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Playing in the Sandbox

Pilot Testing Emerging Technologies in CA



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Pilot Testing Market Interventions

- Our state of knowledge about emerging technology products can be characterized along three dimensions:
 - Technical performance
 - Market barrier knowledge
 - Program intervention efficacy
- Characteristics of emerging technologies that are ready for pilot testing
 - Technical performance should have high confidence in technical performance so that null findings cannot be attributed to technical performance
 - Market barrier knowledge can have medium or high confidence in our understanding of the market and market barriers that are unique to the product
 - Program intervention knowledge can have low or medium confidence in understanding of interventions that can address the market barriers



Scope of ETP Pilot Testing

- ETP is non-resource and provides recommendations to program designers and portfolio administrators on emerging and underutilized technologies
- ETP pilots focuses on market barriers specific to the emerging technology (e.g. performance uncertainties, hidden costs)
- Portfolio Administrators and program designers conduct pilots that focus on market barriers that cut across all measures (e.g. first costs/financing, information asymmetry, split incentive, organization practices, bill protection)



Collaborate to develop scope of pilot tests

- Present three emerging technology candidates that are ready for pilot testing
 - Commercial Secondary Windows
 - Residential Ducted Split System Variable Capacity Heat Pumps (VCHP)
 - Central MF Heat Pump Water Heaters
- Discuss pilot testing objectives
 - Identify market barriers unique to the emerging technology to be pilot tested
 - Identify possible interventions against those market barriers
 - Identify actors and venues (specific IOU programs, customer sites, sector, etc.)



Three Pilot Testing Candidates

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On to the breakout sessions!