

March 2, 2015 EEAC Executive Committee Meeting Notes

Attendees: Dan Burgess (DOER), Don Boecke (AG), Amy Boyd (Acadia), Rick Malmstrom (Biz Customers - phone), Betsy Glynn (Res customers), Emmett Lyne (PAs), Shaela Collins (PAs), Lisa Shea (Eversource), Tom Palma (Unitil), Joanne Bodemer (CLC), Elliot Jacobson (LEAN), Paul Johnson (Small Biz), Eugenia Gibbons (Non-Profit), Jeff Schlegel (Consult – phone), Matt Socks (Consult – phone), Jeff Loiter (Consult – phone), Finlayson (DOER – phone), Lyn Huckabee (DOER), Maggie McCarey (DOER), Alex Pollard (DOER), Alissa Whiteman (DOER), Aimee Powelka (DOER)

Agenda:

- Resolution Process
 - Schedule
 - Workshop meeting summaries
 - Sample C&I resolution language
- Consultant Assessment Report
 - Presentation by Consultant
 - Questions/Discussion of goals
- Cross-cutting topics next steps
 - Penetration and Participation
 - Lifetime savings
 - Demand savings
- EEAC Agenda Planning

RESOLUTION PROCESS

Maggie McCarey reviewed the proposed schedule and process for drafting the Council resolution. The EC discussed how they were going to process the input generated in the workshops to make a Council Resolution. Initial recommendations from the workshops will be presented at the 3/10 Council meeting. Workshop summaries (minus the summary from the 3/9 residential workshop) will be provided by 3/5 for consideration before the 3/10 meeting. DOER will then take the Council feedback and draft Resolution language for the next EC meeting on 3/18. This process is designed to provide multiple opportunities for Councilors to weigh in before final deliberations.

A sample of the C&I recommendations was distributed to give the EC a chance to comment on the format before all of the recommendations documents and the resolution document were drafted.

Workshop summaries were provided, starting with Alex Pollard summarizing the Commercial workshops. Detailed commercial workshop summaries have been posted on the EEAC website.

The group worked through the recommendation language carefully in hopes that minimal adjustments would be needed to create a final resolution. The last C/I workshop is on 03/03

Ian Finlayson provided the summary for the Residential workshops which are still a bit behind Commercial in schedule. The summary for the Products session has been posted by the Whole House sessions still need recommendations which will be determined at the 03/09 workshop. The results will be reported at the 03/10 Council meeting.

DRAFT CONSULTANT ASSESSMENT OF POTENTIAL

Jeff Loiter (the Consultant lead on the study) qualitatively described the methodology used to come up with the draft assessment. Factors include: potential studies from across the country, small individual PA studies, relevant EM&V studies, and historical PA performance. They assessed both regulated and unregulated fuel potential. Jeff then described some of the factors that can affect how a particular resource is treated such as varied budget restraints and treatment of codes and standards activity, behavior program savings, or CHP.

All of these factors, most clearly PA past performance, suggest that the other potential estimates are too conservative for Massachusetts.

A physical copy of the draft was distributed.

CROSS CUTTING TOPICS

Burgess brought up the request from the Council meeting that Erik Winkler (ISO) do a 30 minute presentation on demand savings. The EC supported doing this presentation soon if the Council had enough time to get through everything else.

Jeff Schlegel also addressed the need to talk about the savings goal framework, including how lifetime savings, summer peak, and winter peak fit in.

MID TERM MODIFICATIONS

Material was distributed on the MTM requests of Unutil and CLC. The PAs were not requesting action from the EC at this meeting but wanted to provide advance notice about the need to address the issue with the Council at the 3/31 meeting. A summary would be provided by 3/10 and the final documentation would be provided by 3/18.

Both PAs with detailed proposals reviewed the specifics. Eversource plans to request an MTM but has not yet completed their proposal. They are working on a uniform format for all proposals being presented to the Council.

The PAs also proposed that National Grid take on the implementation and regulatory burden of Blackstone gas's energy efficiency programming because Blackstone is too small to manage it

themselves. The EC agreed with the idea in principle and decided to put the issue on the agenda as requested.

3/10 COUNCIL AGENDA

The meeting is noticed from 1-5.

- Public Comment (10 min)
- Updates (10 min) – this will include the Grid takeover of Blackstone
- Consultant Process Assessment Report (1+ hour)
 - Goals discussion
- Break (10 min)
- Demand Savings (30 min)
- Workshop recommendations (1+ hour)
- Initial MTM Discussion (20 min)

They also decided to schedule an extra EC meeting on 3/23 at 2:30 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 11:29 AM.