



SAG Small Group Meeting #2: IL-TRM Policy Issues



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Solar Photovoltaic (PV)

Policy Issue #2, Question 1:

Does the statutory definition of “energy efficiency” allow solar as energy efficiency measure (i.e. rooftop solar generation) in the Illinois TRM?

MEEA's position: NO

- Installing customer-sited solar PV does not reduce “the amount of electricity or natural gas consumed in order to achieve a given end use.”
- Solar PV generates electricity. It does not change the amount of energy needed by the customer. It changes the source of their energy.
- If solar PV (or any other supply-side DER) were added to the TRM, it should only be allowable for cost recovery to the extent that the DER is providing necessary peak demand reduction and not count toward energy saving goals.