

Illinois Energy Code Compliance Implementation Plan



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Agenda

- Codes as MT background
- Barriers and opportunities identified
 in IL study
- Implementation plan period activities
- Savings potential + persisting savings
- Evaluation



Agenda Next Steps

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Opportunities for Claimed Savings Energy Code Compliance



Source: Attributing Building Energy Code Savings to Energy Efficiency Programs (2013), Institute for Market Transformation, Institute for Electric Innovation, Northeast Energy Efficiency Partnerships



Benefits

Why Utilities are Interested in Energy Codes

- Short term
 - Portfolio savings
 - Less low-hanging fruit
- Long term
 - Ever-accruing demand savings
 - Less stress on the grid
 - Better buildings
 - Opportunity to engage customers in a new way



Market Transformation IL Energy Code Compliance

- Proposed code compliance effort would be the first MT demonstration project.
- As MT project it will show:
 - Increased compliance rates can result in measurable energy savings for any given set of code requirements
 - MT often uses "adoption into code" as final market penetration goal, thus code compliance is important to realize true Market Transformation potential



General Reminders Energy Code Compliance

- 100% compliance is rare
- Compliance rates vary widely per state, jurisdiction and region
- Reasons for noncompliance vary
 per locale
- Targeted assistance from a trusted source and regular stakeholder engagement has achieved good improvement results (MEEA, KY) over just training programs



Energy Codes Utility Programs Other States and Utilities

Rhode Island and Massachusetts

- National Grid
 Arizona
- Salt River Project
 Iowa
- Cedar Falls Utility California
- Pacific Gas and Electric Company
- San Diego Gas and Electric
- Southern California Edison
- Southern California Gas



What and Why Understanding Energy Code Compliance

٧	What		Why	Residential Compliance Field Study
٧	What		Why	Commercial Compliance Field Study
	What	٧	Why	Illinois Energy Codes Compliance Collaborative



IL Code Compliance Studies Residential 2018-2019

- 2015 IECC
- Studied 8 key items
- Analysis by PNNL



Summary of Residential Trends

- Blower door rates are compliant with 2015 and 2018 IECC – but are all builders testing?
- Lighting compliance is fairly good
- Ceiling, frame wall cavity insulation R-value high noncompliance
- Quality of insulation installation can improve
- Performance path utilized more than anticipated



Summary of Residential Trends

- U-factor and SHGC is generally compliant
- Duct systems are leaky
- Heated basements are typically not insulated properly
- Some jurisdictions not enforcing the current state energy code



Potential Residential Savings PNNL Measure-Level Analysis

Rank by Potential Energy Savings by Measure (1= Most Potential)

Rank (MMBTU)	CZ 4 & CZ5
1	Exterior Wall Insulation*
2	Duct Leakage**
3	Ceiling Insulation*
4	Heated Basement Insulation*
5	Air Sealing
6	High Efficacy Lighting

*Includes R-Values and quality of insulation installation ** Duct leakage in unconditioned space



IL Code Compliance Studies Commercial 2018-2019

- 2015 IECC
- Studied 22 key items
- Analysis by Cadmus and Madison Engineering



Commercial Study Opportunities for improvement

- Commercial Areas of Improvement: both in plan review and construction review
- Daylighting and interior lighting controls
- Exterior lighting
- Various HVAC controls and functional requirements
- Envelope insulation



Code Compliance Studies Reasons for Noncompliance

Barriers to energy code compliance include:

- Lack of education and awareness
- Lack of enforcement
- Resource constraints

(Energy Codes are not a priority or do not need to be enforced)



Gross Technical Potential Code Compliance

Residential 1st Year Savings					
kWh Therms					
Total Impact	5,487,539	2,364,759			

Commercial 1 st Year Savings						
	kWh Therms					
Total Impact	7,894,135	107,735				



Implementation Plan Activities



Program Framework Energy Code Compliance

- 1. Residential and Commercial Field Study
 - Basis for measuring improvement
 - Identifies specific compliance improvement opportunities
- 2. Integrated Compliance Support Program
 - Develop a suite of programs targeted at identified compliance improvement opportunities
- 3. Evaluation To Be Determined
 - Delphi panel*
 - Field Study can be conducted at predetermined cycle (e.g., every six years)*
 - Utilize Collaborative for program feedback*

*Option for evaluation



Basic Elements

- Direct technical support
- Target training and dducation
- The Energy Codes Compliance Collaborative



Program Elements Commercial & Residential

- Collaborative: Stakeholder engagement, program dissemination and feedback
- Circuit Rider: Building department visits, participation in industry groups, phone and email support
- Training: Classroom, in-field, webinar
- Resources: Website, checklists, field guides, FAQs, pocket guides, short videos, code books
- Jurisdiction Assistance: Plan review, software training, supporting use of thirdparty specialists in code compliance



Implementation Plan Target Market

- **Target Market 1 (TM1):** Design and construction industry (residential and commercial): Builders, subcontractors, material supply houses, site superintendents, energy modelers, HERS raters, building scientists, architects, engineers and designers that design and build residential and commercial buildings.
- Homebuilders Associations, ASHRAE, the ICC, AIA and the lighting and mechanical subcontractors associations



Implementation Plan Target Market

- **Target Market 2 (TM2):** Enforcement industry (residential and commercial): Local building departments, code officials and jurisdictional employees that review, permit and inspect energy code requirements.
- Local and state chapters of the International Code Council (ICC), ASHRAE, Illinois Council of Mayors, Metropolitan Mayors Caucus, Illinois Capital Development Board and the numerous state and local code official associations in Illinois.



Logic Model Energy Code Compliance

Logic Model – Code Compliance

TM1 = Building Industry; TM2 = Enforcement Industry

			OUTCOMES		
BARRIERS	ACTIVITES (to address barriers)	OUTPUTS (results / deliverables)	4 Year Outcomes	Long Term Impact	
Resource constraints (TM1 & TM2)	 Dedicated circuit rider outreach to TM1 to conduct in-person meetings to address specific compliance concerns, provide information about types of non-compliance, and offer information about solutions to improve compliance 	Quarterly CC Collaborative meetings held (TM1 & TM2) ;	~		
	 Dedicated circuit rider outreach to TM2 to conduct in-person meetings to address specific compliance concerns, provide information about types of non-compliance, and offer information about solutions to improve compliance 	 CR meets with TM1; 48 meetings per year CR meets with TM2; 48 meetings per year 	 Municipalities & jurisdictions recognize value of code compliance (TM2) 	 System in place to 	
	 Classroom, in-field, and online trainings for TM1 & TM2 	• 112 Builders trained (TM1)	 90% of net program savings achieved (TM1) 	assist code compliance for newly adopted energy	
 Lack of education & awareness (TM1 & TM2) 		 70 of trained officials (TM2) 	Majority of major	codes	
	 Energy modeling support for TM1 & TM2 Generating support from stakeholders through the Energy Codes Compliance Collaborative (TM1 & TM2) Production of technical assistance resources and trainings (code books, online resources, help line, and website) (TM1 & TM2) 	 Training on technical enforcement and review assistance for 5 jurisdictions/quarter Third-Party Specialists supporting code compliance (TM1 & TM2) Dissemination of technical assistance resources and trainings (code books, coline resources help line, and website) 	builders require general contractors to participate in trainings (TM1)		
Lack of enforcement (TM2)	>	 Online resources, neip line, and website) (TM1 & TM2) 	>		

Implementation Plan Budget

Illinois Statewide Code Compliance Program Budget Estimate

	12 months	18 months	48 months
	(Jan-Dec 2021)	(Jul 2020-Dec 2021)	(Jan 2021-Dec 2024)
PROJECT TOTAL	\$ 417,755.40	\$ 626,633.10	\$ 1,671,021.60



Estimated Savings & Attribution



Energy Savings Attribution Code Compliance

Energy Savings from Enhanced Compliance



*Note intersection with Attachment A of TRM Volume 4 Section 5.4 on NTG for code compliance



Attribution Study Approach 1



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Estimated Achievable Savings Methodology

- Internal MEEA review of measures
- Determined maximum percentage of compliance for each measure
- Reviewed each other's recommendations and reassessed based on market trends, Collaborative input, ease of compliance with measure
- Used conservative estimates
- Annual 1% declined savings credit for NOMAD*

Illinois Draft MT Savings in the Technical Reference Manual (2020 IL TRM v8.0 Vol. 4_June 20, 2019_DRAFT): https://s3.amazonaws.com/ilsag/MT_Savings_Paper_Final_08-23-2019.pdf



Estimated Attributable Savings Methodology

- Determined 90% could be attributable to program
- Unlikely to be 100%
- Circuit rider and stakeholder strategy is much more effective than training programs
- Have since learned that 80% is recommended in TRM when a decision can not be made



Estimated First Year Savings Residential Code Compliance

Units	GTP	2021	2022	2023	2024	Net Achievable
therms	2,364,458.04	219,329.79	364,485.81	360,681.52	263,332.98	1,207,830.10
kWh	5,487,539.40	566,313.11	805,082.10	815,116.77	581,001.12	2,767,513.10

Table 4. Yearly & Total Incremental Net Program Achievable Savings -Residential Code Compliance January 2021 through end of 2024

Units	GTP	2021	2022	2023	2024	Net Program
therms	2,364,458.04	197,396.81	328,037.23	324,613.37	236,999.68	1,087,047.09
kWh	5,487,539.40	509,681.80	724,573.89	733,605.10	522,901.01	2,490,761.79

Table 5. Yearly & Total Net Attributable Program Savings - Residential Code Compliance January 2021 through end of 2024



Estimated First Year Savings Commercial Code Compliance

Units	GTP	2021	2022	2023	2024	Net Achievable
therms	107,734.91	10,444.85	13,138.87	12,496.62	10,564.86	46,645.20
kWh	7,894,134.90	806,667.75	1,152,613.39	1,063,159.44	859,383.99	3,881,824.57

Table 6. Yearly & Total Net Achievable Savings - Commercial Code Compliance January 2021 to 2025

Units	GTP	2021	2022	2023	2024	Net Program
therms	107,734.91	9,400.36	11,824.99	11,246.96	9,508.37	41,980.68
kWh	7,894,134.90	726,000.98	1,037,352.05	956,843.50	773,445.59	3,493,642.11

Table 7. Yearly & Total Net Attributable Program Savings - Commercial Code Compliance January 2021 through end of 2024



Estimated Cumulative Savings 2021-2024 Through Measure Life

	Electricity (kWh)		Gas (therms)	
	Residential	Commercial	Residential	Commercial
Total Cumulative Persistent 2021-2024 for Measure Life	47,966,707	39,376,257	30,460,426	84,208
90% Attribution	43,170,037	35,438,631	27,414,384	75,788
Total Net Program Estimated Savings	78,608,668 kWh		27,490,172 therms	

Table 8. Total Estimated Net Program Savings - Cumulative Persistent Through Lifetime of Measures



Evaluation Potential Approach*

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Steps	Residential	Commercial
Determine actual code compliance improvements	Baseline study approximately every 6 years; use Delphi panel every 3 years	Baseline study approximately every 6 years; use Delphi panel every 3 years
Assess measure categories' relative importance and assign weight	 REM/Rate Model US DOE Field Studies Illinois 2018-2019 Field Studies 	 PNNL Checklist US DOE Field Studies Illinois 2018-2019 Field Studies
Examine changes to the code to estimate baseline compliance in the absence of the program	Depends upon energy code. Illinois update occurs every 3 years; next goes into effect in early 2022 but official changes won't be available until state adoption process is finished (2021)	Depends upon energy code. Illinois update occurs every 3 years; next goes into effect in early 2022 but official changes won't be available until state adoption process is finished (2021)
Identify Codes Compliance program impacts, such as training focus and areas where trainees reported improvements	 Hours of training provided Surveys from participants Interview of Code officials Online trainings available 	 Hours of training provided Surveys from participants Interview of Code officials Online trainings available
Identify efforts of other organizations that may have contributed to improved compliance	 Existing resources by ICC, SEDAC and IL EPA Only needed if existing efforts changed since field studies 	 Existing resources by ICC, ASHRAE, SEDAC and IL EPA Only needed if existing efforts changed since field studies
Approximate NOMAD	Depends upon energy code. Illinois update occurs every 3 years; next goes into effect in early 2022 but official changes won't be available until state adoption process is finished (2021)	Depends upon energy code. Illinois update occurs every 3 years; next goes into effect in early 2022 but official changes won't be available until state adoption process is finished (2021)

*Method of evaluation is ultimately determined by the evaluators



Cost-Effectiveness Considerations Code Compliance

- Incremental costs should not apply to codes. Building to code should be included in the cost of any project and it should not incur any additional costs that are passed onto the occupant; theoretically every builder and designer is working from the same set of minimum requirements.
- Measure life from TRM Volume 8*

*A few measures did not exist yet in TRM; those assumptions are in Appendix



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