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Delivering valuable industry insights and tools to the LPCs



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Agenda

- Intros
- Our capabilities
- Observations across the industry
- Aligning your priorities with our solutions
- Next steps and questions

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We understand utilities and municipalities because we've made them our business for more than 30 years.









Utility research and advisory

Using market research data, expert analysis, and industry experience, we help utilities put their customers first, meet their business objectives, and solve their corporate challenges.

Data science

Applying predictive data science to help electric and gas utilities make data-driven decisions that improve their bottom line and increase customer satisfaction.

Strategic utility consulting

Advancing business and technology solutions that strategically enhance operations for utilities and their cities.

Who We Serve



600+

North American customers in the utility ecosystem

100+

Water utilities

73[%]

of the kWh produced in North America are from E Source members **60**%

of the top 100 IOUs 250+

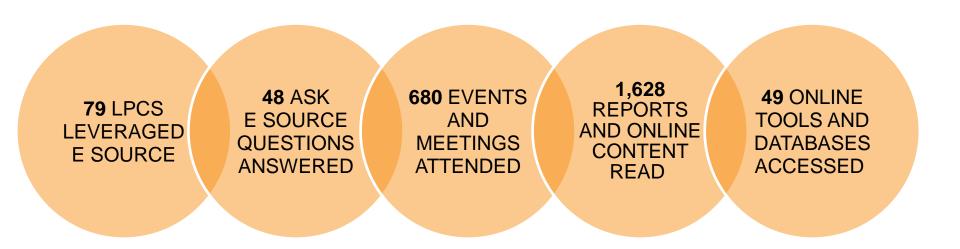
Munis and co-ops

70

of the top gas & electric utilities in Canada



How we've served the Valley (July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020)





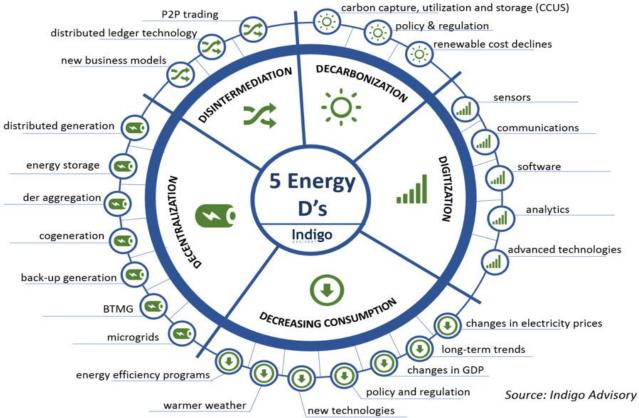
COVID-19 observations

- Industry continues no-shutoff policy across much of the US
 - Many dates extended; more extensions expected
 - Shutoffs have begun across the Valley—although as a last resort

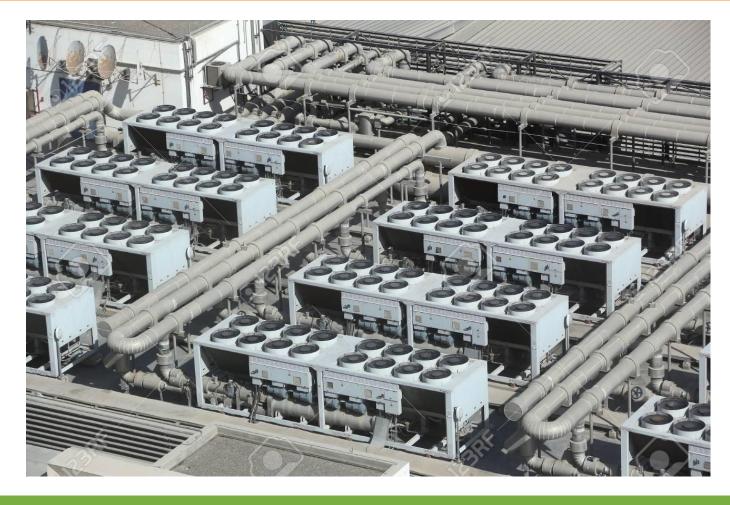
- Electricity usage down between 5% and 9% each of the last several months
 - Residential use up ~8% over the period
 - C&I use down ~13% over the period

- Water use similar to electricity
- Natural gas use stable
- Underserved populations are challenged
- Most IOUs are weathering better than munis/coops

Megatrends



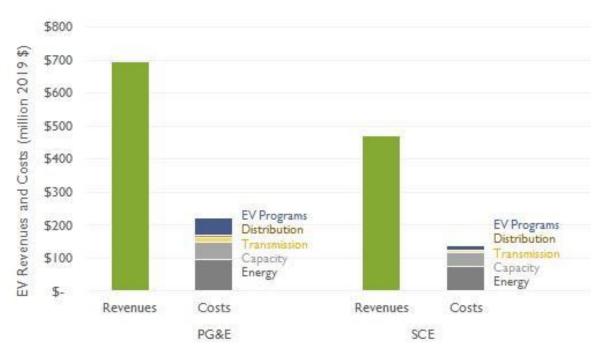
Biggest new load since ...





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EV financial contributions



Source: Synapse Energy Economics

Project for Colorado Energy Office will help state meet goal of nearly 1 million EVs on the road by 2030

"E Source sees the critical role that utilities can play in the growth of EVs since they are at the epicenter of electrification, carbon reduction, consumer behavior, charging, and electricity pricing. We don't see other entities with the ability to step up and accelerate this very early marketplace."

-Bill LeBlanc, Chief Instigation Agent, E Source

Buyers want pickups









RIVIAN



BOLLINGER MOTORS



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The future is autonomy

T-pod



E/NRIDE

Data science

Machine learning and artificial intelligence—*real* solutions to *real* problems



The customer

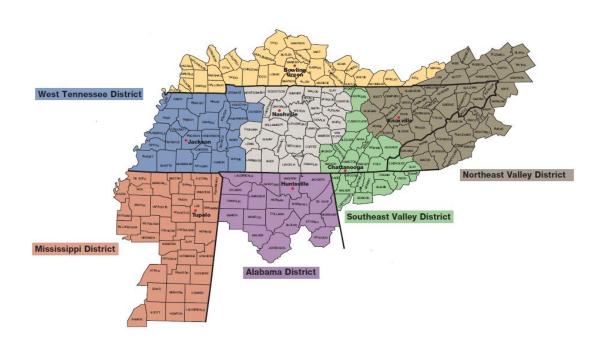
- Most of the changes happening in the industry are driven by consumer demand
- E Source has the tools for you to better engage with customers and drive long-term (and growing) beneficial uses of energy
- Let E Source be your customer-focused partner, and together we will ...

Power What's Next

We're connected with the Valley

Kentucky District

Middle Tennessee District



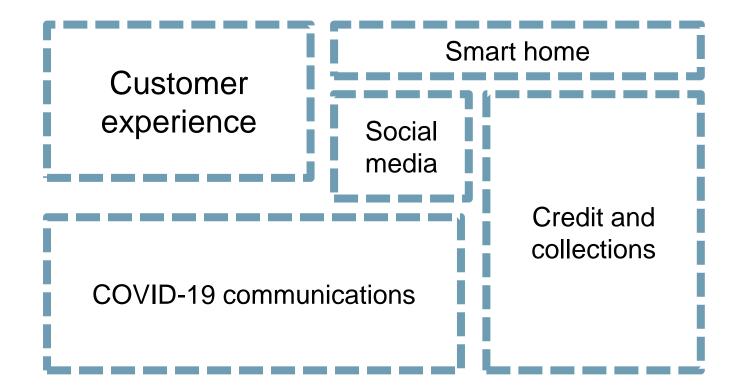
We bring national insights and pair them with our local perspective to enable the Valley's success

Aligning your priorities with our solutions



Increase customer experience maturity

The landscape of CX in the Valley



Drive a successful CX strategy

We can help you **improve your CX** maturity by:

- Leveraging E Source's maturity framework to create your CX strategy
- Identifying best practices for improving your self-service options regardless of channel
- Capturing communications best practices that have been translated for your customers in the Valley
- Advising on improvements to your customer care efforts



Supporting your CX initiatives

Supporting LPCs with CX across all customer-facing channels

Compelling marketing

Identify the highperforming components of your brand and relate them to your customer strategy

Customer service excellence

Create
processes and
policies that
drive a positive
customer
experience

Energy efficiency & electrification

Identify the ways to make your programs "sticky" to encourage repeat participation

Experience design

Using CX tools to create processes that drive selfservice and good payment behaviors

E Source support

Serve low-income customers effectively

The low-income landscape in the Valley and nationally

Rates are low, but there is a high energy burden on low- and moderate-income (LMI) customers

Low-income customers are having a hard time paying bills ... now more than ever

Much of home heating in the Valley is electric

New business is reluctant to move into underserved areas

Make empathy and empowerment core elements of your marketing campaigns

New participants have to navigate a difficult system for assistance

Successfully serve your low-income customers

We can help you reduce the energy burden on LMI customers by:

- Identifying and advising on successful programs and partnerships that work for your territory and unique customer base
- Identifying the best, cost-effective technologies to meet your customers' specific energy needs
- Advising on energy-efficiency and distributed energy resource (DER) strategies for revitalization efforts to support the hardest hit small and midsize business customers and to entice new businesses to move into underserved areas
- Recommending solutions to barriers associated with financing offerings for low-income customers

Engage your low-income customers

Engage low-income customers across the Valley to drive customer satisfaction and good customer behaviors

Compelling marketing

Use marketing and communications tactics to talk to the customer at the right time

Customer service excellence

Create processes to reduce the cost to serve your customers while delighting them

Energy efficiency

Identify the behaviors and measures that can best improve the quality of your low-income customers lives and drive energy

Experience design

Think through the customer's intent in their journey with your LPC and use that information to improve and optimize the experience

E Source support

Expand beyond business as usual in serving your low-income customers

We can help you **build brand and reduce costs** by:

- Leveraging effective marketing and communication approaches to demonstrate that you're committed to doing the right thing from the customer perspective
- Understanding your low-income customers' attitudes, perceptions, and behaviors through our deep market research and ethnographic studies



O&M savings and driving new revenue

The savings and revenue landscape in the Valley and nationally

Measuring utility call center performance service level/speed to answer

Improving efficiencies across CX and corp comm teams

Payment option solutions for closed walk-in centers during COVID-19

New product and service offerings for residential customers

New product and service offerings for small and midsize business customers New product and service offerings for large business customers

Cutting O&M costs and driving new revenue

We can help you **drive new savings** through:

- Cost-saving measures and efficiencies in the call center
- Streamlining self-service, reducing calls to the call center
- IVR containment



We can help you **generate new revenue** through:

- Identifying new products and services being introduced by other utilities, including municipals and co-ops
- Targeting interested residential segments and business sectors
 - Household appliance protection (residential)
 - Equipment leasing (residential and business)
 - Surge protection and wiring warranty plans (residential)
 - EV charging stations (business)
 - Solar and storage (business)
 - Microgrids (business)



Supporting your cost-saving and revenue-generating initiatives

Supporting LPCs with cost-saving and revenue-generating initiatives across the Valley

Credit and collections management

Plan for arrears now to help your customers, and put mitigation strategies in place to deal with the increased cost to serve

First-contact resolution

FCR can help mitigate spikes you see in call volume and it also improves customer satisfaction

Residential revenue-generating opportunities

Expand your residential portfolio to products and services customers have the greatest interest in

Business revenuegenerating opportunities

As utilities
develop rev-gen
portfolios for SMB
and large
business
customers, know
which offerings to
market to which
sectors

E Source support





EV trends in the Valley and nationally

EVs as a new revenue source

How to make smart investments in EV infrastructure

Claritas PRIZM Premier segment data to target early adopters

Fleet electrification as "biggest bang for your buck" strategy

How to work with and motivate dealerships

Where to get started with a long-term roadmap

Electrify the transportation sector

We can help you design and implement successful EV pilots, programs, and rates by:

- Helping you design solutions to enhance the driver experience, including:
 - Home charging
 - Off-peak rates and dynamic pricing
 - Workplace charging
 - Public charging
 - Rewards
- Advising on utility and customer benefits of line extension versus make-ready
 EV charging infrastructure programs
- Summarizing our nationwide literature review of EVs
- Conducting and synthesizing interviews with EV leaders

What's our utility's role in EV adoption?

We can help you **boost EV adoption and improve EV-buyer and EV-owner customer experience** by:

- Identifying the most innovative EV marketing approaches used by other utilities and players outside the industry
- Understanding your next wave of EV buyers
- Supporting your marketing initiatives to educate and motivate buyers
- Helping you develop messaging that addresses barriers to EV adoption
- Helping you create a buyer experience and collaborate with dealerships
- Sharing best practices for engaging EV owners through social media

Accelerate EV adoption in your marketplace



Understand buyers:

- Ethnographic research
- Quantitative research
- ID next set of buyers
- Create segments
- ID hot buttons, barriers



Motivate buyers:

- Ādvise about EVs
- Promote Benefits of EVs
- Tie to new technology, convenience, fun
- Connect to utility brand
- Social media
- Direct email



Create buyer experience:

- Bulk buy/lower \$
- Ride and drives
- Workplace, fairs, sporting events
- Train salespeople
- Overcome barriers, fears
- Onboarding, understand rates, charging



Enhance driver experience:

- Home charging
- Off-peak rates
- Billing/benefits
- Work charging
- Public charging
- Engage through social media
- Rewards





Next steps

- Please take 2 minutes to complete a quick survey.
- Attend our web conference on September 15 at 1:00 p.m. CT to learn more about service package options (<u>register</u>).
- TVPPA will be coordinating invoicing and the membership service agreement (MSA).
- The MSA will be effective from October 1, 2020, through September 30, 2021.

Thank you!

Please take this quick survey!

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