

Funding the Deep Energy Retrofit

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Learning Objectives

- Understand how to achieve the widespread adoption of residential deep energy retrofits from a funding perspective.
- The funding perspective requires an understanding of the timeline, borrowing parameters, saving's target, and critical assumptions for achieving widespread adoption.
- Understand the existing funding options
- Present a funding mechanism that minimizes public funding and maximizes the property owner's investment to savings ratio.

Spirit of Presentation

- Ideas presented have been discussed at DOER and during the development of “Getting to Zero – Final Report of the Massachusetts Zero Net Energy Building Task Force Report”
- Facts speak for themselves
- Policy considerations do not necessarily represent planned state initiatives

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A Long View

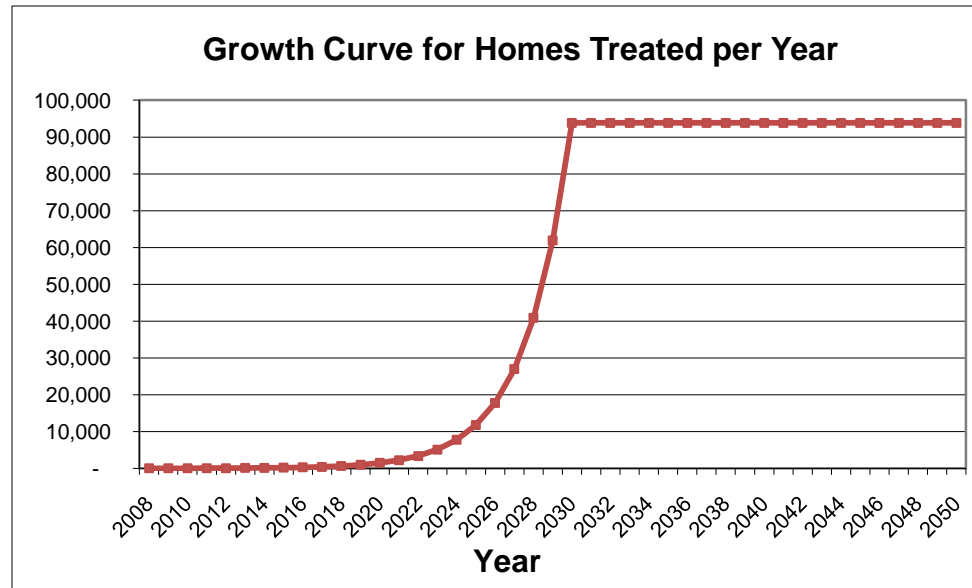
- Thought Exercise
- Assumptions
- Market Transformation
- Financing Options
- PACE Bond and Zero-Net Energy Bond
- Consequences of Financial Options
- Long Term Consequences

Thought Exercise

- **Timeline**
 - **Global Warming Solutions Act**
 - **2050 - 80% reduction of 1990 CO₂**
 - **All existing buildings will move toward zero net energy**
- **Borrowing Parameters**
 - **At time of scheduled maintenance**
 - **Total incremental \$50,000**
 - **Interest Rate 3%**
 - **Term 30 Years**
- **Benchmark *Heating Savings***
 - **National Energy Modeling Software 2009 projection for New England**
 - **Average House Size - 2,031 ft² and heat energy 96 MMBTU**
 - **47 kBtu/ft² with Target 10 kBtu/ft² = 76 MMBTU household savings**

Thought Exercise

Timeline for Massachusetts



Selected Years - Growth 52% per Year

Year	Units/year	Cumulative	Notes
2008	10	10	
2012	53	136	Less Than DER Pilot Target
2020	1,468	4,297	
2025	11,739	34,490	
2030	93,855	275,890	Steady State

Thought Exercise

Borrowing Parameters (Recap)

- **At time of scheduled maintenance**
- **Total Incremental \$50,000**
- **Interest Rate 3%**
- **Term 30 years**

Thought Exercise

Benchmark Heating Savings

NEMS 2009 New England Projection		
Measurement	Amount	Units
Size	2,031	Ft²
Heating Total	96	MMBTU
EUI Heat Now	47	kBtu/Ft²
EUI Heat Target	10	kBtu/Ft²
Heat Savings	76	MMBTU

Thought Exercise

Dollar Heating Savings

\$-Saved from 76 MMBTU Reduction per Year				
Fuel	Unit Price	\$ per MMBTU	Annual Savings	Source
Gas	\$1.41 per Therm	\$14	\$1,063	My January Bill
Oil	\$2.81 per Gallon	\$20	\$1,518	DOER Website - Recent Average
Electric	\$0.17 per kWh	\$51	\$3,835	EIA MA Jan-Oct 2009

Assumptions

- *Efficient Division of Labor*
 - **Audit**
 - Diagnostic
 - Work Order Ready
 - **Climate fortification specialists**
 - Air Sealing
 - Interior Insulation
 - Exterior Insulation
 - Blower Door Testing
 - **Performance Confidence**
 - Measure & Report Savings
 - Marketing & Education

Market Transformation

- Ratepayer-funded Utility Programs are an interim solution
- Efficiency improvements overtime become
 - Accepted in the market place
 - Mandated through building codes and equipment standards

Financing Options - Grants

- Ratepayer Funds
 - \$25,000 - Deep Energy Retrofit Pilot Program
 - \$2,000 - Standard Retrofit Incentive
 - \$5,884 - \$/MMBTU
- Tax Credits
 - \$1,500 – Current Maximum

Financing Options - Borrowing

- Obligation Resolved at Time of Sale
 - Standard Loan: Principal and Interest
 - 0% Interest Loan
 - Offered through IOU electric companies
 - Interest small relative to DER investment
- Obligation Continues at Time of Sale
 - Property Assessed Clean Energy & Standard Loan
- Obligation Modified at Time of Sale
 - Property Assessed Clean Energy & Zero Net Energy Bond

PACE and Zero-Net Energy Bond

- PACE Bond
 - Municipality issues a bond
 - Bond provides capital for property owners
- Standard Loan
 - Property owner borrows from municipality
 - Loan obligation stays with property after sold
- Zero-Net Energy Bond (ZNEB)
 - Property owner issues bond to municipality
 - Property owner pays interest only
 - Property seller pays percent of principle at sale
 - New owner pays same interest

Financial Contributions

- Greatest Ratepayer Funds AND Lowest Participant Cost

Financing Option	Ratepayer Funds	Participant
DER Pilot Grant Loan	\$25,000	\$25,000
\$MMBTU Grant 0% Loan	\$22,814	\$44,116
\$2,000 Grant 0% Loan	\$20,421	\$48,000
\$MMBTU Grant Loan	\$5,884	\$44,116
\$2,000 Grant Loan	\$2,000	\$48,000
PACE Loan	\$0	\$50,000
PACE ZNEB	\$0	\$50,000

Financial Cost Impact

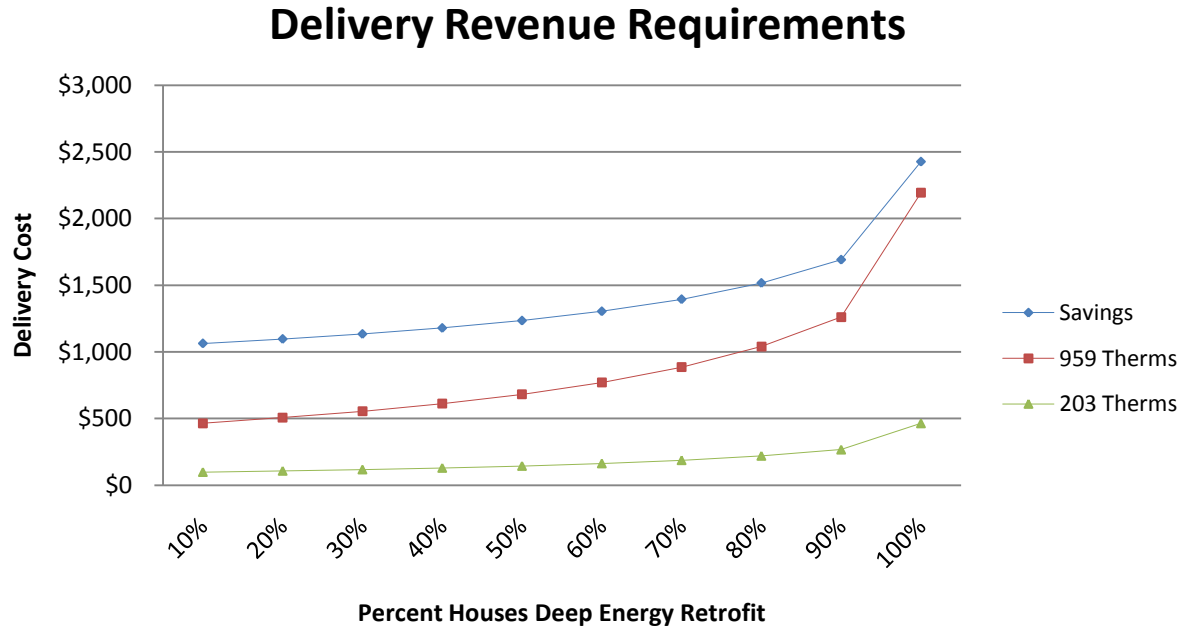
- Lowest Bill Impact AND Highest Savings to Investment Ratio

Financing Option	Annual Impact		Savings to Investment Ratio		
	Utility Bill	Participant	Gas	Oil	Electric
PACE ZNEB	\$0	\$1,500	0.71	1.01	2.56
PACE Loan	\$0	\$2,530	0.42	0.60	1.52
\$2,000 Grant Loan	\$83	\$2,428	0.44	0.63	1.58
\$MMBTU Grant Loan	\$245	\$2,232	0.48	0.68	1.72
\$2,000 Grant 0% Loan	\$851	\$1,600	0.66	0.95	2.40
\$MMBTU Grant 0% Loan	\$951	\$1,471	0.72	1.03	2.61
DER Pilot Grant Loan	\$1,042	\$1,265	0.84	1.20	3.03

PACE – ZNEB Gas: \$50 a month more than saved; tax credit covers for 2+ years

Long Term Consequences

- Increasing gas delivery charges



- DER Retrofit Supple Bubble

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