

NMEC WORKING GROUP MEETING 11/10/21

Agenda

1. Discuss topics for upcoming SB-NMEC stakeholder meeting
2. Next steps

Meeting Notes

1. Discuss topics for upcoming site-based NMEC stakeholder meeting

ED is planning to organize the first stakeholder meeting on November 22 or 23; specific date to be announced by ED soon.

Key Topics to raise:

- Address key issues discussed with ED during our last meeting on 9/28 (document pasted below)



NMEC issues to discuss with ED

- Issue #2 additional anecdotes:
 - o Models are being required to be updated which is just like Custom.
 - o Some implementers are getting pushback from IOUs that requires the use of deemed savings values for estimates if they exist for that measure (just like custom) which is problematic since deemed goes from a code baseline vs. existing conditions baseline.
- Issue #3 additional anecdotes:
 - o IOUs are treating any disposition issues as the literal truth and the implementer must resolve any issues before a project is allowed to proceed.
 - o EOs were supposed to be few and far between and were simply advisory but have been anything but.
 - o The view of EOs is that they may not be project specific but might address broader perspectives.
 - o There needs to be a central repository of EOs so that lessons can be learned by all players in the NMEC ecosystem.
- Issue #4: We will bring this up during the meeting.

- Issue #5 is a lower priority.
- Issue #6 is important and should be addressed.
 - o There needs to be exceptions to the rule since there might be measures that are seasonal where 12 months doesn't work.
- Issue #7 is a lower priority but if we can talk about it that would be great.
- Issue #8 is important as it bogs down the process
 - o There has to be a better way for this to be done without bogging down the process. Why can't an EUL for NMEC this just be stipulated?
- Issue #9 is important as the CPUC expressed some sympathy on this issue
 - o The next version of the Rulebook should offer much more clarity
- Industrial NMEC eligibility: Specific language in Rulebook allows for building systems in industrial facilities but industrial process is not allowed under current SB-NMEC rules.
 - o SEM is a pathway but it is not process specific and takes a long time whereas NMEC would be shorter due to the leveraging of existing metering capabilities.
 - o Industrial might have issues where CHP is involved and with decarbonization push this could become an issue.
- Exterior lighting has been disallowed since it is not "in the building" or part of the building systems.
- Ag projects are not allowed and that needs to be changed.

2. Next steps

Greg will reach out to the group once the date is set and an agenda is shared. Depending on what we see, we might want to have another working group prep session in advance of the stakeholder meeting.

Next Meeting

Our last NMEC working group meeting of the year will be on Wednesday December 1st at 2pm.

[Zoom Link](#)

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