

# 2020 SAG Midstream- Upstream Working Group Plan

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March 6, 2020 Midstream-Upstream Working Group Meeting

# Purpose of the Midstream-Upstream Working Group

## ▶ **Background:**

- ▶ In recent EE Plan portfolios Illinois utilities have offered EE to both midstream networks (incentives going to equipment distributors and/or contractors) and upstream networks (incentives going to manufacturers or retailers).
- ▶ This Working Group will explore additional opportunities to move programs from a traditional downstream approach (incentives going directly to consumers or businesses) to a midstream or upstream program approach.

## ▶ **Purpose:**

- ▶ To provide a forum to discuss midstream and upstream EE opportunities in preparation for utilities developing their 2022-2025 EE Plans

## ▶ **Working Group Website:**

- ▶ <https://www.ilsag.info/midstream-upstream-working-group/>

## Working Group Goals

1. Research and identify midstream and/or upstream measure(s) that may allow utilities to claim higher electric savings at lower cost, in considering cumulative persisting savings goals required for Illinois electric utilities
2. Research and identify midstream and/or upstream measure(s) that may allow utilities to claim higher gas savings at lower cost
3. Discuss the potential development of a statewide midstream/upstream pilot program and the ability to claim savings across all fuels
4. Discuss midstream/upstream planning for the next EE Plan portfolio (2022-2025)

# 2020 Focus: SAG Portfolio Planning Process

- ▶ **Objective of SAG Portfolio Planning Process:** To reach consensus on Illinois utility EE Plans for 2022-2025
  - ▶ Utilities are required to file EE Plans with the Commission for approval on or before March 1, 2021
  - ▶ This is a consensus-seeking process to discuss foundational issues to EE Plan development, including: budgets, Portfolio objectives, Program ideas, and Program design
- ▶ **Midstream-Upstream Working Group Planning Process Topic:**
  - ▶ Discuss midstream/upstream planning for the next EE Plan portfolio (2022-2025), including utility planning considerations and stakeholder ideas / utility feedback
    - ▶ Stakeholder “Energy Efficiency Ideas” are due by April 1
    - ▶ Ideas will be presented during the May 12-13 SAG meetings
    - ▶ A follow-up discussion on any midstream/upstream ideas will be held during the June Working Group meeting

# 2020 Meetings

## ▶ Friday, March 6:

- ▶ Ameren IL Presentation: Current and potential future midstream/upstream offerings
- ▶ ComEd Presentation: Benchmarking midstream and upstream programs in other jurisdictions; measures ComEd is considering moving midstream and upstream

## ▶ Tuesday, April 28:

- ▶ Presentation from Efficiency Vermont: Midstream/Upstream Best Practices (Howard Merson, VEIC)
- ▶ Additional presenter TBD - suggestions include:
  - ▶ Energy Solutions (joint presentation with Efficiency Vermont)
  - ▶ DTE (Commercial Food Service)
  - ▶ Excel Energy Colorado (HVAC)
  - ▶ Connecticut (Residential HVAC)
  - ▶ *Any feedback from Working Group participants?*

# 2020 Meetings (cont.)

## ▶ Tuesday, June 2:

- ▶ Discuss follow-up from April meeting (if needed)
- ▶ Utilities share feedback on stakeholder proposal(s) for midstream/upstream
- ▶ Discuss policy considerations for midstream / upstream program designs (if needed)

# Questions or Comments?

- ▶ Please send any final questions or comments on the 2020 Midstream-Upstream Working Group Plan **by COB on Friday, March 20**