## Com Ed and Ameren Evaluation RFPs Discussion Points Ralph Prahl & Gil Peach

## **Issues Relevant to Both RFPs**

- Add language regarding requirement for coordination and collaboration between Com Ed and Ameren evaluation teams.
- Add language regarding need to comply with
  - o future Illinois evaluation framework and protocols
  - o uniform reporting formats to be developed as part of evaluation framework
  - Any other ICC requirements re: evaluation
- Add/refine language re: need to coordinate with/seek input from
  - SAG evaluation consultants (p. 2 Com Ed, p 1-5 Ameren)
  - SAG members
  - Other evaluation contractors, where applicable
- Add estimation of emissions reductions as an evaluation objective?
- Perhaps allow evaluator-performed market assessment activities outside of evaluation budget? (pp. 9-10 Com Ed, p. 2-8 Ameren)
- Bidders' lists

## Com Ed RFP

- Generally well thought-out, but somewhat sketchy in places.
- Balance of effort between impact, process and market evaluation (pp. 2, 4)
- Downplaying of deemed savings measures (p. 4)
- Scope of coverage of net-to-gross issues (p. 4)
- Role of Com Ed evaluation contractor in establishing protocols (p. 5)
- Nature of evaluation plan and planning process (pp. 5-6)
- Level of detail on bid review criteria (p. 17)

## Ameren RFP

- Unusually thoughtful, comprehensive and well-written.
- A number of components that might profitably be adapted for the Com Ed RFP.
- If eval contractor not responsible for evaluating DCEO programs, who is? (p. 1-3)
- Requirement that bidders submit two separate proposals if bidding on both Res and Non-Res (p. 1-2)
- Is it necessary to pin down Res and Non-Res funding in advance? (p. 5-3)
- References to establishing evaluation infrastructure (p. 1-1, 2-1)
- Strong preference for establishment of local office may dissuade bidders (p. 1-5)
- Timing of work on persistence, retention, and market effects (p. 2-2)
- May want to clarify that evaluators won't have primary responsibility for program tracking (pp. 2-5, 2-6)

- What is basis for specification of 80/20 precision requirement? (p. 2-6)
  Why AIU's responsibility to determine capacity equivalence and peak demand reduction? (p. 2-9)