



Symposium:

In Pursuit of Maine's Least-Cost Energy

September 7th, 2011

Governor Hill Mansion, 136 State Street, Augusta, Maine

Agenda

- 9:00 Welcome and Introductions
- 9:15 Avoided Cost of Electricity in New England
Max Chang, Associate, Synapse Energy Economics, Inc.
- New results of the 2011 Avoided Energy Supply Cost study
 - What is an avoided unit of electricity worth in Maine, and how is the value calculated
 - Price trends and price effects of demand reduction
- 9:45 Estimating the Potential for Energy Efficiency Resources
John Davulis, Senior Project Manager, GDS Associates
- What is “cost effective” energy efficiency and how does the price/value of the Avoided Energy Supply factor into it
 - Case Study – 2008 GDS study of cost-effective potential in CMP territory
- 10:15 Break
- 10:30 A Utility Perspective on Funding Energy Efficiency
Penelope Connor, Vice President for Customer Care, NStar
- How did NStar, a major Massachusetts utility, develop its plan for energy efficiency
 - What are the conditions that make this work for NStar
 - What was the utility’s analysis on the appropriate funding level and the impact on customers
- 11:00 A Regulator Perspective on Energy Efficiency
Tim Woolf, VP, Synapse Energy Economics (former Commissioner of the MA DPU)
- What did the regulators analyze in recently filed efficiency plans for Massachusetts
 - What was the projected impact of the plans on total economic benefits, rates, customer bills, etc. and how did the regulators balance these impacts
- 11:30 Panel Discussion – All Speakers; Moderator: Rep. Stacey Fitts, Co-Chair, Energy, Utilities and Technology Committee, Maine Legislature
- Q&A and Closing Observations
- 12:00 Adjourn