Roadmap for Incorporating Energy Efficiency/Renewable Energy Policies and Programs into State Implementation Plans

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Background on Manual



- EPA's 2004 EE/RE SIP guidance yielded little EE/RE integration in SIPs
- New OAR directive to encourage EE/RE AQ integration
- Ideal time to pursue such an effort
 - Significant growth in state investments in EE programs to over \$5 billion in 2011
 - Twenty-nine states (and DC) have adopted RPS
 - States need to find greater emission reductions to meet revised NAAQS
 - Information on EE/RE impacts is increasingly widely available

What EPA has Made Available

- In early July issued first version of the manual that serves as a roadmap to existing EE/RE guidance
- Complementary resources:
 - Draft quantification tools to be peer reviewed
 - Energy savings information for existing state EE policies
 - Online training on the electric energy sector



EE/RE Roadmap Manual



- Detailed and comprehensive
 - 12 individual documents main body and 11 appendices covering a range of topics
- Accessible and easy to read
 - Written in straightforward terms with explanatory charts and figures
- Not "one size fits all" provides options
 - Four different pathways for incorporating EE/RE policies and programs into SIPs
 - Four approaches for quantifying EE/RE emissions impacts

EE/RE Roadmap Manual



- Flow chart for navigating decisions for how to incorporate EE/RE in SIPs/TIPs
 - Identifies questions/issues agencies should consider when selecting pathways
- Four pathways
 - Baseline Emissions Projection Pathway
 - Control Strategy Pathway
 - Emerging/Voluntary Measures Pathway
 - Weight of Evidence Pathway

Elements for Successful EE/RE Integration in SIPs/TIPs

- More aggressive state-wide policies produce greater potential emission benefits
- Need dialogue with energy agencies
- Quantification of whether and to what extent the EE/RE initiative is affecting a particular nonattainment area



States that May Want to Consider EE/RE in SIPs/TIPs Going Forward

- Ozone Advance areas
 - To date, 25 areas in 17 states are participating
 - Areas can quantify EE/RE emissions benefits under this program
- 2008 ozone NAAQS
 - Areas designated nonattainment that have to prepare attainment demonstrations can quantify EE/RE emissions benefits
 - Could incorporate EE/RE benefits in the upcoming SIP
- Other areas may want to plan for possible, tighter NAAQS in the future
 - Consider quantifying EE/RE emissions benefits

Plan for Implementing Manual

- Establishing a network of interested EPA regions and states
- Initial focus on developing EE/RE quantification examples
- Also working with MA, NY and MD to apply manual to SIP pathways
- Providing tools and conducting outreach, training and technical assistance





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