BPA Energy Efficiency Weekly Announcements, December 12, 2013

Events

Brown Bag: The Retail Sales Allocation Tool - What it is and how does it work?

Traditional rebate program models in residential are clunky and expensive to run. What if there was an easier way? Please join us December 12, 12:00 - 1:30 p.m. to learn more about the Retail Sales Allocation Tool (RSAT), how it works and how it is poised to help residential programs move into the next phase...More

Program Updates

Smart Water Heat Offers Limited-time Increase and Extension to Tier 2 Rebate -

To increase Tier 2 heat pump water heater sales through the end of the year, Smart Water Heat is offering a limited-time increase to the Smart Water Heat Tier 2 rebate from $750 to $1,000, from Nov. 15 through Dec. 31, 2013. The Tier 2 $750 Rebate will also be extended from Jan. 1 - Mar. 31, 2014…More

Home Depot Extends Fall Heat Pump Water Heater Promotion to Dec. 31 -

Home Depot is extending their Rheem heat pump water heater promotion one week. From Nov. 28- Dec. 31, 2013, Home Depot will offer a $459 instant rebate on Rheem EcoSense 50 gallon heat pump water heater purchases…More

Important Commercial Lighting Updates -

The BPA Lighting Team has important updates to share regarding NW TAN Lighting Training and the recent Lighting Calculator Update…More

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Utility Sounding Board Vacancies -

BPA is excited to announce that beginning in January we will have three open seats on our Utility Sounding Board, and we are seeking nominees to fill these positions…More

Issues with the IS 2.0 Summarizer Tool -

With the launch of IS 2.0, BPA released the Summarizer, an optional tool for customers to gain visibility into the sum of savings and reimbursements expected within an IS 2.0 invoice. It also identifies potential errors within the Excel files so you can correct them prior to submission through the Customer Portal. Unfortunately, as we have moved farther away from the initial release of IS 2.0 and circumstances continue to evolve (e.g., updated reference numbers, upgraded calculators, etc.), the Summarizer has become less able to deliver fully accurate results. At this point we have identified two primary issues - Lighting Calculator compatibility and flagging correct Reference Number as errors…More

Commercial Building Stock Assessment Update (CBSA) -

On behalf of the region, the Northwest Energy Efficiency Alliance (NEEA) is in the midst of conducting the 2012-2014 Commercial Building Stock Assessment (CBSA). Information is being collected as part of this research project to gain a better understanding of energy use characteristics of commercial buildings in the Pacific Northwest and to inform power plan conservation targets. The primary objective of this study is to deliver a regionally representative characterization of commercial buildings and energy usage in support of power planning and identification of conservation program opportunities. We now have completed a significant number of commercial building assessments to move to the next phase - gathering utility billing data for those buildings that have consented to providing it. NEEA has contracted with a third party to gather this information, Navigant. Many of you have commercial buildings that are participating in the CBSA in your service territory. This is a heads up you'll be receiving a request for the utility billing data in the very near future. Should you have any questions, please contact Anu Teja (503.688.5421) or Christopher Frye (503.688.5441).