Illinois Energy Efficiency Stakeholder Advisory Group Policy Resolution – 2020 Program Year

Policy Issue:

How should evaluation treat projects or measure installations that don't meet the criteria of the program (e.g., equipment efficiency, equipment application, DLC listing), but do still result in energy savings?

Background:

During the <u>November 12, 2019 SAG meeting</u>, Navigant (now Guidehouse) presented information about a policy request to resolve an issue regarding evaluators counting/verifying savings from non-qualified equipment.

- Background Materials from Nov. SAG meeting:
 - o Non-Qualified Equipment Policy Request Presentation (Rick Berry, Navigant)
 - Non-Qualified Equipment Policy Request Memo from Navigant to SAG (June 25, 2019)

Process:

- SAG held a teleconference meeting on November 12, 2019 for Navigant to share background on this policy request and answer any stakeholder questions.
- No concerns were raised by SAG participants during the November meeting.
- The proposed resolution was circulated to SAG for review on December 12, 2019 with 15 Business Days provided for concerns, questions, and/or edits to be raised. Comments and/or proposed edits were due by January 7, 2020.
- The SAG Facilitator received no questions or concerns about this policy request. One edit was suggested, to reference "accurate savings estimates" instead of "conservative savings estimates" in the policy resolution.
- The SAG Facilitator circulated the final resolution to SAG on February 14, 2020.

Final Resolution (January 2020):

- Savings from Non-Qualified Equipment (NQE) measures should still be verified during
 evaluation. In cases where the available information is not sufficient to estimate savings
 to the typical level of accuracy (i.e., a measure that should have been a custom project,
 but was processed as prescriptive), the evaluation teams will make their best effort to
 develop an accurate savings estimate that accounts for the uncertainty of the project.
- Evaluation teams will assess on a case-by-case basis whether the cumulatively
 persisting annual savings (CPAS) is impacted by the equipment not meeting the
 program criteria (e.g., warranty not meeting DLC requirements).