

Conditions of Approval Involving Evaluation Administrators - 2022

Jun-22

Item #	Program or Topic	Condition of Approval	Due	Action	Status
3	Condensing Gas Equipment Incentives	In the proposed 2022-2024 Plan, the utilities committed to investigating the continued need to incentivize certain highefficiency natural gas furnaces and boilers in the Residential and C&I portfolios. The utilities will work with the Evaluation Administrator on this investigation and are specifically directed to apply findings from other jurisdictions, specifically Massachusetts, on this issue. As part of this investigation, the Utilities should also study how the programs will determine the baselines for measures with upstream market models and the potential impact on low-to-moderate income customers if such incentives were eliminated. The Utilities should report the findings of this investigation to the Energy Efficiency Board no later than their July 2022 meeting and submit to DEEP for approval shortly thereafter.	13-Jul-22	Report	Meetings (RP)
7	Evaluation Data Dictionary and Standardization	With the understanding that UI is currently working to develop a new data management system, they are directed to take the following interim steps to improve the quality and timeliness of their evaluation data: • Produce an accurate data dictionary for review by the Evaluation Administrator prior to the September 12, 2022 Evaluation Committee meeting. Work with the Evaluation Administrator to produce standard data requests for impact and process evaluations, with accurate variable names, suitable for every major program.	12-Sep-22	Data dictionary. Standardized Data requests	Reviewing Eval Report (LS)
8	Commercial & Industrial Project Verification	The utilities shall lead a collaborative process, working with C&I customers, EEB Technical Consultants, and the Evaluation Administrator , to develop a proposal for an alternative verification pathway in instances where the customer is able to provide reliable calculated savings. This proposal should set clear parameters for projects that are eligible for the alternative pathway and ensure that there is no undue burden on the Evaluation Administrator . This proposal should be presented to the EEB C&I Committee no later than their July 2022 meeting	12-Jul-22	Proposal	Attended meetings; reviewed proposal(s) (PJ)
9	Residential Pay for Performance Pilot	In response to Condition of Approval #3 of the 2021 C&LM Plan Update, the utilities submitted a straw proposal for a residential energy efficiency pay-for-performance pilot program. DEEP approves that proposal and directs the companies to submit an implementation plan that includes a timeline and process for the proposed RFP and a pilot study plan that includes specific research questions, metrics, and a timeline for implementation as well as a regular reporting schedule by August 1, 2022. The Utilities are encouraged to work with the Energy Efficiency Board and Evaluation Administrator on their assessment of this pilot.	1-Aug-22	Plan	(RW/LS)
13	All Electric Residential New Construction	The Utilities are directed to develop a proposal for transitioning the Residential New Construction program into an all-electric offering that will begin accepting projects no later than July 2023. This proposal should include: • Interim targets for increasing the proportion of allelectric projects completed through the Residential New Construction program • Any necessary changes to incentive structures or levels Any perceived barriers to an all-electric new construction offering, including workforce development, education, and customer outreach needs and proposed solutions to those barriers. NEED R2015 STUDY ASAP	15-Oct-22	Proposal	(RW)
15	WAP Coordination	The Utilities are directed to coordinate with DEEP and other relevant stakeholders to develop approaches to braid funding between the C&LM programs and the federally funded Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP), in order to leverage increased funding available through IJA and other sources. DEEP will lead these coordination efforts, which may include meetings, data requests, and the co-development of strategies with stakeholders including the utilities. SUGGEST NEGOTIATION AROUND LINKED FUNDING ALSO OPEN THE DOOR TO DATA SHARING FROM WAP.	Ongoing	Coordination	
20	Program Reporting	... Starting with 2022 Q2 report... percent of HES & IE that accept and install each category of add-on measures, broken out by SF and Mf. Appreciate needed data	Ongoing	Reporting	
25	Ongoing Evaluation Data Improvements	The Evaluation Administrator's memo to DEEP identified specific areas of improvement that would bring Eversource and Avangrid's data into alignment with industry standards. Throughout the 2022-2024 Plan term, the utilities are directed to work with the Evaluation Administrator to address these issues, with the expectation that they will make significant progress by the end of the Plan term. The Evaluation Administrator and utilities should report biannually to the Evaluation Committee on their progress, beginning at their July 11, 2022 meeting.	Ongoing	Reporting	(LS, with assistance)