# Collaborating on Market Transformation Programs

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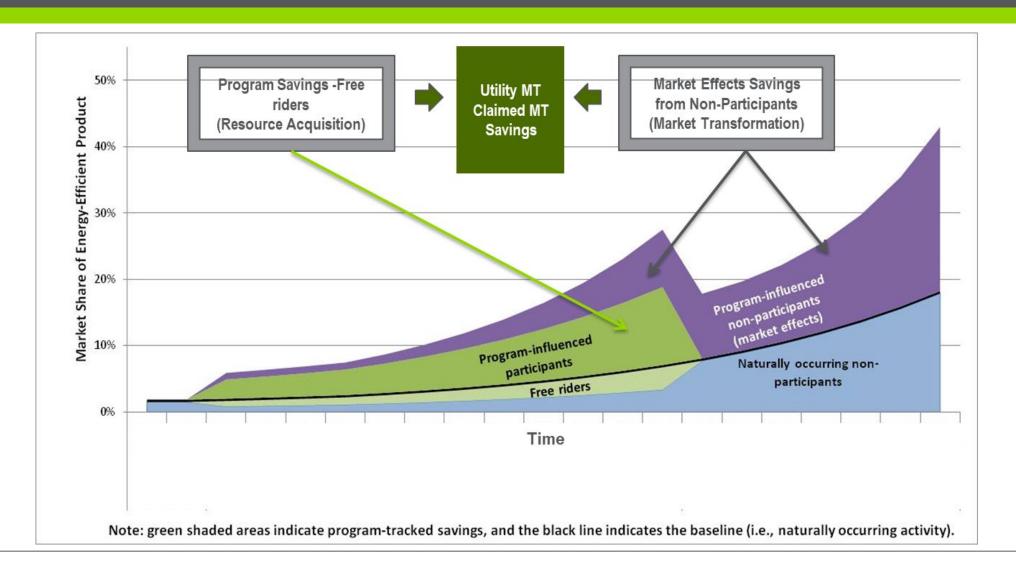
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# According to ACEEE

The term market transformation is the strategic process of intervening in a market to create lasting change in market behavior by removing identified barriers or exploiting opportunities to accelerate the adoption of all cost-effective energy efficiency as a matter of standard practice.

## MARKET TRANSFORMATION INITIATIVES TYPICALLY FOCUS ON "WHOLE MARKET SAVINGS"



#### MARKET TRANSFORMATION SUMMIT

- The Market Transformation Summit was held in Chicago on September 12-13, 2018.
- It included national market transformation subject matter experts, representatives and experts from North American utilities, and municipal and regulatory experts
- Issue Area 1: How does market transformation work in today's energy efficiency portfolio?
- Issue Area 2: What are the must-have components of a market transformation initiative?
- Issue Area 3: What market transformation initiatives could be pursued in the Midwest today?



#### WHAT ARE MARKET TRANSFORMATION PROGRAMS?

# Initiatives that leverage existing resource acquisition programs and accelerate new technology adoption

- Cold climate heat pumps
- Advanced HVAC
- Advanced lighting controls
- Smart commercial buildings
- Clean water pumps

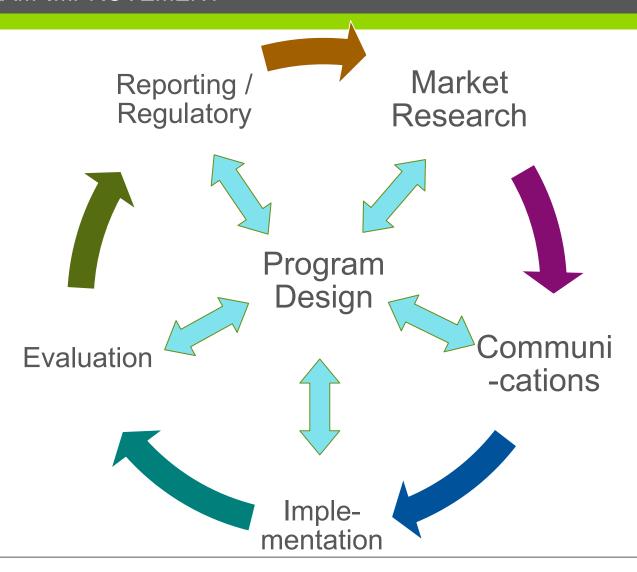
# Initiatives that leverage regional or national efforts

- Stretch building code adoption initiatives
- Existing municipal building upgrade requirements
- Building Operator Certification

## **EVALUATION AND THE PROGRAM**



# CONTINUOUS PROGRAM IMPROVEMENT



#### **EVALUATION**

- Think broadly about what evaluation can do
- Evaluation is not just about savings verification and free ridership
  - -Optimizing program design
  - -Identifying unrealized EE potential
  - -Identifying mid-course corrections



#### FIRST STEP

- Engage all stakeholders
- Develop the planning and regulatory context for market transformation. Develop an overall policy and market transformation framework that can be used to assess
  - specific alternatives.
- Develop policy framework
- Examine incentives



# Engage all stakeholders

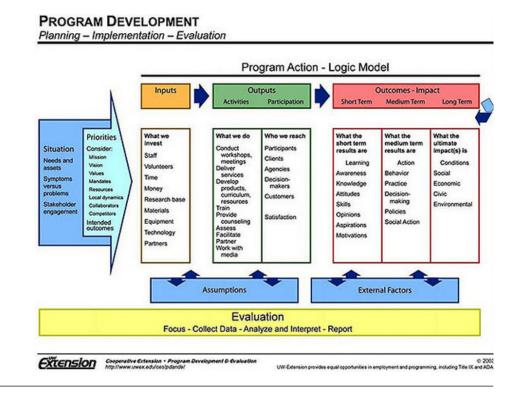
- Market transformation requires scale
  - -Market transformation focuses on changing a market and the relevant definition of these markets may not align with utility service territories.
  - -Coordination across utility territories, states, implementers, evaluators, regulators...



#### SECOND STEP

# **Program Theory Outputs and Outcomes**

- The logic model and the intervention strategy should identify the outputs and outcomes and the metrics that define them.
- Market transformation evaluation should target those key outcomes.
- Define the baseline
- Determine how to calculate savings from a changed baseline.

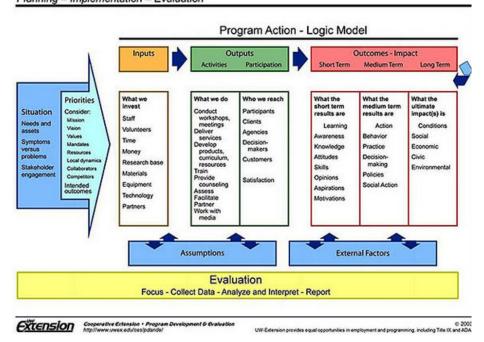


#### SECOND STEP

# Program Theory Outputs and Outcomes – Market Indicators

- Market share for energy efficient products and services
- Saturation of energy efficient products
- Price of the product or service compared to less efficient alternatives
- Availability of efficient products and efficiency services
- Levels of product or service awareness
- Knowledge among market actors
- Ultimately: energy and demand savings

#### PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT Planning – Implementation – Evaluation



#### **ATTRIBUTION**

- Attribution (Net-To-Gross) research for Market Transformation is a different animal.
- It may be difficult to capture the attribution associated with supply channel changes.
- One solution: allow for negotiated net-to-gross values to address these impacts.
- Attribution should be established region-wide.
- Setting and agreeing on a baseline early in market transformation is important.

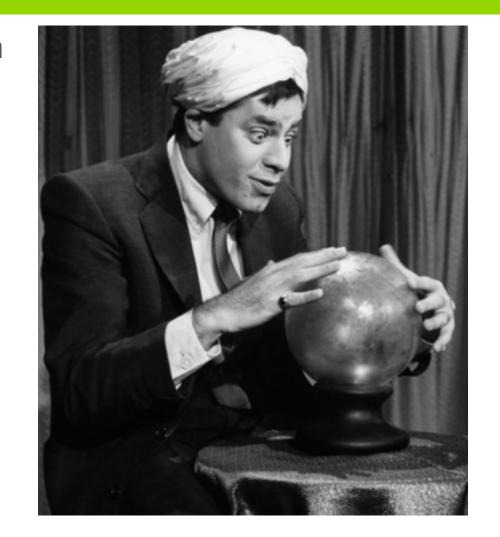


#### CASE STUDIES

- The Illinois Market Transformation Summit identified six candidates for early efforts
  - –Code compliance initiative
  - Residential HVAC quality install
  - -ENERGY STAR® Retail Products Platform
  - -Commercial benchmarking and transparency (B&T) initiatives
  - -Strategic Energy Management (SEM) Program
  - -Building Operator Certification Program
- Evaluation issues around each effort illustrate the importance of early and comprehensive communication.

#### CASE STUDIES - CODE COMPLIANCE

- Savings from Code Compliance efforts are not from rebated widgets that can be tracked easily.
- Savings must come from tracking changes in compliance with code **over time**.
- The evaluation cannot look backwards in time to measure historical code compliance.
- Measuring changes in code compliance can be costly and so should be targeted very carefully.
- Therefore, the program design needs to proceed hand-in-hand with an evaluation design so that its results can be measured.



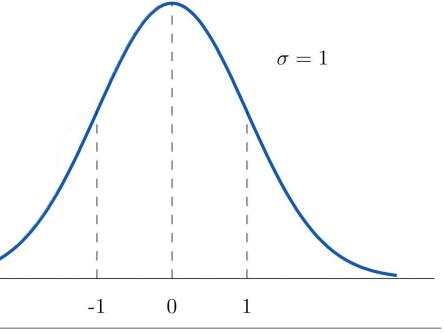
#### CASE STUDIES - RESIDENTIAL HVAC QUALITY INSTALL

• The success of a Residential HVAC Quality Install program comes from measuring the changes in the standard practice.

Standard practice may not be defined by a single set of criteria.

 Rather practices will distribute over a range of procedures.

• Before the program starts, that range needs to be carefully defined so it is clear what "success" means for the program.



### CASE STUDIES - BUILDING OPERATOR CERTIFICATION

- Evaluation Option 1 Traditional Approach
  - Self-report of a sample of participants on actions taken as a result of the program.
  - –Actions \* deemed savings value rolled up to the population
  - Requires close communication between evaluation and the program staff to ensure that the data evaluation needs to support the survey and analysis are available.
- Evaluation Option 2 Hybrid Approach
  - Program outputs
  - Market indicators
  - -Plus expert judgement on savings per participant

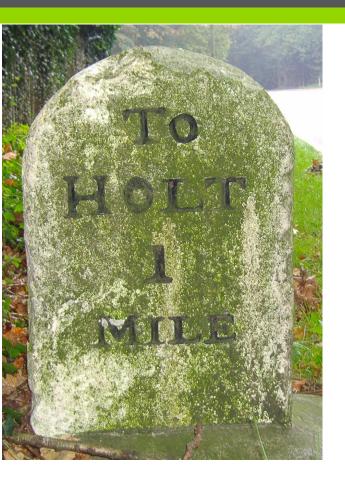


## COMMUNICATE, COMMUNICATE, COMMUNICATE

- M&V can do more than count kWh and Therms
- Bring evaluation in early
- Meet regularly
- Bring M&V contractors into the field
- Embed your evaluator inside your collaboratives
- Allow for proactive program improvement

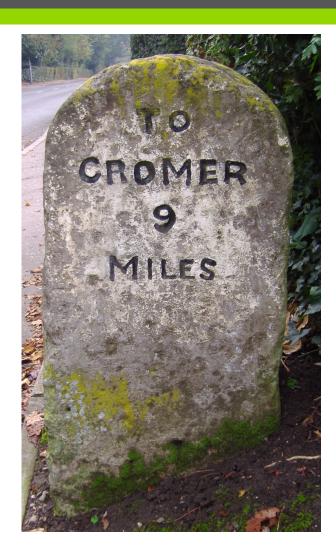


# Work Together to Define Measureable Milestones









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