



Better Buildings Residential Network Peer Exchange Call Series:

Here Comes the Sun: New Advances in Solar and its Connection to Energy Efficiency

October 5, 2017

Call Slides and Discussion Summary



### **Agenda and Ground Rules**

- Agenda Review and Ground Rules
- Opening Polls
- Residential Network Overview and Upcoming Call Schedule
- Featured Speakers
  - Steve Lefler, Vice President, Modular Lifestyles
  - Deborah Lewis, Business Development Manager, SunTegra
  - Mike Davis, Senior Program Officer, Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC Boston) & Seth Mullendore, Project Director, Clean Energy Group
- Discussion
- Closing Poll and Announcements

#### **Ground Rules:**

- 1. Sales of services and commercial messages are not appropriate during Peer Exchange Calls.
- 2. Calls are a safe place for discussion; **please do not** attribute information to individuals on the call.





### Better Buildings Residential Network

### Join the Network

#### **Member Benefits:**

- Recognition in media and publications
- Speaking opportunities
- Updates on latest trends
- Voluntary member initiatives
- Solution Center guided tours

#### **Upcoming calls:**

- Members only need to provide one number: their
  - organization's number of residential energy
  - upgrades per year

Commitment:

- October 12: <u>The Power of IR Diagnostics to Drive Home Upgrades without Incentives</u>
- October 19: <u>Powered Up: Batteries and the Future of Residential Energy Storage</u>
- November 2: <u>The Beatles, Radiohead, and Adele: Messaging for Different Generations</u>
- November 9: Money Down the Drain: The Energy-Water Nexus
- November 16: Wicked Smart: Optimizing Diagnostics through Home Energy Monitoring
- November 30: Solar Decathlon Peer Exchange Call

Peer Exchange Call summaries are posted on the Better Buildings website a few weeks after the call

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### U.S. Department of Energy Solar Decathlon



### Oct 5-15, 2017 DENVER

- 13 Collegiate teams compete in 10 contests
  - New for 2017: Innovation and Water
- Winning team best blends technology, market potential, design excellence with smart energy solar production and maximum energy and water efficiency.
- Large free public event showcases best of clean energy technology
- Denver location: new, mixed use smart community on transit line near Denver International Airport
- Sponsorship Opportunities
- Info: www.SolarDecathlon.Gov

# Register for the Solar Decathlon Peer Exchange Call:

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Solar Decathlon 2015 Teams in Irvine, Calif. Credit: Thomas Kelsey/U.S. Department of Energy Solar Decathlon



**Best Practices: Modular Lifestyles** 

Steve Lefler, Vice President





# Factory built Journey

www.modularlifestyles.com

Steven Lefler

VP

# What is Factory Built Housing? CA. Building Codes

- Tiny House (ANSI Code) under 400 square feet
- HUD code or Manufactured home (Federal >400 square feet)
   HCD code and Standards -Title 25
- Modular Same as Site Built HCD Codes and Standards Title
   24 CBSC/CRC



# First Green Community

NEWS

#### A little bit of heaven



Each home, regardless of style or size, includes an attached "garagette," which offers ample space for one or two car parking as well as storage. The backside of the garagette is open and leads to a private patio area, providing privacy and space for outdoor living.

50, 2013

### In Ojai, this senior community thrives in its eco-friendly and tranquil environment







By Margaret Aldrich

Oak Haven is a 22-unit, gated senior community at 1885 Maricopa Highway in the beautiful Ojai Valley. Any preconceived notions one might have about a senior

# Green Home Awards



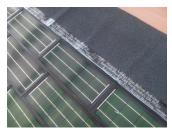




# Better building practices











Example	Cities	Zone	Wall	1	Wall	Ceiling		Celling	Slab
Miami	Honolulu	1	19	-	27	44	-	60	2ft R-8 vertical perim
Jacksonville	Phoenix	2	19	-	27	30	-	70	Uninsulated
Charleston	Sacramento	3	15	-	31	30	-	60	Uninsulated, or 2-4ft R-8 vertical perim
San Francisco		Marine 3	19	-	23	30	1	38	4ft R8-20 vertical perim

# Off-The-Grid Tiny House







# Residential billing changes coming

# SCE Notice to Residential accounts 2017 & Beyond without Solar

The number or rate tiers reduces from three to two; however, a High Usage Charge will apply to customers who use more than twice the average amount of electricity (more than 400% of the baseline allowance).

The residential rate pricing variance between tiers continues to be reduced.

In 2019, many residential customers will transition to a Time-of-Use (TOU) rate plan.







# House Appliance KW Design

# Appliances Daily WATT usage

Assumption: If all operated daily on their cycles

- 15 SEER Electric Heat Pump = 3.5 kw per hour
- o GE Frig 23 cu. in.
- o GE Wine Frig 10 cu. In
- Washer
- Dishwasher
- (4) LED Flat Screen TV's
- 57 Light bulbs (if all were ON)
- (4) ceiling fans

- = 1.56 kw per day
- = 980 WATTS per Day
- = 39 WATTS per cycle
- = 50 WATTS per cycle
- = 148 WATTS per day
- = 440 Watts per hour
- = 100 Watts per hour

# Suntegra Solar Roof Shingles

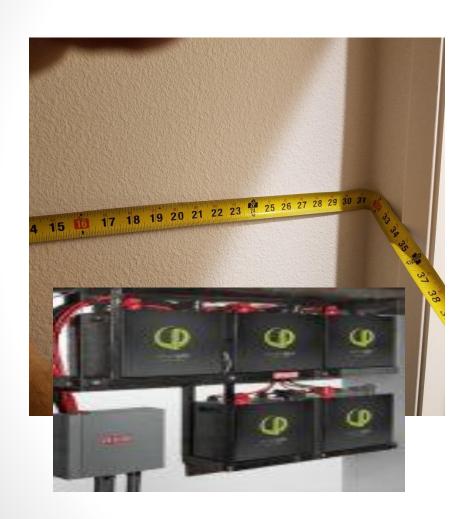








# Solar to Battery Closet Setup





# Transportable to showcase



# **Factory Installation**















## Does it work

#### Our Manufactured Houses = 1.5 kWh Solar

Case Study - DOW Chemical

(2) 50 AMP houses in our Sunnyvale, CA. community

Same House, Same Street - 1150 Sq. ft. Canadian Solar Panel versus DOW Solar Shingles Family of 3 versus Family of 4









	kWh Purchased	kWh Generated	Nat Gas Purchased	Elec Annual cost to operate	Annual Water Usage	
<b>♦</b>	1768 kWh	2088 kWh	415 Therms	\$319.82	57 cu ft	
<b>A</b>	1235 Kwh	2159 kWh	242 Therms	231.80	28 cu <u>ft</u>	

# My modular house





#### **Summary of NEM Charges**

Bill Period End Date	Net Peak Usage (kWh)	Net Part Peak Usage (kWh)	Net Off Peak Usage (kWh)	Net Usage (kWh)	Estimated NEM Charges Before Taxes	Estimated Taxes	Estimated Total NEM Charges
06/09/2016	-105	-36	171	30	-\$18.51	\$0.01	-\$18.50
07/11/2016	-10	27	257	274	41.23	0.08	41.31
08/10/2016	69	76	281	426	91.47	0.12	91.59
09/11/2016	29	54	268	351	65.17	0.10	65.27
10/10/2016	27	49	304	379	72.08	0.11	72.19
11/08/2016	0	27	199	226	35.49	0.06	35.55
12/08/2016	0	74	439	513	81.58	0.15	81.73
01/09/2017	0	71	581	652	109.34	0.19	109.53
02/08/2017	0	70	514	584	96.35	0.17	96.52
03/12/2017	0	52	274	326	52.31	0.10	52.41
04/10/2017	0	34	50	84	14.99	0.02	15.01
05/10/2017	-12	15	32	35	3.81	0.01	3.82
TOTAL	-2	513	3370	3880	\$645.31	\$1.12	\$646.43

Differences in net usage may occur due to rounding

# Quote

- The fellow that can only see a week ahead is always the popular fellow, for he is looking with the crowd. But the one that can see years ahead, he has a telescope but he can't make anybody believe that he has it.
- Will Rogers

### Presentation Highlights: Modular Lifestyles

- Take them on a journey: Off-the-grid tiny houses are still a novelty and people have different levels of understanding.
  - Modular Lifestyles took its Tiny House 395 square foot "Quest"
     Off-The-Grid concept home to the CA State Capitol and other
     tradeshows to showcase the solar factory built house.
- Make it affordable: Highly energy-efficient homes bring great benefits for those living on moderate and low incomes.
  - Modular Lifestyles' solar-powered housing for a senior community in Ojai resulted in limited energy use and lower utility bills.
- Build a better cupcake and you don't need a lot of icing: Modular Lifestyle's off-the-grid tiny houses use a highly efficient envelope to prevent any energy losses. The houses don't have indoor air quality issues and are equipped with carbon monoxide sensors.





**Best Practices: SunTegra** 

Deborah Lewis, Business Development Manager



### SUNTEGRA

# Here Comes the Sun: New Advances in Solar and its Connection to Energy Efficiency

Thursday, October 5, 2017

#### **Deborah Lewis**

Business Development Manager | West Coast USA and Canada www.suntegrasolar.com



### What is SunTegra?



#### A 2-in-1 Solar Roof Solution

Functions both as a solar panel that generates electricity and a roofing material that protects your home or building.

#### Offers a Low-Profile Appearance

Unique roof-integrated design blends in seamlessly with the roofline, maintaining architectural integrity and preserving curb appeal.

#### A High Performance Solar Option

Performance is comparable to standard high efficiency solar panels.

#### Easy to Install

Integrated design reduces complexity and speeds installation, requiring 50% fewer parts than conventional rack-mounted systems.

### Shingle



Power Rating 105 W DC

Panel Efficiency 15.9%

Power Tolerance + 5/-3%

Solar Cell 24 x High Efficiency

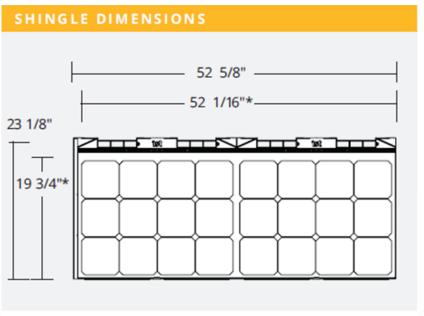
Monocrystalline Silicon

Exposed Length: 52 1/16"

Exposed Height 19 3/4"

Thickness 3/4"

Weight: 18 lbs., 2.5 lbs./ft2



\*Dimensions of exposed area once installed.

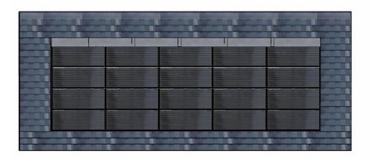


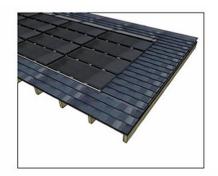
### **Installation Benefits**



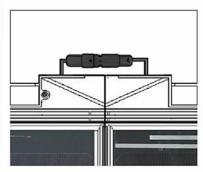
Designed for a simplified installation process and inclusion in the building/re-roof process.

- Replaces roofing material.
- Integrated wiring within the module and a Row-to-Row jumper cable approach simplify the electrical connection on the roof.
- Direct-to-deck roof attachment speeds up installation.
- Tie-in with roofing material either during installation or at later time.









### Warranty/Certifications



#### Warranty 25-Year Power Warranty • SunTegra • SunTegra 10-Year Product Warranty Certifications Flat-Plate Photovoltaic Modules and Panels • UL 1703 Standard Test Methods for Fire Tests of Roof Coverings (Class A & C) • UL 790 Uplift Tests for Roof Covering Systems (Tested to 45 PSF) • UL 1897 Wind and Wind Driven Rain Resistance • TAS 100-95 **Patents** • US Patent Advanced Frame Design for Roof-Integrated Solar Panels Listings • CEC California Energy Commission List of Eligible PV Modules (STS-105M-B4U)

#### **Authorized Dealers**

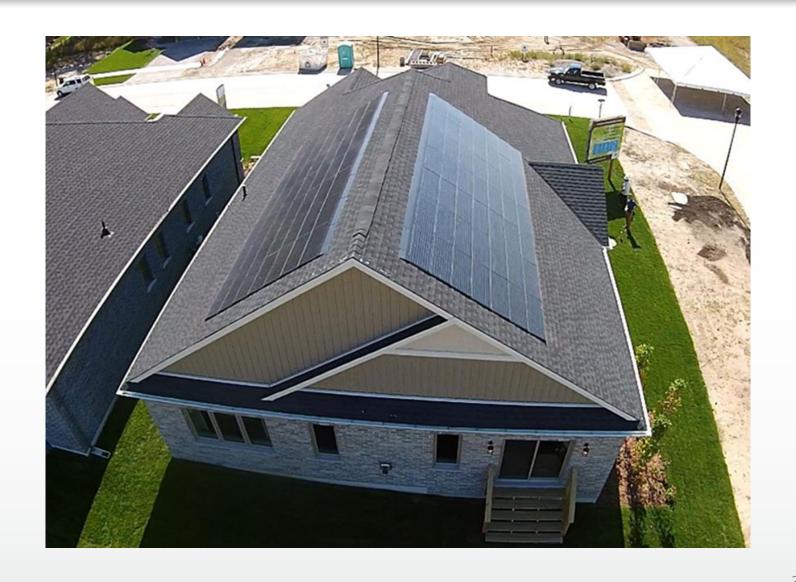


### We sell through a network of authorized dealers consisting of:

- ➤ Roofing/Home Improvement Contractors
- > Builders (as a solar option) offered within a development
- Custom Builders (utilizing solar during the design process)
- **>** Factories

### Builders (As a Solar Option)





### Builder (Custom Home Design)



Partner Brookside Development

System Size 4.8 kW

Components 48 x SunTegra Shingles; 1 x SMA Sunny Boy 5.0-US Inverter

2016 Best Green Energy-Efficient Home 5 Singer Village Drive, Derby, CT



### Roofing/Home Improvement Contractors SUNTEGRA





### SunTegra Shingles Morristown, NJ

"We have been looking for solar for the last 10 years and we finally found the right product for our 215 year-old home. We are thrilled with the quality, the beauty, and the effect our SunTegra system is having on us and our community. Besides the obvious financial give back, it feels great to help protect the environment. We can now drive around in an electric car, powered by solar from our roof, not polluting both at home and on the road. You got to start somewhere!"

-Dave and Chris Sampson

### Presentation Highlights: SunTegra

- Make it an integrated system: Solar has generally been an after-thought for homeowners, and not considered at the outset in the home improvement process.
  - Integrating solar capabilities in the energy upgrade process can provide greater energy efficiency benefits and require fewer structural changes, as opposed to adding solar later on.
  - By providing the possibility to combine roofing with solar without major structural interventions, Suntegra was able to install solar shingles on a home that is 200+ years old.
- Work with contractors and help them integrate solar into their business model:
  - Contractors generally see solar as a "tough sell" due to the proposal preparations and financial calculations involved. To address this, Suntegra provides contractors with the materials to promote solar in their transactions with homeowners.





**Best Practices: Local Initiatives Support Corporation & Clean Energy Group** 

Mike Davis & Seth Mullendore



## Here Comes the Sun: Better Buildings Residential Network Peer Exchange Call



### Green Retrofit Initiative Over the Years

- Build owner demand (2010-2012)
  - New utility program created: LEAN Low-Income Multi Family
  - 11 Boston nonprofits enrolled in Green Retrofit Initiative
- Achieve deeper savings (2012-2015)
  - Awarded HUD Energy Innovation Fund
  - Expanded statewide engaging nonprofits, for-profits, and public housing authorities
  - Goal: Achieve 20+% savings; 29% electric, 23% gas actual
- Convening stakeholders and informing policy (2014-2016)
  - Green Asset Management Plans with 20 owners: proactive approach across portfolio
  - Policy work focused on connecting utilities and housing finance agencies

# MassCEC Grant Goals (2016 – present)

- Audits Getting all parties (owners, lenders, building science providers, state agencies, utilities) to communicate about deep energy efficiency and clean energy savings opportunities
  - How do we move from culture of free stuff to going deeper and get all EE and CE funded where applicable?
- Retrocommissioning How do we make sure renewables, including solar + storage systems, are installed and maintained correctly to achieve projected savings?
- Inform program and policy design so there are more resources and technical assistance from state level

# Driving Demand for Efficient, Clean Energy

- Collaborated with state housing finance agencies to provide comprehensive (ASHRAE Level II) energy audits for 24 projects approaching rehab
- Retrocommissioning feasibility analyses for 15 underperforming renewables (1 air source heat pump, 1 ground source heat pump, 6 co-gen, 4 solar PV, and 3 solar thermal)
- Worked with four building science providers
- Provided grants totaling \$500K
- Received double the applications than available funding

## Emerging Themes from Audits and RCx

- Additional guidance needed for investment-grade audits
- For measures LEAN cannot fund: Need to better understand what obstacles exist for permanent lenders to underwriting anticipated energy savings
- Owners need clean energy roadmap to make informed decisions
- What resources are needed to ensure solar and other clean energy technologies work long-term? E.g.
  - RFP for select vendors to serve sector
  - Performance-based contracts (not run time) on co-gen
  - Third-party monitoring
  - Continuous commissioning

# Challenges LISC Plans on Addressing

- Clean energy for all or some? Low-income sector shortchanged in 2016 Omnibus Energy Bill. Unpredictable compensation causes paralysis (SMART Program). Continuing policy work to ensure solar and clean energy techs remain viable for multifamily affordable housing sector.
- Underwriting energy savings? Some permanent lenders have expressed willingness to underwrite EE and CE savings. How do we build demand among owners to ensure more of this happens?
- Affordable Passive House projects in MA? Partnership with RiseBoro Community Partners in NYC so MA owners can learn from their experience.
- Solar/Clean Energy Roadmap What additional guidance and resources are needed from state? How do we make it easier for owners to make informed decisions? Statewide solar potential map?
- Connecting owners with technical assistance on solar + storage

## Contact Us!



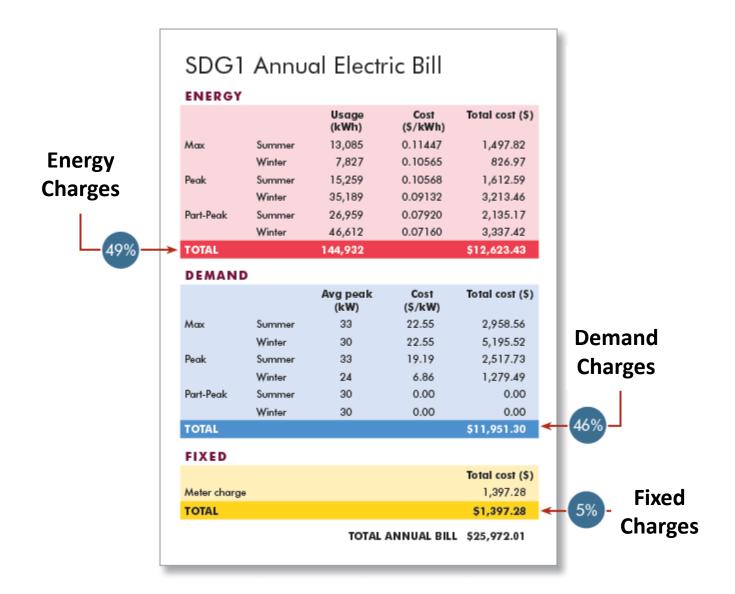
# RESILIENTPOWER

A project of CleanEnergyGroup



- Increase public/private investment in clean, resilient power systems
- Protect low-income and vulnerable communities: affordable housing and critical public facilities
- Advocate for state and federal supportive policies and programs
- Engage city officials to develop resilient power policies/programs
- Technical assistance for pre-development costs to help agencies/project developers get deals done
- See <u>www.resilient-power.org</u> for reports, newsletters, webinar recordings

## Charges on an Electric Bill



## **Consumption vs Demand**

#### **Building A**

Has high energy consumption and reaches the same high level of demand throughout the day and night

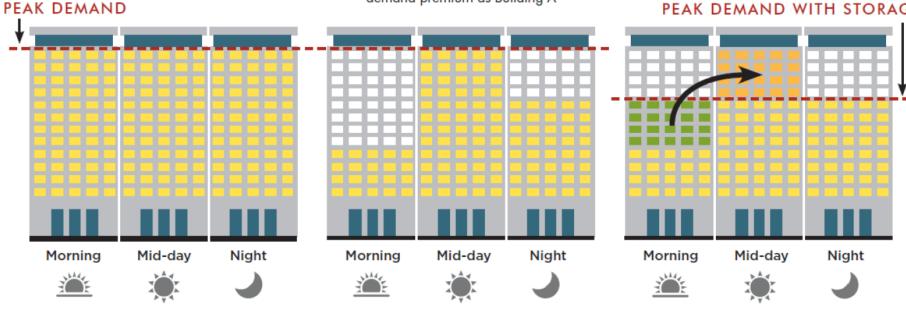
#### **Building B (Scenario 1)**

Only reaches its highest level of demand in the middle of the day, consuming less energy, but paying the same peak demand premium as Building A

#### **Building B (Scenario 2)**

Stores energy in the morning to offset high demand in the middle of the day, lowering utility peak demand

#### PEAK DEMAND WITH STORAGE



In Scenario 1, Building A and Building B will incur the same peak demand charges over the course of the day, even though Building A will have consumed considerably more energy during that time. In Scenario 2, Building B can use energy storage to reduce its mid-day grid energy consumption by meeting some of its demand with on-site stored energy. This could reduce its overall peak demand for the period, resulting in a lower utility bill.

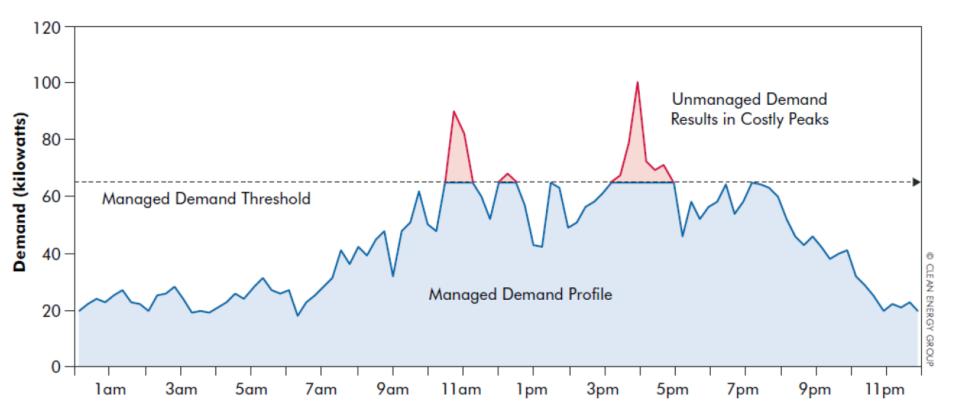
**Grid Energy Consumption** 

Stored Energy

Stored Energy Consumption

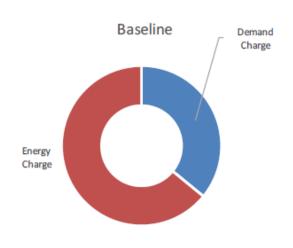
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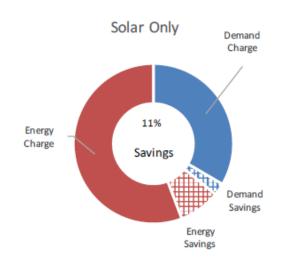
# How can battery storage reduce demand charge expenses?

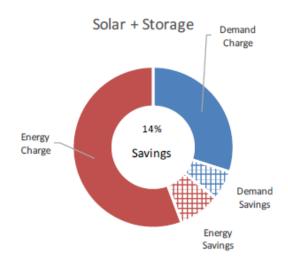


Through the deployment of an energy storage system, peak demand can be effectively capped at a specified level—significantly reducing utility demand charges. Assuming a demand charge of \$15 per kilowatt and peak demand reduction from 100 kilowatts to 65 kilowatts each period (as shown here), energy storage could reduce the customer's demand charge by \$525 per billing period, amounting to an annual savings of \$6,300.

# **Solar+Storage Economic Analysis**







Solar + Storage

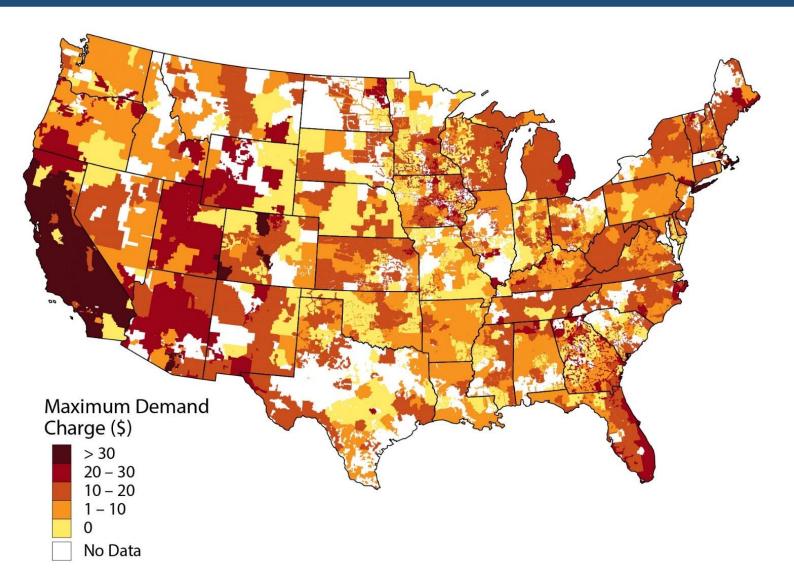
Baseline
Total Charge
Energy Charge
Demand Charge
Fixed Charge

\$ 220,188
\$ 139,871
\$ 78,317
\$ 2,000

Solar Only	
Total Charge	\$ 196,610
Energy Charge	\$ 121,667
Demand Charge	\$ 72,943
Fixed Charge	\$ 2,000
Total Savings	\$ 23,578
Solar Payback (\$2.5/W), yr	5.7
NPV (20 yr, @ 6%)	\$ 177,183
IRR (20 yr)	14.48%

Total Charge	\$ 188,965
Energy Charge	\$ 121,667
Demand Charge	\$ 65,298
Fixed Charge	\$ 2,000
Total Savings	\$ 31,223
Project Payback, yr	5.3
NPV (15 yr, @ 6%)	\$ 169,977
IRR (15 yr)	14.28%
NPV (20 yr, @ 6%)	\$ 235,807
IRR (20 yr)	15.33%

# A Survey of U.S. Demand Charges



#### **Contact Information**

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# Presentation Highlights: Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) & Clean Energy Group

- Focus on the point of rehab: Leveraging planned home improvements is a great way to promote deeper upgrades and clean energy savings opportunities.
  - Massachusetts Green Retrofit Initiative helped 129 multifamily buildings reduce their yearly energy use by 29% on average, primarily through lighting upgrades.
- Communicate, Communicate, Communicate:
  - LISC's advocacy is two-fold: Towards the State housing policymakers on the need to align resources at the time of rehab, and towards homeowners on their energy efficiency upgrade options.
- Solar can increase energy resiliency for communities: The Resilient Power Project aims to deploy solar PV combined with storage in low-income communities to reduce energy use and maintain energy even in times of extended power outages.
  - Energy storage can offset high energy demand during peak times and Clean Energy Group found that solar storage could result in \$6,300 dollars over a year for homeowners, with a payback of 5.3 years.





# Upcoming webinar: Assessing Costs for Home Upgrade Program Results: Follow the Money!

Across states and utility service areas, home energy upgrade programs vary in design, implementation, and performance, and can sometimes be more costly options for acquiring energy savings in the residential sector.

When administrators identify where to focus investments to get the most savings, however, these programs can contribute significantly to meeting energy policy objectives.

In this webinar, learn from an industry veteran about how to assess your programs cost and identify where to focus investments to get more for your money.

- Date & Time: Wednesday, October 25 from 3-4:30pm ET
- Registration Link:
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- Presenters: Dale Hoffmeyer (U.S. Department of Energy), Mark Dyen (Mark Dyen Consulting)



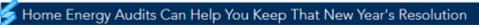


#### **Upcoming Seasonal Messaging Opportunities**

Now is the time to start planning energy efficiency messaging!

Dec 31 – Jan 1 New Year January 6
National
Technology
Day

January 10
National Cut
Your Energy
Costs Day





U.S. Department of Energy
Article: Home Energy Audits Can Help You Keep
That New Year's Resolution

Ready, Set, SAVE!

Set your thermostat as high as comfortably possible in the summer. The smaller the difference between the indoor and outdoor temperatures, the lower your overall cooling bill will be.

comoenergychallenge.com

Brought to you by the CoMo Energy Challenge. Competing for \$5 million and change.

City of Columbia, Missouri Facebook Post

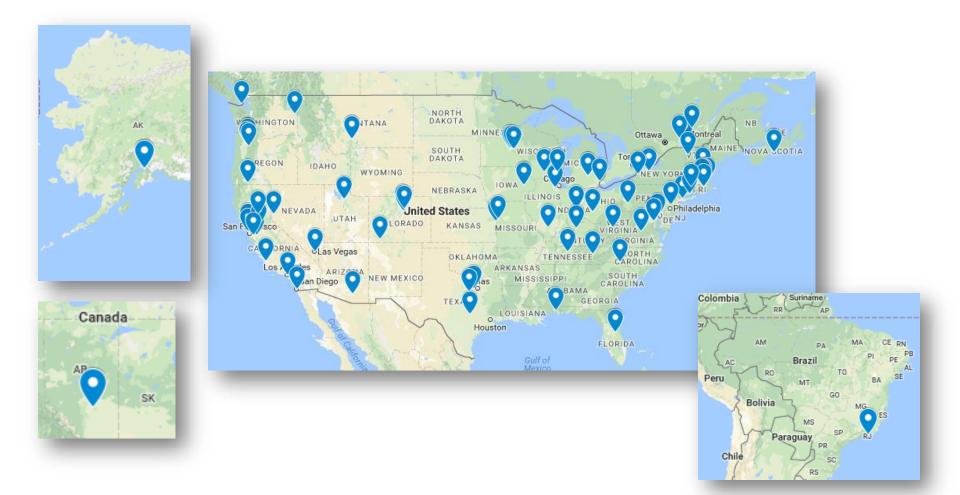




Addenda: Attendee Information and Poll Results



#### **Call Attendee Locations**







#### Call Attendees: Network Members

- Alaska Housing Finance Corporation
- American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy (ACEEE)
- Arlington County Government
- Center for Energy and Environment
- Center for Sustainable Energy
- City of Charlottesville
- City of Providence
- CLEAResult
- Connecticut Green Bank
- Earth Advantage Institute

- Eden Housing
- Efficiency Nova Scotia
- Efficiency Vermont
- Elevate Energy
- Energy Efficiency Specialists
- EnergyWize
- Horizon Residential Energy Services NH, LLC
- La Plata Electric Association
- Modular Lifestyles
- International Center for Appropriate and Sustainable Technology (ICAST)





### Call Attendees: Non-Members (1 of 3)

- Acadia Center
- Alliant Energy
- American River College
- Association for Energy Affordability
- Boston Housing Authority
- Build Coach
- California Public Utilities Commission
- Carolina Smart Homes
- City of Milwaukee
- City of Mount Vernon
- City of Orlando
- Clark County

- Community Action Agency of South Alabama
- Craft3
- Dimensions-Energétiques
- E4TheFuture, Inc.
- Focus on Energy (Madison WI USA)
- Ford Motor Land Development Corporation
- Fox Energy Specialists
- Franklin Energy Group
- Green Compass Sustainability
- Greenbanc
- Home Office Training & Technology





### Call Attendees: Non-Members (2 of 3)

- Hydro-Québec
- Hydro-Québec's Research Institute (IREQ)
- ICF
- Insight Property Services, Inc.
- Integrative Design & Architecture
- Lantern Energy
- Local Government Commission
- Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC Boston)
- Metro Nashville Government
- National Association of Home Builders
- National Association of Realtors

- National Fuel Gas Company
- National Renewable Energy Laboratory
- New Ecology, Inc.
- Nexant
- Office of the People's Counsel
- Oregon Institute of Technology
- People's Self Help Housing
- Philip Neumann Energy Design
- Rebuilder Group, Inc.
- Rhode Island Housing
- Smith & Boucher Engineers
- Sonoma County Energy Independence Program





### Call Attendees: Non-Members (3 of 3)

- South-central Partnership for Energy Efficiency as a Resource (SPEER)
- Southwest Environmental Finance Center (SWEFC)
- Studio Jack Rees
- SunTegra
- TRC Solutions
- TRJ Construction Inc
- Utah Governor's Office of Energy Development
- Waiye & Associates
- West Virginia Office of Energy
- Woods Bagot
- XLR8SUN Electric Car





### **Opening Poll #1**

- Which best describes your organization's experience with solar advances?
  - Some experience/familiarity 49%
  - Limited experience/familiarity 28%
  - Very experienced/familiar 21%
  - No experience/familiarity 2%
  - Not applicable 0%





## **Closing Poll**

- After today's call, what will you do?
  - Seek out additional information on one or more of the ideas
     72%
  - Consider implementing one or more of the ideas discussed
     25%
  - Make no changes to your current approach 3%
  - Other (please explain) 0%



