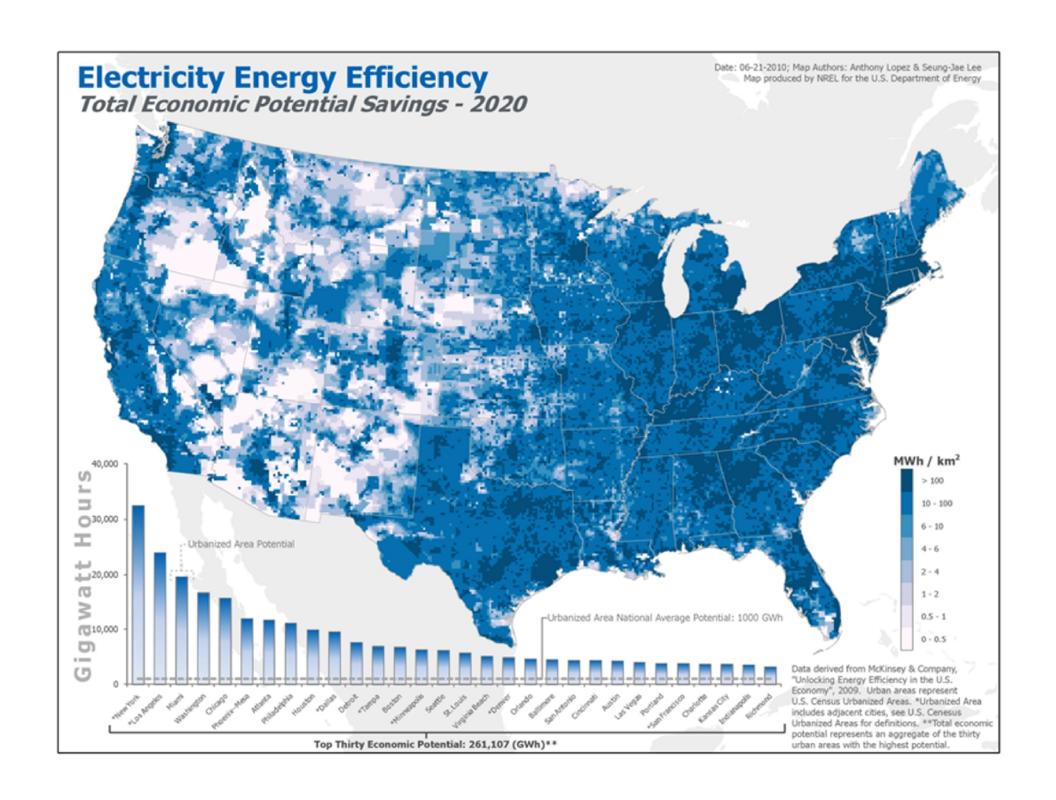


# Overview of the State and Local Energy Efficiency Action Network

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## **Achieving the Potential**

- EE remains one of the most cost effective<sup>1</sup> ways to address challenges
  - High consumer energy prices
  - Fuel price volatility
  - Transmission and distribution infrastructure expansion costs
  - Localized system reliability
  - Environmental and public health costs of GHGs and air pollution
  - National energy security and independence
- Cost-effective EE can play a significant role in meeting energy requirements and save hundreds of millions of dollars<sup>2</sup>
  - \$50B/year<sup>2</sup> cost-effective investment potential; at height of Recovery Act investment was approx. half of potential. *Not yet achieving full potential*
- Decision makers can benefit from information on best practice approaches to overcoming barriers to greater investment in EE



<sup>1</sup>Average cost of efficiency savings ~ 4.6 cents per kWh including participant costs. ACEEE, Saving Energy Cost-Effectively: A National Review of the Cost of Energy Saved Through Utility-Sector Energy Efficiency Programs

<sup>2</sup>McKinsey, Unlocking EE in the US Economy

#### The SEE Action Network

#### Goal: achieve all cost-effective energy efficiency by 2020

- Successor to the National Action Plan for Energy Efficiency
- State- and local-led initiative to take energy efficiency to scale through state and local policies and programs, facilitated by US DOE and US EPA
- Information resources to support agents of change
  - City and county leaders
  - State energy officials, policymakers, utility regulators
  - Utilities and other implementation partners



## **What SEE Action Offers**

Decision-grade guidance documents based on state

and local experience

Best practices & model policies

- Successful approaches
- Recommendations
- What's working
- Discussion forums to identify solutions to known barriers
- Technical assistance from the best subject matter experts in the country





#### **How SEE Action Works**

Working Groups
decision
information
based on s
exper

Working Groups educate and engage with state and local decision makers through Network connections

Working Groups support decision maker action with expert technical assistance and peer exchanges





## **SEE Action Leadership**

Executive Group of more than 30 executive leaders from state and local governments, associations, business, NGOs, and others provide vision and strategic direction.

# Eight Working Groups develop resources and engage with state and local decision makers to provide support.





# **Working Group Co-Chairs**

Working Group	Co-Chairs
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Existing Commercial Buildings	Jim Gallagher, NY ISO Janet Streff, MN SEO
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## **SEE Action Executive Group**

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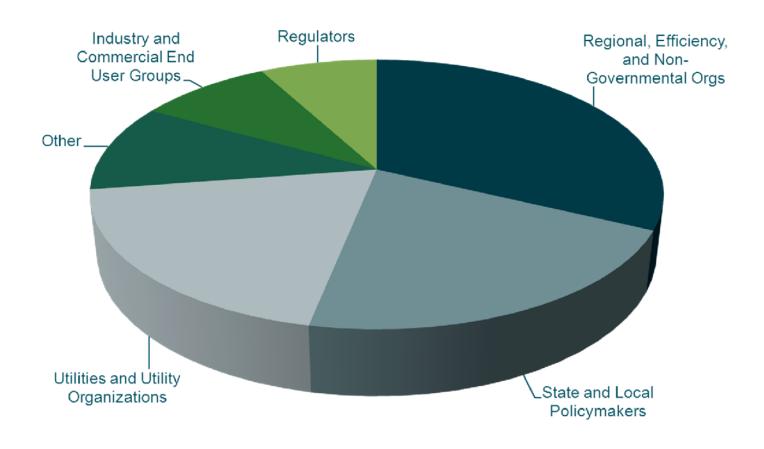
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## **Network Membership**

#### Over 200 professionals representing over 130 organizations





## **Guidance Documents – Available Now**

Benchmarking and Disclosure: State and Local Policy Design Guide and Sample Policy Language provides sample policy language based on a synthesis of existing state and local policies, and discussion on key provisions, for the design of a commercial benchmarking and disclosure policy to make building energy performance visible and enable energy and cost savings through increased efficiency.

Evaluation, Measurement, and Verification (EM&V) of Residential Behavior-Based Energy Efficiency Programs: Issues and Recommendations offers technically valid methods for state policymakers to estimate the energy savings from behavior-based energy efficiency programs.

Using Integrated Resource Planning to Encourage Investment in Cost-Effective Energy Efficiency How state policy can promote cost-effective energy efficiency by requiring or encouraging utility planning processes that allow demand side resources to compete with supply-side resources.

#### **Setting Energy Savings Targets for Utilities**

How electric and natural gas utilities can achieve greater efficiency through numeric energy savings targets.

Analyzing and Managing Bill Impacts of Energy Efficiency Programs: Principles and Recommendations provides policymakers with principles and recommendations to understand and manage concerns about bill and rate impacts resulting from requiring utilities to provide efficiency programs

**Delivering Energy Efficiency to Middle Income Single Family Households** provides successful approaches to middle income energy efficiency program design and implementation.



## **Guidance Documents – Coming Soon**

**Model Energy Efficiency Program Impact Evaluation Guide** will provide guidance on model approaches for calculating energy, demand, and emissions savings resulting from energy efficiency programs. It describes several standard approaches that can be used for calculating savings, defines terms, provides advice on key evaluation issues, and lists efficiency evaluation resources.

Guide for Regulators and Utilities on Providing Customers with Energy Use Data will address technical and implementation considerations as utilities and regulators respond to increased demand for customer energy usage data access, including the emerging issues of cost allocation and data transfer standards.

#### Regulator's Guide to Data Access and Privacy

Guidance on how states are approaching customer and third-party access to energy use information to drive energy efficiency savings while respecting privacy concerns.

Guide to the Successful Implementation of State Combined Heat and Power (CHP) Policies. This guide will provide state utility commissions with actionable information based on effective state strategies to assist them in implementing CHP policies.

Industrial Energy Efficiency (IEE) Best Practice Program Guide will inform policymakers, program administrators, commissioners, and industrial end-users on effective approaches to IEE program design.

Report on the Energy Efficiency Financing Needs of Financial Institutions and Customers will provide a detailed needs analysis of energy efficiency finance structures based on interviews with capital providers, originators, commercial/residential customers, and service providers.



## **Technical Assistance Providers**

























## 5 Ways to Get Involved

- 1. Help spread the word
- 2. Read and share SEE Action guidance documents
- 3. Join the conversation at an upcoming event
- 4. Join or send referrals for working groups
- 5. Sign up for news alerts at <a href="https://www.seeaction.energy.gov">www.seeaction.energy.gov</a>



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