

Michigan Saves Program Next Steps Discussion

Michigan Saves Workgroup
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NGA “Clean Energy States” Grant

- \$50k thru June 2009
- NGA funds used to hire contractor to undertake the major work to begin to set up and equip a Michigan Saves program administrative agency
- State “team” already being assigned
- Goal is to get first pilot programs ready to launch & establish communications systems for interested parties

Tasks for NGA Grant

- Form our working group
- Complete action plans in detail
- Develop proposed legislation (as needed)
- Develop and begin to implement outreach plans (for customer groups, vendors, financiers)
- Identify means to integrate with utility energy optimization and RPS plans

DOE “Gigawatt Scale” Utility Energy Savings Grant

- \$491,000, 3 year project (thru September 2010)
- Builds on and extends NGA effort
- Establishes the infrastructure to support the *Michigan Saves* program, statewide (i.e. all contractual documents, administrative agency)
- Launches, monitors, and evaluates multiple pilot programs
- Extends program communications throughout Midwestern States (& nationally)

DOE Grant Deliverables

- Comprehensive educational materials for all important target audiences
- Deliver those materials at relevant meetings, etc.
- Detailed program operational protocols and a manual for practices developed for state administrative agency and for “licensing” multiple certification agencies
- Start-up multiple pilot programs

Organizing for Next Steps

- Legal/Institutional sub-group
 - Residential, C&I, Municipal, Industrial
- Education/Marketing sub-group
 - For Customers, Vendors, Financers...
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- Pilot program selection & design
 - Integration with utility energy optimization and RPS plans
- Infrastructure Development Sub-group

Immediate Next Steps

- Letters indicating formal interest in participation: email to mpscedockets@michigan.gov, and refer to MPSC Case No. U-15633
- Assign volunteers to each sub-group
- Set times/dates for sub-group meetings
- Set time/date for next full group meeting

For more information...

- MPSC Website for Michigan Saves... go to <http://www.michigan.gov/mpsc>, click on **Electricity** (on lefthand side), then **Workgroups** (also on left), then **Michigan Saves.**
- Join the **Michigan Saves** email distribution list