

## **Capture Energy Savings in Existing Commercial Buildings through Retrocommissioning**

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**San Francisco, Calif** – To help business customers save money by building energy efficiency and demand response capabilities into existing commercial facilities, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) offers the Retrocommissioning (RCx) program and incentives to qualified participants.

RCx is a systematic process for identifying less-than-optimal performance in an existing facility's equipment and control systems and making necessary repairs or enhancements to save energy and costs. Whereas retrofitting involves replacing outdated equipment, RCx focuses on improving the efficiency of what is already in place.

Incentives for qualifying businesses are based on achieved annual energy savings, and the total incentive amounts will be finalized by PG&E after completing the project approval process. In addition to the incentive, PG&E will provide diagnostic, engineering and cost estimating resources to identify and analyze potential energy-saving projects from retrocommissioning measures. Other project ideas, such as retrofit, demand response and self-generation will be identified.

In addition to cash incentives, the RCx program provides a thorough building assessment by qualified engineering professionals and technical support throughout the RCx implementation process. Benefits of the program may include increased employee productivity, more efficient building operations, longer equipment service life, fewer service and maintenance calls and lower energy bills;

The RCx Program is intended for commercial customers who receive gas or electric service from PG&E; pay a California public purpose programs surcharge on their utility bills; own or operate a facility that has at least 100,000 square feet of conditioned space or that consumes 2,000,000 kWh or 50,000 therms per year and have access to funding to implement agreed upon RCx measures within 12 months.

To learn more about the RCx Program, please email the RCx Program office at [rcxprogram@pge.com](mailto:rcxprogram@pge.com) or visit [www.pge.com/rcx](http://www.pge.com/rcx).