

# 2020 SAG Non-Energy Impacts Working Group Plan

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March 5, 2020 NEI Working Group Meeting

# Purpose of the NEI Working Group

- ▶ To discuss draft research results from Illinois NEI studies as well as defensible methodologies to use across the state related to calculating non-energy impacts. The NEI Working Group may make recommendations to the Policy Manual Subcommittee or IL-TRM Technical Advisory Committee regarding how NEI results may be included in utilities' reporting, cost-effectiveness analyses, and/or the IL-TRM.
  - ▶ **Background:** The NEI Working Group was created to provide a forum to discuss non-energy impact and economic impact research that began in 2018.
  - ▶ **NEI Working Group Website:** <http://www.ilsag.info/nei-working-group.html>

# Recent Working Group Activities

## ▶ **2018-2019 Activities:**

- ▶ A kick-off meeting was held in August 2018 for Ameren Illinois and ComEd's evaluators to present draft NEI research plans to the Working Group including an opportunity for stakeholder feedback.
- ▶ Four meetings were held in 2019, to further discuss NEI study methodologies, economic impact study methodologies, and preliminary results for the economic impact studies (Ameren Illinois and ComEd service territories).

# 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
- ▶ **NEI Working Group Planning Process Topic:**
  - ▶ Discuss if and how to utilize NEI research results in EE portfolio cost-effectiveness in the 2022-2025 EE Portfolio Plans
    - ▶ Guidehouse will introduce this topic during the March 5<sup>th</sup> meeting, with a high-level introduction to NEIs that other jurisdictions incorporate in cost-effectiveness tests.

# 2020 Meetings

## ▶ **Thursday, March 5 Meeting:**

- ▶ Follow-up discussion on 2018 economic impact study methodologies (action item from Nov. 2019 Working Group meeting).
- ▶ Discuss how and when economic impact study results will be reported for program years 2018, 2019 and in the future.
- ▶ Introduce topic of including NEIs in cost-effectiveness tests.

## ▶ **Tuesday, May 5 Meeting:**

- ▶ Review preliminary results from societal NEI studies for Ameren Illinois and ComEd. Review preliminary income qualified utility NEI results for ComEd.
- ▶ Review memo (forthcoming in April) on how other jurisdictions incorporated NEIs in their cost-effectiveness tests and possible options for IL.

# 2020 Meetings (cont.)

- ▶ **Monday, June 1 Meeting (additional proposed meeting date):**
  - ▶ Follow-up discussion from May 5<sup>th</sup> Working Group meeting, if needed.
  - ▶ Discuss options for potentially incorporating NEI research results in EE portfolio cost-effectiveness in the 2022-2025 EE Portfolio Plans.
    - ▶ *Note: If NEI results are proposed for inclusion in IL-TRM Version 9.0, that proposal will be finalized within the NEI Working Group and shared with the IL-TRM Administrator no later than Sept. 1, 2020.*
- ▶ **Tuesday, December 8 Meeting:**
  - ▶ Discuss preliminary results from income qualified participant NEI studies for Ameren Illinois and ComEd.

# Questions or Comments?

- ▶ Please send any questions or comments on the 2020 NEI Working Group Plan by COB on Thursday, March 19.