

Notice of Meeting and Request for Written Comments Proposed Residential Redesign Topics Contractor Technical Advisory Committee September 24, 2024

Pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stat. §16-245m, the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) is required to review a combined electric and gas Conservation and Load Management (C&LM) Plan. Under §16-245m, the C&LM Plan implements "cost-effective energy conservation programs, demand management and market transformation initiatives." Eversource Energy, The United Illuminating Company, the Connecticut Natural Gas Corporation, and the Southern Connecticut Gas Company (collectively the "Utilities") develop the C&LM Plan on three-year cycles with guidance from DEEP and the Energy Efficiency Board (EEB) and submit annual updates.

To assist with program implementation, DEEP regularly holds Contractor Technical Advisory Committee (CTAC) meetings with contractors from the Residential and Commercial & Industrial (C&I) sectors. These meetings provide a bi-monthly forum for contractors, the Utilities, and DEEP to discuss matters related to C&LM program implementation, and to submit public comments to aid DEEP in its ongoing decision-making process. Other stakeholders are welcome to participate as well. The recommendations of this working group and written comments submitted by stakeholders will be informative to DEEP in its continued oversight of the C&LM Plan and programs.

DEEP will hold the next CTAC meeting on Friday, October 4, 2024, at 1:00 PM. This is a hybrid meeting; attendees may participate via Zoom or in-person. In-person attendance is strongly encouraged (DEEP is now able to validate parking). This meeting is open to all and is expected to focus on topics related to the proposed redesign of residential C&LM programs. An additional CTAC meeting is expected to be scheduled for later in October to cover other topics.

Proposed Oct. 4, 2024 Agenda (to be updated and publicly posted by October 1, 2024)

- 1. Facilitated Discussion on Topics Submitted to DEEP (see details below on how Contractors and Utilities can submit additional topics for this agenda) (120 min)
 - a. Utilities Presentation Explanation of the Home Energy Solutions (HES) and Home Energy Solutions Income Eligible (HES-IE) propose program re-design (15 min)
 - b. Discussion (15 min)
 - c. Utilities Presentation Overview of new HES/HES-IE Operations Manual including a summary of thermal boundary changes (20 min)
 - d. Discussion (20 min)



- e. Utilities Presentation Proposed timeline for program redesign rollout, including the HES/HES-IE pricing Request for Information (RFI) and the qualifying contractor Request for Proposals (RFP) (10 min)
- f. Discussion (10 min)
- g. Utilities Presentation Summary of the proposed process for pricing comparisons that will be used as part of the pricing RFI (15 min)
- h. Discussion (15 min)
- 2. Public Comment (15 min)

Program Contractors and Utility Partners:

If there are specific agenda items which contractors or utility staff wish to raise and discuss during the CTAC meeting, please provide them to DEEP by no later than 4:00 PM ET on September 27, 2024. Those requesting that specific items be added to the CTAC agenda should be prepared to discuss these items during the meeting. Please email DEEP.EnergyBureau@ct.gov with your request. DEEP will make every effort to accommodate agenda item requests but reserves the right to limit the agenda based on time constraints or subject matter. DEEP may also provide time for open discussion during the meeting, time permitting.

Virtual attendees: Register for the October 4, 2024, meeting here.

In-person attendees: The meeting will be held at 10 Franklin Square, New Britain, CT 06051, in Hearing Room 1. A check-in with the security front desk is required, please have a valid driver's license or state-issued photo identification card available.

Stakeholders are welcome to submit written comments into the public record for this meeting. Please submit written comments to <u>DEEP.EnergyBureau@ct.gov</u> as a Word or PDF file by no later than **4:00 PM ET on October 9, 2024.**

Residential and Commercial & Industrial CTAC meetings are generally scheduled for the fourth Wednesday of every other month, with written comments due the following Wednesday. Due to the time-sensitive nature of the topics proposed for this meeting, DEEP will host two CTAC meetings in October 2024.

For a complete schedule of 2024 CTAC meetings, please visit DEEP's <u>CTAC webpage</u>. DEEP will e-mail the final agenda for each meeting to the email distribution list as well as post the agenda on the CTAC <u>webpage</u>. To register for the distribution list please email <u>DEEP.EnergyBureau@ct.gov</u>

and request to be added to the C&LM mailing list. The 2022-2024 Conservation and Load Management Plan and related information is available at <u>DEEP's C&LM webpage</u>.

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