

Energy Efficiency Advisory Council
Positions on the
2014 Implementation Update

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The Implementation Update is a new tool for reviewing and assessing energy efficiency program progress during the implementation of a Three-Year Energy Efficiency Plan. On March 17, 2014, the Program Administrators (“PAs”) prepared the inaugural Implementation Update and distributed same to the Energy Efficiency Advisory Council (“EEAC”) for review. The EEAC appreciates the efforts of the PAs to prepare the Implementation Update.

Based on their initial review of the PAs’ Implementation Update for 2014-2015, the EEAC Consultants identified and presented five (5) initial findings at the April 8, 2014 EEAC meeting:

- The PAs can meet or exceed the 2013-2015 Three-Year Energy Efficiency Plan goals.
- Collectively, the PAs are expecting to fall short of the 2013-2015 Three-Year Plan C&I sector goals by 10% (electric) and 16% (gas).
- Some PAs propose to reallocate a portion of the C&I sector savings goals to the residential sector and from Large C&I Retrofit to contractor-delivered C&I initiatives.
- Residential and C&I forecasted achievements vary significantly across the PAs, raising the question of whether the programs, as proposed and adjusted by the PAs, adequately employ and replicate best practices to achieve energy efficiency savings.
- The anticipated adjustments and reallocations proposed by the PAs result in higher total portfolio costs.

The EEAC states its positions on the Implementation Update as follows:

1. The EEAC finds the Implementation Update to be a useful tool for reviewing and assessing progress part way through the implementation of the 2013-2015 Plan. The Implementation Update supports important functions of the EEAC by enabling the EEAC to not only review past progress in 2013 but also to analyze the PA-forecasted achievements and anticipated adjustments for 2014-2015. The EEAC understands that this new tool is also being explored for potential continued use in the future.
2. The EEAC affirms that the PAs should meet at least 100% of the electric Three-Year Plan goals, supports and applauds continued gas PA efforts to exceed the Three-Year Plan gas goals, and expects the PAs to achieve or exceed the level of fuel oil savings set forth in the Three-Year Plan.
3. The EEAC concurs that its Consultants’ initial findings above are significant issues to be addressed as part of the EEAC’s ongoing review of the Implementation Update.
4. The EEAC supports the three deep dive topics below, which were identified by the PAs and the EEAC Consultants based on their analysis of the key drivers of the changes observed and the PA-anticipated adjustments in the Implementation Update:
 - Large C&I Retrofit (electric and gas)
 - Multifamily Retrofit (electric and gas)
 - Residential Lighting (including lighting delivered through all of the Residential programs)