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NOTICE¹

New Jersey Energy Efficiency Transition

Stakeholder Meeting – Evaluation, Measurement & Verification and Filing and Reporting

***Stakeholder Process-Comment Period Extension**

Pursuant to the “Open Public Meetings Act,” N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 *et seq.*, the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (“NJBP” or “Board”) hereby gives notice of a Public Stakeholder Meeting to discuss the New Jersey Energy Efficiency Transition.

NJBPU Staff continues its efforts to engage with stakeholders. As previously noticed, Staff intends to hold several issue-specific public stakeholder sessions related to energy efficiency. This is the third meeting in this series and will comprise two topics.

The first topic will focus on comments concerning evaluation, measurement, and verification (EM&V) of energy efficiency and peak demand reduction programs. This discussion may include: approaches for determining cost-benefit and cost-effectiveness, how proposed programs are evaluated and selected for inclusion in the utilities’ or Division of Clean Energy’s portfolio of energy efficiency programs, how energy savings will be measured, and what methods will be utilized to verify reported energy savings in compliance with the Clean Energy Act. Additional information will be provided in advance of the meeting to facilitate robust engagement.

The second topic will focus on comments concerning filing and reporting requirements for energy efficiency programs. This discussion may include: minimum filing requirements; reporting content, including EM&V metrics; reporting frequency; legacy filing and reporting systems; and a future platform for program filings and reports.

The public meeting will be held at the following date, time, and place:

Date: December 18, 2019
Time: 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (Evaluation, Measurement and Verification)
2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. (Filing and Reporting Requirements)
Location: Mercer County Community College
Conference Center at Mercer
1200 Old Trenton Road, West Windsor, NJ

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Background

On May 23, 2018, Governor Phil Murphy signed into law P.L. 2018, c. 16 (C.48:3-87.3-87.7) (“Act”). N.J.S.A. 48:3-87.9 requires public utilities in the state to reduce the use of electricity and natural gas in their service territories. Specifically, the Act states that, by May 23, 2019, the Board shall require (a) each electric public utility to achieve, within its territory by its customers, annual reductions of 2 percent of the average annual electricity usage in the prior three years within five years of implementation of its electric energy efficiency program; and (b) each natural gas public utility to achieve, within its territory by its customers, annual reductions in the use of natural gas of 0.75 percent of the average annual natural gas usage in the prior three years within five years of implementation of its gas energy efficiency program. N.J.S.A. 48:3- 87.9(a).

In addition, the law requires that:

- f. (1) The Board shall establish a stakeholder process to evaluate the economically achievable energy efficiency and peak demand reduction requirements, rate adjustments, quantitative performance indicators, and the process for evaluating, measuring, and verifying energy usage reductions and peak demand reductions by the public utilities.

[N.J.S.A. 48:3-87.9(f)]

The Board solicited input related to energy efficiency and peak demand program administration at a public meeting on September 25, 2019 and invited stakeholders to provide written comments on that topic by October 4, 2019. The Board solicited further input related to energy efficiency and peak demand programs at a public meeting on October 30, 2019 and invited stakeholders to provide written comments on that topic by November 6, 2019.

Next Steps

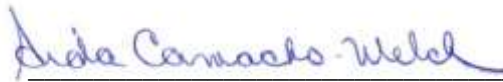
Staff hereby announces this December 18 public stakeholder meeting, which continues stakeholder engagement on the energy efficiency transition. EM&V discussions at the meeting may include how programs will be selected for inclusion in the portfolio of new and existing State and utility-run programs, how energy savings will be determined in each program, and how reported savings will be verified to be counted towards meeting the goals of the Clean Energy Act and assessing any associated returns, rewards, or penalties, as well as determining programs’ continued inclusion in subsequent program year portfolios.

Members of the public are invited to attend and present their views. Please note that this public stakeholder meeting is limited to comments concerning evaluation, measurement, and verification of energy efficiency and peak demand reduction programs, energy savings needed to achieve the requirements provided in the Clean Energy Act, and filing and reporting requirements for these programs.

In order to encourage full participation in this opportunity for public comment, please submit any requests for needed accommodations for disabled citizens to the Office of the Secretary of the Board at (609) 777-3300 at least 48 hours prior to the scheduled meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Members of the public may file written comments with the Secretary of the Board of Public Utilities at 44 South Clinton Avenue, 9th Floor, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0350, Attn: Aida Camacho-Welch, regardless of whether they attend the public meetings. Written comments may also be submitted electronically to EnergyEfficiency@bpu.nj.gov in PDF or Word format. Please include a subject line of “EM&V,” “Filing,” or “Reporting,” as applicable. **Written comments were**

due to be submitted on or before 5 p.m. on Friday, January 10, 2020, however the comment submission period has been extended to *Friday, January 17, 2020. All comments must be received on or before 5:00 p.m. on *Friday, January 17, 2020 in order to be considered.



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