

The 5-Point Plan



Summary Statement:

Savings from cleaner power and more efficient operations, along with strategic debt paydowns, are forecast to eliminate Santee Cooper's need for a rate increase over the next five years.*

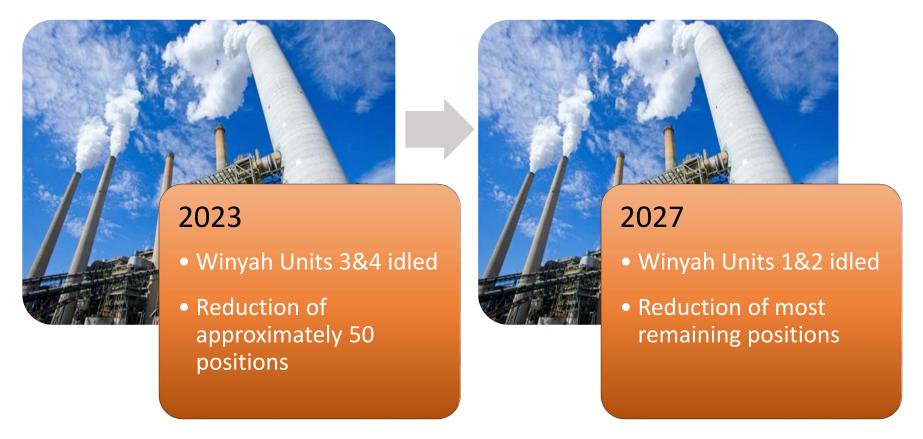
*Source: 2019 Business Forecast, www.santeecooper.com/2019businessforecast, on a base rate plus fuel basis



LEANER, GREENER

- We will close the coal-fueled Winyah Generating
 Station by 2027 and replace that power with 1,000
 MW of solar and additional natural gas, as needed for reliability.
 - Our cleaner, greener generating mix will be cheaper too, saving \$90 million a year initially and \$170 million a year after 2027.

Winyah Station Employee Specifics (185 Employees)



Goals:

- Use best faith efforts to relocate or repurpose employees at other locations.
- Identify vacancy/retirement opportunities.
- Identify transferable knowledge and retrain impacted employees as necessary.



REDUCED DEBT

- We will use \$925 million in cash and other internal funds over the next two years to pay down debt, including \$350 million in 2019 and \$575 million in 2020 and 2021.
- That will significantly reduce overall debt and shorten its payback time.
 - In 2017, our total company debt was \$8.2B and today it's \$6.8B.

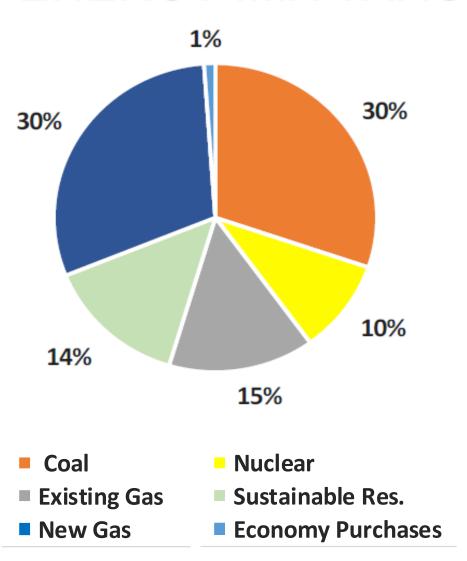


REDUCED EMISSIONS

- Closing Winyah reduces Santee Cooper's reliance on coal by over 40%.
- That reduction, plus the addition of clean energy resources, will lower our carbon emissions by about 30% over the next decade.



NEW ENERGY MIX TARGET





MORE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY

- The plan includes 200 MW of battery storage South Carolina's first large commitment to this new technology. This will improve system <u>reliability</u> (especially with a larger renewable footprint).
- We'll also be accelerating our rollout of smart meters to customers, and developing a new energy management program to help customers use new technologies to better manage their own energy use.



STABLE PRICES

- Santee Cooper plans to not raise rates for at least the next five years.
- Combined with several years already of steady prices helped by falling fuel costs, that will mean at least a decade with no increase in the cost of power to Santee Cooper customers.

Conclusion



The 5-Point Plan:

- ✓ Leaner, greener
- ✓ Reduced debt
- ✓ Reduced emissions
- ✓ More advanced technology
- ✓ Stable prices