Introduction to SAG Market Transformation Working Group February Meeting

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Market Transformation Savings Working Group

- Purpose: To provide a forum for utilities and stakeholders to discuss Illinois market transformation initiatives, and the data/approach proposed to be used for savings protocols
 - What is "market transformation"?
 - Illinois definition: "Market transformation is the strategic process of intervening in a market to create lasting change that results in the accelerated adoption of energy efficient products, services and practices."
 - Intervention activities that seek to impact the long-term EE market, such as working directly with manufacturers, engaging with government agencies on test procedures, etc.
- ▶ Background: Established in 2019 to reach agreement on a framework for market transformation savings; this framework was included in IL-TRM Version 8. Since 2019, MT Working Group meetings have focused on discussing MT policy issues, progress on IL MT initiatives, MT evaluation
- Working Group Website:
 https://www.ilsag.info/mt_savings_working_group/

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2024 Topics:

- Updates on utility MT initiatives
- When needed, review / approve market transformation savings protocols

Meeting Timing:

- Q1 Meeting: February
- Q2 Meeting: May
- Q3 Meeting: July

Market Transformation Ideas:

If anyone has market transformation suggestions for IL utilities to consider as they develop their 2026-2029 EE Plans, share through the Large Group SAG "Energy Efficiency Ideas" process

2024 SAG Portfolio Planning Process

- ▶ In 2024, Large Group SAG will focus on the Portfolio Planning Process
 - This is a consensus-seeking process to discuss foundational issues to EE Portfolio Plan development with IL utilities
 - Utilities are responsible for planning, developing and implementing EE portfolios
 - Utilities are working on EE Plans for the next 4-year cycle -> 2026-2029
 - Each utility is required by statute to file a 2026-2029 EE Plan with the ICC for approval by March 1, 2025
 - SAG Planning Process occurs once every 4 years
 - SAG has an advisory role, including an opportunity for participants to share feedback and ideas with IL utilities
 - Large Group SAG meetings will focus on Planning Process
 - Monthly Large meetings through October 2024
 - SAG Subcommittee and SAG Working Groups will focus on current EE portfolio topics that need discussion
 - Dedicated page on SAG website: https://www.ilsag.info/meetings/portfolio-planning-process/

Energy Efficiency Ideas

- Opportunity for interested SAG participants to submit:
 - 1. Feedback on current EE portfolios, suggesting changes for the 2026-2029 EE Plans; and / or
 - 2. Energy efficiency ideas for utility consideration, such as program approaches or new measures that have been successfully implemented in another jurisdiction
- Deadline for <u>EE Idea Submittals</u> Friday, March 15, 2024
 - This is <u>not</u> a formal RFP process
 - EE Ideas will be presented to SAG in April
 - IL utilities will respond to EE ideas at SAG in May
- SAG participants encouraged to:
 - 1. Focus on the highest priority EE ideas
 - 2. Work together to submit joint EE ideas, when possible
 - 3. Review the latest <u>utility EE reports</u> and review information from February SAG meetings to avoid proposing an EE idea already offered by a utility

Energy Efficiency Ideas (cont.)

Submitting EE Ideas:

- Use the Electronic EE Ideas Template
- Participants may use the <u>EE Ideas Word template</u> to collaborate on EE Idea submittals

Additional Guidance:

- Proposed ideas may be challenging to evaluate without enough information please submit fully developed ideas and make a good faith effort to fill out as much information as possible in the template
 - See Policy Manual Section 3.10, Proposal Support:
 - SAG participants that propose to discuss a policy change, Program design, or other topic relevant for discussion at SAG shall demonstrate fact-based support of their recommendation prior to discussion at SAG. Support includes, but is not limited to, background, research, and data analysis.
- Compromise and understanding will be needed to reach consensus it is likely that not all EE Ideas can be incorporated into the utilities' 2026-2029 EE Plans

Q&A

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