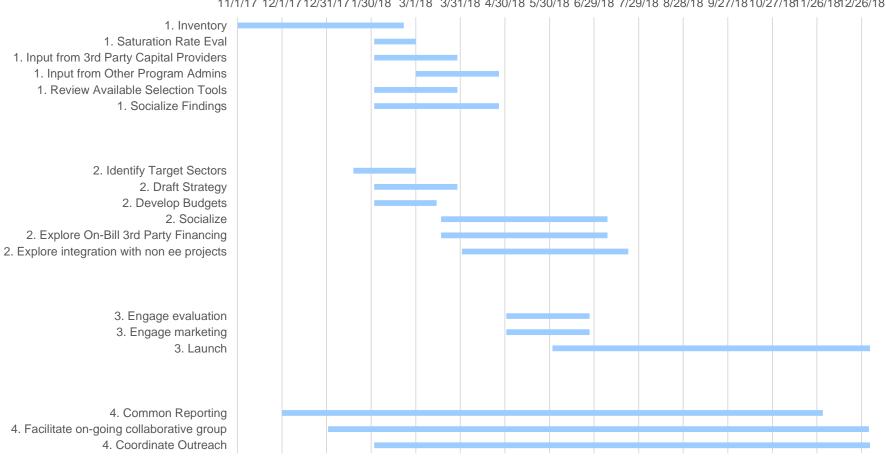
C&I Finance Update to the EERMC

March 15th, 2018

- Primary areas of focus in 2018
 - Confirm market coverage of current finance offerings
 - RIIB Collaboration
 - Begin to test enhancements to current finance offerings
- Enhancing and improving financing options is expected to be an on-going, multi-year effort.

2018 Work Plan





Collaboration with RIIB

- Regularly scheduled meetings to foster closer collaboration
- Focus on how/where can we be successful together?
 - Priorities
 - Importance of market awareness
 - Current go-to-market strategies for retrofit and new construction
 - Learning from CPACE in other states
 - Deep bench discussions

Finance Testing

- Terminology Clarification Test vs. Pilot
- Process
 - Information gathering
 - External stakeholders
 - Internal stakeholders
 - Strategy development
 - Changes in OBR spending fund balance
 - Robust testing to generate meaningful results
 - Consistent with meeting annual savings goals
 - Deliverable
- Consistent language and messaging
- Monitoring and updates to key partners



C&I Finance Testing

- Potential reduction in incentive amounts
- Motivating comprehensive projects

C&I Finance Test 1

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Hypothesis: Incentives can be reduced if financing is provided.

- Goals
 - Reduce one-time program costs
 - Gain a better understanding of customer preferences
- Test structure based on customer choice, not comparison of one group to another.
- Used OBR because we wanted to test this concept with a product that is perceived as a low friction transaction.
- Can be tested with single measure or multi-measure projects.
- Does not interfere with other financing mechanisms.

Finance Test 1

- Finalized with Sales end of February
- Robust commitment of OBR funds

Test Option	Incentive Offer	OBR Offer
1	Standard Incentive	none
2	70% of Standard Incentive	50% of customer balance after incentive
3	50% of Standard Incentive	100% of customer balance after incentive

Finance Test 2

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<u>Hypothesis</u> – Customers are willing to implement more comprehensive projects if financing is easily available.

Next Steps

- Information gathering
- Clarify the hypothesis
- Refine strategy

Questions or comments?