

March 13, 2014 Webinar Questions & Answers

Measuring and Verifying Savings in an Energy Saving Performance Contract

Q1: Where can I get M&V data for all communities that have signed onto ESCO projects? Is this shared publicly? If yes, how?

A: DOER is compiling the data and will publish the same information in a report on EMS activity.

Q2: What is an IGA?

A: An IGA is an Investment Grade Audit agreement.

Q3: When does Option D (building simulation) end up costing closer to the 5 percent end of the cost estimate range? And how much additional savings has applying Option D been shown to produce?

A: DOER does not have this information.

Q4: Is Option A acceptable under Green Communities?

A: Yes, under our EMS regulations, M&V must follow the Federal Energy Management Programs M&V Guide.

Q5: Does the ESCO warrant annual energy cost savings or unit energy savings?

A: The energy cost savings are a direct result of the unit savings. Please see EMS Guide on our website for further explanation.

Q6: With respect to M&V, when can 'monitoring' take the place of 'measurement' in a well executed ESPC?

A: M&V (measuring and verification) is required by the statute and regulations.