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June 12, 2014

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:

Re: Act 129 2015 Technical Reference Manual Update Technical Working Group Meeting Announcement

Docket No. M-2012-2313373; Ref. M-00051865

In beginning its work for the 2015 Technical Reference Manual (TRM) update, the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (Commission) will be providing stakeholders with the opportunity to review proposed high impact changes to residential, commercial and industrial energy efficiency measures, and will also allow for a question and answer session regarding those changes. Additionally, stakeholders will have the opportunity to propose any other changes they would like to have made to the TRM.

Accordingly, the Commission will hold an in-person Act 129 Technical Working Group Meeting on Friday, July 11, 2014, from 9:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. in Hearing Room 1 of the Commonwealth Keystone Building, 400 North Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, 17120. The attached Appendix provides an agenda for the meeting. In further preparation for this meeting, the presentation(s) on the proposed high impact changes will be posted on the TRM webpage of the Commission’s website no later than Friday, June 27, 2014, to provide stakeholders the opportunity to prepare any questions in advance of the meeting. This will be an informal meeting and as such, there will be no transcription and no written comments will be accepted. As always, parties will have the opportunity to provide formal comments following the Commission’s anticipated issuance of a 2015 TRM Tentative Order.

In the January 16, 2009 *Act 129* *Energy Efficiency and Conservation Program* Implementation Order, the Commission adopted the *Energy Efficiency and Demand Side Management Rules for Pennsylvania’s Alternative Energy Portfolio Standard, Technical Reference Manual* as a component of the Energy Efficiency and Conservation (EE&C) Program evaluation process.[[1]](#footnote-1) In that *Implementation Order*, the Commission also noted that “as the TRM was initially created to fulfill requirements of the Alternative Energy Portfolio Standards Act (AEPS Act), it will need to be updated and expanded to fulfill the requirements of the EE&C provisions of Act 129.”[[2]](#footnote-2) Soon after the adoption of the EE&C Program *Implementation Order*, Commission staff initiated a collaborative process to review and update the TRM with the purpose of supporting both the AEPS Act and the Act 129 EE&C program that culminated in the adoption of the 2009 version of the TRM at the May 28, 2009 Public Meeting.[[3]](#footnote-3) In adopting the 2009 version of the TRM, the Commission recognized the importance of updating the TRM on an annual basis.[[4]](#footnote-4) With regard to Phase II of the Act 129 EE&C Program, the Commission again adopted the TRM as a component of the EE&C Program evaluation process.[[5]](#footnote-5) The Phase II Implementation Order also recognized the importance of the continued use of an annual updating process for the TRM for Phase II.[[6]](#footnote-6) The Commission is now beginning the process of creating the 2015 TRM update.[[7]](#footnote-7)

Any questions regarding this stakeholder meeting should be directed to Megan Good at 717-425-7583 or [megagood@pa.gov](mailto:megagood@pa.gov).



Sincerely,

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**ACT 129 2015 TECHNICAL REFERENCE MANUAL TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP MEETING**

**COMMONWEALTH KEYSTONE BUILDING**

**HEARING ROOM 1**

**400 NORTH STREET**

**HARRISBURG, PA 17120**

**JULY 11, 2014**

**9:00 – 11:30 A.M.**

**AGENDA**

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| I. | WELCOME - Paul Diskin, Director, TUS | | |
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| II. | INTRODUCTIONS & OPENING REMARKS – Darren Gill, Deputy Director, TUS | | |
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| III. | PRESENTATION OF PROPOSED HIGH IMPACT RESIDENTIAL MEASURE CHANGES (30 min) – Bryant Hains, Statewide Evaluator Team | | |
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| IV. | QUESTION & ANSWER SESSION REGARDING HIGH IMPACT RESIDENTIAL MEASURE CHANGES (30 min) | |  |
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| V. | PRESENTATION OF PROPOSED HIGH IMPACT COMMERCIAL & INDUSTRIAL MEASURE CHANGES (30 min) – Irwin Kim, Statewide Evaluator Team | |  |
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| VI. | QUESTION & ANSWER SESSION REGARDING HIGH IMPACT COMMERCIAL & INDUSTRIAL MEASURE CHANGES (30 min) | |  |
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| VII. | QUESTION & ANSWER SESSION ON OTHER TRM ISSUES (30 min) | |  |
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| VIII. | CLOSING REMARKS – Darren Gill, Deputy Director, TUS | |  |
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1. *See* Order entered on January 16, 2009, at Docket No. M-2008-2069887, at 13 (*Implementation Order*). [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. *Id.* at 13. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. *See,* *Implementation of the Alternative Energy Portfolio Standards Act of 2004: Standards for the Participation of Demand Side Management Resources – Technical Reference Manual Update* Order at Docket No. M-00051865, (June 1, 2009). [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. *Id.* at 17, 18. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
5. *See, Energy Efficiency and Conservation Program* Implementation Order, at Docket No. M-2012-2289411, (Phase II Implementation Order) (August 3, 2012), at page 71. [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
6. *Id*. at page 75. [↑](#footnote-ref-6)
7. A copy of the currently-applicable 2014 TRM can be found on the Commission’s TRM page of its website at <http://www.puc.pa.gov/filing_resources/issues_laws_regulations/act_129_information/technical_reference_manual.aspx>. [↑](#footnote-ref-7)