ENERGY EFFICIENCY BEST PRACTICES: OPTIONS FOR SUCCESS

A Practical Guide for Implementing Successful Energy Efficiency Programs in Municipal Electric Service Areas





PROJECT INFORMATION – OBJECTIVES

- Develop a Guide to Best Practices for Energy Efficiency in Locally Governed Electric Services Areas in the State
- In Engage Texas MOUs to
 - Promote energy awareness
 - Expand or refine current energy efficiency programs
 - Implement new energy efficiency programs based on the recommendation of this guide.
 - Reduce 1% kWh consumption annually
- Assist Texas MOUs with energy efficiency pilot programs



PROJECT INFORMATION – 2 KEY TASK AREAS

Best Practices

- * Benchmarking Programs
- * Identify best Practices

Energy Efficiency Plan Recommendations

Tailor to Local Conditions

- * Market Assessment
- * Stakeholder Engagement
- * Financial Resources



BEST PRACTICES GUIDE DEVELOPMENT – PROCESS & TIMELINE





PROJECT STATUS



EE PROGRAM DATABASE

- Conducted Secondary Research
 - Nexant team program experience
 - Public filings
 - Research studies
- Established Energy Efficiency Program Database
 - ø 350 + programs
 - Ø Organized by variety of categories
 - Market Sector
 - √ Commercial
 - ✓ Residential
 - ✓ Industrial
 - Program Types
 - ✓ Equipment rebates
 - ✓ Energy audit service
 - ✓ Demand response
 - ✓ Appliance recycling
 - Incentive Structure
 - ✓ Prescriptive rebates
 - √ Financing









COST EFFECTIVENESS ANALYSIS





BRAINSTORMING WEBINAR

Date: June 28, 2011 (Tuesday)

Attendees:

- Morning session 7 MOUs
- Afternoon session 8 MOUs
- Findings from Discussion Session:
 - Ø Utility characters:
 - ✓ Customer pool ranges from 1,500 to over a 100,000
 - ✓ EE Programs were managed internally with help of 1-3 part time or full time staff
 - ✓ Some MOUs partner with Council of Government (COG) on weatherization and appliances exchange programs
 - Ø Existing EE programs:
 - Residential Weatherization; Appliances Exchange; CFL Give Away; Tree Planting; Thermostat Replacement; Water Heater Clock Installation
 - ✓ Commercial HVAC Rebate; Commercial Lighting; Education Program for 6th Grade Schools



BRAINSTORMING WEBINAR (CONT'D)

Implementation barriers:

- ✓ Lack of information and experience on program design and implementation
- \vee Lack of funding or budget
- ✓ Lack of utility man power
- ${\bf V}~$ Lack of marketing and customer outreach strategy
- \vee Local community reception level varies
- ✓ Lack of savings quantification and cost effectiveness analysis

Future EE programs:

	Great Interest	Moderate Interest	Low Interest
Market Sector	ResidentialSmall Commercial	Large CommercialIndustrial	 Agricultural
Program Types	Demand ResponseWeatherizationEquipment Rebate	Energy AuditEducation	
Energy Efficiency Measures	Smart MeterLightingHVAC	 Renewable 	



IN-DEPTH PHONE INTERVIEWS

Operational Structure

- Staffing
- Electric rate structure
- Own power generation

Local Market Conditions

- Interaction between utility and customers
- Energy efficiency potentials (market sector/technology)

Local Delivery Capacity

- In house or third party program administrator
- Implementation partnership with other entities
- Available funding sources
- Available services providers/trade allies

Program Offerings

- Current program offerings
- Future program offerings
 - Utility constraints
 - Implementation barriers
- Consideration factors and priorities for decision makers to offer EE programs



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QUESTIONS ?

