



EEB Residential Committee Meeting

Wednesday, January 8, 2019, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
10 Franklin Square, New Britain, CT (Hearing Room 2)

MINUTES¹

In Attendance

Voting Committee Members: Amy McLean (Committee Chair), Taren O'Connor, Mike Li
Utility Committee Members: Will Riddle, Larry Rush, Ron Araujo, Diane Del Rosso, Jerry Graham, Mark Foley, Miles Ingram (phone), Tammy Wilson (phone)
Board Consultants: Richard Faesy, Glenn Reed, Craig Diamond, Lisa Skumatz (phone)
Others: Linda Foreman, Vivian Perez, Madeline Priest, Bill Wesson, Guy West, John Figlewski, Leticia Colon (phone), Pete Carlton (phone), John Greeno (phone)

Public Input/Comments

Ms. Colon noted that CTAC had submitted a letter to DEEP regarding the HES co-pay, supporting the permanent reduction of the HES co-pay to \$75. She also noted that there had been a CTAC discussion regarding the Residential Solar Investment Program.

Approval of 11/18/19 and 12/11/19 Residential Committee meeting minutes

Mr. Li and Ms. McLean voted to approve the November and December 2019 minutes. Ms. O'Connor abstained for both minutes. 11/18/19 and 12/11/19 minutes approved.

Residential Committee Membership and Chair

Mr. Li and Ms. O'Connor voted to appoint Ms. McLean as the new Chair of the Residential Committee. Ms. McLean noted that with Adrienne Houel's recent resignation from the EEB, at least one more Board member was needed on the Residential Committee. She also noted that the next individual to occupy the EEB Residential seat would likely join the Residential Committee.

Program status updates for 2019

Mr. Araujo said that Eversource Electric's 2019 Residential programs had achieved 94% of expenditures and 100% of savings targets. He said that for Eversource Gas, expenditures and savings were higher than target. He noted that HES activity had been very strong in November and December. Mr. Riddle said that UI had achieved 95% target for its budget and 112% of savings, although the HES budget was under target (although improved at end of the year). He said that for SCG and CNG, the companies were under target for expenditures but above target for savings.

¹ Meeting materials available in Box.com: <https://app.box.com/s/q12k4bpo64kvx5mau7udq9ufgpxda0zi>

Heat Pump Pilot update

Mr. Foley and Mr. Faesy provided presentations. Mr. Foley noted that two customers had not wanted to go through the effort of obtaining old oil invoices, and that was a barrier to participation. Ms. O'Connor and Ms. McLean said that this barrier should be addressed. Mr. Foley said the pilot program was attracting very few participants, and he presented several actions Eversource plans to take to increase participation in the pilot. Ms. McLean asked if incentives for integrated controls might help increase participation. Mr. Faesy asked why Eversource had been focusing on ducted systems. Mr. Araujo said that central HVAC had a high penetration rate in CT, so that presented an opportunity for heat pump installations.

2020 Plan Update public information meeting

Mr. Faesy provided a presentation on the follow-up questions (from DEEP's 2020 Plan Update public meeting) that were included in DEEP's 12/31/19 Notice of Opportunity for Public Comment. It was noted that written responses (from the Companies) and public comments on the questions had been requested by January 15.

Update on PURA Equitable Grid Modernization Docket

Mr. Faesy provided a presentation that provided an overview of PURA's interim decision. Ms. McLean noted that these PURA proceedings were important, and provided information to other organizations/processes. For example, DEEP had decided to wait for the EV Roadmap information being generated from the PURA process.

HES Co-Pay

- DOE \$400K grant uptake to date and remaining funds. Ms. Del Rosso provided an update for the Companies. She said that \$106,000 had been spent thus far, and that a total of \$210,000 had been committed thus far. She estimated that the total \$400,000 available would be expended by the end of March 2020.
- Decision on \$75 copay amount post-grant. Mr. Li said that DEEP's plan was to decide on the co-pay as part of DEEP's decision on the 2020 Plan Update, which would be by the end of January. Ms. Colon commented that CTAC wanted a stable co-pay in the long term. Mr. Li said that DEEP would provide that in its 2020 Plan Update decision. Mr. Carlson commented that the Residential Solar Investment Program (RSIP) would be expiring in the summer of 2020, and that RSIP was a significant driver of HES assessments.

HES Realization Rates update

Ms. Skumatz provided a presentation. There was no discussion following the presentation.

CTAC update

Ms. Foreman said the next CTAC meeting would be January 29, and would focus on the pending RSIP expiration and workforce training.

The meeting adjourned at 11:53 am.