Enabling Technology as Applied to Pricing Pilots for California

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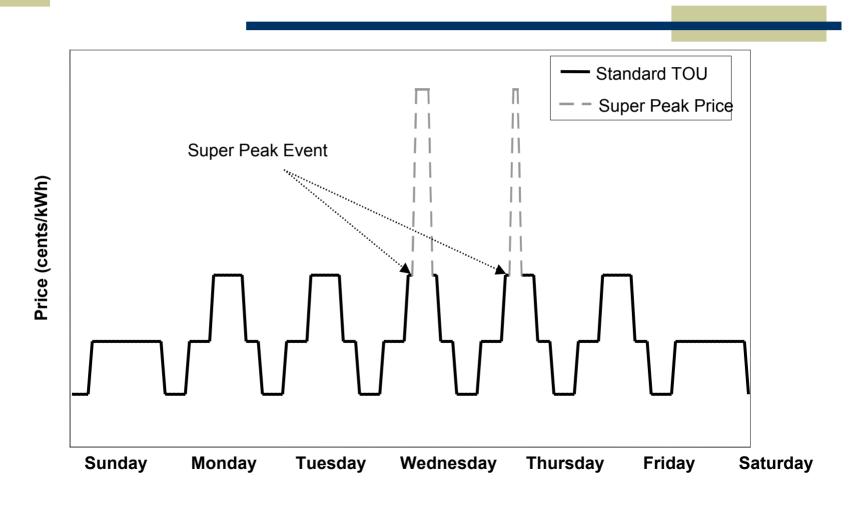
Statewide Pricing Pilot (SPP)

- Statewide pilot test of dynamic pricing for residential and small commercial customers in California (n = 2,500)
- Customer will be placed on time of use pricing and will receive "super peak" price signals on a day-ahead or day-of notice
- ◆ Scheduled for summer 2003 through spring of 2004 (12 18 months)

New SPP Dynamic Rates

- ◆ Time of Use (Shift and Save) for both residential and commercial (simple hi/lo differential pricing, from 1.7 to 3.6)
- ◆ CPP F or V (Super Peak) time of use base with an event driven peak price, 15 days or less a year (peak price 5 x on-peak rate)
- Multiple rate versions to develop elasticities

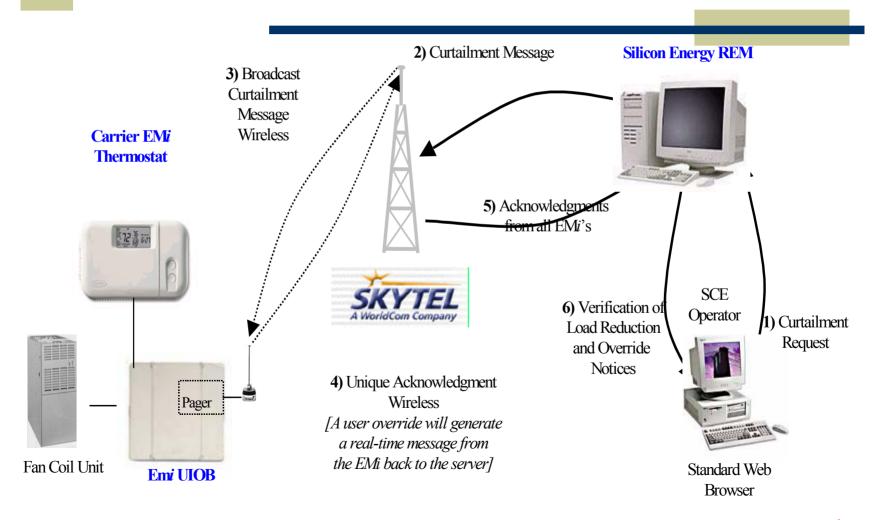
New Super Peak Rates



Enabling Technology Concept

- During Super Peak, customers are motivated to shift or avoid usage by being charged higher retail price for electrical energy
- Enabling technologies allow customers to automatically facilitate price-response, in addition to manual behavioral changes
- Smart Thermostat technology borrowed from AB970 pilot (SCE and SDG&E)

Two-Way Smart Thermostat



SPP-ACT Project Background

- SPP requires IOUs to offer some Super Peak customers a choice of enabling technologies, based on inventory of appliances (end uses)
- Basic enabling technology predefined (Smart Thermostats) but IOUs must present plan for additional control technology (ACT)
- ACT filing was made April 14, 2003

SPP Multi-Track ACT Approach

- One category of residential and commercial customers (Track A) would receive new Super Peak rate and an offer of enabling technology (Smart Thermostat, or pool pump and/or water heater control)
- Second category (Track C) would recruit from AB970 pilot and offer Super Peak rate, utilizing existing Smart Thermostats

Residential ACT Solution

- SDG&E proposed to use Carrier Smart
 Thermostat for new customers, and to offer
 Cannon pager-controlled switch for pools
 pumps and electric water heaters
- This enables customers with no AC (common in San Diego) low-cost enabling technology for other major appliances

SDG&E expected ACT response

Number of Customers	Comments
125	Total Customers on CPP-V, Track A (residential)
13	~10% of customers expected to choose 'none'
60	~50% of those remaining expected to choose Smart Thermostat
26 / 26	~20% of those remaining expected to choose pool pump / electric water heater switch

Commercial ACT Solution

- SCE proposed to utilize Carrier Smart
 Thermostat with Super Peak indicating light
- Decision gave SCE six months to develop ACT solution for other end uses
- SCE plan will utilize existing Carrier system to control other loads, and develop stand along control for non-HVAC sites

SCE Track A Sample Design

- < 20 kW Super Peak 58 service accounts
- > 20 kW Super Peak 80 service accounts
 - Commercial only
 - Inland areas
 - Enabling technology optional



Distribution of Commercial Buildings within SCE*

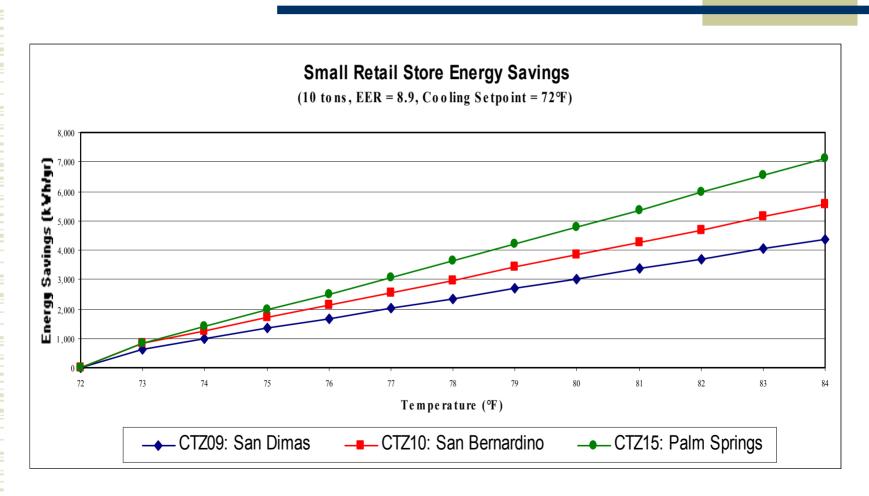
Retail	26%	Large Office	1.3%
Restaurant	6.3%	Lodging	3.1%
• Sm. Office	17%	Warehouse	4.7%
School	13.1%	Health	1.4%
• Misc.	26%	Grocery	1.6%

^{*} SCE 1997 Commercial End Use Survey

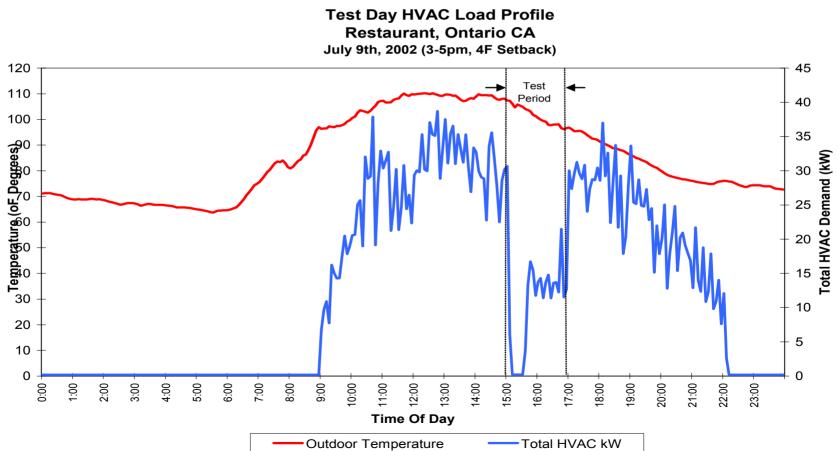
Smart Thermostat a Proven Enabling Technology

- ◆ Energy savings and demand reduction based on the remote adjustment of the AC set point (from 2 6 degrees higher)
- Depending on AC unit loading, savings and load reduction vary per customer
- Other factors include building envelop, space utilization, and external temperatures

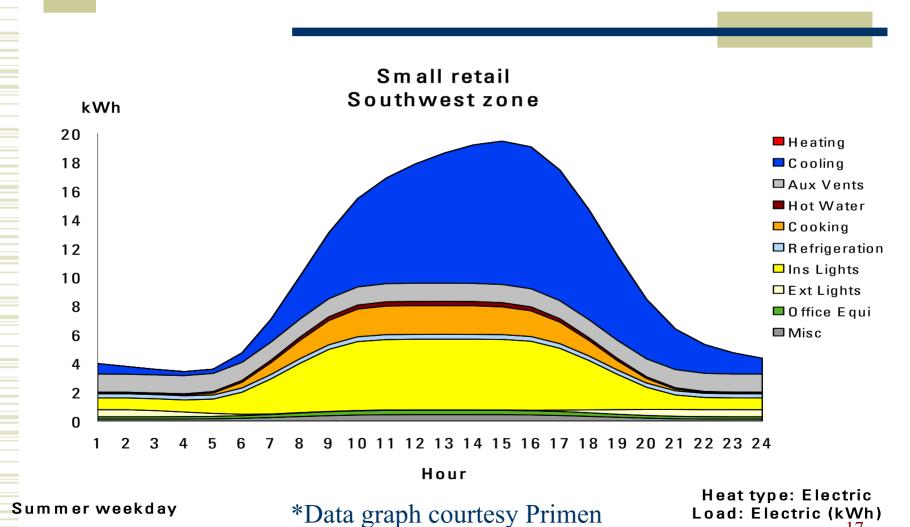
HVAC setpoint/savings ratio



AC load reduction at customer facility from Smart Thermostat



Retail commercial end uses*

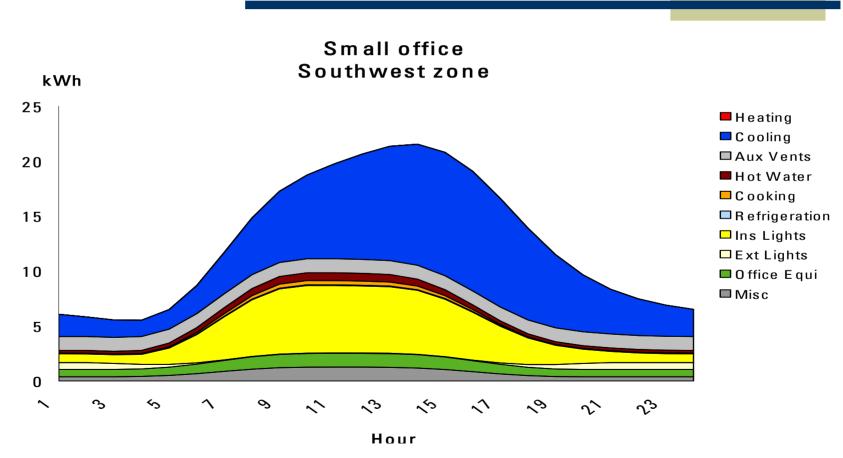


What are the other Small Commercial "appliances"?

- (Al)most all commercial customers have packaged AC systems and overhead lighting
- Other end uses include office equipment, food prep or storage, water heaters, and businessspecific plug loads



Office commercial end uses*



Summer weekday

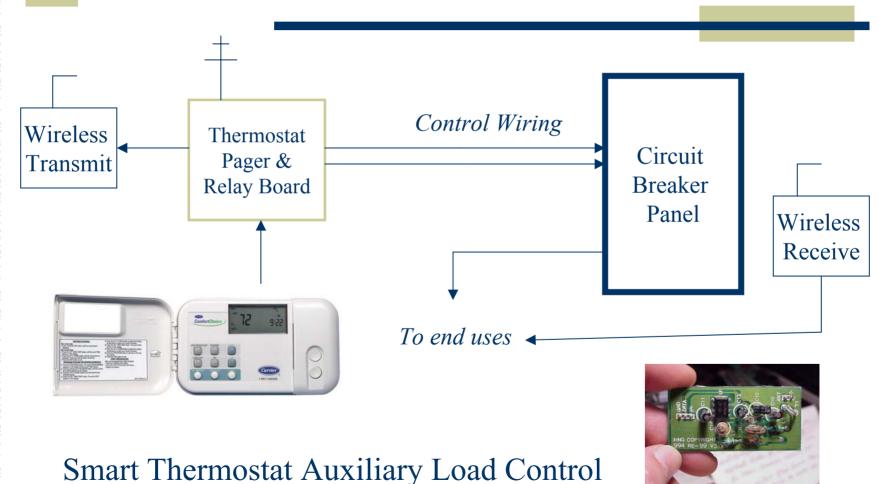
*Data graph courtesy Primen

Heat type: Electric Load: Electric (kWh)

SCE Proposed Implementation Approach for SPP-ACT

- Enroll Track A customers with "SPP-ACT ready" Smart Thermostats CPP light and relay options
- Market Research assess commercial end uses in both AB970 & SPP inventory and "curtailability"
- ◆ Technology Assessment small test sample to identify and control "auxiliary loads" in Track A
- Program Implementation offer additional load control options for Track A, based on customer preferences and load options

Smart Thermostat ACT Scheme—HVAC, lighting and other



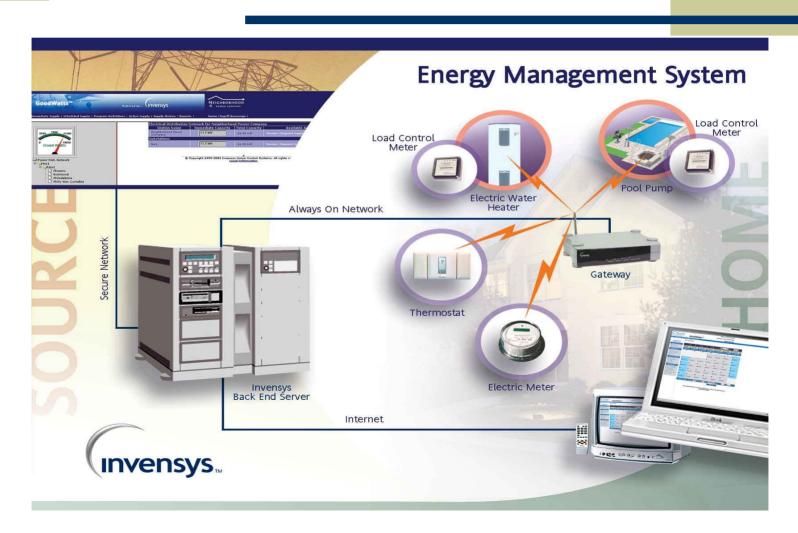
SCE Schedule for SPP-ACT

- Provided "ACT ready" Smart Thermostats to Track A participants, as requested (n = 30 so far)
- Receive go-forward approval with draft plan -June?
- Conduct market research and technology pilot in preparation of implementation (June - July)
- Offer the ACT options to SPP participants at least six months after program start (September)

ADRS Residential Pilot

- Purpose to test an Automated Demand Response System using SPP rates
- Approximately 175 homes in California
- Uses cable TV for broadband to the home
- Interim phase between the SPP rate elasticity pilot and the Advanced Metering OIR
- To be conducted Spring/Summer 2004

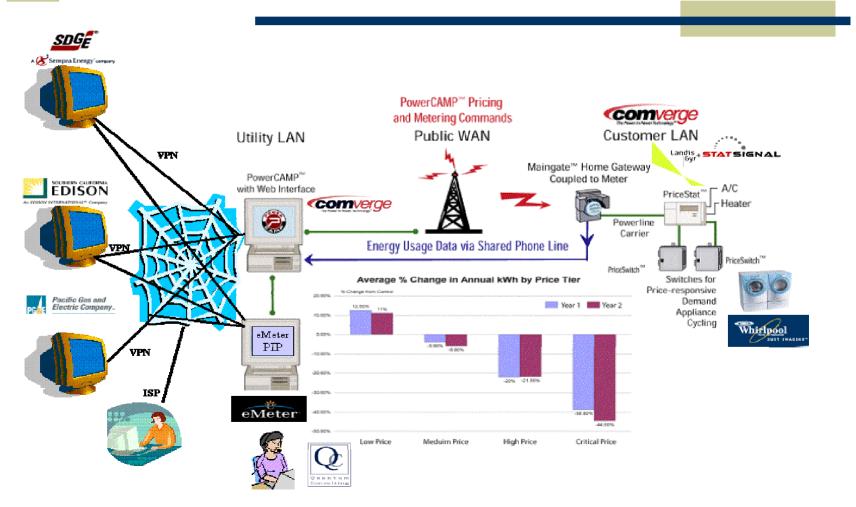
ADRS Systems Examples



Multiple end-use capability

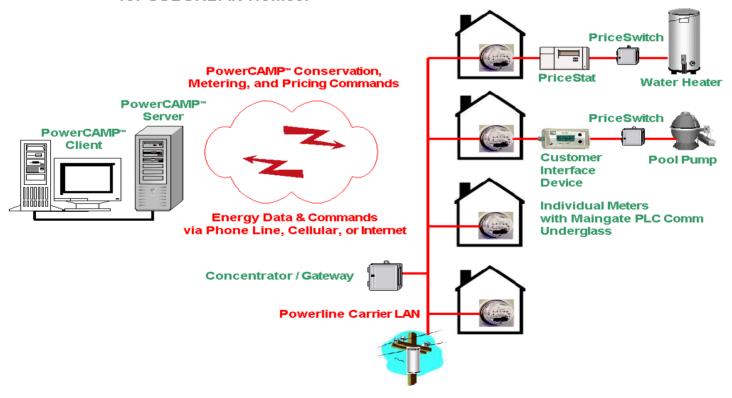


Wireless communications

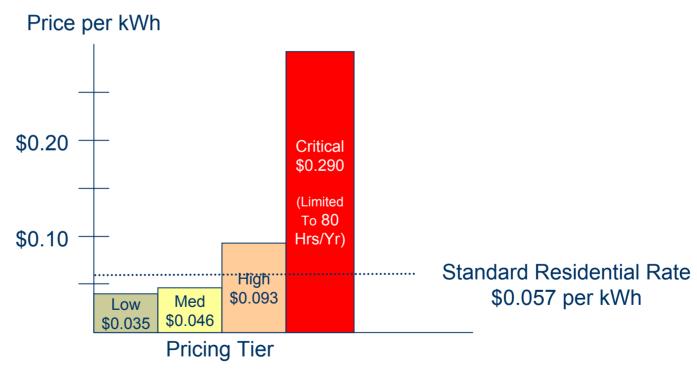


Existing Technology

Maingate™ Home 2-Way Solution for SUBURBAN Homes.



Example of variable rates



From Gulf Power – existing RSVP program
Standard Residential Customer Charge applies: \$8.07 per month
RSVP Participation Charge: \$4.53 per month