

### Electrification Messaging Market Research

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Electric Vehicle

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# Appliance selection factors (examples)

#### **CLIMATE FRIENDLY**

- Help me act to protect the environment for future generations
- Have no emissions that contribute to climate change

### **ALL ELECTRIC/NO METHANE**

- Do not use natural gas (also known as methane gas) to operate
- Preserve or move my home toward being an allelectric home

### **COSTS LESS**

- Cost less to run for a typical year
- Use a lower cost power source

#### **HEALTH/SAFETY**

- Are safer/ no risk of explosions or leaks
- Do not risk the release of unsafe emissions into my home
- Are healthier / protects my home's indoor air quality

### **PRIDE/UNIQUE**

- I would enjoy showing to my guests
- I might be among the first to own/is a bit unique

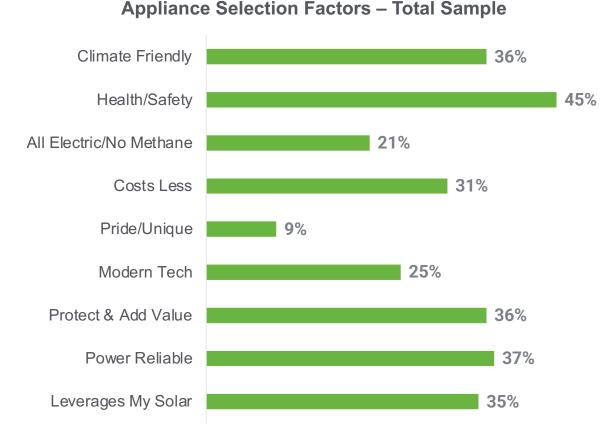
### **PROTECT AND ADD VALUE**

- Protect the value of my home
- Add to the value of my home in the long run

### **POWER RELIABLE**

• Can continue to operate during a power outage

## Appliance selection factors – importance



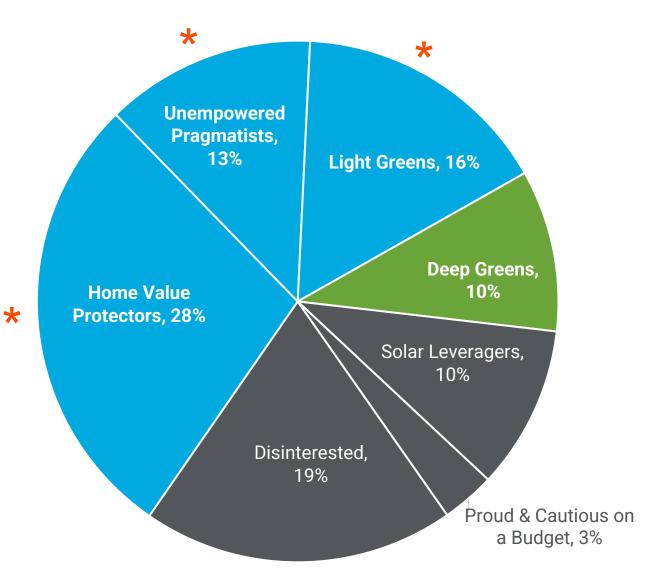
■ Average Importance of Items within Factor (%9-10)

- Depicts importance ratings across total sample
- Different segments have distinctive patterns of importance ratings

# Segments

- For broad-based messaging, we grouped target segments (\*) based on:
- Sufficient commonality of perceived benefits
- Persuadable segments
- Combined size (57% of market)

#### Share of the Market



### Appliance selection factors ratings, target segments

		Home Value Protectors	Unempowered Pragmatists	Light Greens	Deep Greens
	Share of Market	28%	13%	16%	10%
	Appliance selection factors	% rating top 2 on scale of 1-10			
Health/Safety	Are safer/ no risk of explosions or leaks	75%	69%	72%	72%
	Do not risk the release of unsafe emissions into my home	71%	62%	70%	82%
	Are healthier / protects my home's indoor air quality	67%	50%	67%	84%
Cost	Cost less to run for a typical year	63%	46%	56%	36%
	Protect the value of my home	60%	39%	48%	37%
	Use a lower cost power source	59%	47%	51%	35%
Protect / Add Value	Add to the value of my home in the long run	56%	28%	36%	31%
Climate	Help me act to protect the environment for future generations	51%	11%	53%	94%
	Have no emissions that contribute to climate change	51%	11%	46%	90%

Q8. If you were in the market for a new appliance for your home, such as those mentioned previously, how important would the following factors be to you?

# Environmental attitudes of target segments

Q11 - Based on current trends, how much impact will climate change have on the everyday lifestyle of the next generation of San Mateo County residents?

	Total (n=1,081)	Home Value Protectors (n=329)	Unempowered Pragmatists (n=133)	Light Greens (n=162)	Deep Greens (n=105)
An extreme impact	21%	22%	10%	28%	43%
A substantial impact	47%	53%	34%	46%	44%
A moderate impact	21%	19%	32%	18%	11%
A minor impact	8%	6%	17%	7%	2%
None	3%		8%		

## Environmental attitudes of target segments

	Home Value Protectors	Unempowered Pragmatists	Light Greens	Deep Greens
	(n=329)	(n=133)	(n=162)	(n=105)
Agree with		$\frown$		
The actions I take in my home can have a meaningful impact on climate change	60%	24%	56%	75%
I am willing to pay up to 10% more to purchase products that mitigate climate	44%	15%	51%	84%
I am willing to replace my vehicle and/or appliances before the end of their useful life to help mitigate my impacts on climate change	42%	10%	32%	67%
I am not willing to pay anything more to purchase products that mitigate climate change	11%	41%	10%	6%

## **Demographics of target segments**

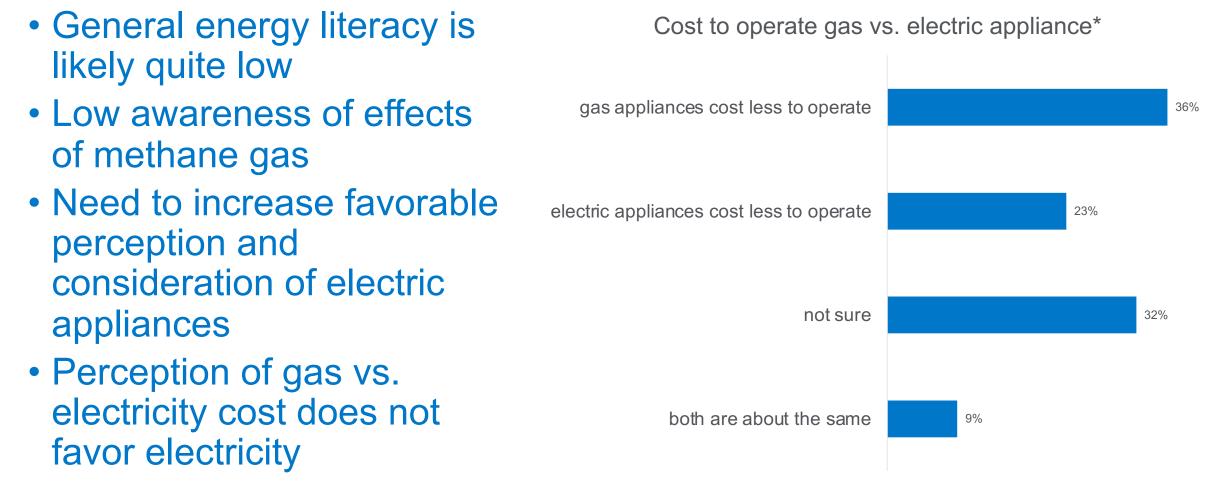
	Home Value Protectors	Unempowered Pragmatists	Light Greens	Deep Greens
Rent	<mark>30%</mark>	20%	25%	15%
Own	70%	80%	75%	85%
Age	(45.8)	(46.0)	(47.9)	(54.1)
44 or less	32%	<mark>39%</mark>	25%	21%
45-64	<mark>38%</mark>	30%	<mark>40%</mark>	34%
65+	27%	28%	33%	<mark>42%</mark>
Income				
\$75k or less	14%	12%	16%	10%
\$75k to \$150k	<mark>32%</mark>	22%	21%	18%
\$150k+	37%	35%	42%	<mark>57%</mark>
<b>Ethnicity</b>				
White	42%	44%	54%	<mark>74%</mark>
Asian/Pac Islander	<mark>36%</mark>	26%	20%	8%
Prefer not to say	8%	<mark>18%</mark>	12%	4%

Highlight indicates notable difference vs. other segments

### Message development

- Health and safety benefit must be emphasized
- Cost issue must be addressed but a claim of cost savings (existing buildings) is not as straightforward as it is with EVs.
- Climate friendly messaging resonates for our target segments, except for the Unempowered Pragmatists

# Challenges for message development



\* Based on 2020 Awareness/Perception Monitoring study (N=2261)



- Testing response to four different campaign slogans (in 3 languages)
  - A healthy climate starts at home
  - Healthy homes run electric
  - $_{\odot}$  Clear the air. Go electric.
  - $_{\odot}$  Clean living is electric
- Start fast, flexible and low cost
- Collaborate with partners
- Expanded campaign investment