

## Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection











## GC3 Meeting

April 13, 2016 1:30 — 3:30 p.m.



### Agenda

1:30 Welcome & Announcements Recap state and local climate actions 1:35 discussion 1:45 **REMI Building Sector Inputs and Assumptions** CT's Efficient Buildings: Capturing opportunities for 2:05 emission reductions, job creation, and increased competitiveness 2:20 **Building Sector Policy Discussion** 4:30 **Public Comments** 

# Recap State and Local Climate Actions Discussion

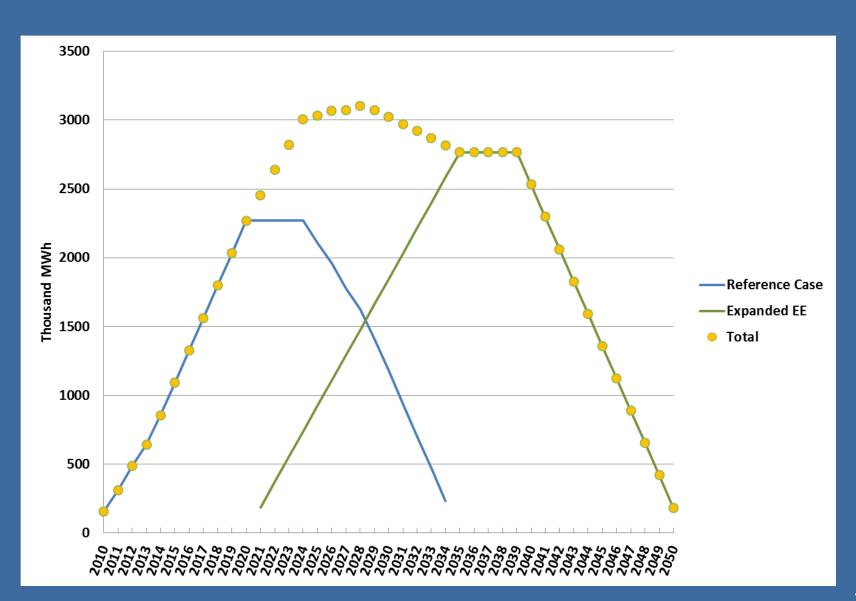
# REMI Building Sector Inputs and Assumptions



# Review energy efficiency and building technology scenarios

- Residential & Commercial Renewable Thermal
  - − Air Source Heat Pumps ~ 90%
  - − Ground Source Heat Pumps ~ 10%
- Expanded electric & gas energy efficiency
  - Based on continuing current EE investments out to 2035

### Energy Efficiency Measure Savings



### Direct Costs From LEAP Used in REMI Modeling

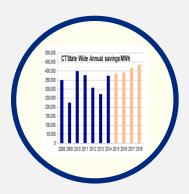
- Changes in energy expenditures
  - Increased electricity spending
  - Reduced spending on fossil fuels
- Changes in total investment spending on residential
   & commercial heating and cooling equipment
  - Broken out into labor, capital and materials
- Incremental spending on efficiency measures
  - Broken out into labor, capital, materials and other local industries involved in EE deployment

## CT's Efficient Buildings:

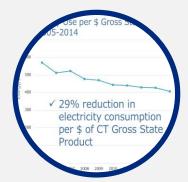
Capturing opportunities for emission reductions, job creation, and increased competitiveness



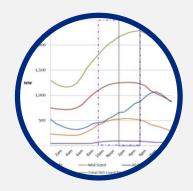
### Key Strategies for Better Buildings



Prioritize energy savings as a financing resource and as an energy resource



Improve energy performance of existing buildings; Increase productivity of processes

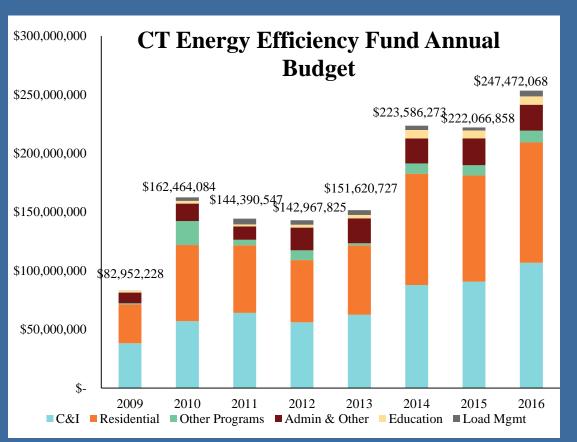


Integrate
efficiency, storage,
rates, and
renewables to
reduce peak
demand



Ensure
interoperability of
demand response
communications
between grid and
buildings

### Connecticut's Current Investment and Progress



Source: 2016-2018 Conservation and Load Management Plan

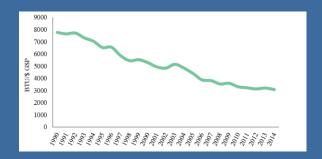
## Highlights of 2016-2018 C&LM Plan Targets:

- \$700M portfolio for customers
- 129k residential homes weatherized
- 9.7 M residential products distributed
- All 169 communities actively engaged
- 28k businesses more efficient
- Energy as a resource: Energy savings equivalent to the output of a 262 MW power plant

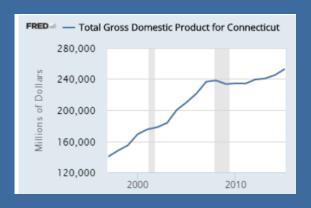
### CT Building Stock: **Emissions Reduction Opportunity**

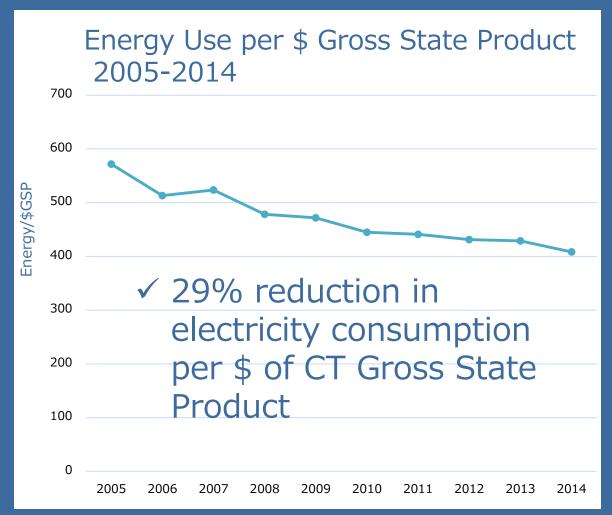
Focus Over 70% of building stock built before 1970 Investment on Thermal Half of households heat using fuel oil Efficiency Old, inefficient, **Volatile Fuel Costs** housing stock with Use of inefficient insufficient fossil fuels weatherization Limited control of energy expenditures

### Efficiency Improves CT Productivity



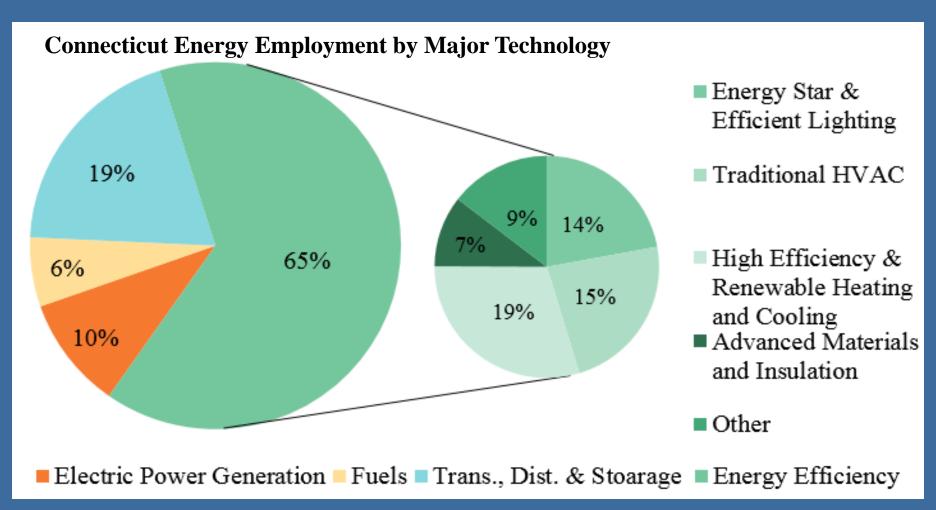
Connecticut's businesses are using less electricity to produce an increasing quantity of goods and services





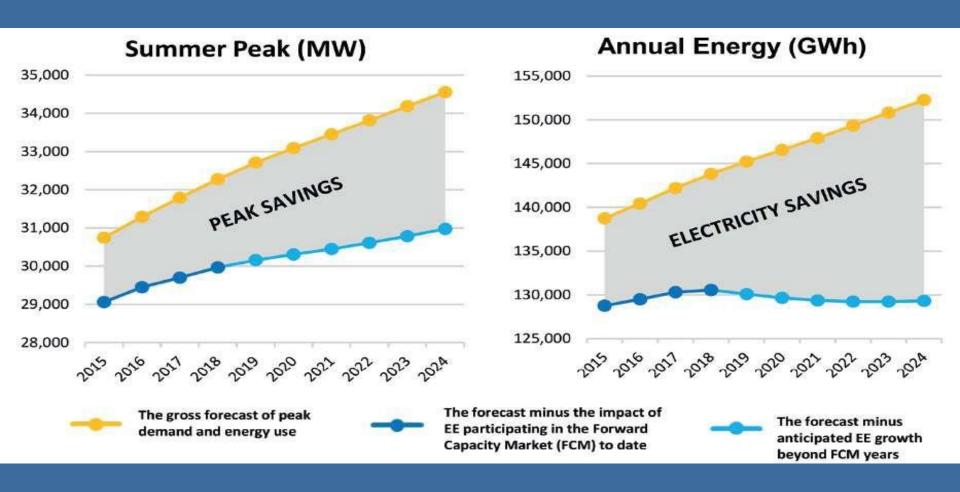
Sources: EIA SEDS data, US Bureau of Economic Analysis, Federal Reserve Economic Data

### Efficiency employs 34,000 in CT



Source: (United States Department of Energy, 2017)

### Check Growth & Reduce Peak

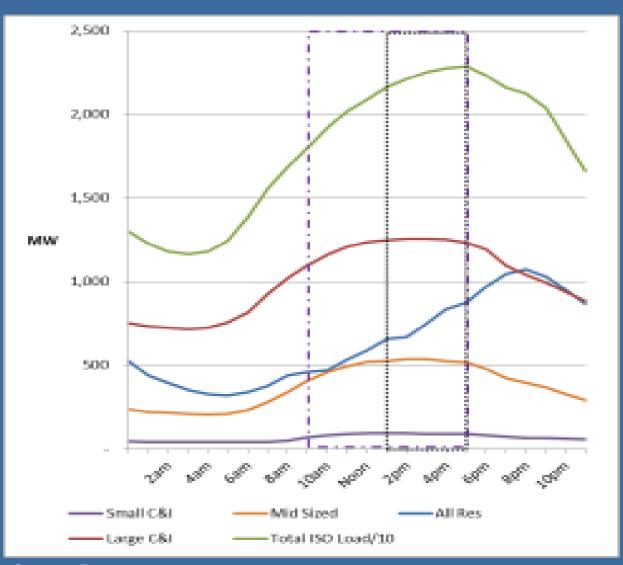


ISO-NE: Investment in energy efficiency will decrease overall load growth, but peak demand continues to grow, spreading costs over fewer units.

### Managing Peak Demand is Key

Managing peak demand means customizing solutions for different customer classes. Why?

Because solutions require understanding varied energy profiles at the ISO level, distribution level, and customer level.



Source: Eversource

# Advance Controls and Two-Way Communications

 Empowering individuals and businesses to recognize the opportunity and receive value of demand response, distributed generation, and energy storage



#### Benefits:

- Reduces capacity needs
- Reduces transmission & distribution investments
- Contributes to a more resilient electrical grid



### Mainstreaming Energy Efficiency

- ✓ Externalized costs of other energy sources make efficiency resource appear costly
  - requiring need for optimized mix of actions to correct market imperfections
  - incentives, simple financing, codes, standards
- ✓ Increase automated controls and automated and standardized monitoring and verification tools
- ✓ Improve consumer awareness and standardize valuation of savings opportunity through Energy Star, Home Energy Score
- ✓ Better target segment-specific barriers
  - Improve access to capital in some sectors
  - Compete better against other investment opportunities
  - Ready homes for weatherization

### Better Buildings Best Practices

### Strategies to reduce GHG emissions

<u>Primary Target</u> — There are four primary means to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from the building sector:

- Procure efficiency as a resource
- Increase performance of new and existing buildings
- Reduce peak demand
- Increase efficiency of thermal equipment

<u>Approach</u> — There are various approaches to achieve a target, which rage from voluntary efforts to mandatory actions:



<u>Timing</u> — Immediate vs. long-term impacts

**Effectiveness Factors** — policy design/nuances and consumer responses

**Ease of Implementation**— political feasibility, equity, economic impacts, and co-benefits

### Example strategies to reduce GHG emissions

# Procure energy efficiency as a resource

### Increase performance of new and existing buildings

### Reduce peak demand (electric efficiency)

### Increase thermal efficiency (renewable thermal technologies)

### Procure efficiency as a resource

- Replicate recent procurement per PA 15-107 of a 34 MW energy efficiency commitment to displace other generation sources
- Invest portion of federal energy assistance funds in efficiency to sustainably close affordability gap

### Catalyze avoided costs as a financing resource

 to repurpose savings to invest in building infrastructure

### Better measure policy benefits of efficiency

 to adapt as market transforms

### Maintain consistent utility administered investments

to stabilize industry

#### Reduce waste

- Increase application of combined heat and power
- Improve voltage regulation/optimization
- Integrate water conservation; increase efficiency of treatment
- Assess applicability of district heating/thermal loops

#### Lock in efficiency

- Provide simple life cycle analyses to account for both operating and installation costs
- Train for and reward installation of higher efficiency equipment

#### **Lead by Example**

- Insulate and upgrade HVAC in public buildings
- Promote insurance discounts for well insulated buildings

#### Be prepared

 Integrate pre-weatherization costs into financing and include this work in projects

### **Economic Signals and Incentives**

- Time of Use Rates
- Peak Time Rebates
- Home Energy Score

### Increase and standardize two-way communication

- Deploy advanced meters or comparable data acquisition equipment
- Promote use of standards to provide a common basis to manage and communicate about electrical energy consumptions and forecasts, such as ANSI/ASHRAE/NEMA Standard 201-2016, Facility Smart Grid Information Model

### Advance simple financing and upstream incentives

- for insulation, HVAC, and water heating
- to mainstream availability of most efficient equipment

### Heat Pump & Solar Water Heaters

- Incentivized for most customers
- Subsidized for low income customers
- Upstream availability to mainstream

### Heat Pumps for heating and cooling/conditioning

- Target electric homes with marketing and assessments to replace electric resistance heat in near term
- Replace fossil fuel heating equipment in longer term

# Building Sector Policy Discussion



### **Public Comments**

