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1.5% ENERGY EFFICIENCY SOLUTIONS PROJECT

The goals for MEI's 1.5% Energy Efficiency Solutions Project are:

- To develop a list of the policy barriers to achieving the state's 1.5% energy saving goal, and to identify those barriers that have potential to be resolved within a ten-month stakeholder process.
- To recommend solutions that could be implemented in 2010 or 2011 through regulatory change or through non-regulatory public or private sector initiatives.
- To make recommendations for additional development of solutions by stakeholders or by state government for barriers that require longer-term efforts to effect change, including possible legislation.

Process Roadmap

- January through May 2010: Work group meets to identify policy barriers and to prioritize those barriers to be addressed by technical work groups.
- May through August 2010: Technical work groups meet to develop proposed solutions to the priority barriers. No work group meetings take place during this time.
- August through November 2010: Work group meets to consider the solutions proposed by each technical work group, and to agree on consensus recommendations and next steps.
- November through January 2011: Final report produced to summarize work group recommendations. MEI, OES and work group members collaborate on outreach to state government, stakeholders and other decision makers.