

Guidelines for Industrial Customers

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### **Presentation Summary**

- Defining the Problem
- Benefits of utility efficiency programs
- Responding to industry arguments
- Best practices for utility programs
- Case studies: Industrial efficiency success stories
- Making efficiency programs work for your company



#### **Overview**

Manufacturing groups are opposing utility energy-efficiency
 (EE) programs; however, opting out of these programs is bad for
 their bottom line

Deliver cheapest electricity and lowest electric bills

Shorten payback periods for EE projects

Well-Designed EE Programs

Meet needs of manufacturers and increase competitiveness

Offer cheapest GHG reductions as states implement CPP



### Terminology

- Utility EE programs All ratepayers pay fees on their electric bills
- Self-direct programs Large customers still pay fees, but choose how to spend them at their own facilities
- Opt-out programs Large customers "opt out" of EE fees, with no obligation to make EE investments on their own

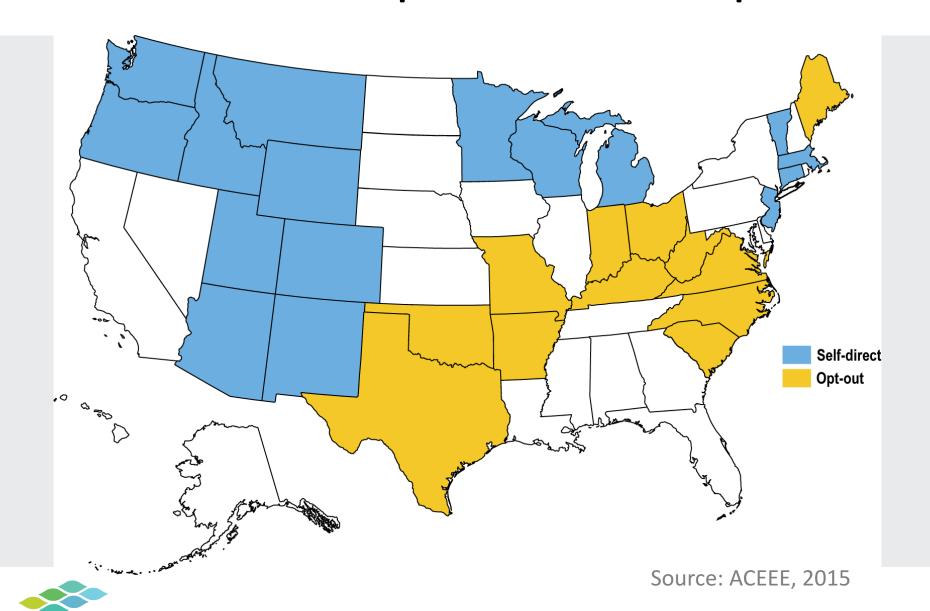


#### The Problem

- Manufacturing groups are taking action against utility EE programs:
  - Opposing energy efficiency resource standards (EERS)
  - Seeking to opt out of utility EE programs
- 12 states allow some or all large customers to opt out



### Industrial Opt-Out Landscape



#### **Example of Opposition**

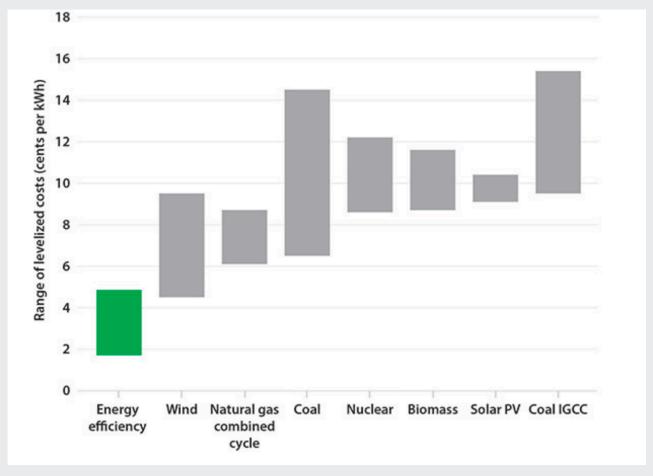


- Pennsylvania SB 805
  - Seeks to allow customers to opt out of Act 129, the state's Energy Efficiency and Conservation Program
  - Industrial Energy Consumers of Pennsylvania (IECPA) submitted testimony supporting an opt-out option
- "...[Act 129] is putting Pennsylvania's large industrial customers (large manufacturers) at a competitive disadvantage compared to their competition in other states and globally. ... Large customers are highly motivated to energy efficiency with or without Act 129." –IECPA



### Benefits of Utility Programs: Keep Costs Down for All Customers

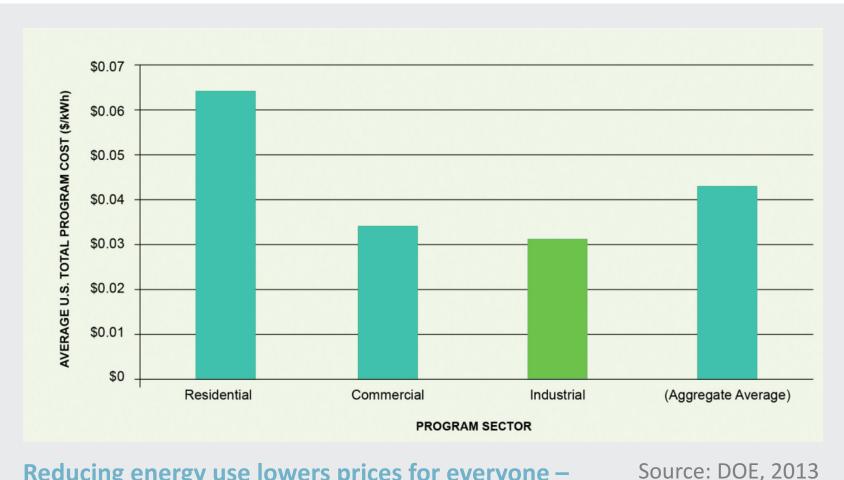
EE is the Cheapest Energy Resource



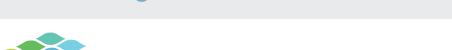


Source: ACEEE, 2014

## Industry Has Lowest Cost of Saved Energy on National Level



Reducing energy use lowers prices for everyone – including industrial customers!



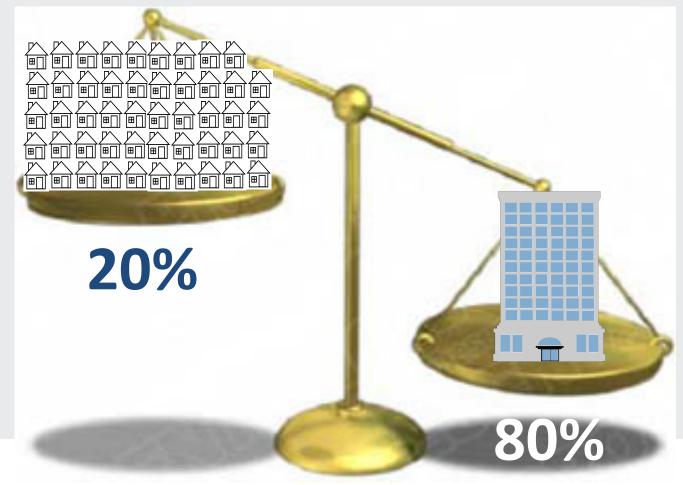
## Benefits of Utility Programs: *Utility Programs Make More Projects Possible*





#### Industrial Customers Are the Largest Energy Users

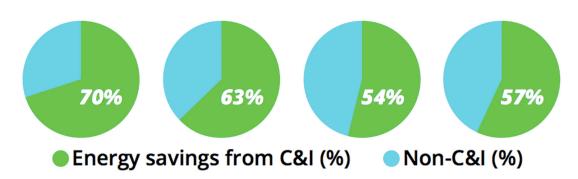
In certain territories, as little as 2% of ratepayers use 80% of the electricity





## Commercial and Industrial Programs Provide Big Reductions

Energy savings from commercial and industrial programs



Energy Trust of Oregon

National Grid Rhode Island

Xcel Colorado Focus on Energy Wisconsin

2.4¢

2.8¢

1.9¢

1.8¢

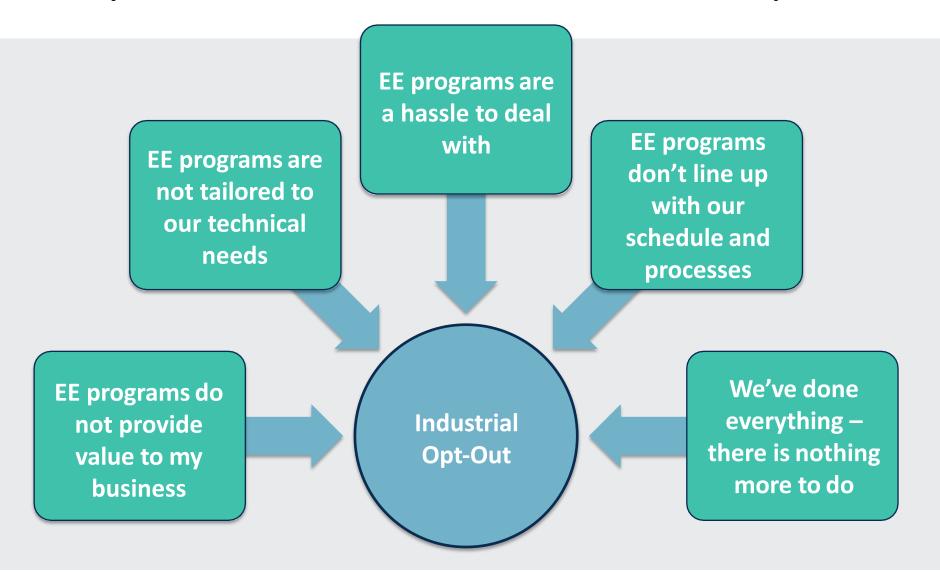
Levelized cost of C&I savings (\$/kWh)

**Source** ACEEE estimates, based on publicly available program administrator annual reports for 2014. We calculate the levelized cost of the program using the PMT function in an Excel spreadsheet and assume a 13-year measure life and a 5% discount rate.



Source: ACEEE, 2016

#### Why Do Industrial Customers Choose to Opt Out?

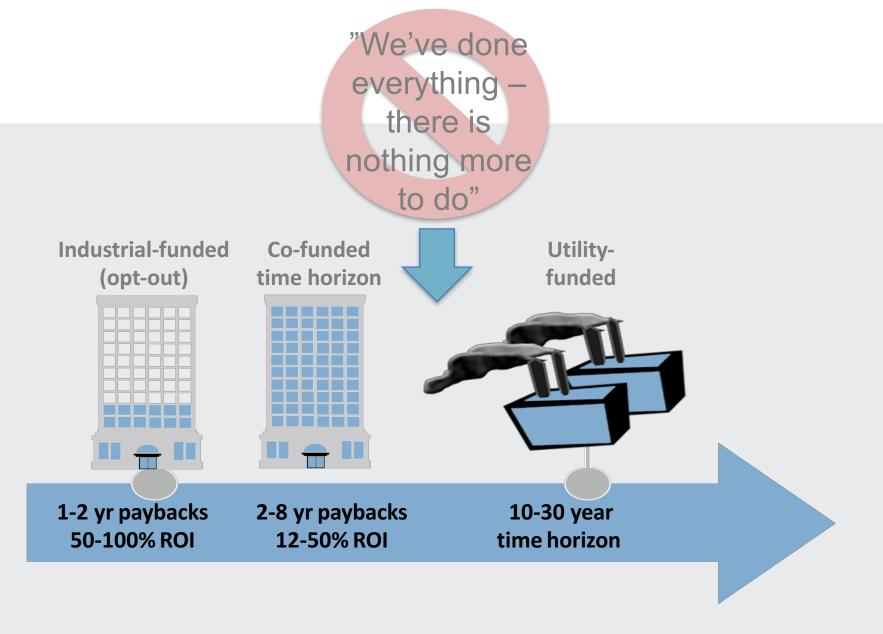




Source: Schlegel and Associates, 2015

# Let's take a look at each of these arguments...







Access to technical expertise

Utility becomes "partner" in finding reductions



"EE programs
do not provide
value to my
business"

Fund larger projects by shrinking ROI



Provide "fresh set of eyes" to consider possible projects



"EE programs are not tailored to our technical needs"



Custom EE program offerings



Prescriptive rebates as low-hassle incentives





Many technical resources available to reduce hassle



Continuous improvement of application processes



"EE programs
don't line up with
our investment
schedule and
processes"

Multi-year operational planning

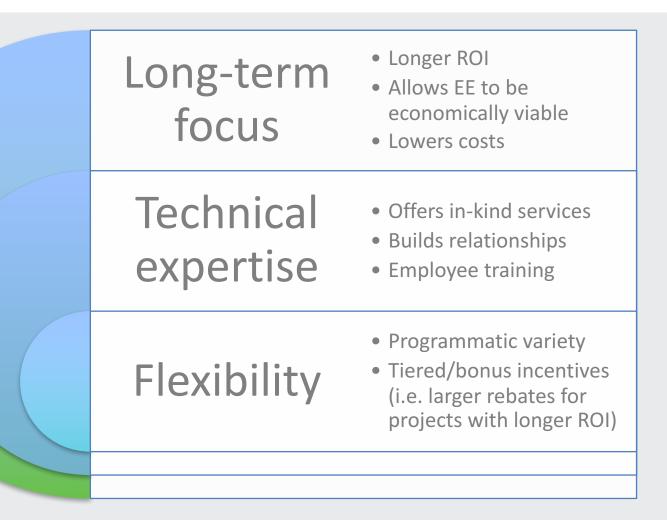




Energy price mitigation for *all* customers

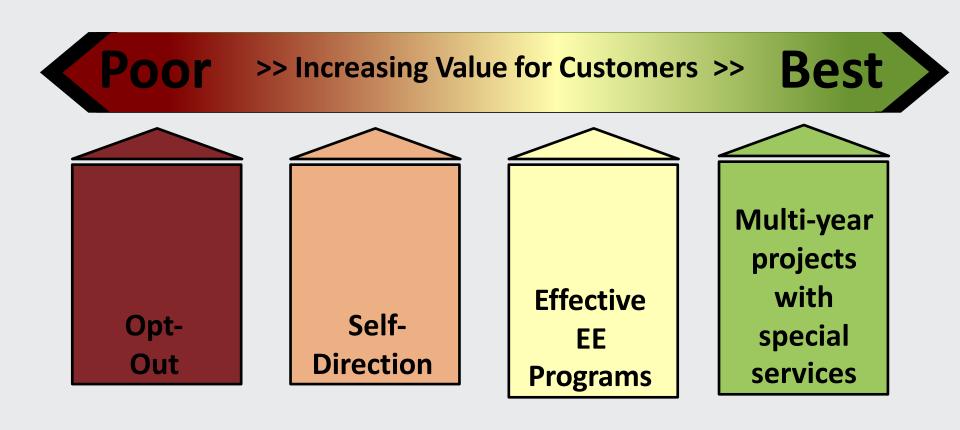


## Features of EE Programs Beneficial to Industrial Customers





### Options for Large Customers





Source: Schlegel and Associates, 2015

## Case Study #1: Mass Save® & Cedar's Mediterranean Foods, Inc.

- Installed custom projects
  - Variable speed homogenizer
  - Positive displacement booster pump
  - Plant reconfiguration
- Total Project Cost: \$1,125,170
- Mass Save® Investment: \$372,665
- Annual Energy Savings: 1,170,084 kWh
- Annual Cost Savings: \$125,000
- Simple Payback Period: 3.8 years







## Case Study #2: Efficiency Vermont & Husky Injection Molding Systems

- Manufacturer of injection molding manifolds
- Milton, VT facility participated in Efficiency Vermont
- EE investments would not have been made without program
- Annual Energy Savings: 5,900,000 kWh
- Annual Cost Savings: \$600,000



### **Efficiency** Vermont

"[Efficiency Vermont has] a clear understanding of our business from both an operational and financial standpoint and this allows them to adapt their focus to help us meet our goals." – DeWayne Howell, Husky Injection Molding Systems



#### Why Should Manufacturers Support EE Programs?

### Gain Cost-Saving EE Opportunities

Receive cheapest electricity and lowest electric bills

Shorten payback periods for efficiency projects

## Support Equity Among Utility Customers

Contribute to costeffectiveness of EE programs for all participants

> Receive pricesuppression benefits

#### Reduce GHG Emissions

Cheapest GHG reductions as states implement Clean Power Plan

Visibly demonstrate environmental commitment



## Making Utility Efficiency Programs Work for Your Company

- Choose to participate in EE programs
- Publicly support utility EE programs
- Seek redesign of EE programs if they are not working for you





#### Questions?

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