

CT Board/NEEP	Utilities	Discussion Notes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The CT, MA, and RI energy efficiency boards/councils advise and assist utilities in developing, implementing, and evaluating energy efficiency plans and programs. • The board/councils' roles and responsibilities are created by statute. • CT utilities submit 3-year Conservation & Load Management Plans to the Board for review and approval, and then to the Dept. of Energy & Environmental Protection. • The boards/councils consist of both voting and nonvoting members representing various groups and interests. • Provides utilities and stakeholders with one venue and one 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Utilize the existing NH EESE Board as a "Stakeholder Board." • Implement a new process which includes the preparation of a draft Plan for stakeholder review several months before a final Plan is filed with the NHPUC and a time-line for receiving comments. • The EESE Board can submit comments to the PUC as part of the normal adjudicative regulatory process. • Engage NEEP, RAP, and other organizations willing to participate to help inform the stakeholder process. • Assign an administrative resource to the Sustainable Energy Division to assist with this new EESE Board role, as well as the other current roles of the EESE Board - RGGI related administrative cost. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Role of EERS stakeholder advisory boards <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Participants: utility reps, regulators, consumer advocates, environmental groups, customers and consultants. ○ Does the board need to be created by legislation or reflect government agency efforts? ○ Should the board be statewide or utility specific ○ Possible elements of a strong stakeholder process: Broad group of knowledgeable stakeholders representing a variety of interests: Open to the public and any interested individual can attend; Clearly defined objectives; Independent facilitator; Regularly scheduled meetings with agenda; Open communication and sharing of information; Reporting mechanism ○ Activities: Sharing information and experience; assistance in developing a technical resource manual for the states utilities; discusses EM&V; ○ How to engage Stakeholders around energy efficiency opportunities.

<p>process for efficient decision-making.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CT Board Sets annual goals and 3-yr goals with annual updates. 		
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Guiding Principles related to Stakeholder Involvement: N/A

**EERS Stakeholder Involvement
Meeting Results****

TOPIC

1. The concept of an advisory/stakeholder Board should be considered.
2. The existing EESE Board should take on the role of an advisory/stakeholder Board.
3. The role and responsibilities of the advisory/stakeholder Board should be modeled after the CT Board.
4. Utilize RGGI funds to cover administrative costs of the advisory/stakeholder Board.

RESULT

Agreed
Further Discussion
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*** Numbered list for reference purposes; not priority*

Definitions: N/A