

Prop 16 was a California ballot measure designed to make it harder for local governments to get into the market as electricity sellers. A CLEE [White Paper](#) provides a comprehensive analysis of the proposal. Prop 16 was defeated by 52-48%. PG&E and its parent company had spent \$46 million to push the measure, while opponents spent virtually nothing. Apparently vote buying has its limits, even in the bizarre world of California popular democracy.