# Update on Utility Energy Efficiency Policies and Programs in the Southwest

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### **SWEEP Overview**

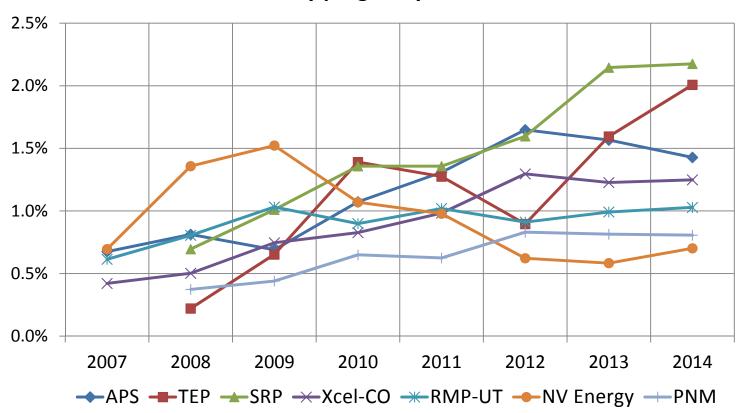
- Founded in 2001, working in AZ, CO, NM, NV, UT and WY
- Main areas of focus:
  - Expanding and improving utility DSM programs
  - State energy efficiency policy
  - Building energy codes and other building EE initiatives
  - Supporting state and local EE programs
  - Industrial energy efficiency and CHP
  - Transportation policy
- Funding provided by foundations, federal and state agencies, and business allies

## Electric Utility DSM Program Spending Trends in the Southwest

	Electric DSM Program Spending (million \$ per year)										
State	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2015 (est.)			
AZ	4	4	19	45	94	130	126	130			
СО	11	21	18	28	66	96	96	112			
NV	3	11	30	55	46	39	52	59			
NM	1	1	1	10	24	28	36	41			
UT	9	16	27	36	51	47	82	62			
WY	~0	~0	~0	~0	3	4	5	6			
Region	29	54	95	174	284	343	397	410			

## First Year Savings as a Fraction of Retail Electricity Sales

### Annual Energy Savings as a % of Retail Sales, by program year



## **Key Utility Policies**

Policy	AZ	СО	NM	NV	UT	WY
Energy efficiency goals or standards		X	х	x (1)		
Integrated Resource Planning		X	x	X	X	
DSM program cost effectiveness based on Utility Cost Test, Societal Cost Test or TRC Test including non-energy benefits		X	X		X	
Convenient DSM cost recovery mechanism	X	X	x	X	X	X
Financial incentive for utility shareholders		X	X			
Electric decoupling or lost revenue recovery	X			х		
Natural gas decoupling or lost revenue recovery				X	X	x
Industrial self-direction option		X	X		X	X

<sup>(1)</sup> Energy savings count towards clean energy standards, up to a limit

## Key Policy Developments

- AZ: ACC reviewed EE resource standards and did not modify them; IRP being strengthened
- CO: PUC established new energy savings goals and shareholder incentive policy for Xcel Energy for 2015-2020; goal of ~1.3% net savings per year
- NV: NV Energy is ramping up energy savings again but legislature rejected energy savings standards/goals proposals; PUC in the process of replacing LRAM with a simple cost recovery adder
- UT and WY: New PacifiCorp IRP ramps up EE and DR savings goals and budgets significantly over next 5-10 years compared to previous IRP

## Key Program Developments

- Promotion and incentives for LED lights expanding
- A number of utilities implementing midstream or upstream incentives within C&I programs
- Utilities starting to provide incentives for wifienabled smart thermostats
- A number of utilities expanding Home Energy Reports programs
- Growing interest in programs targeted to multifamily buildings
- Some utilities proposing to include Conservation Voltage Reduction (CVR) within DSM programs

#### **SWEEP:**

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#### Resources available online at:

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