# Efficiency Programs In Pursuit of Energy Savings

#### The Opportunity Posed by Televisions

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# An Overview of the Efficiency Industry

- North American EE Programs invest over \$3 billion US annually in just energy efficiency
- CEE's 90 members in 30 states and 4 provinces represent more than 90% of ratepayer efficiency program funds available in the US and Canada
- CEE members' programs reach at least 50% of the US and Canadian populations



# The Answer to the \$3 Billion Question

- Utilities are regulated monopolies and must provide EE funding in exchange for the privilege of doing business
- Legislative/regulatory mandates
- Avoided cost of building new generation facilities



#### CEE's Consumer Electronics Initiative

- Framework for addressing existing and increasing electrical consumption by consumer electronics products
- Work with ENERGY STAR
- Consumer education
- Program guidelines
- Industry outreach



# Televisions

- Biggest CE energy consumer (analog TVs 36 percent according to TIAX/CEA report)
- Upward trend in energy use (increasing screen size and more energy-intensive attributes)
- High visibility product
- Potential linchpin in bundled entertainment system approach



# **ENERGY STAR TV Specification**

- CEE supports the specification's technology-neutral approach
  - Appropriate focus on function: delivery of a picture on a screen
  - Technology-specific approaches can stifle new, innovative solutions that may offer additional energy savings
  - Places solution in hands of the experts
  - Consistency across ENERGY STAR program



### **ENERGY STAR TV Specification**

- CEE supports the specification's amenity/attribute-based approach
  - Recognizes additional energy use of attributes supporting core function (e.g., screen resolution in support of delivery of picture on a screen)
  - Attribute valued by consumer
  - Consistency across ENERGY STAR program



# It's All About Energy Savings

- Specification appears to generate real energy savings
  - Relatively small savings per unit add up to big savings in aggregate
  - Illustration: Pacific Gas & Electric (4.5 million residential accounts)
    - Estimates 870,000 LCD units will be shipped in 2009
    - If 25 percent of those units are E\* qualified, energy savings over lifetime of products are 36.9 million kWh



#### **Other Issues**

CEE also supports:

- Hard off
  - Consistency with STB spec
  - Additional savings opportunity
- Power down for TVs connected to computers
- Earliest possible effective date for specification
- Tier 2 specification



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