Meeting Notes

Cal TF Policy Advisory Committee (PAC)
Teleconference
December 2, 2019
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Time	Agenda Item	Discussion Leader(s)
1:00 – 1:10	**Opening** • Review agenda	Annette Beitel
1:10 – 2:00	**eTRM Demo + DEER Ecosystem** • Demo • How eTRM "fits" into the DEER Ecosystem • Enhancements	Ayad Al-Shaikh
2:00 – 2:50	**Updated DRAFT Cal TF 2020 Business Plan** • Review existing items and proposed additions/modifications. • Identify deletions from last Business Plan **ACT:** PAC questions, comments and suggestions.	Annette Beitel & Ayad Al-Shaikh
2:50 – 3:00	**Close** Recap action items and December 16th Meeting	Annette Beitel

Meeting Materials
• Slide Deck: eTRM Proposed Enhancements
• Updated DRAFT Cal TF 2020 Business Plan, ver. 1.0

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Teleconference Attendees:

PAC Members:
Bryan Cope, NCPA
Donald Gilligan, NAESCO
Emily Lemei, SCPPA
Greg Wikler, CEDMC
Josh Rasin, SMUD
Mark Modera, UC Davis
Martha Garcia, SCG
Paul Pruschki, SDG&E
Scott Fable, PG&E
Alok Singh, SCE

Cal TF Staff:
Annette Beitel
Ayad Al-Shaikh
Roger Baker

Action Items

1. Cal TF Staff will reach out to SMUD to find out more about their GHG calculation tool and see if the tool, method and/or approach would be appropriate for calculating GHG reductions in the eTRM.
2. Cal TF Staff will consider adding to the eTRM Governance document a requirement that "significant" measure changes be made only after analysis of impact (to savings/TRC) and notification to key stakeholders.
3. Annette will follow-up with individual PAC members whom she has not yet met with to schedule a teleconference after meetings with regulatory staff to solicit individual comments on the DRAFT Cal TF 2020 Business Plan.

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eTRM Demo

G. Wikler: Where are RUL and other terms defined?

A. Al-Shaikh: Need to look at reference badge to understand where RUL came from. The text is intended to define acronyms and how they are used.

S. Fable: Can someone look at a prior version of the values? What happens when something is updated?

A. Al-Shaikh: You can look at prior versions once a measure is updated. All published versions will be visible.

A. Beitel: Please note the eTRM will not contain measure information prior to 1/1/20. Cal TF Staff does not plan to populate the eTRM with prior measure versions and supporting references for prior measures. This would be a monumental effort.

S. Fable: Can API pull out prior versions?

R. Baker: Yes, the APIs allow both published and unpublished versions to be pulled down.

B. Cope: GHG needs to be utility-specific. All of the IOUs and POUs have their own load profiles. SMUD has a tool for calculating GHG reductions. This tool and SMUD's approach should be considered when assessing how GHG reductions should be calculated in eTRM.

M. Modera: Can the eTRM compare scenarios when a measure parameter needs to be changed? This could be a powerful feature.

R. Baker: The types of parameters that are changing in the Shared Tables may be coming from EM&V studies, so there isn't much discretion on whether they should be changed. This capability is not currently part of the system, but it could be.

G. Wikler: (Regarding interaction between potential study and cost effectiveness TPPs) Issues related to how savings are represented and how cost-effectiveness threshold has been changed. Who would be the audience for this TPP?

A. Beitel: Process would be to (1) start with a Charette, (2) bring back to PAC, (3) take feedback to CPUC / CEC Staff to discuss ability to make changes at regulatory staff level. However, if the change sought is to Commission policy (adopted through a Commission decision), then, CPUC Staff does not have the authority to make the changes. Even if there were a proposed change to Commission policy that staff did not have the authority to make, Cal TF Staff would consult with CPUC Staff on the appropriate procedural vehicle for requesting a change to CPUC policy.

Comments on Draft Cal TF 2020 Business Plan (2020 Draft BP)

2020 Draft BP: Proposed Cal TF TPP on Recommended Improvements to Potential Study Methodology

G. Wikler: CPUC has asked for comments from the Potential Study workshops by Dec 10 or 12th. If Cal TF were to author a TPP on recommendations on improving the Potential Study process, the TPP process would need to get underway quickly.

A. Beitel: Cal TF Staff will need to check with CPUC Staff to see if they would find it helpful for Cal TF to propose recommendations to the potential study process if CPUC Staff have already initiated a process for seeking changes to the Potential Study development process. We don't want to duplicate efforts.

Draft 2020 BP: Custom Process Improvement

P. Pruschki: IOUs and CPUC have already done a lot of work on the custom process improvement. Seems like there may be overlap between what has been done already.

A. Beitel: Cal TF Staff certainly wants to avoid duplication of efforts.

G. Wikler: This custom process improvement process underway at the utilities is not transparent and is not seeking input from stakeholders. If Cal TF were involved in custom process improvement, the process would be transparent and stakeholders would have the ability to comment on and suggest improvements to the custom process.

M. Garcia: Agreement with Paul's comment. Also, SCG has not seen much activity in custom projects in recent years. This effort may not be valuable.

Draft 2020 BP: Hybrid Measures

M. Garcia: (Regarding hybrid measures) In agreement that hybrid measures creation could streamline the process. There are a few gas measures where this idea could be applied.

Close
Beitel: I will be reaching out to PAC members after our meetings with regulatory staff at CPUC and CEC to discuss the 2020 Draft Business Plan for those PAC members who are interested.