

Utility Sounding Board Meeting Notes

October 2016

- General Topics From the Field
 - Some utilities were continuing to try and operate an appliance decommissioning program and asked for advice and any existing examples.
 - The Utility Sounding Board (USB) was briefed on the continuing dialogue on PrePay programs and how they might be incorporated into energy conservation. BPA currently has a firm stance on needing more information before proceeding forward.
- HPWH in Simple Steps
 - There are some concerns about how this program is launched and how it might affect both participating and non-participating utilities. BPA is currently developing what this program will look like with utility input.
- Update Charter
 - The USB discussed some minor changes to the existing charter to allow for a better on-boarding process for new members and better recruitment.
- Decide on New Members
 - The USB selected three new members to the board from all of the applicants. These names will be made public via the weekly BPA announcements.
- Focus 2028 and Efficiency Forward
 - The USB was briefed on some of the topics and decisions made from the Focus 2028 discussion. More information on Focus 2028 will be provided by BPA through its many communication channels.
- Finish discussion on NEEA committee participation.
 - Northwest Energy Efficiency Alliance has propositioned the USB to be a gatekeeper to help get participants for non-direct funders for their many programs divided by sectors. The USB declined to be the gatekeeper, but offered to help recruit utilities to help NEEA in each of these groups.

