

BPA Energy Efficiency Weekly Announcements, March 12, 2015

Events

Efficiency Exchange Hotel Room Blocks-

If you are going to register for Efficiency Exchange but haven't finalized your plans yet you may want to act fast. Though you have until March 27 to register at the early bird rate of \$195, our hotel room blocks are filling up fast. There are Efficiency Exchange room blocks at both Courtyard Marriot City Center and the Portland Double Tree by Hilton, and both are selling out quickly. Once these blocks expire hotel rooms may be in short supply because of other events being held in Portland on the same days as Efficiency Exchange.

Details on the hotels and how to reserve a room in the Efficiency Exchange room blocks can be [found here](#) on efficiencyexchangenw.com.

Brownbag: Upcoming Residential Weatherization Measure Changes -

Join BPA's Residential Program team on Thurs., March 26 at 12:00 p.m. PST for an informative Brownbag discussion on the upcoming changes to the Weatherization measures...[More](#)

Low Income Energy Efficiency Workgroup Meeting - Save the Date - April 20 -

BPA invites its public power customers and regional stakeholders to participate in the Low Income Energy Efficiency workgroup. This is the third meeting. To add this to your calendar, click [here](#).

You can find more information about the Low Income Efficiency workgroup [here](#).

Reminders

Smart Water Heat 2015 Federal Standards Flyer -

Smart Water Heat has created a new resource to help navigate the 2015 Federal Electric Water Heater Standards changes and what they might mean for your customers. To access the 2015 Federal Standards Flyer for electric water heaters summarizing product updates and installation considerations, click [here](#).



BPA to Make Funds Available via the Unassigned Account

After a review of Energy Efficiency's FY15 program budget, we have determined that \$4,925,000 will be available for release to the Unassigned Account. These funds were originally designated to support regional program infrastructure (e.g., third-party programs) in FY14, but costs have been lower than expected and we are reallocating funds to our customers... [More](#)

Public Comment Period on a Shifting EE Funding from Capital to Expense -

BPA held a follow-up workshop to the Integrated Program Review (IPR2) on Feb. 24. The purpose of this workshop was to provide customers and interested parties an opportunity to weigh in on whether BPA should shift conservation funding from capital to expense. For those who were unable to attend this meeting, the materials presented can be found [here](#).

BPA has opened a public comment period on the scenarios presented at this workshop that concludes on March 13, 2015. Comments can be submitted online, www.bpa.gov/comment; by email; or by mail to: BPA, P.O. Box 14428, Portland, OR 97293-4428.

Conservation Billing Credits -

During BPA's Energy Efficiency Post-2011 Review, customers expressed an interest in pursuing conservation activities that do not depend on funding through the Energy Efficiency Incentive. In response, BPA plans to offer conservation billing credits during the 2016 - 2017 Rate Period. Customers interested in Conservation Billing Credits should contact their EER soon. Contracts must be signed by April 2015. More information [here](#).
