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**Silicon Valley Municipalities Unanimous in Their Commitment to 100% Renewable Energy**

*All SV Clean Energy member agencies upgrade to GreenPrime*

**Sunnyvale, Calif.** – This month, the County of Santa Clara and the City of Milpitas upgraded their municipal accounts to 100% renewable energy with Silicon Valley Clean Energy (SVCE)'s [GreenPrime](#) electricity choice. On Sept. 10, Governor Jerry Brown signed SB 100 into law which will require California to get all of its electricity from carbon-free sources by 2045. A majority of Santa Clara County public buildings are powered with 100% renewable energy today. All of the municipal accounts for SVCE's 13 member communities – libraries, community centers, city halls, parks and more – are powered by electricity sourced entirely from wind and solar.

Sourcing electricity from renewables is the single most effective and large-scale action our communities can take to curb emissions and combat climate change. SVCE's GreenPrime offering allows our communities to lead the way toward a 100% renewable future.

"Powering Santa Clara County's facilities with 100% renewable electricity is in line with California's climate leadership," says Dave Cortese, Santa Clara County Supervisor and SVCE board member. "True to our innovative Silicon Valley spirit, our entire county, from small towns to big cities, is committed to finding solutions to fight climate change."

SVCE helps local communities make significant reductions in greenhouse gas emissions. By providing carbon-free electricity to the region, the agency reduced total emissions by 16.6% from 2015 to 2017. As SVCE develops programs and fuel-switching initiatives roll out in 2019, the agency's goal is to achieve a 30% emissions reduction by 2021.

"Choosing GreenPrime for the City of Milpitas helps us reach our climate action goals and shows our commitment to protecting our environment and future by using renewable energy," says Marsha Grilli, Vice Mayor of Milpitas and SVCE board member.

Santa Clara County and the City of Milpitas join the communities of Campbell, Cupertino, Gilroy, Los Altos, Los Altos Hills, Los Gatos, Monte Sereno, Morgan Hill, Mountain View, Saratoga and Sunnyvale who all upgraded to GreenPrime since the launch of SVCE.

With the growing adoption of Community Choice Energy throughout the state, 17 regions now have the option for cleaner energy at competitive prices. This allows residents, businesses and municipalities to reduce emissions by increasing demand for more renewable and carbon-free energy.

Residents in the SVCE territory can also upgrade to GreenPrime for a cost of only \$3 - \$5 more per month for the average customer. GreenPrime is certified by the nonprofit Center for Resource Solutions' Green-e Energy program. For more information, visit <https://www.svcleanenergy.org/greenprime/>.

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### **About Silicon Valley Clean Energy**

Silicon Valley Clean Energy is a community-owned agency serving the majority of Santa Clara County communities, acquiring clean, carbon-free electricity on behalf of more than 270,000 residential and commercial customers. As a public agency, net revenues are returned to the community to keep rates low and promote clean energy programs. Member jurisdictions include Campbell, Cupertino, Gilroy, Los Altos, Los Altos Hills, Los Gatos, Milpitas, Monte Sereno, Morgan Hill, Mountain View, Saratoga, Sunnyvale and unincorporated Santa Clara County. SVCE is guided by a Board of Directors, which is comprised of a representative from the governing body of each member community. For more information, please visit [SVCleanEnergy.org](http://SVCleanEnergy.org).

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