# ABAG POWER Executive Committee Meeting

Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26 Proposed Operating Budget June 17, 2025



### **ABAG POWER Overview**

**27**th

Year of Operation (1998)

~2.43

Current Full-time Equivalent Employees



### **ABAG POWER**

- Develops and implements gas purchasing strategy
- Conducts consolidated billing
- Provides helpful and responsive customer service

### PG&E

- Owns and maintains transmission and distribution infrastructure
- Provides account data

## PROGRAM PARTICIPANT

- Receives gas for use in municipal facilities
- Governs ABAG POWER

## FY 2024-25 Highlights

### Significant Program Growth:

- POWER program added 16 members (mostly school districts), increasing total membership to 52.
- Manages 970 meters.
- Potential new members.
- Expanded the Natural Gas (NG) and the Renewable Natural Gas (RNG) Supplier Network:
  - More suppliers and producers create competition, leading to better pricing and service for participants.
- Improved Support Services:
  - Enhanced resources and tools improved member satisfaction and program utilization.



## FY 2025-26 Proposed Budget Considerations

- Mid-year Invoices will include the following items:
  - Levelized Charges
  - Gas commodity actual cost per therm

 The budget reflects the need for additional administrative resources to provide data analysis, enhanced billing, account management, and customer service to a growing membership and to support ongoing strategic plan implementation.



## FY 2024-25 vs FY 2025-26 Cost of Energy and Operating Cost

|                                     | FY 2024-25 | FY 2025-26 | % Change |
|-------------------------------------|------------|------------|----------|
| Core Gas Commodity (\$/therm):      | \$ 0.686   | \$ 0.590   | -14%     |
| PG&E Pass-through Costs (\$/therm): | \$ 1.220   | \$ 1.700   | 39%      |
| Program Expenses (\$/therm):        | \$ 0.194   | \$ 0.195   | 1%       |
| Core Total Rate (\$/therm)*:        | \$ 2.100   | \$ 2.485   | 18%      |

<sup>\*</sup> The 18% increase in the total rate resulted from the significant increase in PG&E pass-through costs, which are outside our direct control.

## FY 2025-26 Proposed Budget Overview

|                                       | FY 2024-25<br>Adopted | FY 2025-26<br>Preliminary |      | \$<br>Change | %<br>Change |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|------|--------------|-------------|
| Revenue                               |                       | ( <u>t</u> )              |      |              |             |
| Total Revenue                         | 18,010,520            | 23,637,980                |      | 5,627,460    | 31%         |
| Expense                               |                       |                           |      |              |             |
| Cost of Energy                        | 16,245,326            | 21,415,429                |      | 5,170,103    | 32%         |
| Staff, Consultant, and Other Expenses | 1,761,203             | 2,218,465                 | 1500 | 457,262      | 26%         |
| Total Expense                         | 18,006,529            | 23,633,894                |      | 5,627,365    | 31%         |
| Operating Surplus/(Deficit)           | 3,991                 | 4,086                     |      | 95           | 2%          |
| Core Total Rate (\$/therm)            | 2.100                 | 2.485                     |      | 0.39         | 18%         |



## FY 2025-26 Proposed Budget Components

### Overall

 The Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26 proposed budget reflects only one minor change from the preliminary budget that was presented and discussed on April 17, 2025, which is in the staff cost, as the staff allocation increased

### Revenue

• The proposed operating budget for FY 2025-26 is \$23.6 million, a 31% increase (\$5.6 million) over the FY 2024-25 budget of \$18.0 million. This increase reflects higher gas usage and a rise in transportation costs

### Cost of Energy

The gas commodity cost, encompassing transportation, shrinkage, and storage, will be \$5.90/Dth for core
meters and \$4.58/Dth for non-core meters. This represents a 14% and 16% decrease, respectively, from
the previous year

### Staff, Consultant, and Other Expenses

• The proposed budget includes a \$457,000 increase in expenses from FY 2024-25: approximately \$215,000 (19%) for staff, \$220,000 (38%) for administrative support and consultant services, and \$22,000 (30%) for other expenses



## FY 2025-26 Proposed Budget

**Questions / Discussion** 

