for the prompt, press 6 and then press 1.

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# Services help support your solar energy choices

If you're thinking about installing solar panels on your roof, our services, tools and information can help make the process faster and easier for you and your contractor.

More than 40,000 homes and businesses in our service area generate some of their own electricity from the sun – and rely on our system when the sun doesn't shine or they need more power. The process of connecting to the local electric grid is faster and more transparent, thanks to an online application system that we developed and launched in 2013.

## With our web-based **Distribution** Interconnection Information System (DIIS), you can:

- Monitor every step of your Net Energy Metering (NEM) application ("net" being the difference between your solar power production and your power use).
- Get your solar panels authorized an average of five days after the city or county inspects them.
- Use the **Fast Track Process** to get solar panels authorized the same day that we receive an electric permit release from the local jurisdiction, provided your solar contractor uploads two required photos and the project meets other criteria.

Visit *sdge.com/nem* for details and click "Apply for NEM" in the menu on the left for information about DIIS.

## Start with three steps

In addition, visit *sdge.com/solar* for helpful information, videos and tools, including three steps to get you started.

- 1. Make your home as energy efficient as possible with help from our Home Energy Survey or a free in-home energy survey at sdge.com/survey. The more efficient your home is, the smaller – and less costly – your solar installation needs to be.
- **2. Use our solar calculator** to estimate the costs and savings associated with going solar.
- 3. Find a solar contractor and know your financing options. We recommend that you talk to at least three solar installers to get quotes and see which option works best for you.

## Monitor billing and metering online

Once you start producing solar energy, you can link to your billing and metering information, which will reflect how much electricity flows into and out of your home or business, and any bill credits for surplus electricity. NEM billing and metering info is available through My Account at sdge.com/myaccount.



When connecting your rooftop solar panels to the electric grid, you can use our webbased tracking system to monitor every step of your Net Energy Metering application. Same-day authorization is an option with our Fast Track Process. As of July 31, 2014, a total of 40,169 Net Energy Metering customers are producing up to 277 megawatts of electricity in our service area.

### Get the facts

Our solar page at *sdge.com/solar* also includes two new fact sheets with helpful information. See "General Solar Questions and Answers" and "Net Energy Metering Changes and Rate Reform Questions and Answers."

## Use your mobile device to control your air conditioner

For a limited time, you may qualify for a thermostat valued at \$300 when you sign up for Reduce Your Use<sup>SM</sup> Rewards. Once this programmable communicating thermostat is installed in your home, you'll be able to:

- Use your smartphone or tablet to remotely control and monitor temperature settings for your home's central air-conditioning system.
- Earn bigger bill credits when you save enough electricity on Reduce Your Use days and allow your air conditioner to cycle or be raised 4 degrees.

This offer is good only while supplies last, so sign up today at *sdge.com/thermoenroll*. You'll need to have your SDG&E account number handy and enter the promotional code **on914** when prompted.

NOTE: This program is funded by California utility customers and administered by SDG&E® under the auspices of the California Public Utilities Commission. SDG&E is not responsible for goods and services selected by the customer.



See if you qualify for a thermostat that lets you use your mobile device to adjust the temperature settings on your home's A/C.



# **Proposition 65 warning**

As a result of Proposition 65, the state of California lists substances known to cause cancer or reproductive harm. We want you to be aware of the following so you can minimize exposure to substances on the state's list related to natural gas and electricity distribution.

WARNING: Natural gas and some materials used by San Diego Gas & Electric<sup>®</sup> at its facilities and work areas contain substances known to the state of California to cause cancer or reproductive harm.

#### Natural gas

In its original state, natural gas contains substances on the state's list of substances known to cause cancer or reproductive harm. To reduce exposure, leave the area of the gas leak and call us immediately at **1-800-411-7343**.

#### Natural gas combustion

All combustion, including the combustion of natural gas, produces substances on the state's list of substances known to cause cancer or reproductive harm.

#### Facilities and work sites

Some materials found at our facilities and work sites contain substances on the state's list of substances known to cause cancer or reproductive harm. We handle all materials carefully for your good health as well as ours; however, exposure to substances on the state's list may occur at these locations.

For more information, visit the state's Proposition 65 website at *http://oehha.ca.gov/prop65.html*.

POWER CONTENT LABEL		
ENERGY RESOURCES	SDG&E 2013 POWER MIX (Actual)	
Eligible Renewable	24.0%	18.87%
- Biomass & waste	3.0%	2.67%
- Geothermal	2.0%	4.44%
- Small hydroelectric	0.0%	1.40%
- Solar	4.0%	1.81%
- Wind	15.0%	8.54%
Coal	3.0%	7.81%
Large Hydroelectric	0.0%	7.75%
Natural Gas	67.0%	44.25%
Nuclear	0.0%	8.83%
Oil	0.0%	0.01%
Other	0.0%	0.00%
Unspecified sources of power*	6.0%	12.48%
Total	100.0%	100.00%

\* "Unspecified sources of power" means electricity from transactions that are not traceable to specific generation sources.

\*\* Percentages are estimated annually by the California Energy Commission based on the electricity sold to California consumers during the previous year.

For specific information about this electricity product, contact San Diego Gas & Electric<sup>®</sup>. For general information about the Power Content Label, contact the California Energy Commission at 1-800-555-7794 or *www.energy.ca.gov/consumer.* 

# Advertencia de la Proposición 65

Como resultado de la Proposición 65, el estado de California enlista las sustancias que son conocidas como causantes de cáncer o daños reproductivos. Queremos que esté consciente de lo siguiente para que pueda reducir al mínimo la exposición a las sustancias relacionadas con la distribución de gas natural y electricidad que aparecen en la lista del estado.

ADVERTENCIA: El gas natural y algunos materiales usados por San Diego Gas & Electric<sup>®</sup> en sus instalaciones y lugares de trabajo contienen sustancias conocidas por el estado de California como causantes de cáncer o daños reproductivos.

#### **Gas natural**

En su estado original, el gas natural contiene sustancias que aparecen en la lista del estado de sustancias conocidas como causantes de cáncer o daños reproductivos. Para reducir la exposición, abandone el lugar de la fuga de gas y llámenos inmediatamente al **1-800-311-7343**.

#### Combustión del gas natural

Toda combustión, incluyendo la combustión del gas natural, produce sustancias que se mencionan en la lista del estado de sustancias conocidas como causantes de cáncer o daños reproductivos.

#### Instalaciones y sitios de trabajo

Algunos materiales que se encuentran en nuestras instalaciones y lugares de trabajo contienen sustancias que aparecen en la lista del estado de sustancias conocidas como causantes de cáncer o daños reproductivos. Manejamos todos los materiales con precaución para cuidar su buena salud y la nuestra; no obstante, la exposición a sustancias mencionadas en la lista del estado tal vez ocurra en estos lugares.

Para más información, visite el sitio web de la Proposición 65 del estado en http://oehha.ca.gov/prop65.html.