

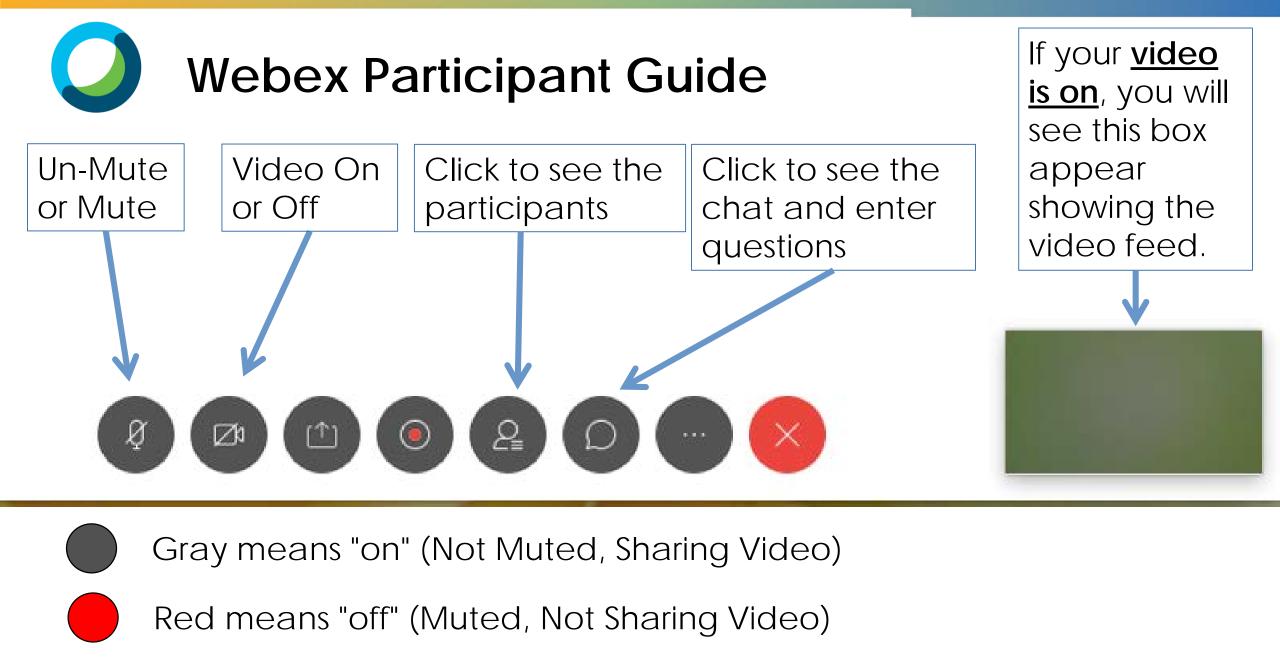
# 2021 PG Study – Low Income Sector Workplan

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## Objective of 2021 Low-Income Potential Study

- Improve upon previous potential modeling efforts of the Low-Income sector
- Inform the CPUC and stakeholders on energy savings potential within the Energy Savings Assistance (ESA) program and residential low income sector in years to come.

### **Speakers Today**



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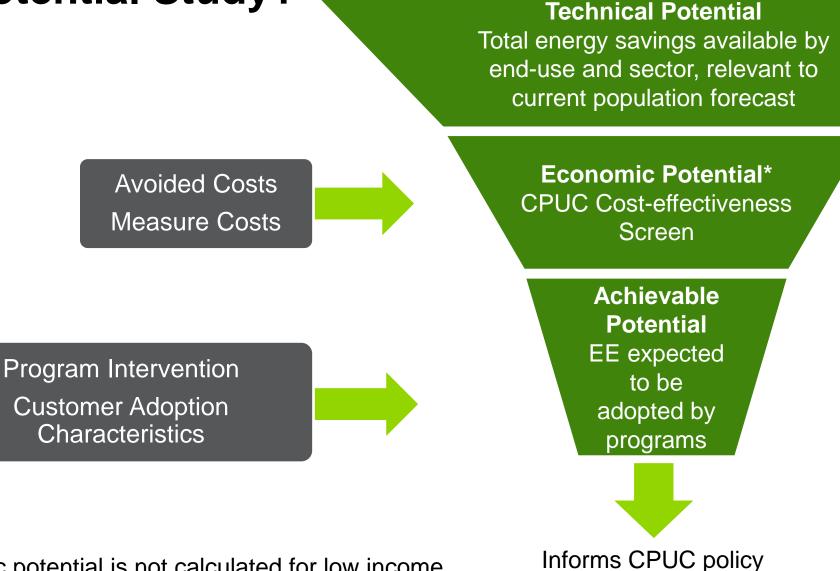


### **Overview of Scope**

Objective	Assess the energy efficiency potential from the ESA program
Tasks	<ol> <li>Measure Selection and Characterization</li> <li>Market and Program Data Collection</li> <li>Technical Potential Analysis</li> <li>Achievable Potential Analysis</li> <li>Program Budget Analysis</li> </ol>
Deliverables	<ul> <li>Model file for public release</li> <li>Spreadsheet database of results</li> <li>Methodology and summary document</li> </ul>



### What is a Potential Study?



\*Economic potential is not calculated for low income.

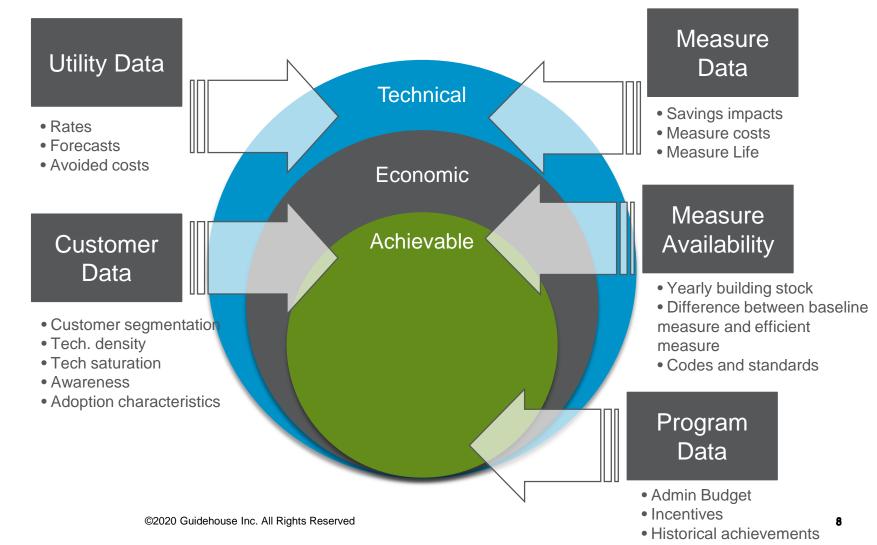
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## **Potential Analysis Data**

### Overview

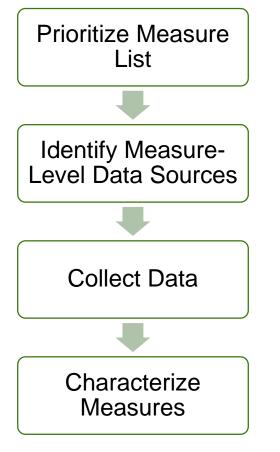
- Data rich study
  - A lot of data, but need to sift through the noise
  - Identify the good data
  - Identify the data gaps
  - Fill the data needs
  - Leverage past PG study, as appropriate
- Calculate the technical, economic, and achievable potential

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### **Task 1: Measure Selection and Characterization**

#### Measure Characterization Steps



- Select measures for characterization:
  - Current ESA programs
  - Proposed ESA measures in the IOU ESA/CARE applications, Staff Proposal, and Party testimony
  - Limited additional measures (e.g. cool roof)
- Characterization will take place similarly to the core PG study and will be done on the "measure group" level, rather than the measure level
  - For example: High Efficiency Clothes Washers, Central A/C Replacement



### **Measure Characterization Data Needs and Sources**

#### **Key Measure Characterization Data**

- Electric energy, demand, and/or gas savings
- Measure cost
- Replacement type (replace-on-burnout, retrofit add-on, etc.)
- Density (e.g. products per household)
- Saturation (percentage of market that is already efficient)
- Technical suitability of measure for each building type (expressed as percentage)
- Measure lifetime

#### **Key Data Sources**

- 2015-2017 ESA Impact Evaluation
- 2021-2026 IOU ESA Application Filings
- IOU Monthly and Annual ESA Reports
- Historical ESA Program Databases
- Statewide ESA Policy and Procedures (P&P) Manual
- Energy Consumption by Climate Zone
- 2019 RASS data
- DEER/State workpapers



### **Task 2: Market and Program Data Collection**

#### **Building Stock**

- Residential IEPR demand forecast
- CEC's assumptions of demolition rate (embedded in stock)
- Climate zone-specific (at zip-code level) consumption and low income stock data
- Fraction of rented homes vs. owned homes
- Building type (SF, MF)

#### Measure Density\* and Saturation\*\*

Sources include:

- 2019 RASS
- Adjustments to older vintages of saturation surveys where necessary

\***Density** is a measure of the number of units per building (e.g. # of lamps per household).

\*\***Saturation** is the fraction of the density that already has the efficient technology installed and thus is not a target for the ESA program to replace.

#### **Past ESA Program Activity**

- Up to 10 years of past ESA program activity from IOUs.
- Individual measure data will include:
  - Total equipment costs
  - Total non-equipment costs (including implementation costs)
  - Number of installations
  - Energy impact (kWh, kW, Therms)



### **Task 3: Technical Potential Analysis**

**Technical Potential** is the amount of energy savings that would be possible if the highest level of efficiency for all technically applicable opportunities to improve energy efficiency were taken

**Technical Potential** = Existing Building Stock<sub>year</sub> (homes) \* Measure Density 
$$\left(\frac{\text{widgets}}{\text{home}}\right)$$
  
\* (1 - Efficient Technology Saturation) \* Unit Energy Impact<sub>year</sub>  $\left(\frac{\text{energy}}{\text{widget}}\right)$  \* Technical Suitability

- Conduct analysis at the following level of granularity:
  - Utility
  - Building type
  - Measure
- Post process to further disaggregate the data by climate zones and ownership types



### **Task 4: Achievable Potential Analysis**

Guidehouse will use a stock turnover-based model using project determined adoption curves that considers both the technology EUL & ESA program guidelines.

- Develop 3-5 prototypical adoption curves
  - Determine curves independent of building type, ownership, and climate zone
  - Use past ESA program measures' average rates of adoption and professional judgment
- Map measures to appropriate curves by:
  - Ease of implementation
  - Aesthetics
  - Require landlord approval
  - Intrusiveness
  - Historic program uptake
- Calculate achievable potential to identical granularity as Technical Potential
- Post-process results to account for building type, ownership and climate zone allocation

Guidehouse proposes up to two additional adoption scenarios developed with CPUC staff



### Task 5: Program Budget Analysis

Program budgets will be broken down into two components each with separate estimates for each achievable potential scenario.

#### **Equipment Expenses**

Annual technology adoptions X Deemed equipment expenses

#### Program Costs

The forecast of program costs can be conducted in one of two ways:

- Assume all program costs scale proportionally with equipment costs
  - Based on scaling ratios from historic program years
- Assume a portion of the program costs are fixed while the remainder scales proportionally with equipment costs

Costs include implementation, training, inspections, marketing, education, EM&V, compliance, administration, and the CPUC Energy Division.



### **Stakeholder Input**

- Are there other **data sources** that will help us better understand building stock, density and saturation?
- What additional **energy efficiency measures**, outside of historical ESA measures or those proposed in the IOU ESA applications, do you propose this study analyze?
- What **scenarios** do you want to see in the achievable potential analysis?
- Do you have other considerations for prototypical adoption curves other than historical program data and professional judgment?
- What **major barriers** do you see with modelling potential in the Low Income sector that are not addressed in this study?





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