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Objectives of Energy Efficiency (EE) Module

- Definition of EE
- Examples of EE policies and measures
- Differences between EE and RE
- Development of EE policies
- EE policies implemented at local, state and federal level
- EE Benefits
 - Energy, economic, environmental
 - How to determine
 - Scale of results, limits to implementation
- Demand response

Energy Efficiency is One Part of Demand Side Management



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DSM: Demand-side Management

- DSM comprises actions taken on the customer's side of the meter to change the quantity and/or timing of the energy used by the customer in ways that will provide benefits to the energy supply system
- DSM strategies aim to avoid or postpone the construction of new electricity generating plant and/or the expansion or augmentation of the electricity grid
- DSM is an alternative to solutions that focus on the supply side
- DSM includes both end-use energy efficiency and load management

Energy Efficiency



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Energy Efficiency (1)

- Energy efficiency refers to efforts to provide the <u>same</u> <u>level of energy service or performance</u>, such as heating or cooling a building or motorization, <u>with less energy input</u>
- Example: an energy efficiency program may aim at replacing a standard electric motor with a high-efficiency motor; this gets the same work done using less electricity
- Energy efficiency directly results in reduced emissions and reduced carbon intensity

Energy Efficiency (2)

- Characteristics of EE:
 - Dispersed, decentralized installations
 - Benefits measured through algorithms based on audited energy savings
 - Energy saved or avoided is not yet tracked by regional transmission operators

Load Management



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Load Management (1)

- Load management refers to efforts to <u>reduce peak</u> <u>demand</u> or <u>shift demand</u> from on-peak to off-peak periods
- Example: Shifting production so that a motor is used during off-peak periods instead of on-peak
- Load management may or may not improve end-use energy efficiency or reduce emissions, depending on the mix of generation available and system dispatch rules
- Load management usually results in lower transmission and distribution system losses

Load Management (2)

Combined Commercial Cooling and Lighting Loadshape with Efficiency and Load Management (Four-Hour Curtailment by 15%)



EE vs. RE: Similarities

- EE resources can be sized and deployed to meet customer requirements (variable size, dispersed or concentrated)
- Reduce the need to operate marginal or peaking generation, especially on high electric demand days (HEDD), reducing emissions and electricity prices

EE vs. RE: differences

• Renewable Energy

- RE output can be directly measured
- Like any power plant, 100% of RE project must be complete before 1 MWh of output occurs
- RE output can be transmitted across long distances
- RE can be installed at or near same locations as retired or mothballed power plants

• Energy Efficiency

- EE benefits require auditing and statistical sampling to first determine energy savings
- EE benefits begin as soon as the first measure is installed
- EE can defer or avoid the need to upgrade or construct new transmission
- EE energy savings are cumulative. Assuming the program continues, savings accrue each year.

Energy Efficiency Planning Definitions

- **Measure:** A specific element (e.g. residential lighting)
- **Program:** A group of measures (low-income program, new commercial building program)
- **Project**: Several measures installed concurrently at same location (e.g., whole building concept)
- **Portfolio**: The entire group of measures and programs
- **Goal**: Maximize benefits, "touch" customer only once (if possible)

Air and Energy Nomenclature: Developing Bilingual and Multilingual Skills

- An energy efficiency program can be an air quality measure
 - EE programs are directed, reviewed, approved by public service commissions.
 Energy offices and 3rd parties coordinate planning, implement programs
- Measure, policy, program have different meanings to energy regulators
 - Need to remember to whom you are speaking, and terms of art have different meanings, even though the letters or words may be the same
- An air quality measure can be:
 - Narrow (i.e. LED traffic light changeout)
 - Broad (i.e. a state portfolio of EE resources that cleared the New England regional capacity market)
- And, terminology can vary by region and state

Examples of EE Policies

- Energy efficiency resource standard (EERS)
 - Requires specific quantity of EE resources to be procured each year
- Output-based emissions standard
 - Lbs-pollutant-per-MWh encourages efficient fuel consumption
- Whole house concept or integrated systems thinking
 - Apply all measures to a home or building, including boiler and A/C
- Fuel-neutral or all-fuels
 - Address electric, gas and oil consumption at the building at same time (vs. gas only or electric only)

Energy Efficiency Resource Standards



Note: See following slide for a brief summary of policy details. For more details on EERS policies, see <u>www.dsireusa.org</u> and <u>www.aceee.org/topics/eers</u>.

EERS Policy Details

- AZ: 22% cumulative electricity savings by 2020
- AR: 0.75% of 2010 electric sales reduction by 2013; 0.4% of 2010 gas sales reduction by 2013

CA: Varies by utility

- **CO:** Electricity sales and demand reduction of 5% of 2006 numbers by 2018 (statutory requirement); natural gas savings requirements vary by utility
- **CT:** 4% of retail load (includes CHP and waste heat recovery)
- **DE:** Electricity and peak demand savings equivalent to 15% of 2007 numbers by 2015; natural gas savings equivalent to 10% of 2007 natural gas consumption by 2015
- **FL:** 7,842 GWh cumulative reductions from 2010-2019 (statewide goal); 3,024 MW cumulative summer peak demand reduction from 2010-2019, 1,937 MW, cumulative winter peak demand reduction from 2010-2019 (statewide goal)
- HI: 4,300 GWh reduction in electricity use by 2030
- IL: 2.0% reduction of 2008 electricity sales by 2015; 1.1% reduction of 2008 peak load demand by 2018; 8.6% cumulative natural gas savings by 2020
- **IN:** 2.0% electricity sales reduction by 2019

- IA: 1.5% electricity sales reduction by 2013; 1.5% natural gas sales reduction by 2013
- ME: 30% reduction of electricity and natural gas sales by 2020
- MD: 15% reduction in per capita energy consumption by 2015, compared to 2007; 15% reduction in per capital peak demand by 2015, compared to 2007
- MA: Reduce 1,103 GWh electricity in 2012 (statewide); reduce 24.7 million therms by 2012 (statewide)
- MI: 1.0% annual reduction of previous year retail electricity sales by 2012; 0.75% annual reduction of previous year retail natural gas sales by 2012
- MN: 1.5% reduction of previous 3-year average retail electric sales by 2010;
 1.5% reduction of previous 3-year average retail natural gas sales by 2010
- NM: 10% of 2005 total retail kWh sales by 2020
- NY: 15% reduction relative to projected electricity use in 2015; gas savings of 112 Bcf annually by 2020

- **OH:** 22.0% reduction of previous 3year average retail electricity sales by 2025; 7.0% reduction of previous 3-year average peak demand by 2017
- PA: 3% of projected June 2009 May 2010 electricity consumption by May 31, 2013; 4.5% of measured June 2007 - May 2008 peak demand by May 31, 2013
- RI: Varies by utility
- TX: 25% reduction in annual growth in demand 2012; 30% reduction in annual growth in demand 2013
- VT: 360,000 MWh electricity savings (3-year goal for 2009, 2010, 2011); summer peak kW savings: 51,200 (3-year goal for 2009, 2010, 2011), winter peak kW savings: 54,000 (3year goal for 2009, 2010, 2011)

WA: Varies by utility

WI: 1.5% electricity savings by 2014; 1.5% peak demand reduction by 2014; 1.0% natural gas savings by 2014

National Potential of EE Programs to Reduce Emissions



Who Develops, Implements and Enforces EE Policies?

- Federal:
 - Appliance standards (DOE)
- State:
 - Ability to pass more stringent energy standards than federal (i.e., like the California car under the CAAA mobile source program)
 - Require utility or state-level DSM programs
 - Create, establish and update building codes and standards
- Local:
 - Enforce state building codes and standards
 - Zoning requirements (i.e., Austin, TX ordinance on home size)
 - Ability to adopt more stringent codes and standards than state
- Local policies may not be included in EIA forecast; air quality planners will need to account for them

Energy Efficiency Provides Energy, Economic and Environmental Benefits

- Directly and indirectly reduces customer bills
- Reduces risk of fuel price volatility from fossil fuel
- Improves energy security
- Provides capacity to improve reliability of electricity system
- Reduces stress on transmission and distribution system
- Accumulates benefits over life of measure, project, program and portfolio
- Reduces criteria, toxic and greenhouse gas emissions
- Improves land and water quality

Estimating the Benefits of EE

- Evaluation Measurement and Verification (EM&V)
- Must satisfy same enforceability criteria as other air quality control measures, i.e., RSVP&E
- Definitions, concepts and roles
 DEP, PUC, EPA regions
- Tools and techniques for future forecasting
- EM&V to be covered in more detail in Module 4

Recognizing the Benefits of EE

- Scale of results to date and impact
- Progress by EPA; what remains to be done
- Economic and system benefits

Annual U.S. Electricity Growth Rate

Figure 7-9. Electricity Growth Rate (3 Year Rolling Average) and Projections from the Annual Energy Outlook 2011



Source: EIA Annual Energy Review 2009 and Annual Energy Outlook 2011

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How Are US States Performing?

(State Rankings by ACEEE)



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Energy Saved by EE and Its Cost



EE Results to Date and Impact

- DOE EIA forecasts 2010-2035 USA load growth to be 1% annually
- State programs have equaled/exceeded this level in: CA, CT, MA, IA, VT, WI; are forecast to do so in: IL, OR, WA
- EE is reducing cost to maintain reliable electricity grid in New England and PJM:
 - Combination of increased demand resources, stable natural gas prices have idled several older power plants, led to planned closure of some units
 - Salem Harbor RMR decision by FERC requires transmission operators to complete studies to show the affect of alternative resources (like DSM) on reliability

Barriers: Why Hasn't EE Been Included in Air Plans?

- Emissions benefits determined indirectly vs. directly (e.g., by CEMS)
- Tens of thousands of discrete measures vs. a few dozen EGU
- Degree of benefit varies by state, region
- High transaction costs, or perception thereof, from previous EPA guidance
- Tendency to focus on specific measures vs. program or portfolio

Demand Response



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Demand Response (1)

- Similar to load management
- Refers to customers changing their normal consumption patterns in response to <u>changes in the price of energy</u> over time or to <u>incentive payments</u> designed to induce lower electricity use when prices are high or system reliability is in jeopardy
- Demand response practices often give consumers real-time price signals to encourage them to adjust their electricity use to changing conditions in the power grid
- Demand response also includes automated efforts to link customer use to grid costs and conditions

Demand Response (2)

- DR programs are typically designed by utilities and transmission operators
- In the past, main DR participants were large commercial/industrial customers and government
- Customers are paid to turn off their load within 15-30 minutes of being notified by DR program operator
 - Day-ahead notice is usually provided to DR customers

Demand Response (3)

- DR can mean turning load off (passive) or shifting load to a back-up generator (active)
- DR customers are paid to provide capacity and paid when they participate in the DR program
- DR programs save customers and utilities money by avoiding the need to purchase expensive electricity at peak time periods

 Emissions are also typically reduced

Demand Response (4)

- DR programs can reduce emissions at peak, especially when the peak electricity demand coincides with periods of peak pollutant concentrations
- Specific air quality benefits depend upon the design of the DR program and what DR resources are called upon to participate
 - A DR program that results in turning on back-up diesel generators may increase emissions
 - DR programs that result in load being turned off or shifted can decrease emissions
- Increased penetration of smart meters may permit residential customers to participate in DR programs and receive payment for doing so.
- Some utilities have adopted time of use rates to discourage consumption during peak time periods through higher rates per kWh of electricity consumed

Question and Answer Period

- What could EPA do to remove barriers/increase penetration of EE/DR ?
- Thank you!