



Introduction to Technical Reference Manuals for Energy Efficiency Programs

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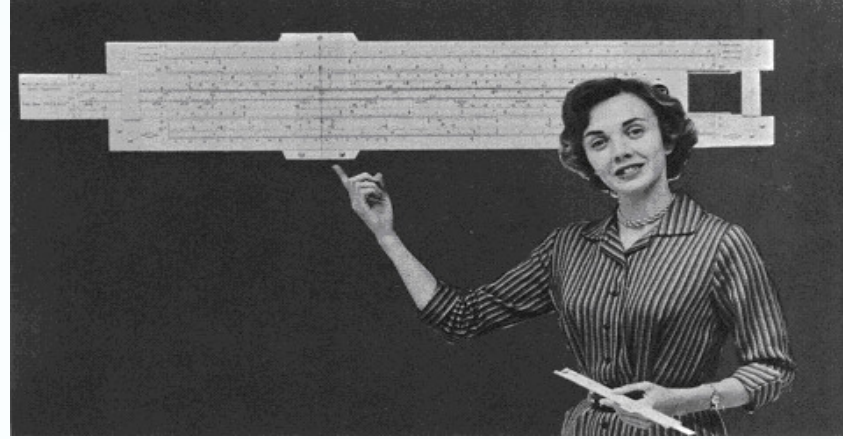
Topics

- Context/Background on EE EM&V
- Introduction to TRMs
- Why use TRMs
- TRM examples
- How To Set Up and Use TRMs
- EM&V and TRM Resources

Intent is for informal presentation and discussion

Sources

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Context and Background on EE EM&V

Why Evaluate?

- **Document impacts:** Document the energy savings of projects and programs in order to determine how well they have met their goals; e.g., has there been a good use of the invested money and time? **Provide PROOF of the effectiveness of energy management.**
- **Resource Planning:** Support energy resource planning by understanding the historical and future resource contributions of energy efficiency as compared to other energy resources. **Provide data to support efficiency as a reliable resource.**
- **Understand why the effects occurred:** Identify ways to improve current and future projects and programs as well as select future projects. **“You can’t manage what you don’t measure” and “Things that are measured tend to improve”.**



**EVALUATION SUPPORTS SUCCESSFUL
EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS**

Evaluation Types

Evaluation Type	Description	Example Uses
Impact Evaluation	Quantifies direct and indirect changes associated with the subject program(s)	Determines the amount of energy and demand saved
Process Evaluation	Indicates how the procedures associated with program design and implementation are performing from both the administrator's and the participants' perspectives	Identifies how program designs and processes can be improved
Market Effects Evaluation	Analyzes how the overall supply chain and market for energy efficiency products have been affected by the program. Market baselines.	Characterizes changes that have occurred in efficiency markets and whether they are attributable to and sustainable with or without the program
Cost-Effectiveness Evaluation	Quantifies the costs of program implementation and compares them with program benefits	Determines whether an energy efficiency program is a cost-effective investment compared with other programs and energy supply resources

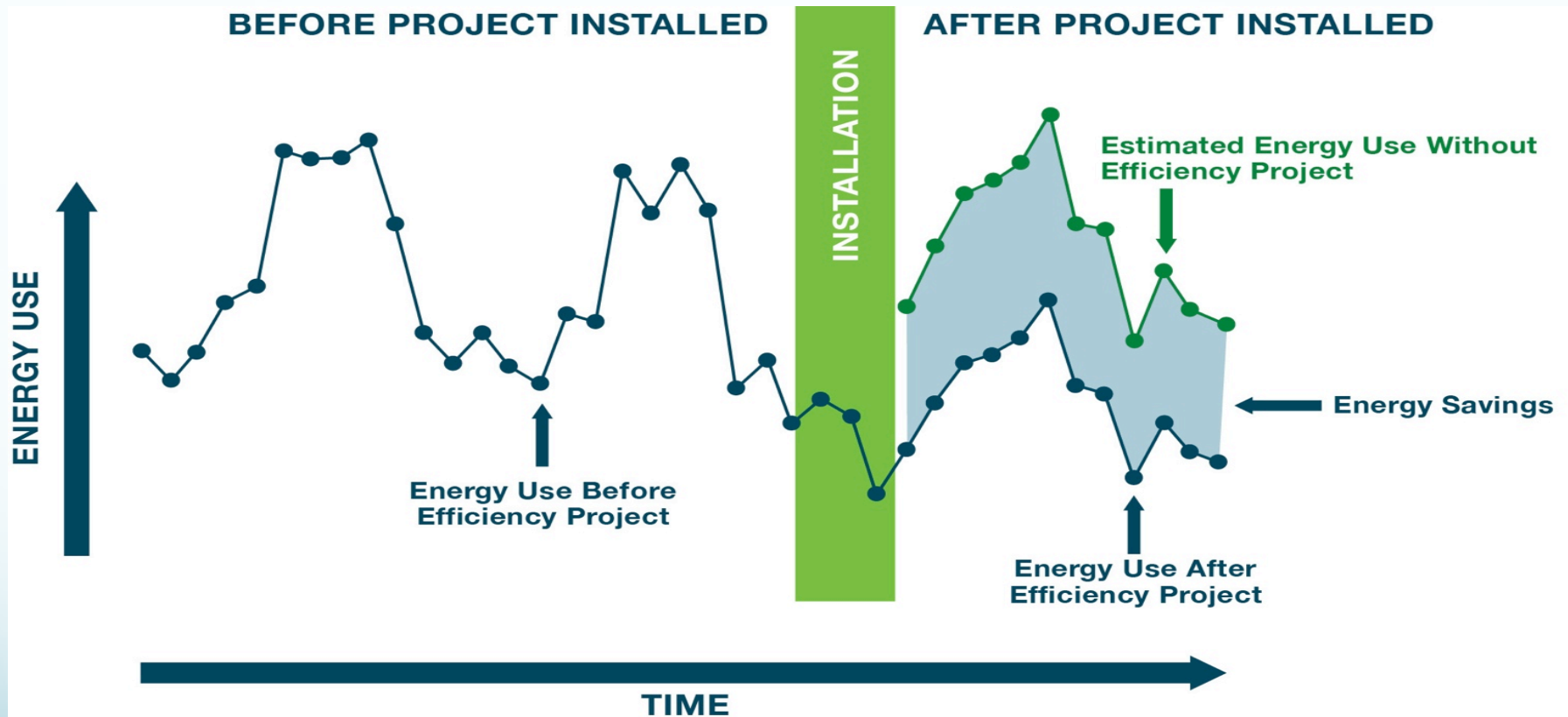
EM&V Definitions

- **Evaluation** - The performance of studies and activities aimed at determining the effects of a **program or portfolio**
- **Measurement and Verification** - Data collection, monitoring, and analysis associated with the calculation of gross energy and demand savings from **individual sites or projects**. M&V can be a subset of program evaluation.
- **EM&V** - The term “evaluation, measurement, and verification” is frequently seen in efficiency evaluation literature. EM&V is a catchall acronym for determining both program and project impacts.

Impact Evaluation Results

- **Gross Savings** - The change in energy consumption and/or demand that results **directly from program-promoted actions** taken by program participants regardless of why they participated
- **Net Savings** - Refers to the **portion of gross savings that is attributable to a particular program**. Attributing changes to one cause (i.e., a particular program) or another can be quite complex
- **Non-Energy Benefits (NEBs)** - Identifiable non-energy impacts associated with program implementation (e.g., **avoided emissions and environmental benefits, productivity improvements, jobs created and local economic development, reduced utility customer disconnects, higher comfort and convenience**)

Savings Cannot Be Measured - *They Are Estimated*



Graph of Energy Consumption Before, During And After Project Is Installed

The Big Issues of EM&V

How good is good enough?

- Fundamental issue of EM&V
- **How certain** does one have to be of savings estimates and is that certainty **balanced** against the **amount of effort** utilized to obtain that level of certainty?
- EM&V investments should consider risk management principles - balance the costs and value of information derived from EM&V (i.e., **EM&V should be cost-effective**).

As compared to what?

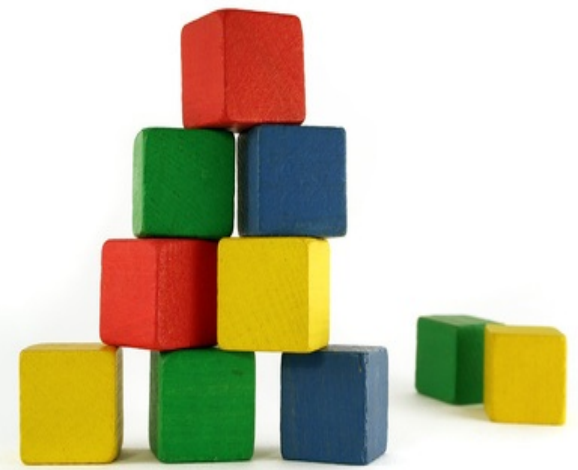
- First - Defining a **baseline** against which efficiency actions are compared for determining energy savings and whether attribution should be considered – **the counterfactual**
- Second – Establishing level of performance confidence and risk for efficiency **relative to other options for reducing savings and risk of not getting the savings**

Approaches for Determining Gross Energy Savings

- One or more measurement and verification (M&V) options from the IPMVP (A, B, C and/or D) are used to determine the savings from a sample of projects. These savings are then applied to all of the projects in the program. Typically applied to “calculated” or “custom” measures.
- Apply deemed (stipulated, default) values or calculations that are based on historical and verified data to projects and/or measures with correct applicability conditions. Typically applied to “prescriptive” or “standard” measures.
- Conduct Statistical analyses of large volumes of metered energy usage data. Typically applied to “mass market” and “residential” programs and with a control group versus a participant group.

A “Typical” Combination for Determining Gross Savings

- Set of prescriptive programs use deemed savings values for savings (e.g., residential CFLs and insulation, commercial ventilation motors, commercial building lighting)
- Set of custom programs use calculated ex-ante savings estimates and 100% site verification with spot measurements (e.g., commercial HVAC measures)
- Another set of custom programs use M&V savings analyses (Options A, B, C and/or D), defined in a guideline, on a census of projects (e.g., industrial process measures)
- Residential weatherization program uses large scale billing data analyses



Introduction to TRMs

Definitions

- **Deemed Savings Value:** (*Stipulated Savings Value, Unit Energy Savings*). Estimate of energy or demand savings for installed EE measure 'per unit':
 - Used for well understood and documented EE measures
 - For example: energy-efficient appliances such as washing machines, computer equipment and refrigerators, and lighting retrofit projects with well-understood operating hours
 - Has been developed from reliable data sources and analytical methods
 - Is applicable to the situation being evaluated
- **Deemed Savings Calculation:** An agreed-to (stipulated) engineering algorithm(s) used to calculate the energy and/or demand savings associated with an installed EE measure(s).

Deemed Savings

They are
used a lot!

But, Must Be Used With Caution

- Have to be applied where appropriate – only!
- The use of deemed values in a savings calculation is an agreement to accept a stipulated value, irrespective of what actually “happens”.
- When using deemed values, it is important to realize that technologies alone do not save energy - it is how they are used that saves energy

Deemed Savings and Algorithm Resource Database – AKA “TRM”

- TRM is a resource (document, database, website) that includes information used in program **planning**, **reporting** and **evaluating** of EE programs which can include:
 - Energy efficiency measures metrics or characteristics (e.g. ,savings)
 - Engineering algorithms to calculate savings
 - Specific parameters needed to calculate savings
 - Factors for applying to calculated savings (e.g., net-to-gross ratios)
- Typically include documentation of:
 - Assumptions (e.g., baselines) used to prepare values
 - Calculations of values
 - When (what appropriate applications) to apply values and algorithms
- Provide a common reference for utility program managers, implementers, evaluators, and regulators

TRM Contents

- For each measure, the TRMs often, but not always, include either specific deemed values or algorithms for calculating one or more of the following:

- Electric energy and demand savings
- Fossil fuel energy savings
- Incremental costs
- Measure lives

Note that these are often the values required for determining cost-effectiveness

- And sometimes:
 - Net to gross ratios
 - Non-energy benefits - e.g. water savings, avoided emissions

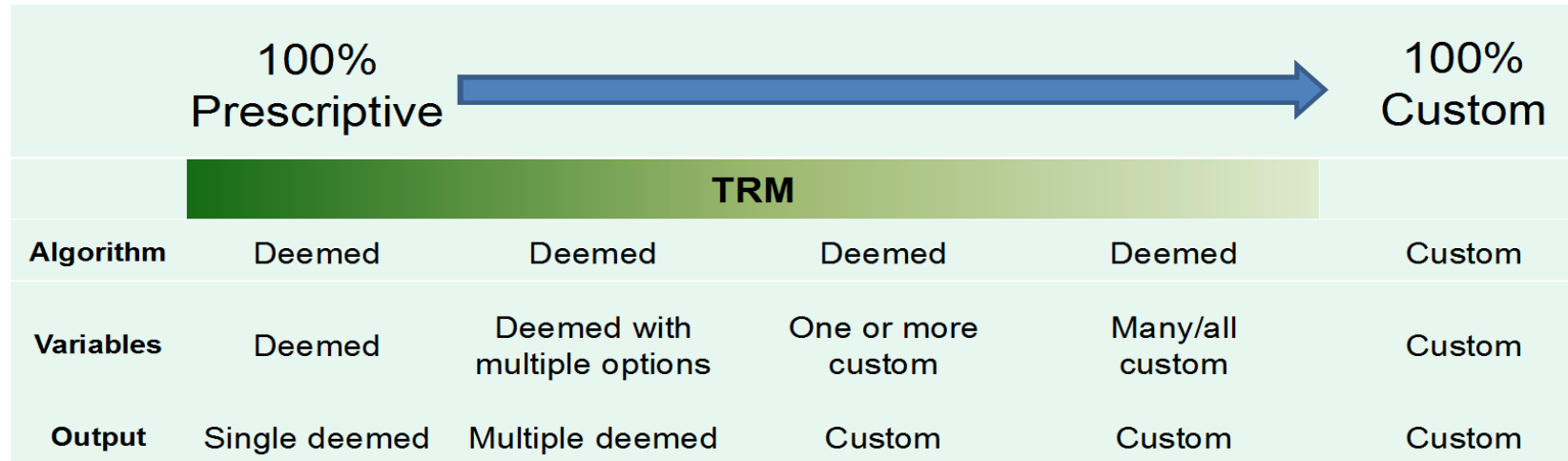
How Values Are Indicated

Measure savings may be represented in one of three ways (or combinations):

- Fully Deemed - Fully stipulated (deemed) savings value
 - Used when savings are well studied
- Partially Deemed Algorithm - Savings based on a formula where input parameters are stipulated or based on project-specific conditions
 - Most common approach, allows for some variability
- Fully Calculated Algorithm - No stipulated parameters
 - Used for highly variable savings for a given measure

Measure Spectrum

- Graphic from VEIC



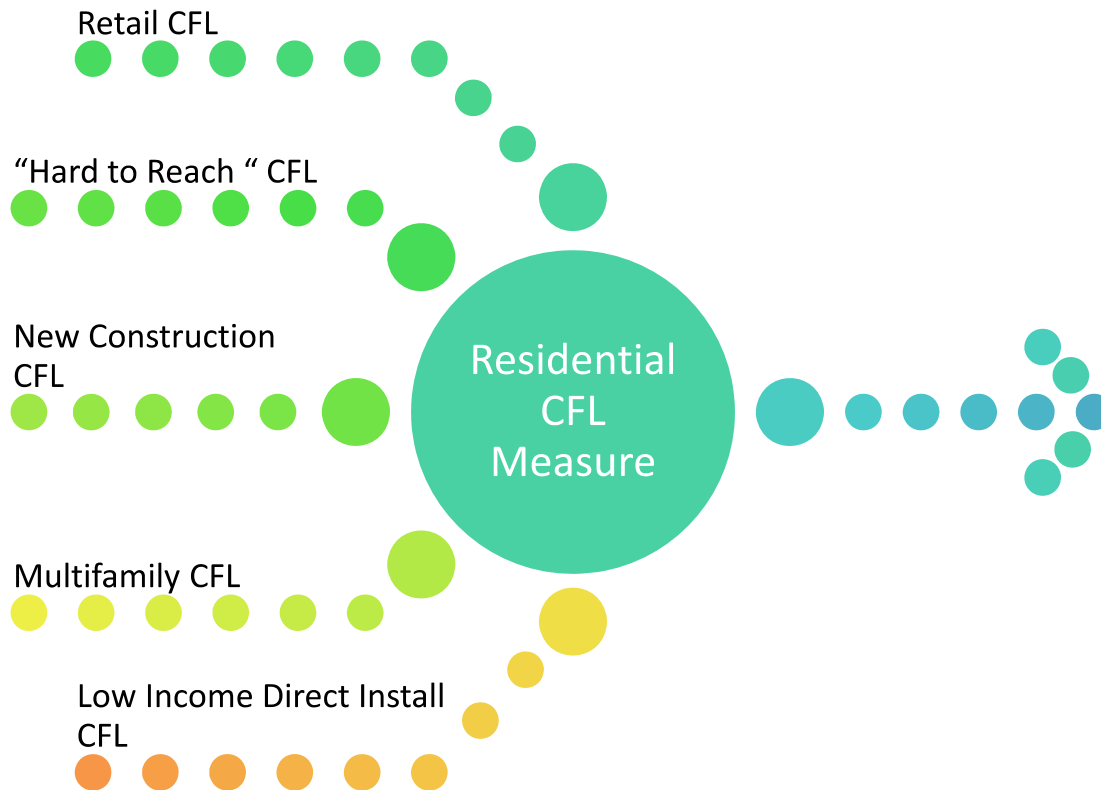
- Standardization
- Simple, Consistent Implementation
- Low Admin Cost



- “Accuracy”
- Complex, Varied Implementation
- High Admin Cost

Applicability Conditions

- Graphic from VEIC



Market	Hours per day
Single Family	2.7
Multi Family In-Unit	2.5
Multi Family Common Area	8

Market	Freerider Rate
Retail	40%
Hard to Reach	5%
New Construction	50%
Multi Family	40%
Low Income Direct Install	20%

TRM Formats

Can be in different formats

- **Online database**
- **Downloadable database (most common):**
 - **Electronic Database** – often Excel worksheets, provides lookup values for tracking system
 - **PDF** – text format with common sections for each measure protocol; most common format for recent TRMs
 - **Word** – text format, similar to PDFs

TRM Coverage and Administration: Geographic or Jurisdictional Options

- **Regional/Statewide**

- Used to specify the basis for determining savings values claimed by any program administrator (e.g., utility) in a region or state. Often developed through a multiple stakeholder process
- Administered by regional non-profit, state commission or agency, advisory committee, program administrator

- **Program Administrator (e.g., utility)**

- Used to specify the savings values claimed by a single utility. Often developed by that utility.
- Administered by utility



Why Use TRMs

TRM Advantages

- Saves time and money while providing relative accuracy
 - calculate once for state, versus over and over again for each utility and each program (and project?), and perhaps doing that every year
 - Allows evaluators to better allocate resources
- Pre-vetted, pre-approved values – reduce regulatory risk and **provide certainty** for regulator, utility, implementer and (maybe) customer
- Maintains state-wide consistency across utilities
 - Planning and evaluation values will be calculated using the same methodology while allowing for utility specific inputs
 - Evaluation findings (e.g., billing analysis, metering, survey data) inform TRM updates allowing utilities to pool evaluation resources

TRM and Deemed Savings Cautions

- **Can they be dangerous? Yes!**
 - Only as good as the data, analysis, and QC that goes into them (garbage in.....)
 - Requires experienced oversight to ensure proper use
 - Accurate on average (should be - can be even better than case by case M&V)
 - Accurate for each project and customer (probably not.....)
- **Use care not to put the cart before the horse**
 - Need good baseline data (baseline data, performance data, saturations, load shapes)
 - Need to build off evaluation and other field/lab results (empirical vs. theoretical)
 - Carefully select data from other jurisdiction's TRMs (see next slide)
- **Watch out for:**
 - Applying values where they are applicable!
 - Systematic biases
 - Interactive and stacking effects (multiple measures in same facility)
- **Need transparency and detailed documentation** with a detailed guide on how to use the data and algorithms

TRM Comparison

- Cadmus conducted a scoping study for regional TRMs for U.S. DOE and LBNL; the study included an assessment of savings values for 20 measures covering different fuels, sectors, end-uses in multiple TRMs
 - See this website for the report and other resources:
<http://www1.eere.energy.gov/seeaction/evaluation.html>
- Findings:
 - Savings estimates vary by order of magnitude across sources
 - Main drivers of variances are:
 - Differing baseline assumptions (e.g., hours of use, weather, prevailing codes)
 - Source of savings calculations (building simulation versus engineering algorithm)
 - Parameters included in algorithm (e.g., use of HVAC interaction factor for lighting)

Bottom Line

- **TRMs**

- Create greater savings certainty and consistency for savings values, and perhaps more accuracy
- Are widely assumed to reduce a state's EM&V costs
- Focus EM&V resources
- Statewide or regional TRMs are becoming essentially a standard practice

- **But**

- As with any tool need to be used for the right use and with caution
- Require (a) agreement among stakeholders, (b) some startup research and costs, and (c) time to get going

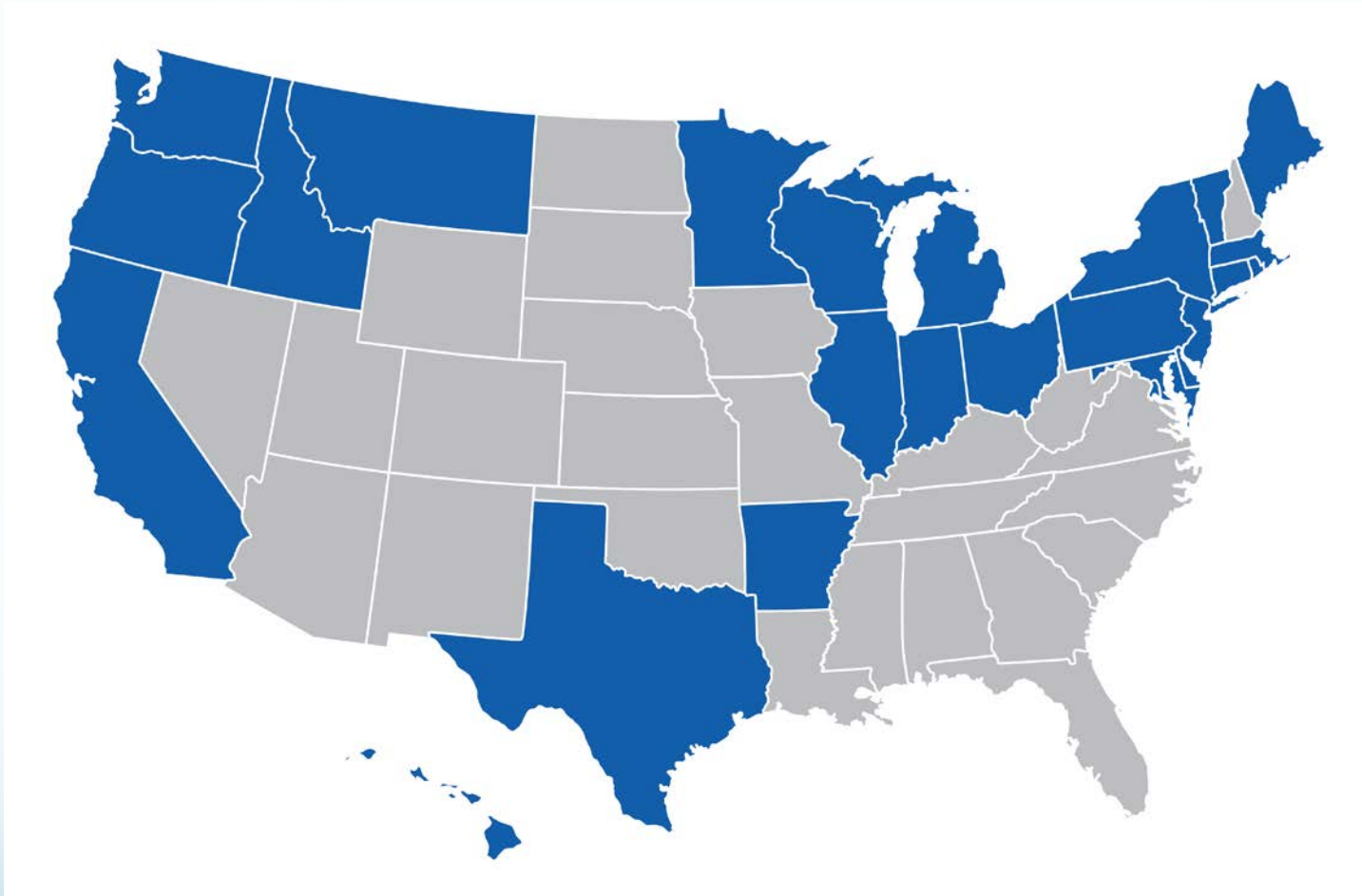


TRM Examples

Quick History of TRMs

- **1990s** – The first databases of savings
 - Northwest Power & Conservation Council's Regional Technical Forum (RTF) Unit Energy Savings (UES) Workbooks Database
 - California Public Utility Commission (CPUC) Database for Energy Efficient Resources (DEER)
- **2000s** – Continued work by the RTF and CPUC and new documents called Technical Reference Manuals
 - The sophistication of the RTF's UES Database and DEER laid the groundwork for more
 - More states started to develop these resources for the use of all utilities within the state
- **Now**
 - More and more jurisdictions are adopting TRMs
 - Movement to create regional if not national standardization of resources
 - U.S. DOE supporting efforts at standardization

Today's National Picture



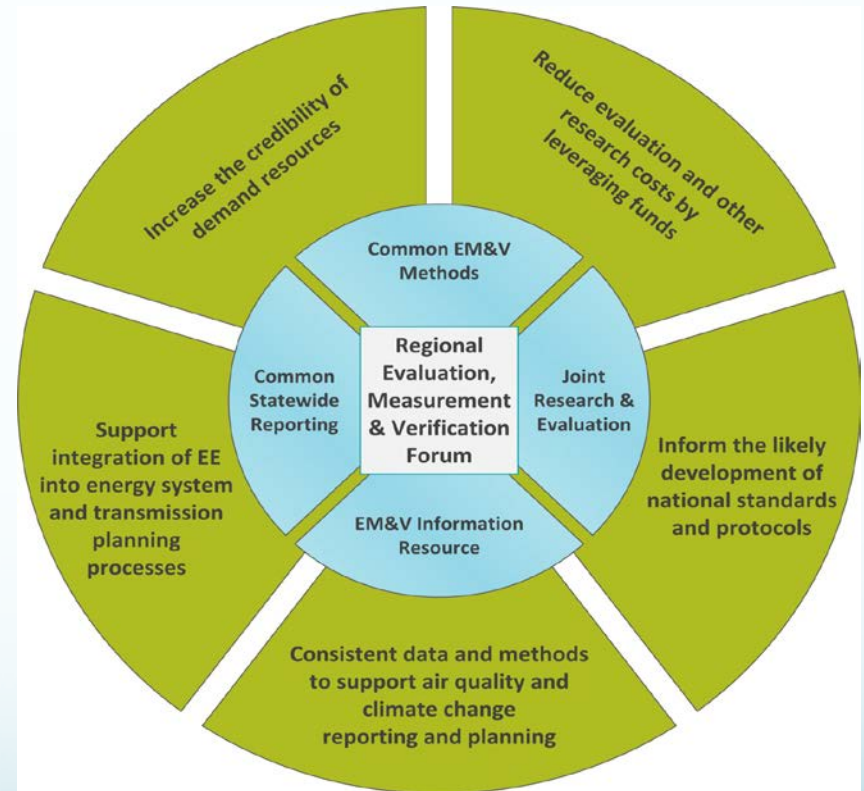
23 states have TRM resources (from Cadmus study, see resources section)
And so does New Mexico..

Introduction to Two Regional TRMs

- Mid-Atlantic TRM – slides from Elizabeth Titus of NEEP
- Northwest Regional Technical Forum – slides from Tom Eckman of the RTF

Regional (Northeast/Mid Atlantic) EM&V Forum

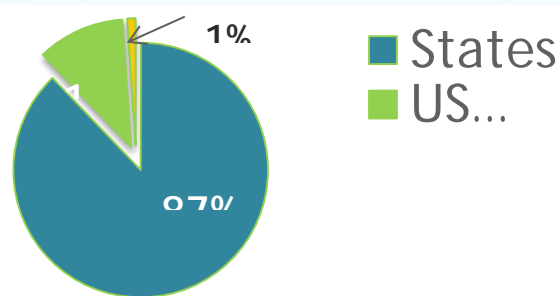
Launched in 2008, the Evaluation, Measurement, & Verification (EM&V) Forum is a project facilitated by NEEP, whose purpose is to support the development and use of consistent protocols to evaluate, measure, verify, and report the savings, costs, and emission impacts of energy efficiency and other demand-side resources.



Forum Participants and Multistate (Mid-Atlantic) TRM

- Who is Involved in Forum

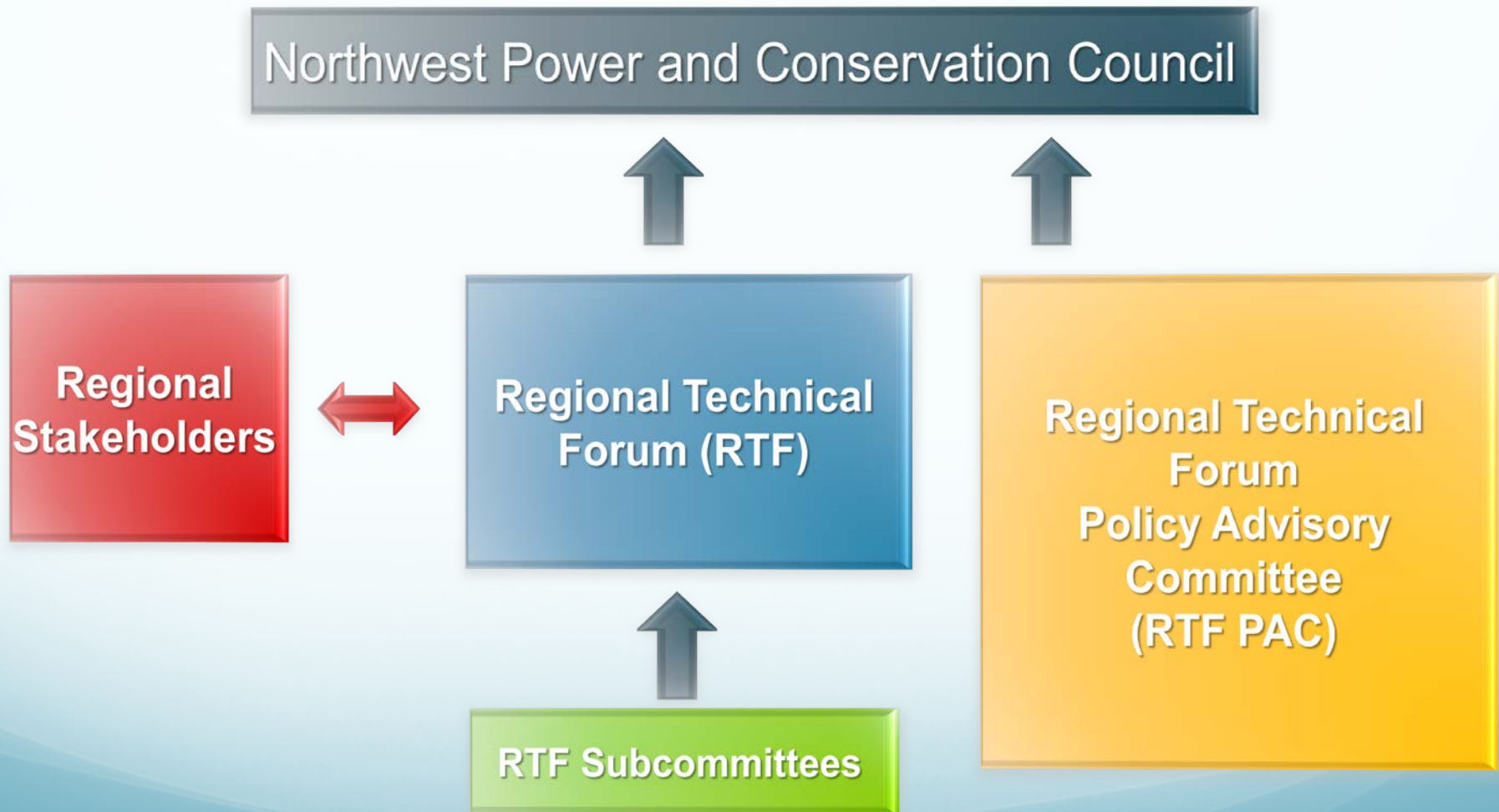
- New England states, NY, MD, DE and DC (10 jurisdictions)
- Steering Committee: PUC commissioners and air regulator reps
- Project Committees: PUC staff and air regulatory staff, program administrators, EPA staff, ESCOs
- Funding Sources:



- Maryland, Delaware and District of Columbia stakeholders developed one Technical Reference Manual in 2009
- Now developing the update process; informed by research on experience from 6 individual state TRMs (IL, ME, MA, NJ, PA, VT)

Northwest Regional Technical Forum

an advisory committee established in 1999 to develop standards to verify and evaluate conservation savings



RTF TRM



- A decade of experience
 - “Codified” decision-making process
 - <http://rtf.nwcouncil.org/subcommittees/Guidelines/RTF%20Guidelines%202013-04-16.pdf>
- Their process for information:
 - Research
 - Quantify
 - Deliver
 - Verify

Measure Category/Quality Standards



Proven

- Statistical or calibrated engineering data are available and reliable to characterize both the baseline and efficient-case energy consumption for measure-affected end uses

Provisional

- Baseline use can be reliably estimated, efficient-case use can be only be reasonably approximated. RTF approves with conditions requiring the collection of data documenting efficient-case use to improve reliability of savings estimation.

Planning

- Peer reviewed by RTF for measures with regional applicability and reasonable expectation that data will be collected to bring measure through an RTF path in the future

Small Saver

- RTF approves based on sound engineering analysis and applicability to the region and because cost to obtain quality data outweighs expected regional savings potential

Guidelines Measure Status



Active

- Measure meets all requirements set forth in *Guidelines*



Under Review

- Errors need to be corrected
- Calculation updates with new identified data sources
- Calculation updates with data to be developed or sought



Out of Compliance

- Lack of data sources identified that can bring the savings estimations into guideline compliance
- 1 year to bring research plan to RTF for review



De-activated

- Inadequate data exists to bring into compliance with *Guidelines*
- Federal/State codes require target efficiency level

RTF - Getting to Unitized Savings (UES)

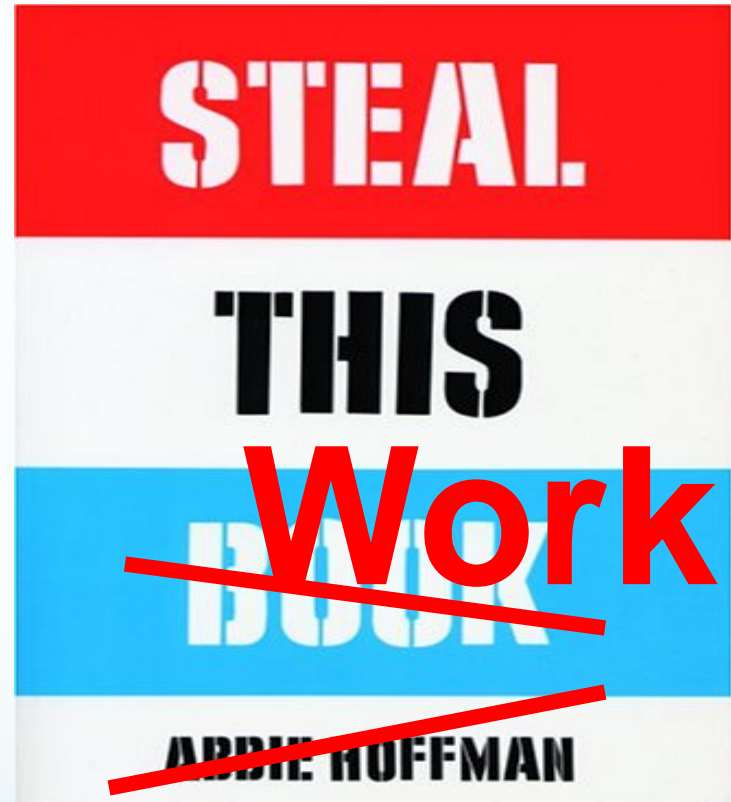


- **Statistical or meta-statistical data**
 - Quality judged by relative error of mean savings estimate
 - Avoid when savings significantly interact with other measures due to large sample needs
- **Calibrated engineering models**
 - Adjusted to individual cases or to the average characteristics and consumption of groups
 - Ex. SEEM heating loads calibrated to billing data from representative sample of SF homes
 - Savings expected to be regionally applicable
 - Significant interactions need to be dealt with

They Have No Secrets!

RTF decisions,
work papers and
supporting data
are all accessible
via the web:

<http://rtf.nwcouncil.org/>



A Few State Examples

- Energy Trust of Oregon

- Primarily fully deemed values in the database developed in conjunction with analysis completed by Regional Technical Forum; some calculators
- Used for programs, and made specific to Oregon IOU territory
- Updated as needed with EM&V results

- Michigan Energy Measures Database

- Used by program planners and claimed savings
- Fully deemed values for most measures
- Allows for consistency of assumptions across state
- Updated annually

- Pennsylvania TRM

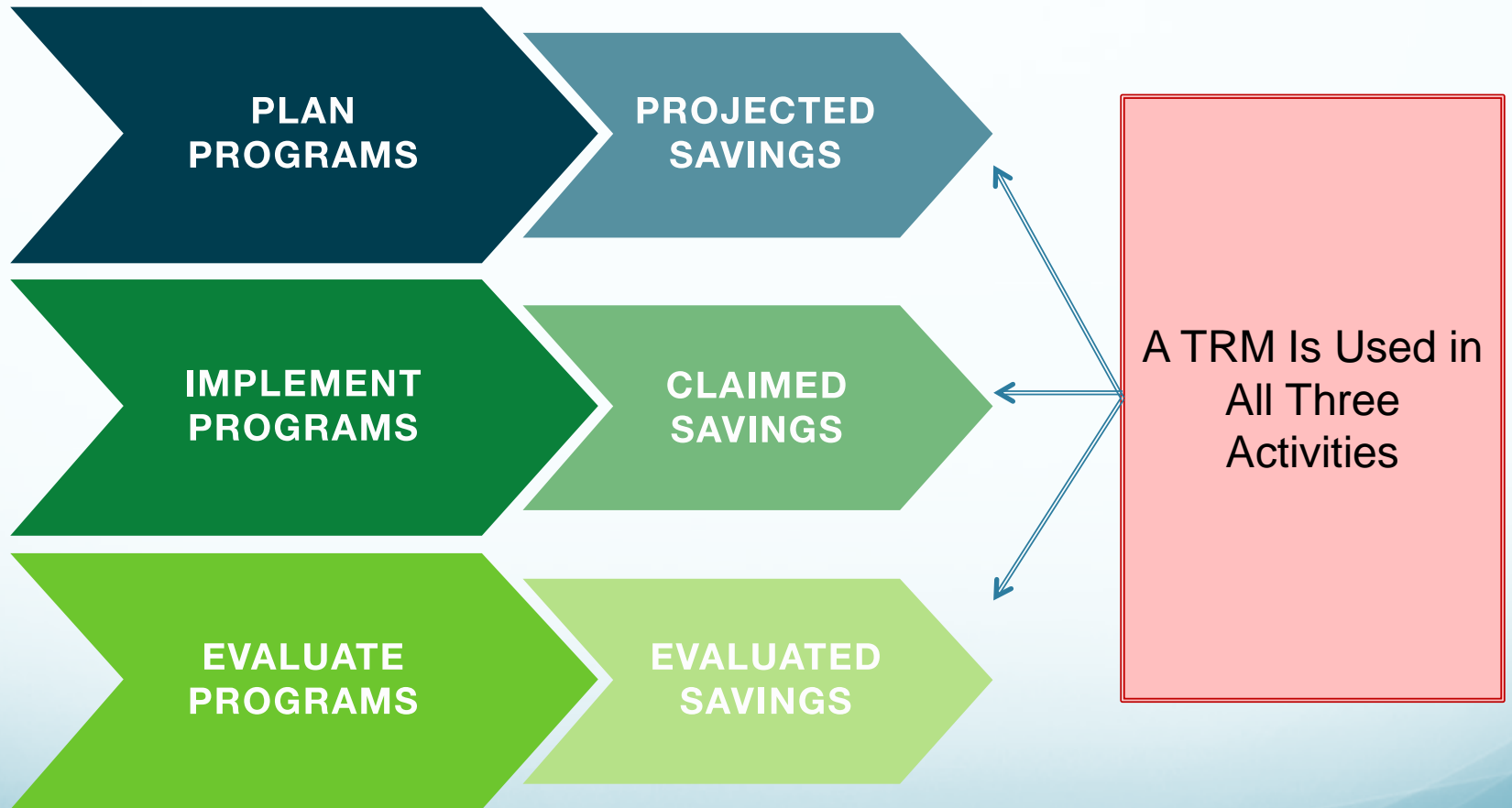
- Primarily partially deemed algorithms with inputs based on look-up tables or customer-specific application data
- Used for program planners and claimed savings
- Updated annually

Lets run through some
examples.....



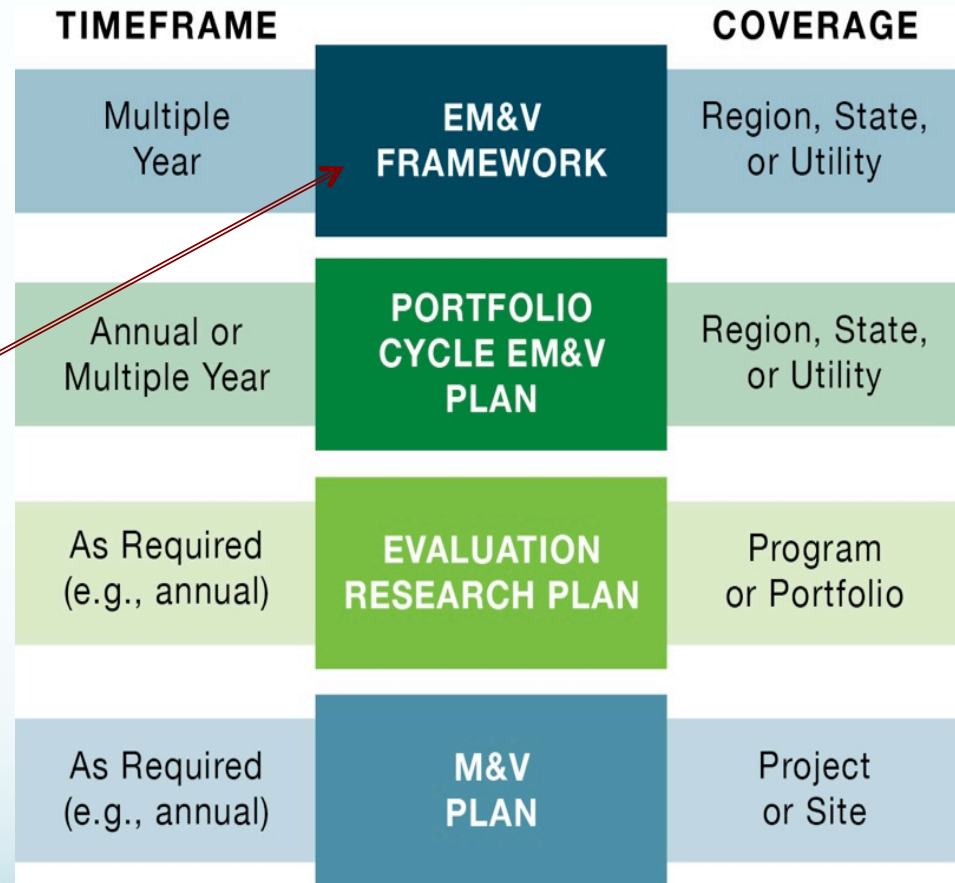
How To Set Up and Use TRMs and Lessons Learned

Planning, Implementing, and Evaluating Efficiency Programs



Structure for Defining Evaluation Activities – including TRMs

- **EM&V Framework** – Primary document that lays out top level structure. *This is perhaps the principle document that all stakeholders can focus on and provide high level input. When used -*
 - *In some states it is standalone document, in other part of an overall “EE Rule”*
 - *This is where the TRM concept gets defined*
- **Portfolio (annual) Plans** – Indicates major evaluation activities that will be conducted during the evaluation cycle
- **Evaluation Research Plans** – Created for the major EM&V activities
- **Site Specific M&V Plans** – For custom project sites that are analyzed and inspected



Timing: Portfolio Cycles and TRMs

Timing for a new TRM – based on typical timing, for example:

- 2014-2015- parties engaged to agree to support development of statewide TRM; Framework/Work Plan developed
- Fall of 2015 – Technical consultant hired to prepare TRM
- Summer of 2016 –TRM V 1.0 approved
 - Time for technical consultant's work – ~3 to 6 months
- Program Year 2017 – first program year that uses TRM
- TRM updated every year (not necessarily every measure – but measures can be dropped, added, or modified)

Could timeframe for first TRM be reduced? Maybe could have TRM by Summer 2015 if:

- Stakeholders and commission agree to move forward and hire consultant by end of this year – and/or –
- Commission decides to simply utilize existing TRM or join mid-Atlantic TRM process

How TRM Efforts Get Initiated

- Most are "ordered" or just agreed to by a Commission or perhaps an advisory board if there is a third-party EE administrator.
- With these TRMs operating in about half the states, sooner or later every Commission, stakeholder, administrator, and/or group of implementers says:
 - Why are we recalculating or re-justifying the same savings values over and over again?
 - Why does one of our utilities use "x" and another "y" for the savings for the same measure?
 - We need certainty – i.e. risk management
 - We could save time and money
- The barriers are usually money and process:
 - Its almost certainly cheaper to do one for the state versus one per utility or implementer, but those costs are buried, versus a single larger line item
 - Utilities and implementers would prefer that the Commission approves the TRM - to avoid second guessing, i.e. to provide certainty

Getting a TRM Process Started

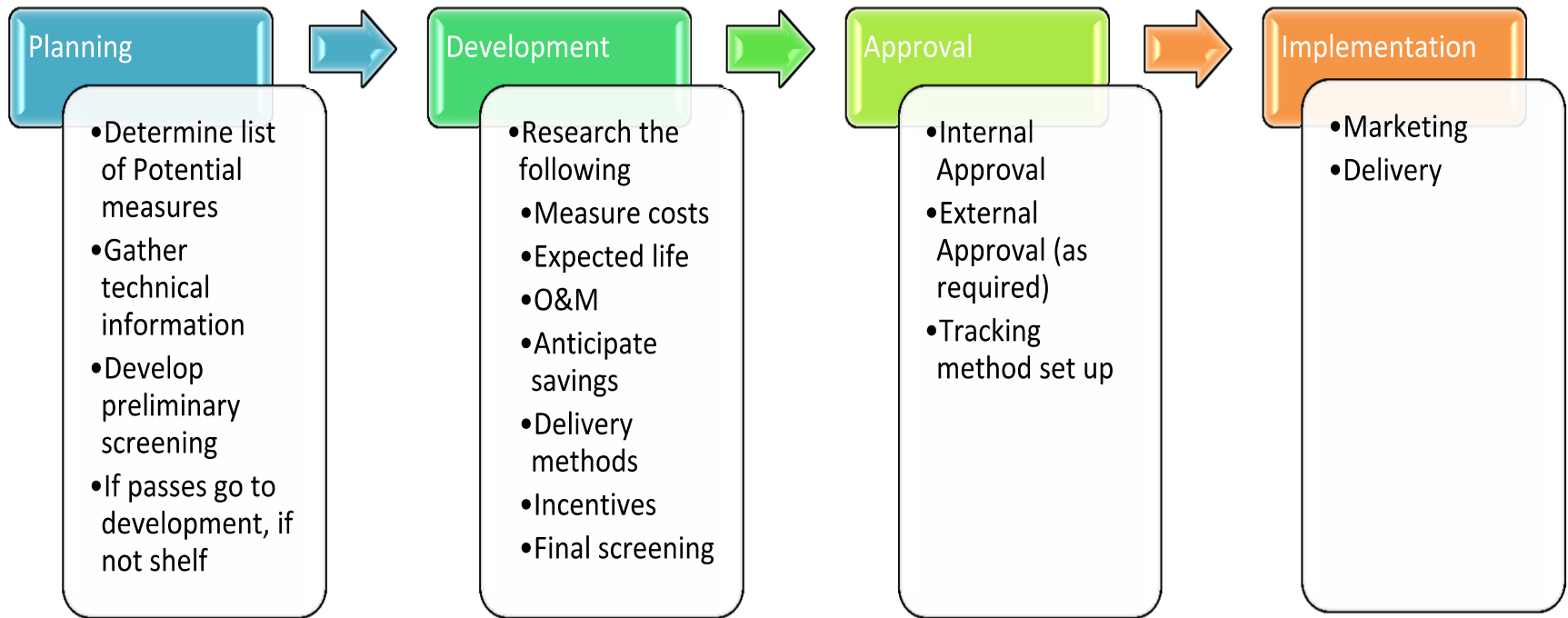
1. **Research** (review other states' and regions TRM efforts)
2. **Set Objectives:**
 - a. Used for planning, reporting and/or in place of ex-post savings determination?
3. **Decide what information is needed:**
 - a. For example, gross and/or net savings values, cost data, effective useful life
 - b. Deemed saving values only or also calculation tools? Include work papers for custom measures?
4. **Answer some questions:**
 - a. Is it the commission's or utilities' database? How is it reviewed? How is it approved?
 - b. Start from scratch or start with another state's system and customize? Join a regional effort?
 - c. Build large system (lots of EE measures) from beginning or start small (just high priority EE measures) and build up as data warrants?
 - d. What format – on-line, spreadsheet, pdf, etc.
 - e. Who develops, verifies, and maintains data?
 - f. What are criteria for “good” data and how rigorously it is verified and applied appropriately. How are baselines defined?
5. **Then set budgets and timeframes – and a framework and/or work plan**

Typical Steps to Develop a TRM

- **Establish a process** for addressing the previous slide's points and questions, then prepare a framework document or work plan
- Mostly likely next step is to **hire a technical consultant** to lead development of the TRM (with perhaps input from advisory committee)
 - The framework document or work plan becomes the basis for work scope, time frame, and budgets in (or response to) RFP
- **Prepare TRM draft and final**
 - Work with stakeholders, particularly utilities, to decide what measures to include
 - Review existing savings data resources, identify strengths and weaknesses
 - Approve TRM for next program cycle
- Have a clear **update and review plan**
 - Some TRMs incorporate a sunset date for measures
 - TRMs are often updated annually, though not all measures will be reviewed

Process for Evaluating Measures

- Graphic from VEIC



One Issue: Who Does Evaluation (and TRMs)

“A National Survey Of State Policies and Practices For the Evaluation Of Ratepayer-Funded Energy Efficiency Programs” Martin Kushler, Seth Nowak, and Patti Witte February 2012 Report Number U122.

www.aceee.org

- Administration of the evaluation function:
 - 37% utility administration
 - 36% administration by the utility regulatory commission or a combination of the commission and utilities
 - 27% administration by some other government agency or third-party entity
- Most states (79%) rely on independent consultants/contractors to conduct the actual evaluations with 21% using utility and/or government agency staff

Often the statewide evaluator is the consultant preparing a statewide TRM

Updating Process

- Review and summarize other jurisdiction's TRM update processes for comparison and guidance
- Recommend an overarching strategy to update the TRM in a timely and appropriate manner, to best meet the needs of the organizations using it
- Interview stakeholders to identify needs and schedules relevant to the update process, commonalities that are mutually supportive of a single process and schedule, as well as any unique needs or situations that necessitate extra attention.
- Identify measures to be added or updated in the next round of TRM measure development

Lessons Learned - Process

- Establish definitions for metrics (gross, net, incremental savings, lifetime, etc.) and measures
- Clearly define roles and responsibilities of different participants
- Define process for input and approval of TRM and updates
 - Strive for transparency, wide input and limited legal/regulatory hoops required to make changes
- Decide whether values are to be “expected values” or “conservative values” (remember EE savings are estimates)
- Provide some guidance on selection criteria for what measures go in the TRM
- Process guidance should make it clear what assumptions are used and for which purposes – **baselines!**
- Decide how values are used – “looking back” or “going forward”

Looking Back or Going Forward?

- For the affected measures the per unit energy savings are based on the values found in the TRM – but which version for what purposes and when?
 - TRM values can and do change – mistakes found, better data, baselines change, etc.
- For example:
 - TRM updated in November 2013 and November 2014 and November 2015
 - Program plans submitted in August 2014 – used November 2013 TRM values
 - Program approved in December 2014 - with November 2013 TRM values
 - Program implemented in 2015 – which TRM version should be used for claimed savings?
 - Program evaluation completed in 2016 - which TRM version used for evaluated savings?
 - What's fair to utility? What's fair to the ratepayers? What's right for system planners?
- Points out two issues:
 - Should line up program planning, approvals with TRM updates – it would have been much better if the 2014 TRM update was done in summer of 2014 versus fall
 - Should decide in framework whether utilities get credit for savings based on *looking back or going forward TRM versions*
 - Common approach is using TRM values valid at time of program approval

Lessons Learned - Updates

- Define update cycle that matches planning cycles (or planning and reporting if retroactive application)
 - Typically annual or every other year
 - Be realistic on time required to do updates
- Use savings verification and evaluation results to inform updates
- Develop process where old measures are systematically reviewed through annual update process
- Maintain a reference library to track:
 - Changes
 - Feedback
 - Error corrections
 - New information including new measure suggestions and references

So, How Much Does This Cost?

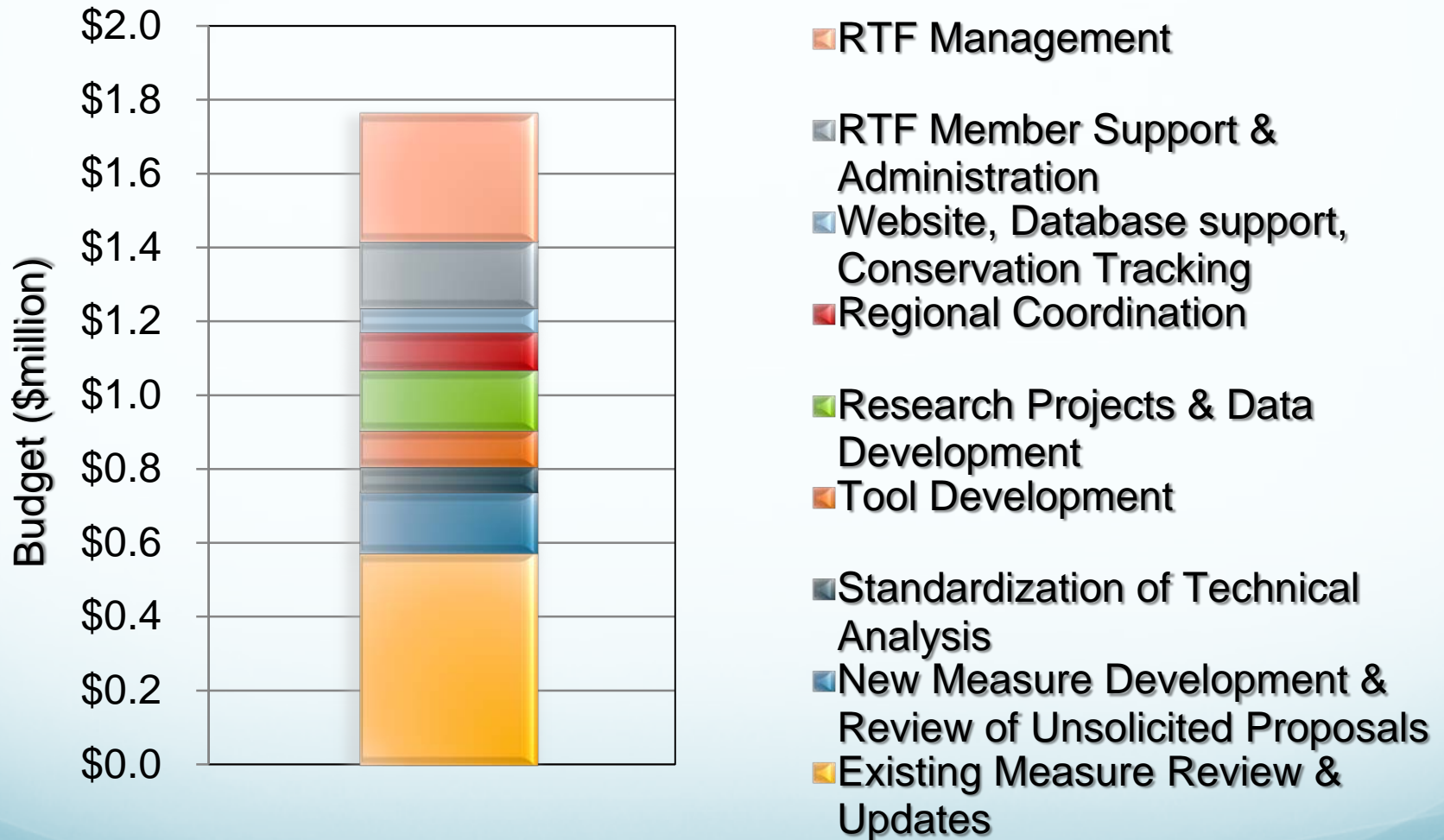
- **It Depends**
- It depends on:
 - **Timing** – how quick you want it and how often updated
 - **Quality**
 - **Scope**
 - How many EE measures
 - Primary or secondary research in state – or just update to another
 - Level of documentation
 - Format
 - Level of review

What format – Word documents (PDFs), spreadsheets, databases, fully integrated reporting systems, web based (or not) – all have pros and cons

Some Ballpark Cost Ranges (remember it depends.....)

- Development - \$50,000 - \$200,000
 - Could it be less? ...perhaps; could it be more?oh yes
- Updates - \$10,000 to \$50,000 per year
 - Mid-Atlantic TRM update is \$75,000 per year, balance larger scope and review process with very efficient/experienced team (this is also about what it cost for modifying it for use in another state)
- Often combined with the scope of a statewide EE evaluator
- Could all be combined with tracking and reporting systems

Northwest RTF 2013 Budget



Suggestions for working group/advisory structures

- Whatever the format of working group or advisors, the needs are:
 - Consultants with technical expertise and independence
 - Transparency through public, peer review
 - Cooperative if not consensus approach to input
 - Somebody in charge – provide input to an entity that makes final decision (usually the Commission)
- Typically an entity (utility, non-profit, Commission) has a contract with consultants that prepare TRM and related documents
- Advisory Committee provides feedback to that entity and consultants
 - Members either appointed for technical expertise or constituency representation, or combination
 - Members, with occasional exceptions, serve pro bono
 - Working meetings and pre- and post-meeting review – active engagement required
 - Preferably input is solely technical (sorry, no lawyers)
 - May also provide input on selection process and selection of technical consultants



EM&V and TRM Resources


EM&V Resources

- DOE/EPA SEE Action EM&V Resources website:
http://www1.eere.energy.gov/seeaction/emv_resource_portal.html
- U.S. DOE Uniform Methods Project website:
http://www1.eere.energy.gov/office_eere/de_ump.html

SEE Action Impact Evaluation Guide

- Describes common **terminology, structures, and approaches** used for determining (evaluating):
 - **energy and demand savings**
 - **avoided emissions**
 - **other non-energy benefits**
- Does not recommend specific approaches - it provides:
 - **context**
 - **planning guidance**
 - **discussion of issues**

<http://www1.eere.energy.gov/seeaction/>



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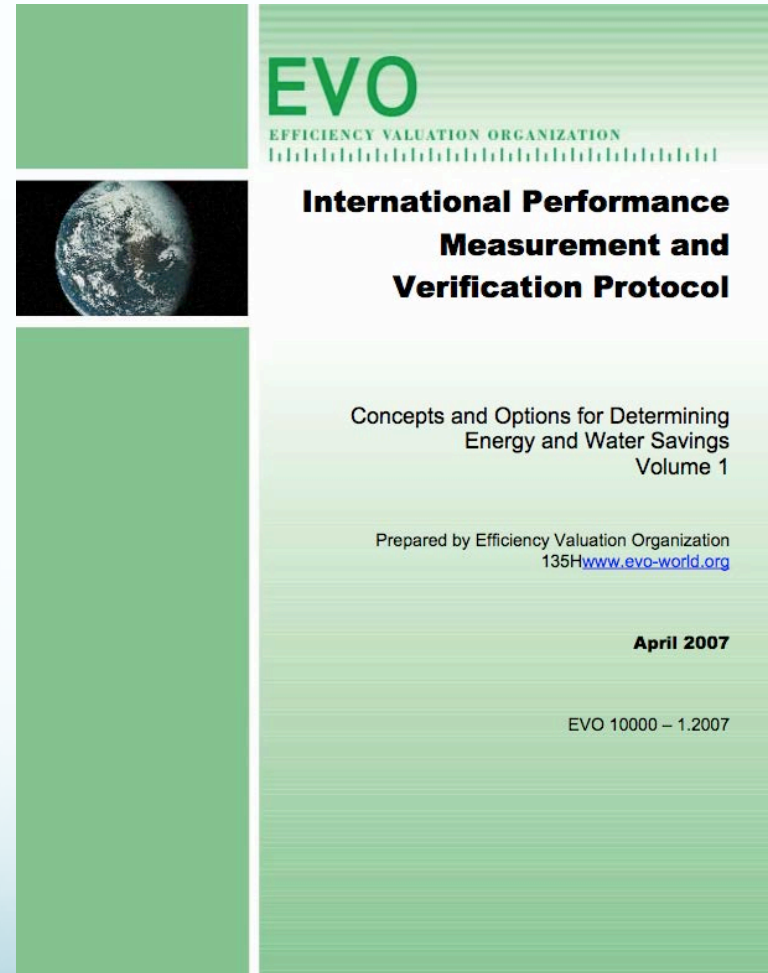
Energy-Efficiency Program Impact Evaluation Guide

An introduction to and summary of the practices, planning, and associated issues of documenting energy savings, demand savings, avoided emissions, and other non-energy benefits resulting from end-use energy-efficiency programs.

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M&V: IPMVP Options A-D

- The Retrofit Isolation Options: Options A or B
 - Addresses only the retrofitted system -
 - Ignores interactive effects beyond the boundary (although these may be independently addressed)
 - Usually needs a new meter
- The Whole Facility Options: Options C or D
 - Addresses all effects in the facility
 - Retrofits AND other changes (intended and unintended)
 - Often uses the utility meter
- www.evo-world.org



TRM Resources

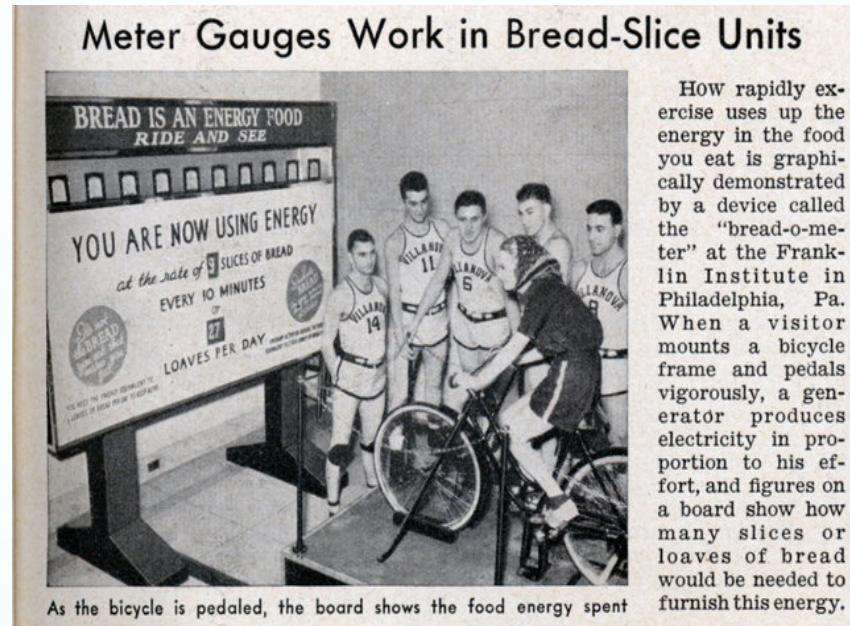
- List of TRMs and their websites (as of January 2013, see pages 4-6) - <http://www.emvwebinar.org/Meeting%20Materials/2013/Energy%20Efficiency%20EMV%20Documents%20Resources%20January%202013.pdf>
- Two Regional TRMs:
 - Mid-Atlantic TRM – http://www.neep.org/Assets/uploads/files/emv/emv-products/A5_Mid_Atlantic_TRM_V2_FINAL.pdf
 - Northwest RTF - <http://rtf.nwcouncil.org/measures/Default.asp>
- SEE Action – National TRM Scoping Study - http://www1.eere.energy.gov/seeaction/pdfs/emvscoping__databasefeasibility.pdf
- Mid-Atlantic Technical Reference Manual (TRM)Updating Process Guidelines - <https://neep.org/Assets/uploads/files/emv/emv-rfp/emv-products/Recommendations%20and%20draft%20update%20process%20for%20the%20Mid%20Atlantic%20TRM-FINAL.pdf>
- September 2012 webinar on TRM – www.emvwebinar.org - also AESP had webinar on TRMs as well (but fee based)
- And... there are about 6-12 national engineering/EM&V consulting firms that would be happy to talk with you about their experience doing just this kind of work

Thank You

From Albert Einstein:

“Everything should be as simple as it is, but not simpler”

“Everything that can be counted does not necessarily count; everything that counts cannot necessarily be counted”



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