



# 2020 NON-RESIDENTIAL MEMD CALIBRATION RESEARCH

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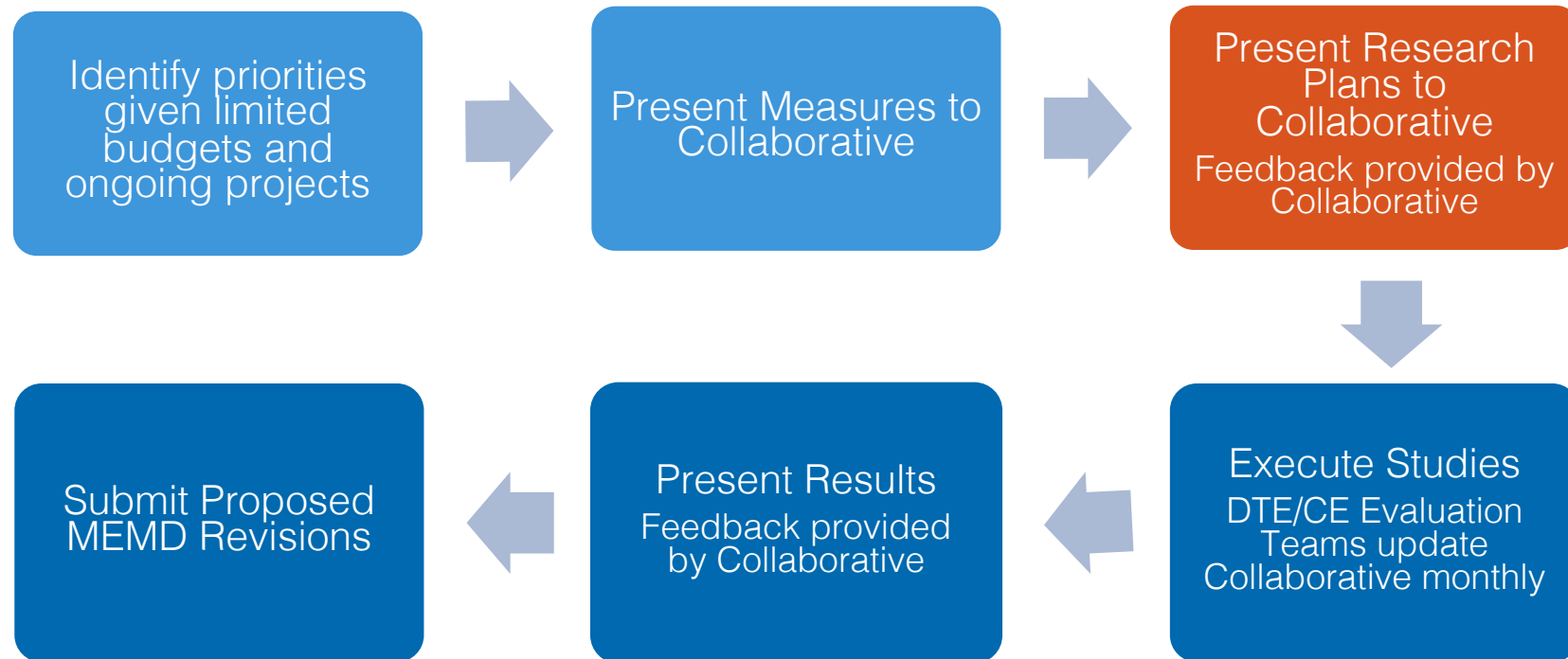
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# PROJECT INTRODUCTION



**Measure calibration** refers to the process where **third-party evaluators** conduct Michigan specific research which analyzes the per-unit savings impacts for **current MEMD measures**.





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# HVAC CONTROLS CALIBRATION



HVAC controls **contribute substantial savings** to Consumers Energy and DTE's portfolios and current estimates in the MEMD **lack Michigan-specific information**. HVAC measure controls contribute:

- **Consumers Energy:** 25% of 2020 gas plan
- **DTE:** 20% of 2018 gas savings

Without calibration efforts, uncertainty in these estimated HVAC controls savings is high.



## RESEARCH OBJECTIVES

HVAC controls were chosen for needed calibration due to the potential from increased focus on **Energy Management Systems**. The objectives of this research are to:

- **Estimate energy savings** (kWh and MCF/therm) and **peak demand (kW) reductions** for key HVAC controls measures in Consumers Energy and DTE's EWR portfolios.
- Specific research questions for this project include:
  - What are **appropriate deemed kWh, therm, and kW savings values** for key HVAC control measures?
  - If there is sufficient variation and sample size across weather zones: How do the savings vary **across Michigan weather zones**?
  - If there is sufficient variation and sample size across building types: How do savings vary **across building types**?





The research team will estimate the savings values and peak demand reductions using:

- **Energy consumption data** from Consumers Energy and DTE customers who have installed HVAC controls
- Weather zone and operating condition data **if large enough sample sizes available**

The precise methodology will be determined as part of the continued research planning process.



# RESEARCH TASKS



## Task 1: Research Planning

- **Identify key measures** for analysis based on participation and EWR plans.
- **Select an analysis methodology** based on program participation and availability of AMI and GCM meter data.



## Task 2: Billing Analysis

- **Identify participants** and the timing of participation, and clean the meter data
- **Estimate normalized reduced energy consumption** due to HVAC controls
- **Estimate uncertainty** in results

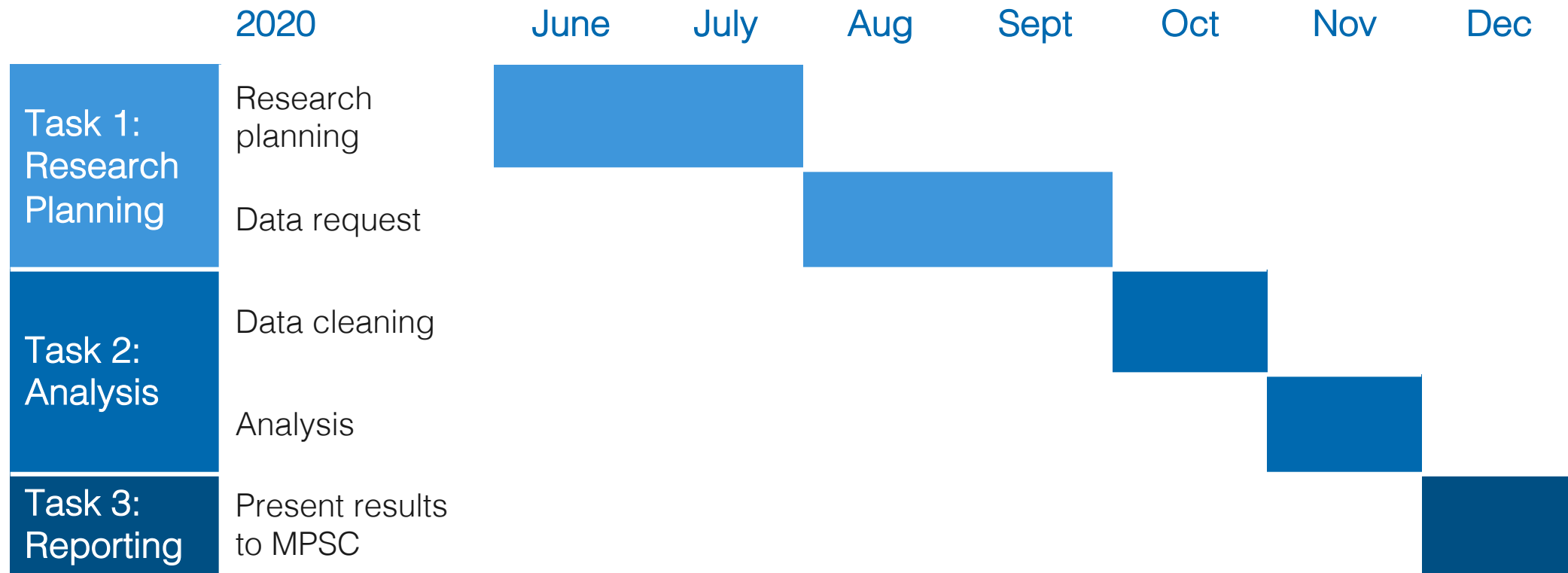


## Task 3: Reporting

- **Present results** to the MPSC



# TIMELINE





## BOILER TUNE-UP CALIBRATION



Currently, boiler tune-ups savings are measured based on a **baseline of a non-serviced boiler**. Some facilities regularly perform boiler tune-ups, leading to **uncertain or inaccurate savings estimates**. Boiler-tune up measures account for:

- **Consumers Energy:** 108,152 MCF/yr, **15.8% of gas savings** claimed in the Business Solutions Prescriptive Program
- **DTE:** 57,357 MCF/yr, **9% of gas savings** claimed as a part of the C&I Prescriptive Program.



## RESEARCH OBJECTIVES

The objectives of this research would include:

- **Estimate the savings** that are accruing due to commercial boiler tune-ups and compare the estimate to claimed savings - per boiler capacity (therms/kBtu/hr/yr)
- **Provide accurate and up-to-date data** to use to determine more accurate energy savings for these measures



## METHODOLOGY

The research team will calculate savings values, baseline and post tune-up efficiency, and reasonable hours of use using:

Program Material Review:

- **Relevant program documentation** from Consumers Energy and DTE
- **Work papers** from the MPSC
- **Program project files** provided by Consumers Energy and DTE

Field Data Collection:

- **Boiler efficiency data** from contractor ride alongs and site visits
- **Hours of use data** from contractor ride alongs and site visits

The precise methodology will be determined as part of the continued research planning process.



# RESEARCH TASKS



## Phase 1: Program Material Review

- **Documentation collection** of hours of use, capacity, and pre and post-tune-up boiler efficiency
- **Analysis** of relevant data
- **Reporting** of results to MPSC



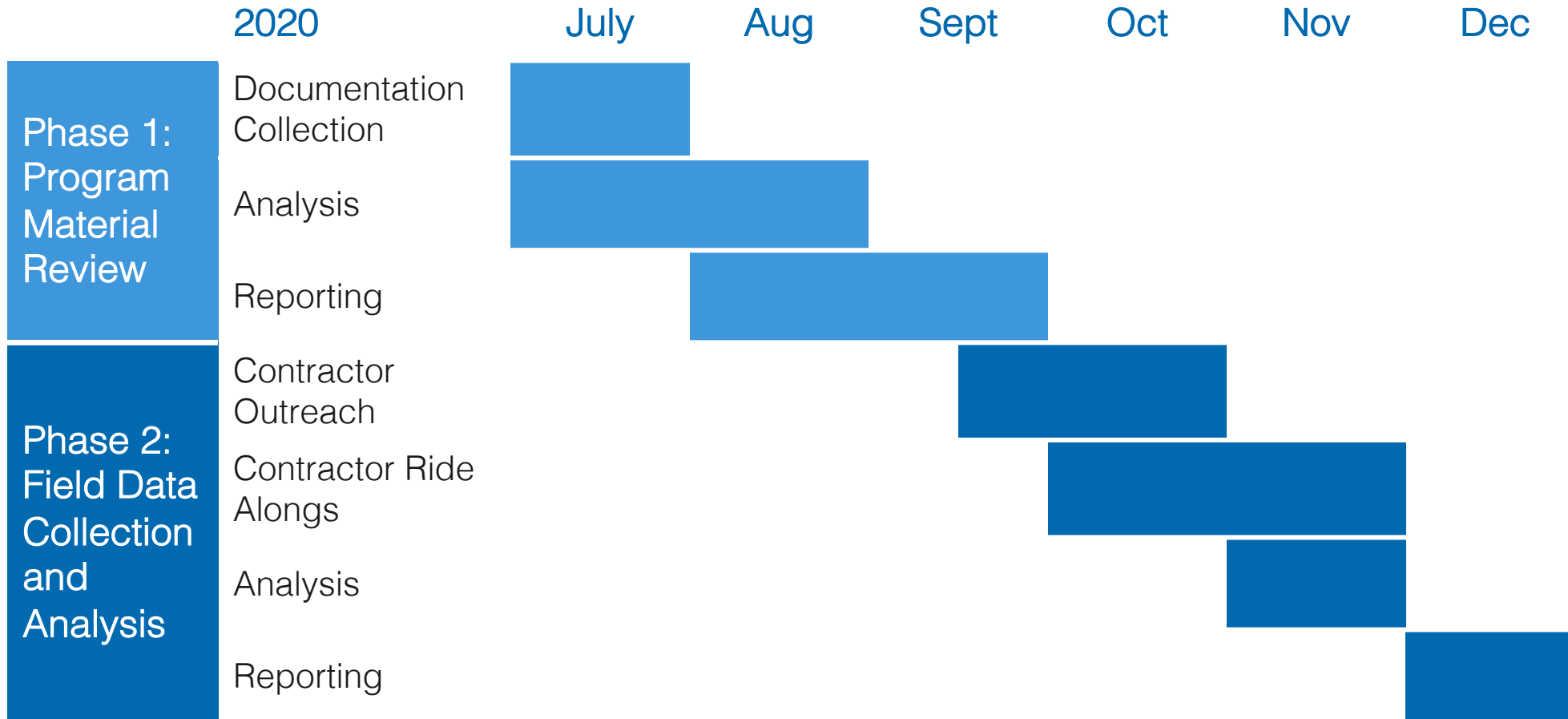
## Phase 2: Field Data Collection and Analysis – optional based on results of Phase 1

- **Contractor outreach** and data collection of boiler efficiency and hours of use
- **Contractor ride-alongs** to verify data collected in Phase 1 and Phase 2
- **Analysis** of relevant data
- **Reporting** of results to MPSC





# TIMELINE



thank you

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