

UTILITY BROWN BAG, JUNE 4, 2015



## OVERVIEW

- Describe how we performed the assessments and the utility sample
- Summarize the responses from the utility preference assessments
- Discuss findings, gather any additional utility input
- Review next steps in the process



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Mailing Address: Before we begin:

Utility Name:

Phone Number:

The future BPA Commercial Program seeks to meet local utility needs. The purpose of this assessment is to inform BPA program staff with insight to which components or areas of program support make sense to support regionally. This assessment is not a utility commitment.

Mark it up!

We realize the world isn't black and white. We encourage utility program staff to add additional comments, questions, and concerns in the margins. Got additional thoughts you want to share after fact? Feel free to send those into your EER anytime before April 15, 2015. We want to hear from you!

About the two options:

For Section A, you will be asked to choose between a potential regional 'Commercial Program' or 'Utility Managed' options. This distinction is made to understand utility preference for supporting a regional program.

The 'Commercial Program' option infers a dedicated and sustained level of involvement from BPA staff, an undesignated third Party, or a combination of both. There is no limit to utility participation if Commercial Program is selected.

The 'Utility Managed' option infers the utility will manage energy efficiency programs on their own and BPA engineers and program staff would be available to utilities by request.

Please select the level of program support you want and the range of measures you need assistance with implementing.

Section A - Level of Support by Program Component

- 1. Who generates prospects and manages the pipeline?
- □ Commercial Program
- □ Utility Managed
- 2. Who creates energy-saving proposals and completion reports?
- □ Commercial Program
- Utility Managed
- 3. Who presents proposals to end-use customers?
- Commercial Program

### HOW WE GATHERED INPUT

- EERs, program representatives engineers met with 47 utilities to discuss the future commercial program
- We asked utilities to fill out a survey so we could identify needs and preferences—from technology and measure types to implementation
- We also collected anecdotes, comments and concerns about the commercial program
- 43 Utilities submitted assessments

## THANK YOU!

Benton PUD

Benton REA

Big Bend

Blachy-Lane

Canby Utility Board

Centralia City Light

Central Electric Coop

Central Lincoln PUD

City of Ellensburg

City of Forest Grove

City of Richland

Clallam PUD

Clark Public Utilities

Clearwater Power

Columbia REA

Coos Curry Electric
Cowlitz County PUD

**EWEB** 

Fall River Rural Electric

Flathead Electric

Franklin PUD

Grays Harbor

Idaho Falls Power

Inland Power & Light

Klickitat

Kootenai Electric Cooperative

Lane Electric Co-op

Lewis Co. PUD

Lower Valley Energy

Mid-state

Mission Valley Power

Missoula

Northern Lights

Northern Wasco

Orcas Power and Light Coop

Oregon Trail

Pacific PUD

Pen Light

Pend Oreille

Ravalli

Salem Electric

Seattle City Light

Snohomish

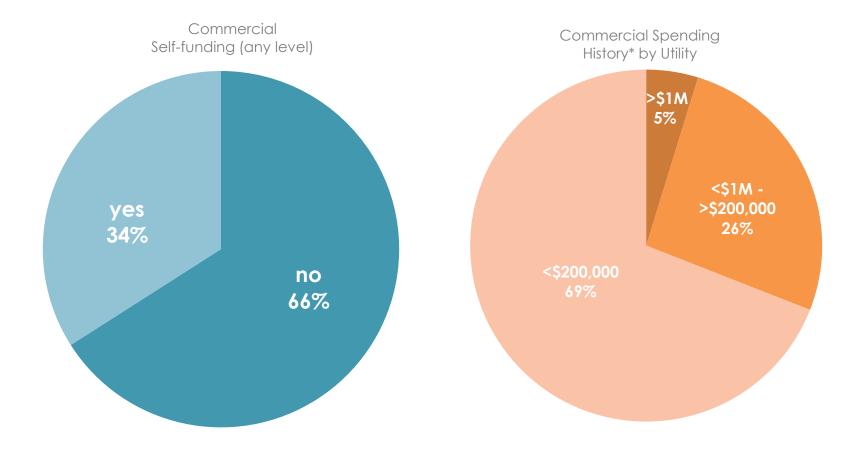
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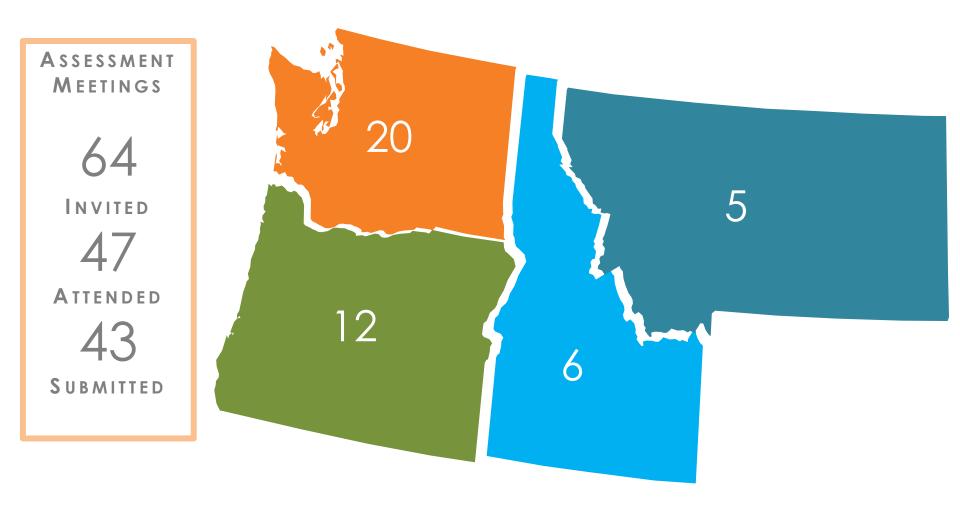
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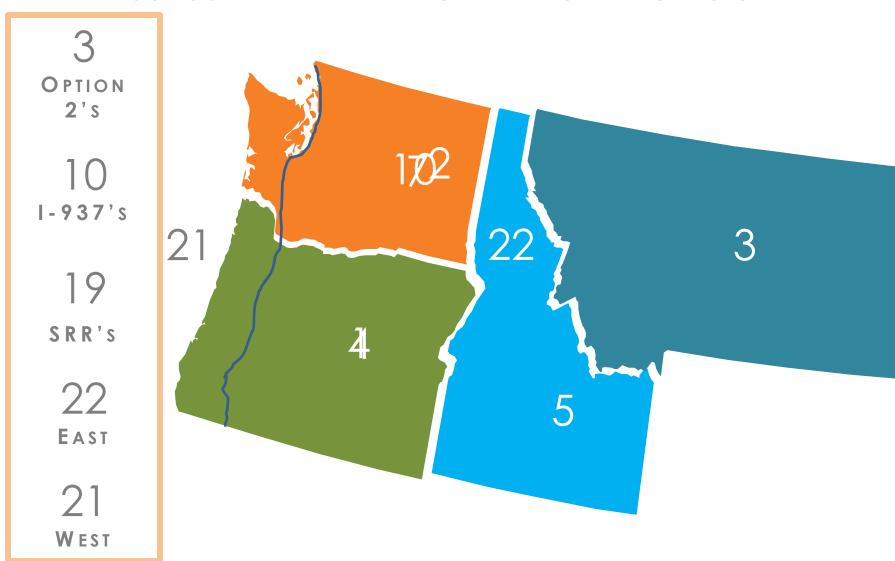
## ASSESSMENT PARTICIPANT SAMPLE



## ASSESSMENT PARTICIPANTS BY STATE

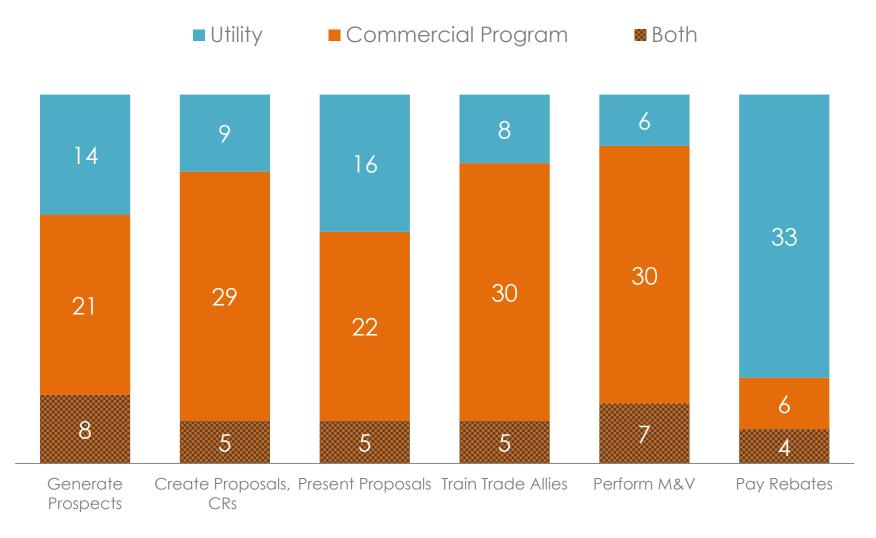


## ASSESSMENT PARTICIPANTS BY GROUP



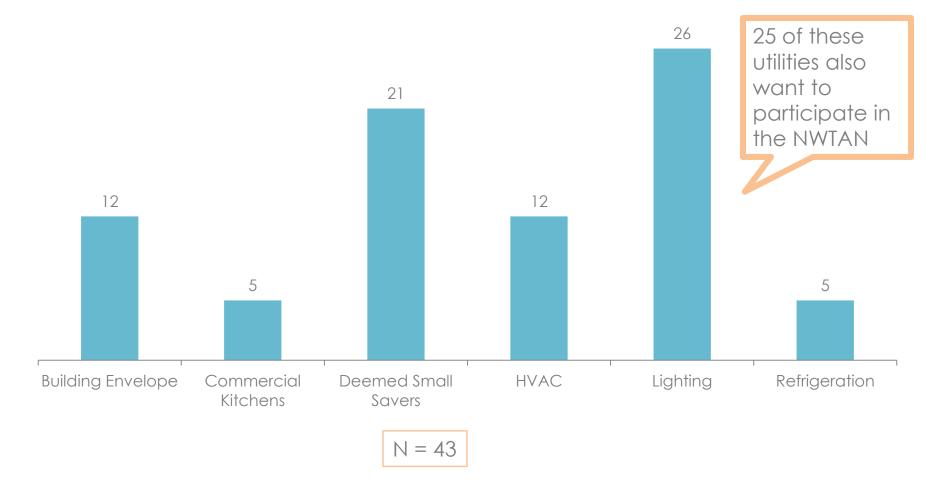
### LEVEL OF SUPPORT BY PROGRAM COMPONENT

Select the level of program support you want

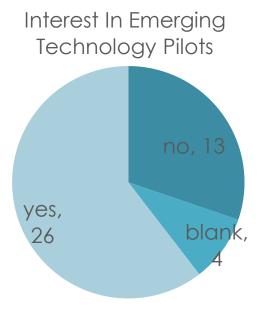


## UTILITIES PREFER TO MANAGE CERTAIN MEASURE TYPES

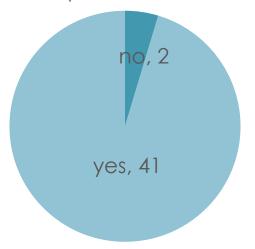
Which measure types do you want to implement with minimal BPA support?



### OTHER UTILITY COMMERCIAL PROGRAM NEEDS



Desire Some Level Of Participation in NWLTAN



#### PARTICIPATION IN DIFFERENT PROJECT TYPES

New Construction 77% Retrofit 98% SEM 70%

#### MANY COMMERCIAL CUSTOMERS & BUILDING TYPES

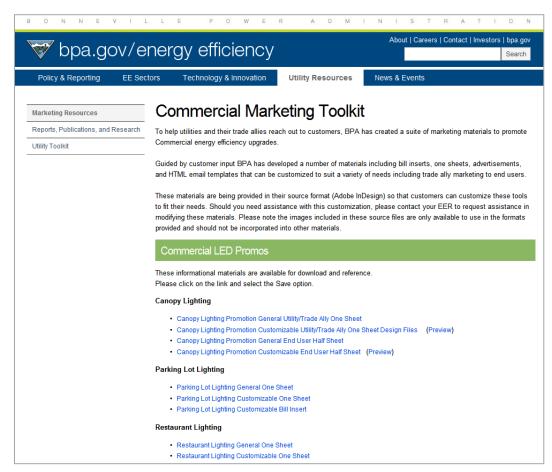
Which customer types do you want the commercial program to focus on?

KEY ACCOUNTS MOM & POP BIG BOX/CHAINS ASSISTED LIVING PUBLIC SECTOR 5 SCHOOLS 12 AII COMMERCIAL 9 **OTHER** 18



## UTILITIES NEED MARKETING MATERIALS

- Almost all utilities indicated a need for marketing materials
- Don't wait! Get the Commercial Marketing Toolkit on bpa.gov!
- The BPA marketing team can customize materials for any utility



## MANY DIFFERENT PREFERENCES

transparent pipeline tool Utility participation in the project pipeline utility pays rebates FOCUS ON DEEMED MEASURE SAVINGS A TURNKEY PROGRAM LIKE ESI OR ESG WORK WITH TRADESPEOPLE IN OUR TERRITORY LOW COST, KNOW COST Want To Run Our Commercial Program Independently RELY ON THE EXPERTISE AND SUPPORT OF BPA ENGINEERS Independent programs WANT UTILITY-CUSTOMIZED MARKETING MATERIALS SEM PROGRAM SUPPORT

### KEY FINDINGS

The majority of utilities voiced a need for basic commercial program support

Participation and collaboration in the project life cycle is key

BPA services like NWLTAN augment utility-run programs

The majority of utilities are satisfied with turn-key programs like ESG and ESI

The majority of utilities voiced an interest in SEM and New Construction Projects

## KEY FINDINGS, CONTINUED

Even among like groups, (i.e. SSR, Option 2, Eastside, etc.), diversity persists in the sample

Utilities are looking for more deemed measures, opportunities for more savings per site

Utilities with limited staff rely on the support of BPA engineers and turnkey programs

Utilities want to understand the costs and benefits of the program

## **NEXT STEPS**

- Brown Bag on conclusion and program development Summer, 2015
- Brown Bag on proposed program models Fall, 2015
- Follow along for updates and news on:
   http://www.bpa.gov/EE/Sectors/Commercial/Pages
   /New-Commercial-Program-Development.aspx
- Please contact your EER or John Wilson for more information <a href="mailto:jawilson@bpa.gov">jawilson@bpa.gov</a>

# THANK YOU!