

# Achieving Energy Savings in Commercial PACE Programs: Trends, Tools and Case Studies

Part of the Technical Webinar Series for U.S. DOE's Commercial PACE Working Group

November 28, 2018



### **Purpose**

- <u>C-PACE Technical Webinar Series</u>: To provide in-depth technical content about C-PACE program elements to state and local participants in DOE's C-PACE Working group with support from market experts.
- <u>Today's Webinar</u>: To inform state and local governments about trends and tools for estimating, verifying, and achieving energy savings from C-PACE programs.

### Housekeeping

- The recorded webinar, transcript and slides will be available to C-PACE Working Group participants.
- Duration: 90 minutes.

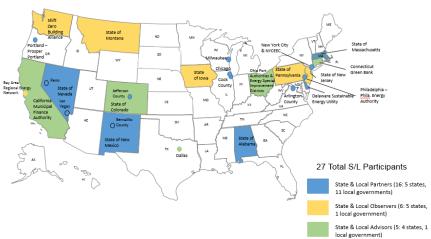
- Attendees are in listen-only mode.
- Attendees are encouraged to type questions and feedback in the webinar interface tool throughout the webinar. We will have time at the end to answer questions.

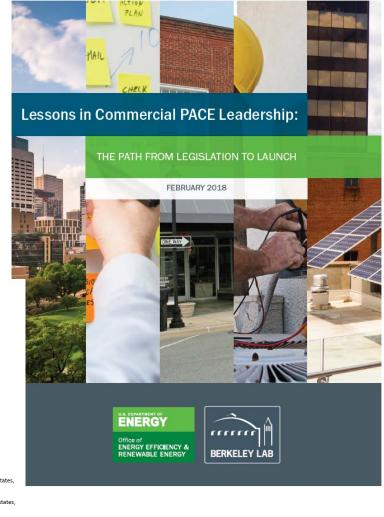
### **Agenda**

- Background from DOE
- Featured Speakers
  - Mike Centore, PACENation
  - Matt Golden, OpenEE & Investor Confidence Project
  - Carmen Best, OpenEE
  - Mackey Dykes, Connecticut Green Bank
- Q&A

### **Background: Resources from DOE**

- Lessons in Commercial PACE
   Leadership: The Path from
   Legislation to Launch
- Commercial PACE WorkingGroup
  - Welcoming new participants!





Learn more at DOE's State and Local Solution Center: <a href="https://www.energy.gov/eere/slsc/state-and-local-solution-center">https://www.energy.gov/eere/slsc/state-and-local-solution-center</a>

### **Background: Why Today's Topic?**

Public sponsors, capital providers, and building owners want
 C-PACE projects to achieve energy and dollar savings.

How can savings be ensured? Implement guidelines to rigorously estimate energy savings pre-installation (e.g., energy audits), and possibly implement evaluation, measurement and verification (EM&V) guidelines to track realized energy savings postinstallation.

- 1. What are the energy savings and technology trends with C-PACE projects to-date? More to come from PACENation
- 2. What is available in terms of standard, commonly used technical guidelines for audits, and EM&V? More to come from the Investor Confidence Project and OpenEE
- 3. How have leading C-PACE sponsors navigated this issue? More to come from the Connecticut Green Bank



#### **Mike Centore**

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- 1. Introduction
- 2. Available data
- Installed measures
- 3. Program implementation examples
- Auditing, calculation, and technical standards
- Measurement, verification, and evaluation
- 4. Market perspectives
- Further questions and discussions
- Data sharing, transparency, and standardization

### **PACENation**



Our mission is to promote Property Assessed Clean Energy financing by providing leadership, support, problem solving, data and networking opportunities for a growing universe of PACE market participants.

#### Our work includes:

- National PACE events
- Market research
- Policy and market development
- Informational resources for members

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### **Energy savings and C-PACE**



- PACE is a public-private partnership
- Energy and cost savings from efficiency, and greenhouse gas mitigation are often defined as a public benefit in PACE legislation
- Reliable data is necessary to show positive outcomes are being achieved
- Standardization enables continued scale

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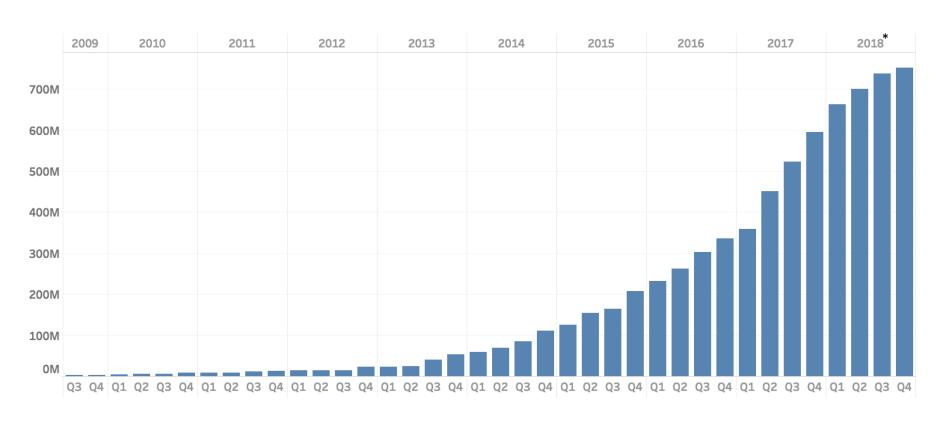
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# Cumulative C-PACE financing



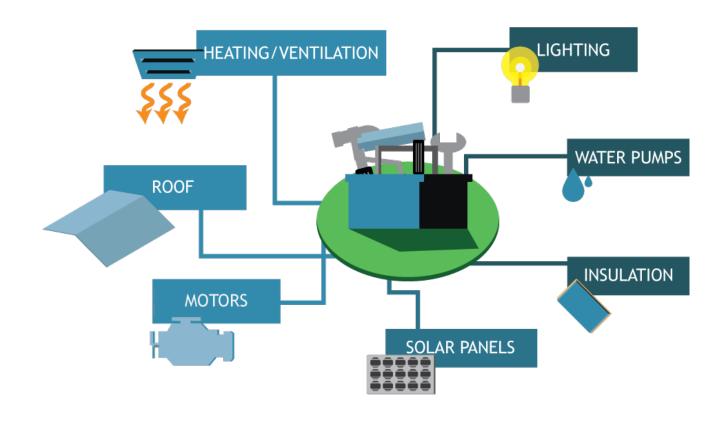
(2009-2018)



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### Financeable measures





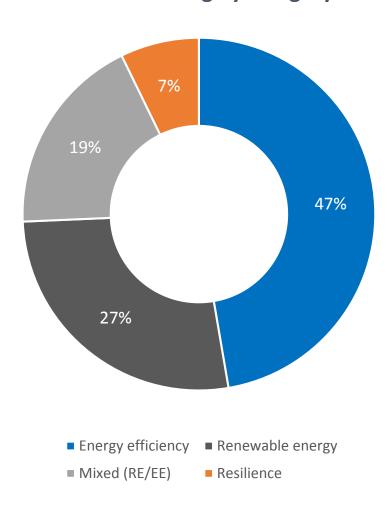
- Cogeneration
- In many cases:
- Microgrids
- Fuel Cells

- Energy storage
- Seismic strengthening
- Hurricane resilience

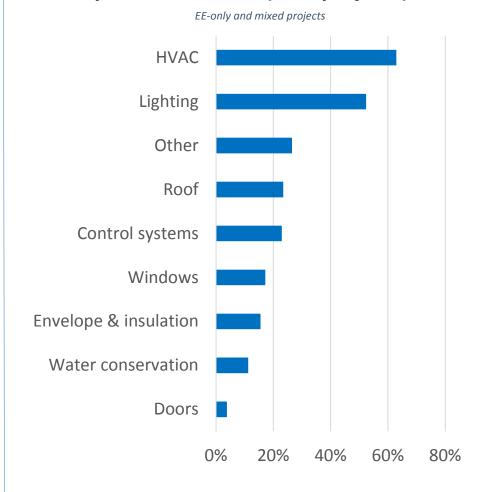
# What is being funded?



#### **C-PACE funding by category:**



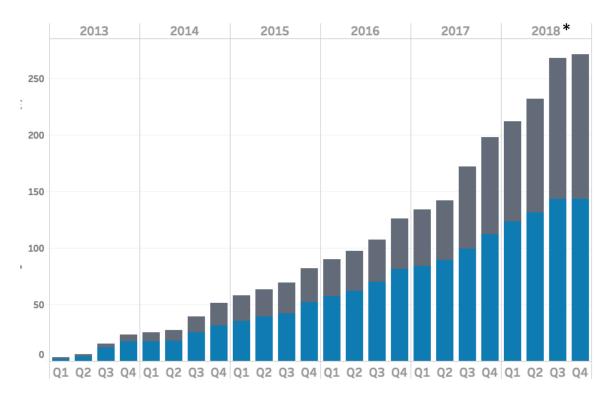
#### **Specific measures (% of projects):**



# Multi-measure projects

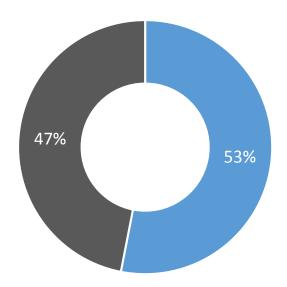










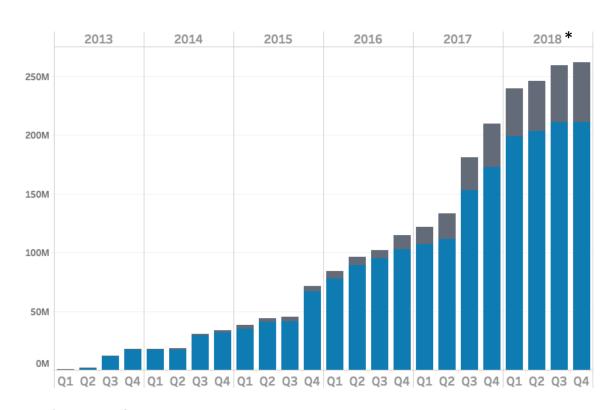


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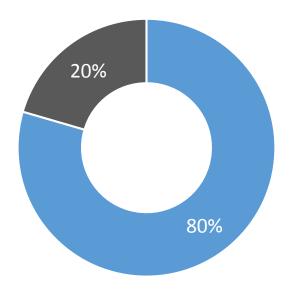
# Multi-measure funding

Efficiency only





- Multi-measure
- Single-measure



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**Uniform Methods Project** 

...and others



#### Examples: Implementation in C-PACE programs



Efficiency



ASHRAE level 1-3 is common



Annual reporting through EPA portfolio manager, w/ read-access granted to administrator



Other options include solar feasibility studies, or fast-tracked analysis, depending on project type and complexity

Other options include use of city benchmarking program, or better buildings challenge

Flexible options allowing for industry standard and proprietary energy models

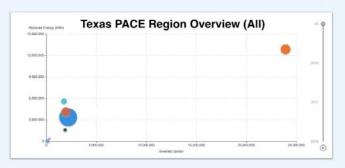
Auditing

Long-term M&V

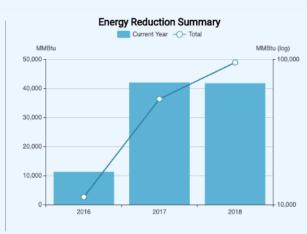
Technical standards

# Highlight: TX PACE E&E Tracker

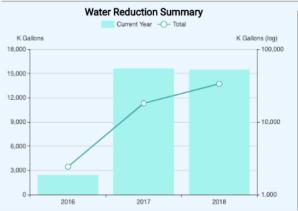


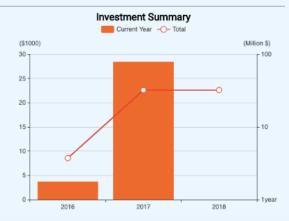












**Source**: HARC & TX PACE Authority http://pace.harcresearch.org

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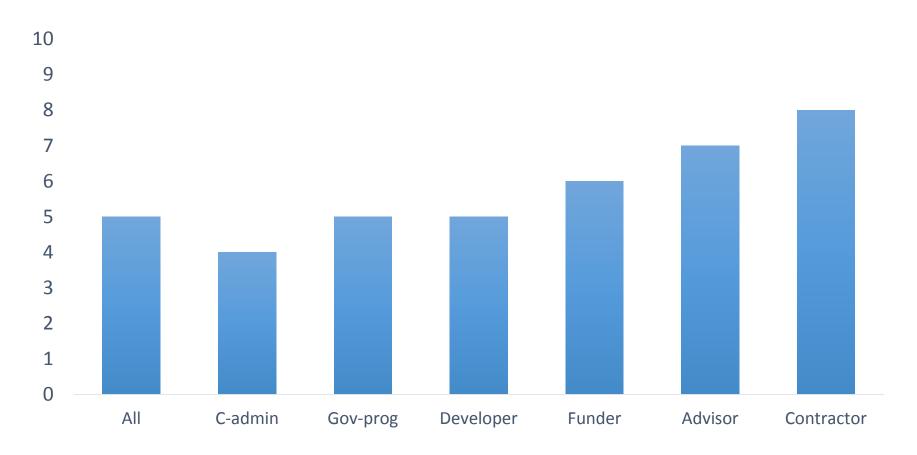
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### Perspectives on program requirements



**C-PACE SURVEY** 

# On a scale of 1-10, how much has burdensome program administration been a barrier to C-PACE's ability to scale?



# Perspectives on program requirements ation

**C-PACE SURVEY** 

#### Selected responses: "Examples of burdensome program administration?"

- Administrator: "...energy savings supporting documents"
- Funder / Administrator: "Energy audit and legal review."
- Administrator: "Qualification process, guidelines for approved measures for financing."
- **Contractor / Project Developer**: "Creating additional standards beyond the statute and at the discretion of the administrator."
- Administrator: "Tough underwriting and technical standards in market with low energy and water prices"

### Data-sharing and standardization





#### **C-PACE Data Protocol**

		Level one	Level two	Level three (in progress)
		Shares below data on quarterly schedule.	Shares below data on quarterly schedule.	Shares below data and is compliant with PACENation data best practices
PACE program name		у	у	У
Project name		у	У	У
Loca	ation			
	Street	У	У	У
	City	У	у	У
	State	У	у	у
	Zip	У	У	У
Date the project closed		У	у	У
Total PACE amount (\$)		У	У	У
Financing term (years)		У	У	У

Contact <a href="mike@pacenation.org">mike@pacenation.org</a> for full list of data points

# Program standardization efforts





SEF / PEA

+ Others in development

Contact us to get connected to others working on program standardization

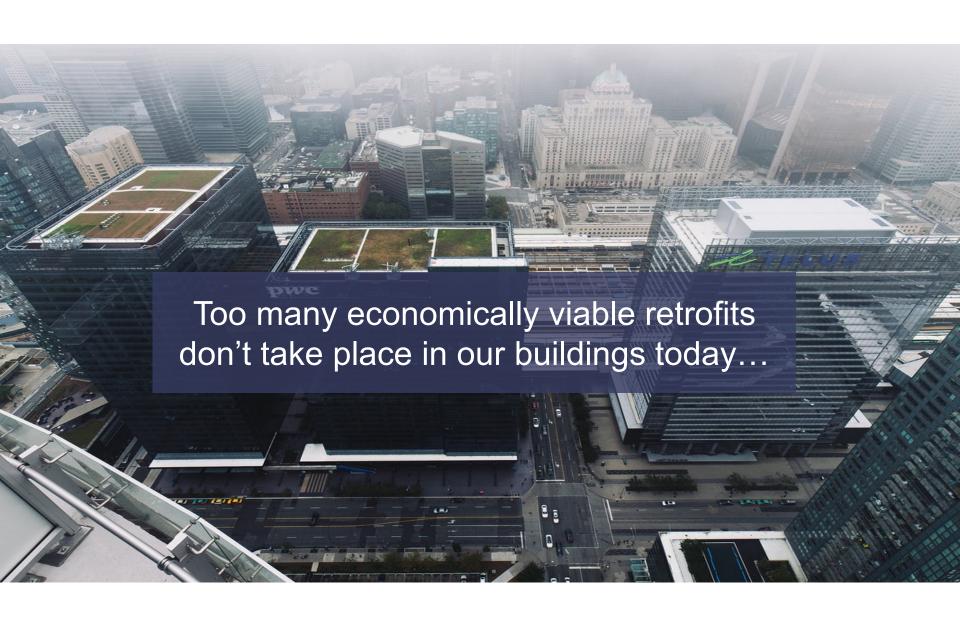


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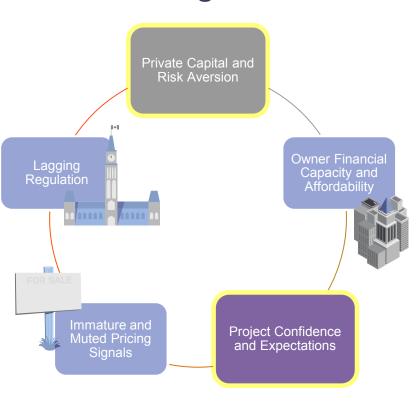
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### **Barriers to a Strong a Retrofit Economy**





#### **Investor Ready Energy Efficiency (IREE) Certification**

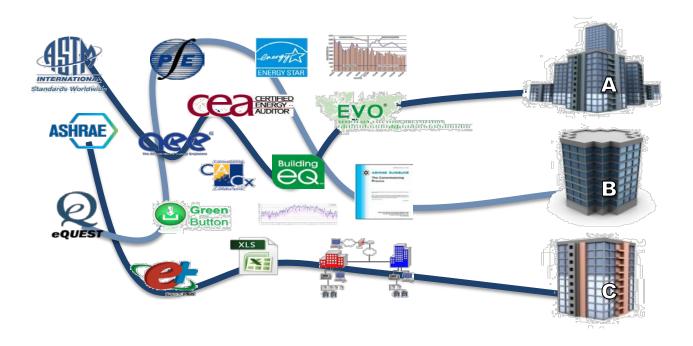


ICP's Investor Ready Energy Efficiency™ (IREE) Certification ensures **transparency**, **consistency**, and **trust-worthiness** through **best practice** and **independent verification**.

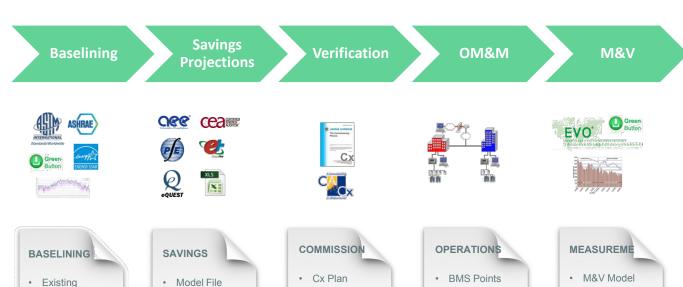


Administering IREE Certification globally

#### **Energy Efficiency as it Exists Today**



#### A consistent roadmap for project development...



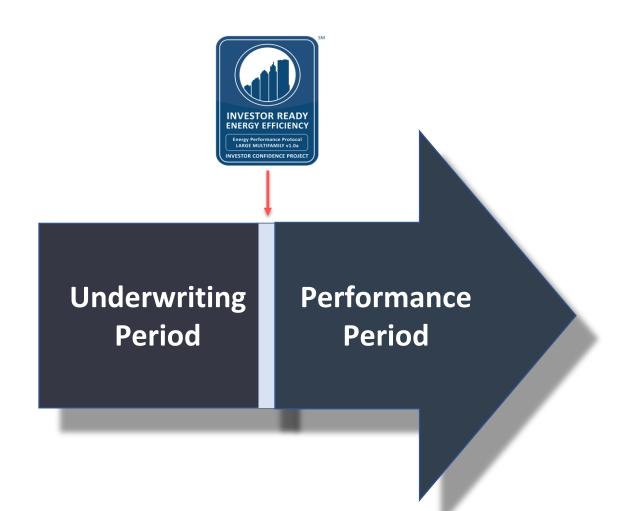
- Existing Building
- Drawings
- · Weather File
- Energy Usage
- Energy Rates
- Occupancy

- · Calibration Data
- Bid Packages
- Certifications
- Cx Authority
- Test Procedures
- · Facilities Req.
- Fault Plan
- Maintenance Plan
- Regression Model
- Adjustments
- Impact
- Baseline Adjustments



IREE is the quality mark like LEED but for a building retrofit project





#### ICP as a tool for Programs



#### **PG&E On-Bill Financing:**

Using ICP as a standard market based approach to qualify a project's access to 0% financing (up to \$100k)



#### **NJ Pay-for-Performance:**

Certified ICP IREE Projects can qualify for additional incentives upfront and based on performance.



#### PACE in Texas:

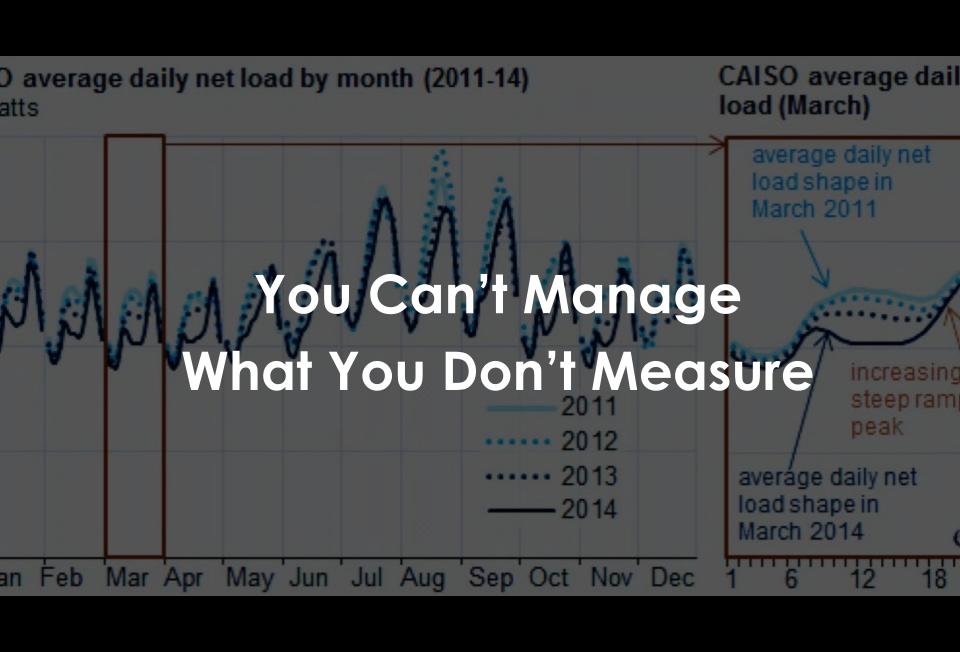
Texas PACE Authority using ICP as a means to ensure standard requirements statewide.



#### **Connecticut Green Bank:**

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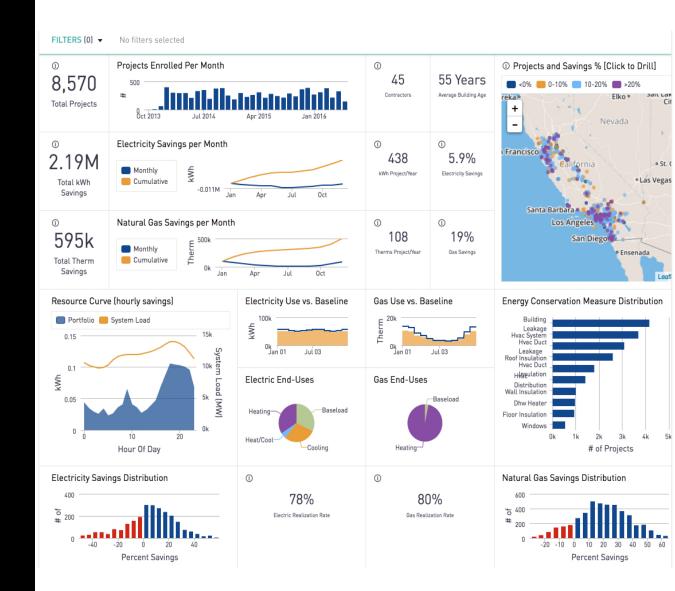




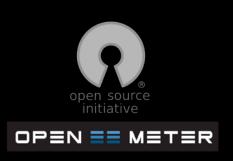
# Track Efficiency Impacts in Real-Time







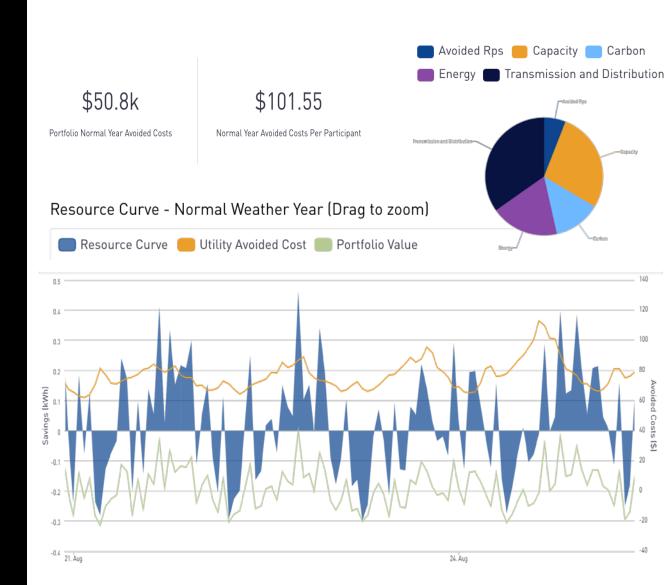
## Optimize Using Actionable Real-time Data





## Calculating Real Avoided Costs





# Calculating Real Carbon Reductions





#### FILTERS (1) ▼ Portfolio Weatherization

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Portfolio Avoided GHG Emissions [Metric Tons]

0.207

Avoided Emissions Factor [Metric Tons/MWh Saved]

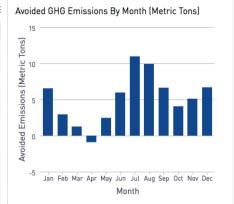
0.09

Participant Avoided GHG Emissions [Metric Tons] 436

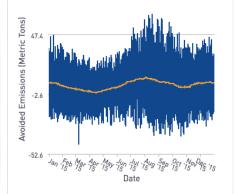
Participant Normal Year kWh Savings

#### Avoided Electric GHG Emissions (Kilograms Carbon)

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2	4.2	7.5	-1.5	-5.1	1.8	5.8		6.9	-9.1	-3.3	4.2	
3	5.5	4.8	2.3	-3.6	-0.4	0.6	4.1	2.9	-3.0	-2.8	5.5	2.5
4		6.8	0.9	-0.8	-3.6	2.5	1.9	3.3	-3.1	-3.9	0.2	6.6
5		8.7	1.2	-0.8	-0.6	1.8	0.2	3.3	2.8	-0.9	1.8	8.4
6	3.8	1.0	2.9	-4.1	0.7	0.9	-1.6	-6.9	-0.1	0.5	3.5	3.5
7	3.3	1.8	-0.2	2.1	0.6	0.0	2.7	-2.8	-4.9	-0.4	5.2	3.7
8	5.5	4.1	3.0	2.5	1.8	2.5	1.1	-3.3	3.8	-0.6	2.0	6.9
9	10.7	5.2	3.1	1.6	3.9	1.8	-0.7	-1.3	0.8	7.4	4.5	7.4
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22	15.0	6.0	7.5	1.4	10.2	17.3	31.8	31.6	21.4	14.1	7.8	10.1
23	8.6	2.2	6.9	0.4		14.3	30.1	36.4	26.2	9.2	14.2	15.2
24	13.2	5.1	3.6	-1.7	4.9	7.8	27.7	18.0	15.2	3.6	4.9	7.4



#### Hourly Avoided GHG [Drag to Zoom]







- Standard Calculation Methods for Energy Efficiency and Electrification
- Monthly, Daily, and Hourly
- Public 60 Stakeholders Empirical Process
- www.CalTRACK.org



- Python CalTRACK Engine
- Open Source Apache 2.0
- Available Without Restriction
- How It Works: <a href="https://goo.gl/mhny2s">https://goo.gl/mhny2s</a>

open source initiative

Code Repo: <a href="https://goo.gl/qFdW4P">https://goo.gl/qFdW4P</a>



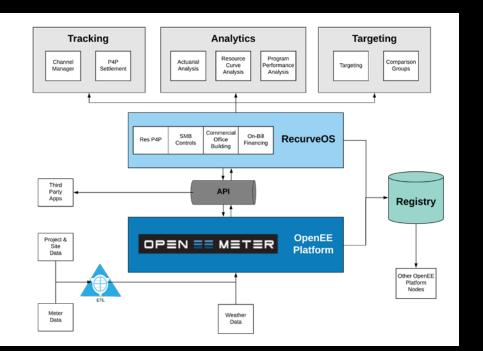
### **OpenEE Enterprise Platform**

### **RecurveOS**

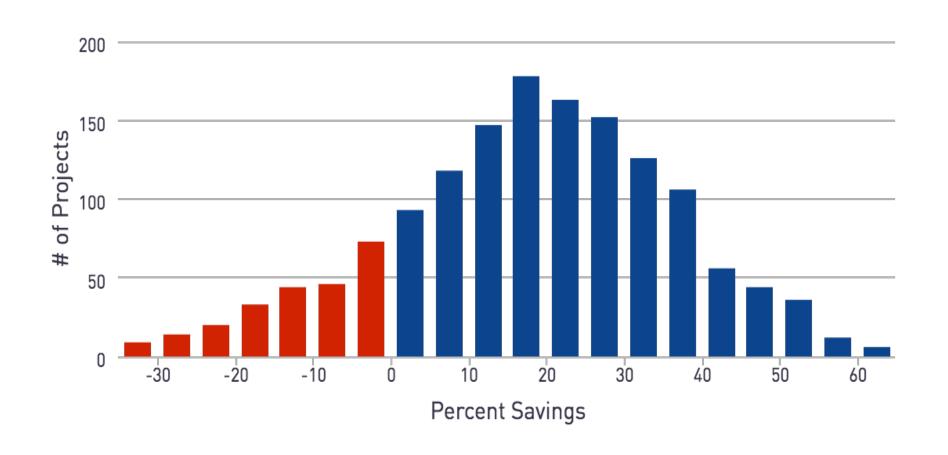
- Program and Procurement System
- Tracking, Targeting, and Analytics

### **OpenEE Platform**

- "OpenEEmeter inside" SaaS
- Data Pipeline (ETL)
- Encryption and Security



### Performance Risk is Manageable in Portfolios



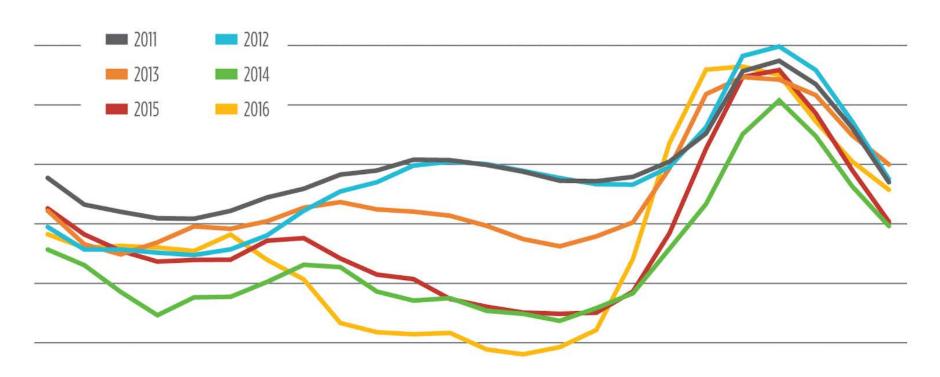
## Metered Efficiency Performance Insurance



- Savings Performance Insurance based on OpenEEmeter Measurement
- Portfolio-level coverage of efficiency projects
- Underwritten based on actuarial data

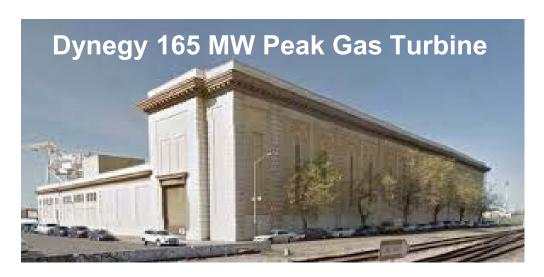


### ■ The Big Bad Duck

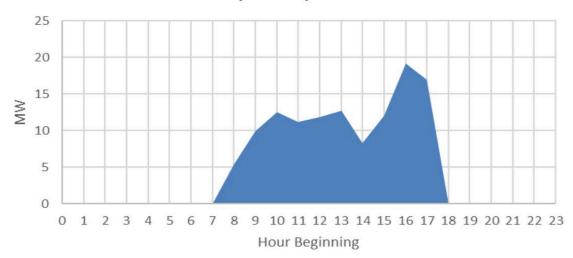


Four Years Ahead of CAISO Projections

### Oakland Clean Energy Initiative



OCEI Peak Day Hourly Resource Need

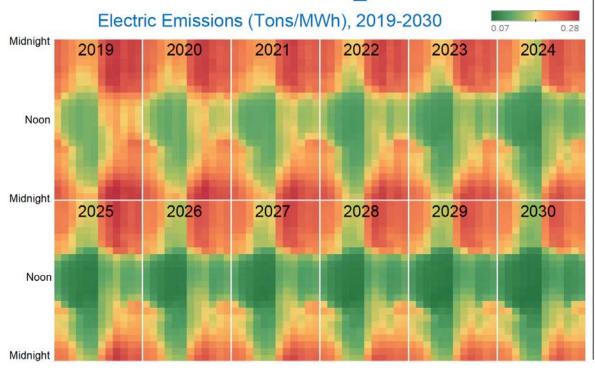


# What Is the Problem We Need to Solve?



#### CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

## Electricity CO<sub>2</sub> Intensity





### Connecticut Green Bank About Us

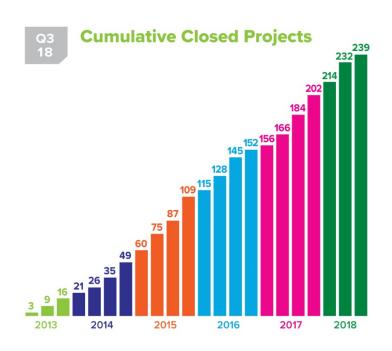


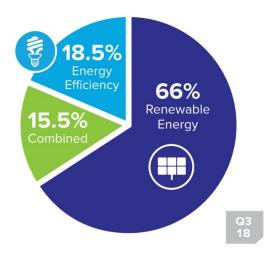
- Quasi-public organization Created in 2011 and successor to the Connecticut Clean Energy Fund.
- Focus Finance clean energy (i.e. renewable energy, energy efficiency, and alternative fuel vehicles and infrastructure).
- Balance Sheet Approximately \$190 million in assets and \$130 million net position – leverage ratio from 3:1 to 12:1
- Public Support Supported by a \$0.001/kWh surcharge on electric ratepayer bills (about \$7-\$10 per household per year) that provides approximately \$27 MM a year for investments, RGGI about \$3 MM a year for renewable energy, federal competitive solicitations (i.e. SunShot Initiative) and non-competitive resources (i.e. ARRA-SEP), private capital, and private foundations

### **Connecticut Green Bank** C-PACE

### CT Green Bank serves two roles

- Administrator
- Capital Provider





## Connecticut Green Bank Technical Review and ICP

CT C-PACE has statutory requirement that savings exceed the cost of the project

Developed SIR methodology and technical standards

ICP addition provides a technical platform that adds confidence for all project stakeholders

## **Connecticut Green Bank** M&V

SIR process leads to estimated energy savings numbers

Policymakers and other stakeholders have an interest in living up to this promise

CGB working with OpenEE on M&V

## **Questions?**

Please type all questions into the webinar dialogue box.

### **Thank You**

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