Determining Whether DR Programs are Cost Effective

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Overview of Presentation

- Direct Load Control Analysis
- Smart Grid Analysis
- Smart Grid Metrics



Maryland Utility Context for Demand Response/Smart Grid

- All large utilities are restructured T&D only companies
- Organized capacity and energy markets operated by PJM
- Aggressive statewide energy, peak demand and GHG reduction targets
- Most electric and gas utilities have revenue decoupling (including BGE and Pepco)
- BGE received maximum \$200 million DOE Smart Grid investment grant
- Pepco MD received \$100 million DOE Smart Grid investment grant



Direct Load Control Programs

- History of DLC in Maryland
- 2007-2008 Filings
 - BGE, Pepco, Delmarva and SMECO
- Cost Effectiveness Review
 - Costs Capital, O&M and Customer Incentives
 - Benefits Capacity and Energy Revenue, Capacity and Energy Price Mitigation and Avoided T&D
 - All Cases yielded highly cost effective programs
- Results to Date
 - Over 590,000 active devices; 685 MW of capacity reduction
 - Costs \$421 million
 - Benefits over \$600 million in capacity revenue and capacity price mitigation



Smart Grid – Dynamic Pricing

- BGE, Pepco, and DPL, proposals for full Smart Grid (SG) deployment estimated strong cost effectiveness
- Roughly half the benefit from operational savings and half from peak load reductions
- Md PSC made cost recovery contingent on successful deployment and cost effectiveness
- Dynamic pricing for most customers using peak time credit approach to reward usage reductions during critical peaks
- Metrics monitor deployment, customer engagement, costs and benefits
- Metrics developed in work group



Metrics Categories

- 55 total metrics approved by Commission
- Many metrics have more than one reporting element
- Categories and number of metrics:
 - 5 Deployment progress metrics
 - 2 SG system cost metrics
 - 4 Metering related capital savings metrics
 - 7 Operational savings metrics
 - 13 Peak load reduction benefits metrics
 - 7 Meter/billing accuracy and reliability metrics
 - 17 Customer engagement/education metrics



13 Peak Load Reduction Metrics

- 3 Monetization metrics Capacity Revenue, Capacity Mitigation – Utility, Capacity Mitigation – other MD Utilities
- 7 Engagement metrics including Accounts sent Dynamic Pricing Alert, Eligible customers, Number of Events and Average rebates paid
- 3 Dynamic Pricing Events Energy Revenue, Avoided Transmission and Avoided Distribution



Project to Date Results

BGE

- 70 percent of installation complete
- Costs \$389 million
- Benefits \$476 million

Pepco

- 99.9 percent installation complete
- Costs \$182 million
- Benefits \$338 million



Resources

- All documents on Maryland PSC website:
 - www.psc.state.md.us
 - Enter following numbers in Maillog Search for metrics documents:
 - 131260 and 143602
 - For quarterly reports enter numbers 9207
 (Pepco and DPL) or 9208 (BGE) in Case Search.
 Reports will be dated Feb., May, August and
 November 15

