



CALIFORNIA

TECHNICAL FORUM

Business Plan 2016

To support the growth and success of energy efficiency and IDSM through a technically rigorous, independent, transparent peer review of California energy efficiency values and other related technical information.

Disclaimer: The Cal TF Policy Advisory Council's (PAC) approval of this work plan does not constitute endorsement of ensuing technical work products by individual members or organizations.

2016 Business Plan			
Goal	Metrics	Tactics (Cal TF)	Tactics (Others)
1. Review and approve selected measures.	At least eight (8) new statewide measures reviewed by Cal TF through consensus decision-making. [December 2016]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. New measure recommendations solicited from TF Members, POUs, others. 2. If needed, TF Measure Selection Subcommittee selects measures for Cal TF review. 3. Depending on complexity/issues associated with measure, measure may require Abstract preparation prior to workpaper development. 4. If necessary TF or TF subcommittee provides guidance on early workpaper plan through consensus decision-making. 5. Staff solicits early input from CPUC ex ante team on DEER requirements and other ex ante team issues or concerns they would like addressed. 6. WP developer develops WP considering input from TF, CPUC Staff, and other stakeholders. 7. TF reviews WP and resolves outstanding issues on WP through consensus decision-making. 8. If needed, Cal TF staff develops and pilots a process for deploying Interim Approval measures with CPUC staff. 9. Measure, measure parameters, underlying support, Comparison Exhibit for non- 	<p>CPUC ex ante team provides early input during Cal TF workpaper development on DEER requirements and other issues/concerns that staff would like addressed.</p> <p>CPUC ex ante team meets with Cal TF staff prior to Cal TF measure review to explain any issues or concerns, rationale for, and specific action items.</p> <p>CPUC ex ante team member participates in Cal TF meeting to discuss staff issues and requested action items, and to participate in TF discussion regarding measure.</p> <p>CPUC ex ante team provides feedback on Cal TF-produced WP.</p> <p>Program Administrators may submit Cal TF approved measures to the applicable decision-making entity (CPUC or POU Governing Boards).</p>

		<p>consensus items, and decisions leading up to TF approval of measure are posted on Cal TF website.</p> <p>10. Cal TF staff tracks CPUC review of new measure after it is approved by the Technical Forum.</p>	
2. Facilitate Statewide Coordination of IOU Workpapers	Ongoing	<p>Cal TF staff maintains and updates statewide measure list through monthly meetings with IOU coordination leads.</p> <p>List includes measures that are currently approved, in development, and retired. Measure ideas proposed by TF Members and other stakeholders are also included.</p> <p>Cal TF staff identifies significant overlaps in existing IOU workpapers and facilitates workpaper consolidation process.</p> <p>Cal TF staff facilitates process by which third parties and other stakeholders can develop statewide measures and seek Cal TF review.</p>	<p>IOU workpaper coordinators inform Cal TF staff and other IOU counterparts of measures under consideration, in development, and retired, and status of measures in development during monthly meetings.</p> <p>IOU workpapers leads ensure workpapers that are developed are statewide and include input from counterparts at other IOUs.</p> <p>IOUs consolidate overlapping existing workpapers.</p> <p>CPUC staff supports Cal TF staff statewide coordination role, provides guidance on 2016 workpaper requirements.</p>
3a. Continue Development of eTRM Project Plan (new)	<p>Collect all IOU active measure WPs; assess level of effort to consolidate (Q1 2016).</p> <p>Develop specifications and available options for developing or procuring eTRM repository (Q1 2016).</p>	<p>Cal TF staff reviews/posts all active IOU non-DEER WPs; identifies level of effort to consolidate and review key parameters.</p> <p>Cal TF staff organizes “charrette” with key IOU tech leads to identify desired specs; existing data bases that must use information. Seek input from CPUC and CEC staff re: same. Cal TF staff works with all parties to identify opportunities for data streamlining.</p>	<p>IOU tech leads provide all IOU non-DEER WPs; identify which measures are currently active/will be active in 2016.</p> <p>IOU and regulatory staff clearly identify and specify how eTRM data must interact with existing databases that use information.</p>

	<p>Identify Technical Position Papers needed for “cross-cutting” issues to ensure measures developed in consistent and cost-effective way. (Q1 2016).</p> <p>Seek CPUC and CEC staff approval of plan; agreement to participate in meaningful way (Q1 2016).</p> <p>Develop budget that will not increase current WP development costs and will lead to cost savings after eTRM project is complete (Q1 2016).</p> <p>Clarify and secure commitments on roles and responsibilities for key tasks (Q1 2016).</p>	<p>Cal TF staff seeks input from Cal TF on additional cross-cutting items that should be addressed to ensured measures developed/updated in consistent way.</p> <p>Cal TF seeks review/comment from CPUC staff on TPPs.</p> <p>Cal TF staff identify CPUC and CEC wants/needs regarding eTRM and seeks to incorporate into eTRM plan.</p> <p>Cal TF staff will identify current IOU costs and, if possible, CPUC costs for WP development/maintenance and will develop budget to show how eTRM will not increase current costs (except for eTRM repository itself).</p> <p>Cal TF staff will work with IOU and POU tech leads and CPUC/CEC staff to review key project roles and responsibilities and secure commitment for identified roles/responsibilities.</p>	<p>CPUC and CEC staff meet with Cal TF staff to review/provide input on details of eTRM plan.</p>
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<p>3b. Implement “Phase 1” of “Electronic TRM” (Phase 1 of 2-Year Process) (On HOLD until Q1 2016 PAC Meeting to be scheduled in April)</p> <p>Project Goal: All California deemed measures (approximately 190) documented and moved into Electronic TRM for CPUC approval)</p>	<p>Non-Overlapping POU TRM measures reviewed by Cal TF subcommittee or full TF and prepared for repository (9 measures) [+6 months after approval of “Electronic TRM” project.]</p> <p>IOU WPs consolidated for repository (125 measures) [+1 year after project approval. Target: December 2016]</p> <p>One-half of DEER measures documented for repository, reviewed by TF subcommittee or full TF (8 of 17 measures) [+1 year from project approval]</p> <p>Overlapping measures consolidated for TF review in 2017 (36 measures)</p>	<p>Cal TF staff prepares list of firms (bidder’s list) who can develop workpapers for DEER measures that don’t have existing WP (17 measures) and for “overlapping” measures (36 measures) (Total 53 measures)</p> <p>Cal TF staff releases and manages RFPs for consultants to develop WPs for non-documented DEER measures and “overlapping” measures.</p> <p>Cal TF staff works with utilities to finalize contracts for WP developers for the 53 measures described above.</p> <p>Cal TF coordinates WP development to ensure standards adhered to and consistent approach taken, solicit staff input, and manage TF review.</p> <p>Cal TF staff works with PAs to consolidate workpapers for overlapping DEER/WP/POU TRM measures.</p> <p>Cal TF staff interfaces with Department of Energy and all other stakeholders to ensure measure platform is developed according to all necessary specifications.</p>	<p>United States Department of Energy works with Cal TF staff to develop California-specific measure platform (“Electronic TRM Repository”) and all required APIs to optimize interface with systems that will need to extract measure-level data (utility and CPUC tracking and reporting databases, E-3 (TRC) calculator)</p> <p>CPUC staff participates in Technical Forum review of newly created workpapers.</p> <p>IOUs populate measure platform with all existing workpapers.</p> <p>POUs populate measure platform with TRM workpapers as they are reviewed and approved by Technical Forum.</p> <p>IOUs contract with vendors who will prepare WP for DEER measures and “overlapping” measures for Cal TF review.</p> <p><i>California Public Utilities Commission approves final electronic Technical Reference Manual. [2017]</i></p>
<p>4. Develop Crosscutting Technical positions papers related to Business Plan Goal Three.</p>	<p>TF develops and approves at least one (1) crosscutting technical position paper.</p> <p>[December 2016]</p>	<p>The TF approves crosscutting technical position papers that members find most relevant to the group’s work.</p> <p>Possible issues areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Substantive guidelines for developing deemed measures that would build on work in 2015. • Best practices analysis 	<p>CPUC ex ante team and other entities (such as the CEC) provide review and comment of technical position papers.</p>

		<p>of custom projects development and review.</p> <p>Cal TF staff supports crosscutting discussions through research on technical policy issue, producing draft position papers for TF review/comment, and soliciting TF comments and approval.</p> <p>Cal TF also solicits CPUC staff input and feedback on technical position paper.</p> <p>Cal TF staff posts approved technical positions on Cal TF website.</p>	
<p>5. Release RFQ for Technical Forum members to be seated June 1, 2016</p>	<p>Cal TF staff releases TF RFQ and ensures timely selection of qualified technical experts.</p> <p>[June 2016]</p>	<p>Cal TF staff determines by January 2016 how many current TF members will continue participation through 2015-2017 term.</p> <p>If fewer than 30 current members choose to remain on Cal TF, Cal TF staff writes and releases RFQ for TF members.</p> <p>If needed, Cal TF staff manages RFQ process, including convening and supporting an applicant review subcommittee of the PAC.</p> <p>By June 2016, Cal TF staff develops and seeks PAC approval of criteria for evaluating members interested in participating past 3rd year.</p>	<p>If needed, PAC approves TF members selected for 2016-2019 (first three-year term).</p>

6. Develop 2017 Cal TF Work Plan	2017 Work Plan. [Draft: November 15, 2016; Final: December 10, 2016]	Cal TF staff solicits comments on Cal TF 2017 Work Plan from TF, PAC, CPUC and CEC staff, and other stakeholders. Cal TF staff updates draft document reflecting input. Cal TF staff develops final document reflecting input for PAC review and approval in the December 2017 PAC meeting.	PAC, TF, CPUC staff and others provide input on 2017 Cal TF Business Plan. PAC approves Business Plan by December 2015.
7. Cal TF - Third Year Review.	Cal TF achieves metrics in Cal TF 2016 Business Plan. Final report submitted to PAC [Second quarter, 2017]	Cal TF staff solicits feedback from TF and, workpaper developers on the value of Cal TF, areas for improvement. Second year report containing results compared to 2016 Business Plan metrics and feedback from stakeholders submitted to the PAC.	