



Energy  
Efficiency  
Program



# Illinois Statewide Utility Claimed Savings Program for Enhanced Energy Code Compliance

*(sorry, no acronym...yet!)*



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# Status of Illinois Energy Codes

- Recently adopted the 2012 IECC Statewide residential and ASHRAE 90.1-2010 commercial
- Update code every 3 years
- Some ability for stretch codes
- Code Compliance remains an issue (est. 70%)
- Significant code training/support funded by DCEO



# Why Is This Important???

If not built right, lose an opportunity for 50+ yrs!

## Potential Savings for Average Home:

(2012 IECC vs. 2009 IECC modeled to IL climate)

- 10% Electric Usage Reduction
- 22% Gas Usage Reduction

## Potential Savings for Average Commercial Bldg:

(ASHRAE 90.1-2010 vs. ASHRAE 90.1-2007 modeled to IL climate)

- 23% Electric Usage Reduction
- 43% Gas Usage Reduction



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# Utility Efforts in Other States



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# Other States: CA

- Comprehensive Needs Assessment
- Role-based Training (participatory, not lectures)
- Compliance Improvement Advisory Group (CIAG)
- Testing and Certification of Professionals
- Best-practices Assessment
- Support of 3<sup>rd</sup> Party testing (e.g., HERS Raters, Acceptance Testing)
- Guides, checklists, manuals, etc.



# Other States: WA

- Establishment of Utility Codes Group in 1994
- Special Plans Examiner/Inspection Program
- Helped Improve Compliance from about 55% to 75%.
- Cost of Program: \$1.5 million/year (in the 1990's)
- Note: commercial buildings only!



# Other States: MA & RI

- Stakeholders have established that increasing compliance is a desired policy goal
- MA- 3 Year Plan in pilot phase (RFP for implementer about to be released)
- RI- 3 Year Plan approved by PUC (RFP for implementer completed)
- Rough budget: 1% Program Cost
- Savings Estimates: 3% of Program Savings  
Goal for Electric and Gas utilities





# IL Utility/DCEO Effort



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# DCEO Codes Training PY 12-13

➤ **42 Full-day training events:**

**27 trainings on 2012 IECC**

**15 trainings on ACCA Manuals J, S, and D**

**1 Better Buildings Better Business Conf.**

**10 full-days for Chicago Building Dept.**

➤ **1,635 Participants Trained**

➤ **Most attendees in following lines of work:**

- Building Officials and Field Inspectors
- Builders and Contractors
- Architects
- Building Performance Contractors, Raters
- Engineers
- Educators

➤ **19 Presentations to National, State, and Local Professional and Trade Organizations at the request of the Energy Office**

➤ **More than 20 strategic plan review and field inspection consultations to Municipalities and Jurisdictions as State's Circuit Rider**



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# DCEO Codes Technical Assistance PY 12-13

## Illinois Energy Office

Energy Codes **HOT LINE 708-770-0554**

## Technical Assistance

Verbal inquiries and e-mail interpretations FREE to designers, builders, code officials and anyone looking for unbiased advice on:

- *the Illinois Energy Efficient Building Act,*
- *Code compliance, IECC, IgCC, ASHRAE 90.1,*
- *COMcheck, REScheck,*
- *REM/Rate, REM/Design*
- Same-day response or w/in 24-hrs.

## • Responded to 402 Inquiries

- 321 e-mail and written responses
- 81 verbal inquiries
- [www.ildceo.net/energycode](http://www.ildceo.net/energycode)



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# DCEO Residential Third Party Pilot Program

- DCEO established a market-based, third-party residential pilot program in response to municipal and homebuilder concerns
- The program will offer third-party inspections by qualified individuals at no cost to the municipality or homebuilder
- Cost of third-party inspections will be rebated up to \$400 per home
- DCEO's pilot program will provide useful data on energy savings and program design for the roll-out of the statewide utility sponsored program



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# Overview of the IL Codes Claimed Savings Working Group

- All of the IOUs and DCEO (MEEA facilitated)
- Facilitated agreement around launching a **statewide** claimed savings program
- Provided input from national models/programs
- Developed IL specific estimates for energy and construction
- **Statewide** program design and cost effectiveness screens



# Utilities Codes Program Rationale

- Code Compliance levels remain relatively low:
  - Traditional responsibility of code officials has been Health/Safety codes
  - Increasing complexity of energy codes
  - Need for resources/training
- Increasing goals for EEPS requires finding non-traditional ways to claim savings for EE programs
- Utilities have experience with design and construction of energy efficient buildings (new construction, E STAR, etc.)
- First **Statewide** IL program to be filed!!!



# The Statewide Tasks

- 1. Determine Potential Energy Savings**
  - Compliance Study and Software Modeling
- 2. Select Program Elements**
  - Code Trainings, 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Inspectors, Code Collaboratives, etc.
- 3. Determine Attribution Rates**
  - Not all energy savings due to increased compliance comes from utility actions
- 4. Allocation (among utilities and DCEO)**
  - Multiple utilities within state; Different utilities cover different fuels
- 5. Utility Cost Effectiveness Test**
  - Total Resource Cost Test – Potential Savings vs. Costs, among other inputs
- 6. Prepare and file statewide program plan**





# IL Savings Potential



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# Residential Energy Savings

1. Potential energy savings: Used residential energy modeling software (**REM Design**):
  - Based on 2400 sq ft home (in climate zones 4A and 5A)
  - Difference in energy usage of modeled 2012 code compliant home compared to modeled non-compliant home (used 2009 IECC), using DOE-energy use data
2. Building Forecast: Used historical construction data from **US Census** and **utility construction forecasts**, in each utility service territory
  - (Savings/home \* # of new homes) = potential savings



# Residential Claimable Savings Estimates (annual average)

## ➤ **Statewide Potential:**

- ✓ Over 1,600,000 therms and 9,000 MWh
- ✓ *Assumes base 70% compliance rate*

## ➤ **Statewide Utility Claimable:**

- ✓ Over 546,000 therms and 3,020 MWh
- ✓ *Assumes program affects 10% of non-compliant homes*



# Commercial Energy Savings

1. Potential energy savings. Used **PNNL building model energy use data** to determine:
  - Weighted average of 10 commercial building types specific to each utility territory
  - Difference in energy usage of a compliant building (built to new energy code), compared to non-compliant building
2. Building Forecast. Used historical construction data from **Reed Construction Data** and **utility construction forecasts** to determine number of new buildings
  - Square feet of new construction per building type \* savings per square foot = potential savings (modeling 10 bldg types)



# Commercial Claimable Savings Estimates (annual average)

## ➤ **Statewide Potential:**

- ✓ Over 1,500,000 therms and 28,500 MWh
- ✓ *Assumes base 70% compliance rate*

## ➤ **Statewide Claimable:**

- ✓ Over 530,000 therms and 9,500 MWh
- ✓ *Assumes program affects 10% of non-compliant bldgs*



# Assumed Claimed Energy Savings

	Average Annual Gas Savings	Average Annual Electric Savings
<b>Residential</b>	<b>546,851 Therms</b>	<b>3.02 GWh</b>
<b>Commercial</b>	<b>531,251 Therms</b>	<b>9.57 GWh</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,078,102 Therms</b>	<b>12.59 GWh</b>

\* Program Savings represent 5% of non-compliant buildings in first year; 10% in second year, and 15% in third year.



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# IL Program Elements



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# Program Elements

## 1. Establish Code Collaborative

- Form and manage group of stakeholders to have regular discussions on energy code compliance issues in the state

## 2. Provide Resources to Inspectors/builders

- Develop guides, checklists, manuals, equipment loan, etc
- Continue and expand upon DCEO's effective code trainings

## 3. Codes Jurisdictional Assistance(Circuit Riders)

- Energy Code experts that travel around the state to advise building departments on best practices related to energy code enforcement
- Will expand on DCEO's current efforts in this space

## 4. Third Party Plan Reviewers and Inspectors

- Certified building inspectors that specialize in the energy code hired by municipalities or builders to perform energy code plan reviews and inspections. Rebates available to subsidize cost.
- Will build on DCEO's third party residential inspection pilot program





# Estimated Statewide Program Budget

Program Year 1: \$2.66M (\$1.12M in rebates)

Program Year 2: \$3.75M (\$2.07M in rebates)

Program Year 3: \$4.78M (\$2.82M in rebates)

Total: \$11.19M (\$6.01M in rebates)

\*Note: Working group has developed a methodology to allocate costs and savings by each utility and DCEO



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# IL Program TRC



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# Cost Effectiveness Calculations

- MEEA worked extensively with each utility individually and as a group to determine TRC inputs
- Determined specific inputs, including energy savings, avoided costs, program costs, and incremental costs
- Worked with DCEO's evaluator and statewide evaluator to form consensus on inputs
- DCEO program design team calculated Statewide TRC
- **Statewide TRC is 5.85** (including gas and electric)



# Utility/DCEO Team

- **ComEd:** Jim Fay, Sandra Henry
- **Ameren:** Keith Goerss
- **Nicor:** Hammad Chaudhry
- **PG/NS Gas:** Michael Marks (AEG), Matthew Lillard (AEG)
- **DCEO:** Mel Nickerson, Agnes Mrozowski, David Baker, Bruce Selway
- **ADM:** David Diebel
- **MEEA:** Isaac Elnecave, Chris Burgess, Matt Giudice, Jay Wrobel



# First Statewide Program!

- Utilities/DCEO agreed on the input/output numbers
- Team worked collaboratively for almost 1 year
- Utilities/DCEO have an agreed upon allocation system
- Commitment to jointly support IL codes compliance
- Statewide TRC calculations
- Important because:
  - Builders and inspectors work across utility boundaries
  - Mandatory statewide energy code needs consistency
  - Program elements need to be one state resource
  - Low compliance is a statewide concern!



# Thank You!

## *Upcoming Codes Event...*

To learn more about regional and national codes efforts, come to:

## **4<sup>th</sup> Annual Midwest Energy Codes Conference October 22-24, Louisville, KY**

MEEA building energy codes site:

<http://mwalliance.org/policy/building-energy-codes>



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