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San José Clean Energy Ranks Sixth in 2024 Green Power Program

SAN JOSE, Calif. (October 23, 2024) – San José Clean Energy (SJCE) earned a top 10 ranking from the National Renewable Energy Lab (NREL) for the number of Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) customers receiving renewable energy. Ranked sixth on NREL’s 2023 CCA Green Power Customers list, SJCE is proud to serve nearly 350,000 customer accounts with clean, renewable energy.

The annual rankings highlight exceptional green power programs across the country. NREL began including CCAs last year, recognizing their growing impact in the renewable energy space. The CCA Green Power Customers list counts all customers purchasing a product with more renewable energy than required by state renewable portfolio standards. San José Clean Energy’s standard service provides customers with 60% renewable energy, which exceeds the state’s requirement of 44% by 2024. SJCE also offers an upgraded service for only a few more dollars a month, allowing customers to receive 100% clean energy year-round. SJCE’s inclusion on the 2023 list demonstrates its success in meeting the growing demand for renewable energy among San José’s residents and businesses.

“Thanks to concerned community members who pushed us to move faster on clean energy, San José now operates the largest single-jurisdiction CCA in the country with one of the cleanest power mixes around,” San José Mayor Matt Mahan said. “San José was the first major U.S. city to set the ambitious goal of achieving carbon-neutrality by 2030, and SJCE is showing we will use every lever at our disposal to meet it for the sake of our children and all future generations.”

San José Clean Energy celebrated five years of service to the city’s nearly one million residents and businesses this year. Since launching in 2019, SJCE has contracted for over one gigawatt of renewable energy, enough to power nearly 600,000 average homes in San José. SJCE has also kept nearly five million metric tons of greenhouse gas emissions out of the air thanks to a wide range of clean energy sources including solar, wind, battery storage, and geothermal power.

“This is an amazing accomplishment for San José Clean Energy (SJCE),” said Jennifer Maguire, City Manager. “Over the past five years, SJCE has worked hard to provide renewable energy to our residents and businesses. Their commitment is unwavering, and we should all be proud of the emissions reductions we have achieved to combat climate change.”

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“This recognition is a testament to San José’s leadership in renewable energy,” said Lori Mitchell, Director of San José Clean Energy. “Our top-ten ranking shows that we are at the forefront of California’s clean energy transition, bringing a healthier and more sustainable future to California along with more stable and affordable prices for our customers.”

About the City of San José

With almost one million residents, San José is one of the most diverse large cities in the United States and is Northern California’s largest city and the 13th largest city in the nation. San José’s transformation into a global innovation center has resulted in one of the largest concentrations of technology companies and expertise in the world. In 2011, the City adopted Envision San José 2040, a long-term growth plan that sets forth a vision and a comprehensive road map to guide the City’s anticipated growth through the year 2040.

About San José Clean Energy

San José Clean Energy (SJCE) is the local, not-for-profit electricity generation provider for homes and businesses in the City of San José. SJCE is operated by the City’s Energy Department and governed by the City Council. SJCE provides nearly 350,000 customer accounts with clean energy at competitive rates plus the additional benefits of customer choice, community programs, local control, transparency, and accountability. For more information, please visit www.SanJoseCleanEnergy.org.

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