

Public Comments- DEEP Tentative Determination to Approve 2019-2021 C&LM Plan

Date	Name	Affiliation	Topic	Comment Summary
Oral Comments December 13, 2018 DEEP Public Informational Meeting				
12/13/18	Patrice Gillespie	Clean Water Fund's "CT Energy Network" Program	Condition 13: HES and HES-Income Eligible Solutions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Only an [est.] 17% of Connecticut households have had weatherization services. Need to do more.
12/13/18	Amanda Trinsey	Connecticut Industrial Energy Consumers (CIEC)	General	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Thank you for stakeholder engagement and grid modernization - Looking forward to participating in the programs.
12/13/18	John Mitchell	Home Performance Alliance of Connecticut (HPACT)	Heat Pump Pilot	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Supports the Plan and the heat pump pilot as it is written. - The heat pump pilot is consistent with the Comprehensive Energy Strategy and CT's greenhouse gas emissions goals. - Removing the additional incentives [for oil and propane heated buildings] will limit participation. - Need to include extra measure of air sealing in pilot.
12/13/18	Amy Mclean Salls	Acadia Center	Heat Pump Pilot	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Heat pumps are everywhere and other states are finding ways to fund it. - RGGI could be used to fund this. - If we do not invest in this strategy we are not being bold enough. - DEEP has the ability to put more incentives to this, we need to make [heat pumps] more viable in the field.
Written Comments				
12/16/18	Mark Scully Bernard Pelletier Peter Millman	People's Action for Clean Energy (PACE) and Eastern Connecticut Green Action (ECGA)	Heat Pump Pilot	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Agree that a pilot for heat pump deployment to homes heated with oil and propane is important and that the goals of the pilot should be clearly outlined. - Pilot is important because of the complexity of integrating heat pumps in existing homes. - Disagree with disallowing higher incentives to be offered through the pilot. - Heat pumps must operate in a home with a high functioning thermal barrier.
12/17/18	Stephanie Weiner and Vivian Perez	Home Performance Alliance of Connecticut	Heat Pump Pilot	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Support the proposed 3 year plan and the Heat Pump Pilot as currently proposed.

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		(HPACT)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Higher incentive for oil and propane displacement installations is critical for the pilot - Incentives are consistent with the CES, GHG emissions goals, and will save significant money for participants. - Without it, there will be a barrier to entry and participation - Thermal envelope improvements should be performed at time of heat pump installation
12/17/18	Martha Klein	Sierra Club CT	Renewable Thermal Technologies and Heat Pump Pilot	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pilot is too small and incentives are insufficient. - Pilot incentives should be expanded to support the heating component, not just cooling. - Should convert all conventional electric technologies with RTT's for space and water heating through the C&LM Plan programs. - If the pilot is inconsistent with the State's strategies and sequencing, why can't the state change how it prioritizes and sequences actions to protect our climate sooner?
12/17/18	Guy West	Clean Water Fund- Clean Water Action	Variety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Emphasize that energy efficiency programs have many additional benefits including 34,000 local jobs, reduced arrearages and shutoffs, improved health and safety, increased GSP and tax revenue, and reduced ratepayer costs. - Need to protect the ratepayer funds using a lock box or other appropriations. - Need to incorporate more reductions of energy waste like surrounding states. - Increase our annual savings targets in SB9 - Let ratepayer funds serve the ratepayer - Programs should be expanded to serve all ratepayers - Modify the composition of the EEB, GC3, and Green Bank Board to include more stakeholders, diversity, and collaboration. - Ensure protection of LMI consumers from being taken advantage of by alternate providers (see MA statutes)

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Use energy efficiency to lower state operating costs and energy demands. - Focus on thermal improvements and lighting retrofits in residential and commercial property upgrades. - Demand response programs are underutilized and there should be accountability for how we utilize the programs. - Investment in gas expansion should decline. - Gas conversion incentives should be reduced overtime as the state looks to incentivize electrification and RTT - Plan must be mindful of competing demand for electricity and how we generate, transmit and use electricity efficiently. - Should perform a cost-benefit analysis in the CES to weigh our long-term investment in natural gas and other fossil fuels compared to electrification with a focus on reducing our dependence on carbon.
12/17/18	Amy McLean Salls	Acadia Center	Heat Pump Pilot	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - DEEP should fully fund the pilot in its original form. - Without incentives, the program will simply continue as it has existed for years. - Building weatherization and all energy efficiency measures are key pieces of decarbonizing the buildings sector. These complementary measures must happen alongside heat pumps to maximize GHG reductions
12/17/18	Jeffrey R. Gaudiosi	CT Public Utilities Regulatory Authority	Opportunities for Positive Alignment of Distribution System Planning and C&LM Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A forthcoming decision on the distribution system planning (DSP) and grid modernization initiatives docket NO. 17-12-03 may generate opportunities to coordinate DSP and grid side investments to maximize benefits to ratepayers. - DEEP should retain some flexibility in making adjustments to the C&LM programs during the interim years to take advantage of these opportunities and potential beneficial alignment.