## EE SAG Technical Advisory Subcommittee April 13, 2010

# Planning Assumptions: Similarities and Differences Across Administrators

**Discussion Topics** 

**Objective**: Discussion of planning tools and data for 2011 – 2014 EE Portfolios

- Same across administrators?
- Different, if so, why?

#### **Planning Tools**

- **Cost-Effectiveness Analysis Tool** will administrators all be using DSMoore for cost-effectiveness analysis?
  - Same version and identical software or modified differently for each?
    - Electric Avoided costs how derived? Will they be public?
    - Gas Avoided costs how derived? Will they be public?
    - Carbon Adders how derived? Will they be public? How will carbon adders be applied (to avoided costs, program costs?)
    - Avoided Costs general questions
      - Avoided costs will avoided costs be utility-specific, ILbased or regional (PJM, MISO?)
  - Will DSMoore be available to collaborative members or will a license agreement and/or non-disclosure agreement be required?
- **Building Simulation Model** to model savings from envelope measures and other weather-sensitive measures
  - Common building simulation model (such as DOE-2)?
  - Has the proposed building simulation model been certified by DOE or field-calibrated in some manner?

#### Data

- Common Technical Resource Manual (TRM)?
  - Will costs, savings, EULs, IMCs, etc. be memorialized in TRM? If not, what form will measure-level data be memorialized?
  - Are there going to be deviations to any TRM input assumptions, and/or measures? If yes, how will the deviations be justified and decided upon?

- Will the TRM or measure-level assumptions be available before the October filing? When?
- Non-Weather Sensitive Measure
  - Will costs, savings, EULs, IMCs be identical across administrators?
- Weather sensitive Measures
  - How many "prototype" houses are being modeled?
  - How were the housing types selected?
  - What is planning assumption for cooling & heating degree days?
- **Discount rate**?
  - What is each using?
  - What is basis for?
- Measure Definitions & Operational Characteristics
  - Same measure definitions for all end uses? If not which definitions are different and why?
  - Costs of measures broken out by rural/urban or geographically?
  - Cost of labor and installation broken out by rural/urban or geographically?
  - Impact of measures on peak and energy separately?
  - Impact of measures broken out by peak and energy in an interactive manner (Bundled set of measures given various combinations of measures) ?
  - EULs are they consistent?
  - Hours of operation assumptions consistent for same measure/application?
  - Estimated gross and net savings, TRC, lifecycle cost/kWh broken out by measure as well as program/portfolio?
  - Customer side/Renewable measures included?
- Measure-Level Cost Data Updated Based on Program Experience?
  - Updating measure-level costs with actual program data?

### Load Forecasting

- Will each utility use a load forecast in their planning process?
- If so, will each used their own forecast or will forecasts be combined or might there be a statewide forecast?
- Will the collaborative be allowed access to the forecast?

(Crandall note: I am not sure if a load/energy forecast will be used however, it could be quite useful to target/design incentive levels for programs and thereby enhance effectiveness for dollars spent. This may not be covered by the market potential study.)