Agenda & Notes

California TF Policy Advisory Committee (PAC)
June 8, 2022
Location: Teleconference Only
3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Agenda
- Introductions
- Quick Updates
  - Cal TF 2022 Activities
  - RFQ for New Technical Forum Members
- Leveraging the eTRM for Custom Projects
  - Discuss 2022 Cal TF Business Goal 5: Continue Development of POU Custom Measures for the eTRM and MEMO: Leveraging the eTRM for Custom Projects

Meeting Materials
- MEMO: Leveraging the eTRM for Custom Projects
  - Custom eTRM Memo_FINAL2_2022-05-18.pdf
- Presentation
  - Cal TF_PAC Meeting_2022-06-08.pdf

Attendees

Cal TF Staff:
- Annette Beitel
- Ayad Al-Shaikh
- Arlis Reynolds

PAC Members and Guests:
- Amy Reardon, CPUC
- Armen Saiyan, LADWP
- Don Gilligan, NAESCO
- Emily Lemei, NCPA
- Greg Wikler, CEDMC
- Joanna Ruiz, SCPPA
- John Zwick, SDG&E
- Justin Westmoreland, PG&E

- Marc Costa, The Energy Coalition
- Martha Garcia, SCG
- Peter Miller, NRDC
- Ryan Cho, SCE
- Scott Fable, PG&E
- Terry Palacios, SMUD

Meeting Notes

Quick Updates

Ayad briefly shared updates on ongoing/upcoming 2022 activities including measure updates, development of the new measure process, and upcoming eTRM Release (anticipated July 2022).

Next TF meeting is scheduled for June 21, 2022 to reconvene the Technical Forum.

Cal TF Staff released an RFQ for new TF members. Responses are due June 24, and new members will be invited to join the July 2022 TF Meeting.
Final RFQ information here: http://www.caltf.org/join-the-tf

Leveraging the eTRM for Custom Projects

Annette described the background and context for investigating opportunities to leverage the eTRM ecosystem (eTRM tool and Cal TF framework) to improve and support custom measures, projects, and programs. Cal TF Staff have started work on POU custom measure development and developed the 5/16 Memo as part of due diligence to ensure eTRM development supports statewide activities. Annette shared big picture concept (Slide 6) of the integrated data flow journey for IOU and POU programs to discuss how the eTRM could support data flows.

PAC discussion ensued regarding the data flow concept and memo context. The following list summarizes comments and discussion points:
- Who would have access to the data and how are data protected? (Don)
    - Access to data would need to be controlled and protected; the eTRM has functions for differential access for different user groups
- Need to consider the distinct differences in the lifecycle and touch points for deemed and custom measures. (Scott)
    - Cal TF staff envisions a phased approach
- Custom projects can be unique; priority should be with "hybrid" and "semi-deemed" custom measures (Martha/Ryan)

- o Focus is on the more common custom measures that have similar or standard calculation methods; Cal TF staff believe a large percentage of custom measures can be standardized
- IOUs recently transitioned to third-party implementation with new contracted requirements for performance and want to see how that the new 3P framework addresses past issues (Martha/Ryan)
- Implementers have struggled with custom projects and support efforts to standardize and streamline custom measures and activities (Greg)
- Many details need to be considered to understand what is possible and practical; engage people involved in day-to-day program work (Ryan/Armen)
- Staged approach could focus on custom calculators in the short term and project data in the eTRM in the longer term (Armen)
- Discussion of custom streamlining efforts should include Ex Ante Review team to ensure no duplication of effort (Ryan)
- Interest in continuing improvements for deemed measures (Ryan)
- Interest in exploring how Cal TF can support CPUC, especially with database and software solutions (Amy)
- Must standardize and stabilize a process before automating (John)
- Interest in understanding the proposed roadmap for custom and understanding opportunity costs for this effort vs. other potential priorities (John)
- Preference to improve reporting over technical review and workflows (John)
- Support for a concept that facilitates achieving savings goals and links IOUs and POUs (Peter)
- Interest in follow-up discussion on the roadmap and long-term vision for eTRM and Cal TF (Peter)

Due to time, Annette recommended scheduling a follow-up PAC meeting to complete the presentation and continue the discussion.

Next Steps

Cal TF Staff will schedule an additional PAC meeting(s) to continue the conversation about Leveraging the eTRM for Custom Projects and follow up on items discussed during the meeting.