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## JOINT RATE MAILER AFFIRMS ELECTRICITY COST SAVINGS FOR PIONEER CUSTOMERS

Rocklin, CA — Pioneer Community Energy today released its annual Joint Rate Mailer, affirming that customers in its service territory are saving an average of nearly 10 percent on the electricity generation portion of their bills compared to Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E) generation rates.

The Joint Rate Mailer is required by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) and provides a comparison of the cost of electricity generation for both Pioneer and PG&E customers based on a 12-month billing history for all customers as of June 1, 2023. Pioneer Community Energy and PG&E partner to create the comparison, which includes typical electric rates, average monthly charges, and generation portfolio contents.

"Our most recent Joint Rate Mailer demonstrates our commitment to providing customers in our service territory competitive electricity rates, a choice in energy options, and access to the region's only 100% renewable energy option," said Don Eckert, Executive Director of Pioneer Community Energy. "Moving forward, Pioneer will remain steadfast in our commitment to keeping electricity generation costs stable and competitive for the communities we serve. We are pleased to report that we are continuing to improve upon our savings in 2023, and the average residential customer is saving \$200 per year with Pioneer. Between 2018 and 2023, we will save our customers an estimated \$85 million."

Pioneer and PG&E work together to provide electric service to homes and businesses. Pioneer provides electricity generation, while PG&E provides the transmission and distribution of power through its poles and power lines.

For additional information about Pioneer Community Energy, as well as a complete comparison of rates, average monthly bills, and power generation portfolio content based on customer class, visit PioneerCommunityEnergy.org.

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## ABOUT PIONEER COMMUNITY ENERGY

Pioneer is a community-owned, not-for-profit electricity provider serving unincorporated Placer and El Dorado counties and the incorporated areas of Auburn, Colfax, Lincoln, Loomis, Placerville, and Rocklin. Pioneer serves more than 150,000 residential and commercial customers. In January 2024, Pioneer will become the electricity provider for Grass Valley and Nevada City. Pioneer powers the communities it serves with competitive rates, reliable service, and a choice in energy options.