

# Massachusetts Energy Storage Initiative

## Stakeholder Update Webinar

December 15, 2015



# Today's Agenda

- Opening Remarks
  - Commissioner Judith Judson, DOER
  - Kavita Ravi, MassCEC
- Introduction – Study Overview
- Stakeholder Engagement Update
- ES Study Tasks – Status Update
- Next Steps

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# Energy Storage Study Overview

- Co-sponsored by the Department of Energy Resources (DOER) and the Massachusetts Clean Energy Center (MassCEC)
- Contributes to the goals of the Massachusetts Energy Storage Initiative (ESI), to advance the energy storage segment of the State's clean energy industry
- Two-part study to:
  - analyze the storage industry landscape
  - review economic development and market opportunities for energy storage
  - examine potential policies and programs that could be implemented to better support energy storage deployment in Massachusetts
  - provide policy and regulatory recommendations along with cost-benefit analysis for state policy makers

# Study Part 1

## ➤ Addresses:

- Industry landscape (technologies, economics, companies)
- Economic development opportunities
- Applications and market opportunities in MA
- Current industry focused programs
- Demonstration opportunities for storage
- Economic modeling

## ➤ Result:

- Pathways to create a larger storage industry in Massachusetts

## ➤ Delivery:

- End of January 2016

➤ **Addresses:**

- **How storage can be used to address Massachusetts energy challenges, i.e. the benefits of storage for solving state and regional issues, such as:**
  - Storage to mitigate large-scale generator retirements
  - Benefits of pairing storage with large-scale renewables
  - Storage in Grid Modernization
  - Benefits of storage paired with behind-the-meter solar
  - Role of storage in reducing peak demand
- **How much storage is needed?**
  - Modeling to identify how much storage would need to be deployed
- **Policy roadmap to achieve the target amount of storage**
  - Recommend possible policy, market and regulatory tools to promote energy storage, based on potential applications and cost benefit analysis

## ➤ Results:

- Identify a **target for the amount of megawatts of storage** that would be **cost-effective** for Massachusetts ratepayers, and lay out a policy **roadmap** to achieve that target
- Program design recommendations for the DOER's \$10 million energy storage demonstration fund.

## ➤ Delivery:

- March 2016

# Stakeholder Engagement

- Strongly informed by Stakeholder feedback
- October 30<sup>th</sup> Stakeholder Workshop with breakout sessions:
  - Wholesale Markets/Transmission
  - Utility Applications – Distribution
  - Behind-the-Meter/DER
  - Energy Storage Technology Developers
- Questionnaires, One-on-one interviews
- Webinars
- Two-Way Communications



# Stakeholder Engagement Update

- Wholesale Market Perspective
- Utility Perspective
- Behind-the-Meter / DER Perspective
- Competitive Supplier Perspective
- Technology Developer Perspective

# Wholesale Market Perspective

# Wholesale Market Perspective – Activities

- Participants include:
  - ISO-NE
  - Utilities
  - IPPs / developers
  - Equipment/service suppliers
  - End users / aggregators
  - NGOs
- Process:
  - Oct 30 Workshop break-out session
  - Post-Workshop Surveys:
    - Wholesale and DER leads sent surveys to Oct 30 Workshop breakout session participants and other parties
    - Reviewing responses received so far
  - One-on-one interviews
- Observations so far:
  - Market opportunities exist, but limited by barriers

# Wholesale Market Perspective – Preliminary Observations

## ➤ Market Opportunities

- Current ISO-NE market products: Capacity, Energy, Ancillary Services, Demand Response
- Other ISO-related opportunities: Transmission Planning, Variable Renewable Generation Firming / Shifting
- New ISO-NE market products: Frequency Response market not planned; Ramping product under consideration

## ➤ Key Barriers

- Lack of clarity in ISO-NE market rules for energy storage
- ISO market rules limit full participation / valuation
- Prices not sufficient
- Uncertainty of ISO and state rules with regard to storage as both generation and T&D asset

Market Products /  
Transmission  
Planning

# Utility Perspective

# Utility Perspective – Activities

- Small group follow-up conference calls with utilities:
  - Utility stakeholder priorities for energy storage
  - Potential barriers & solutions
- Requests for written comments and utility-specific data
- Suggestions for analysis approach
- Examples of energy storage demonstration projects
- IOU participation:
  - Eversource
  - National Grid
  - Unitil
- Municipal Light Plant participation:
  - Holyoke Gas & Electric
  - Wellesley Municipal Light Plant
  - Sterling Energy
- Review of IOU's Grid Modernization Plans

# Utility Perspective – Preliminary Observations

- Priority Opportunities for Storage:
  - Reliability & Resiliency
  - Capacity & Transmission Payment Reduction
  - Renewables Integration
  - Deferred T&D Upgrades
  
- Key Barriers to Storage Adaption in MA:
  - Understanding the sources of value for energy storage and the ability to clearly quantify and monetize that value
  - Tools and infrastructure for grid communication and control, as well as modelling which can support both planning and operations of energy storage systems
  - General acknowledgement of a lack of commercial operating experience for energy storage in the field to-date

# Utility Perspective – Preliminary Observations (Cont'd)

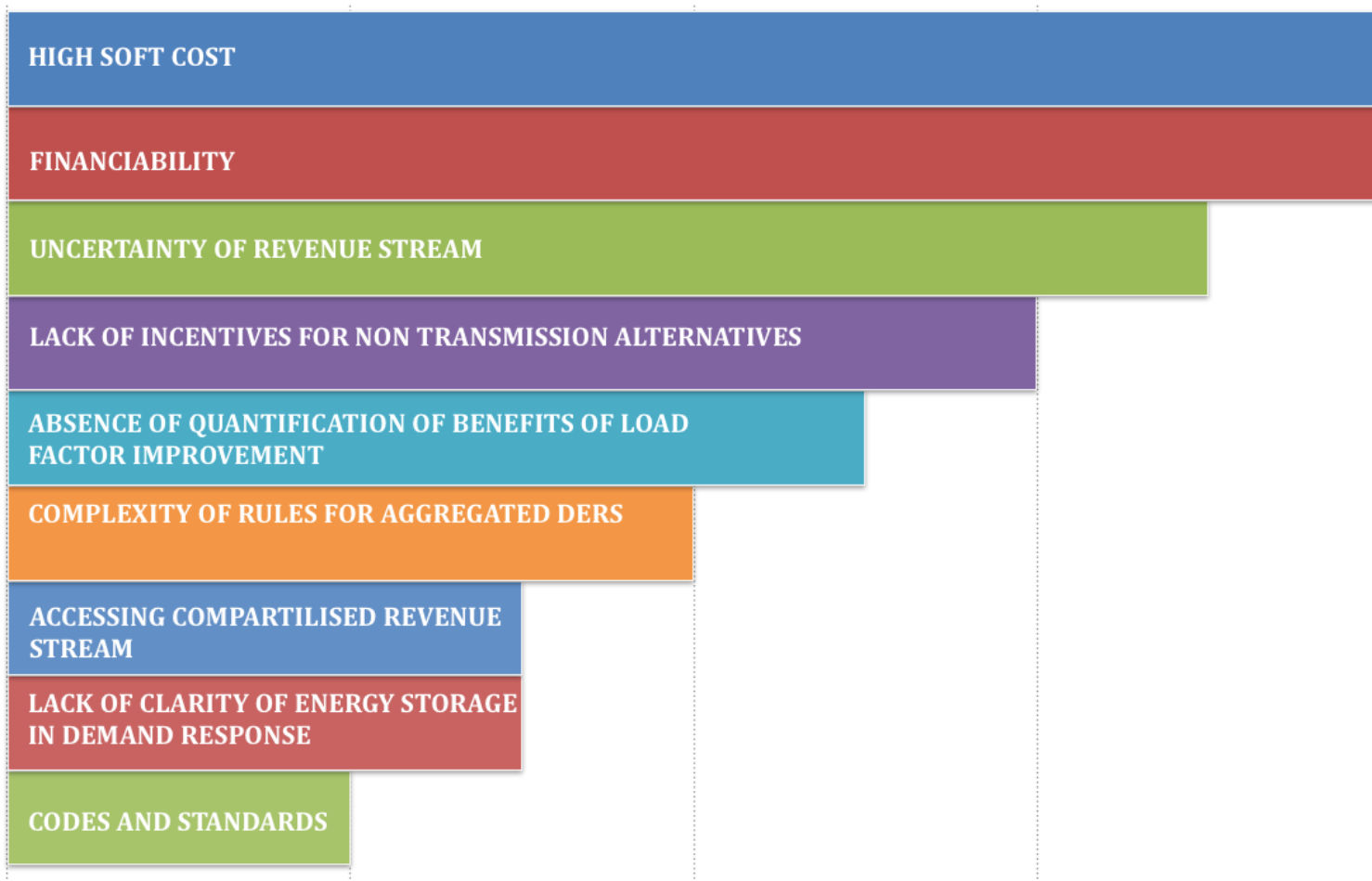
- **Potential Barrier Mitigation:**
  - Clarify the definition of energy storage and how to value it
  - Resolve regulatory and legislative ambiguity of storage as an asset class
  - Successful implementation of the Massachusetts Grid Modernization Plans
  - Clear determination that storage as well as other DERs will not be reconstituted as loads (critical issue for MUNI stakeholders)



# Behind-the-Meter / DER Perspective

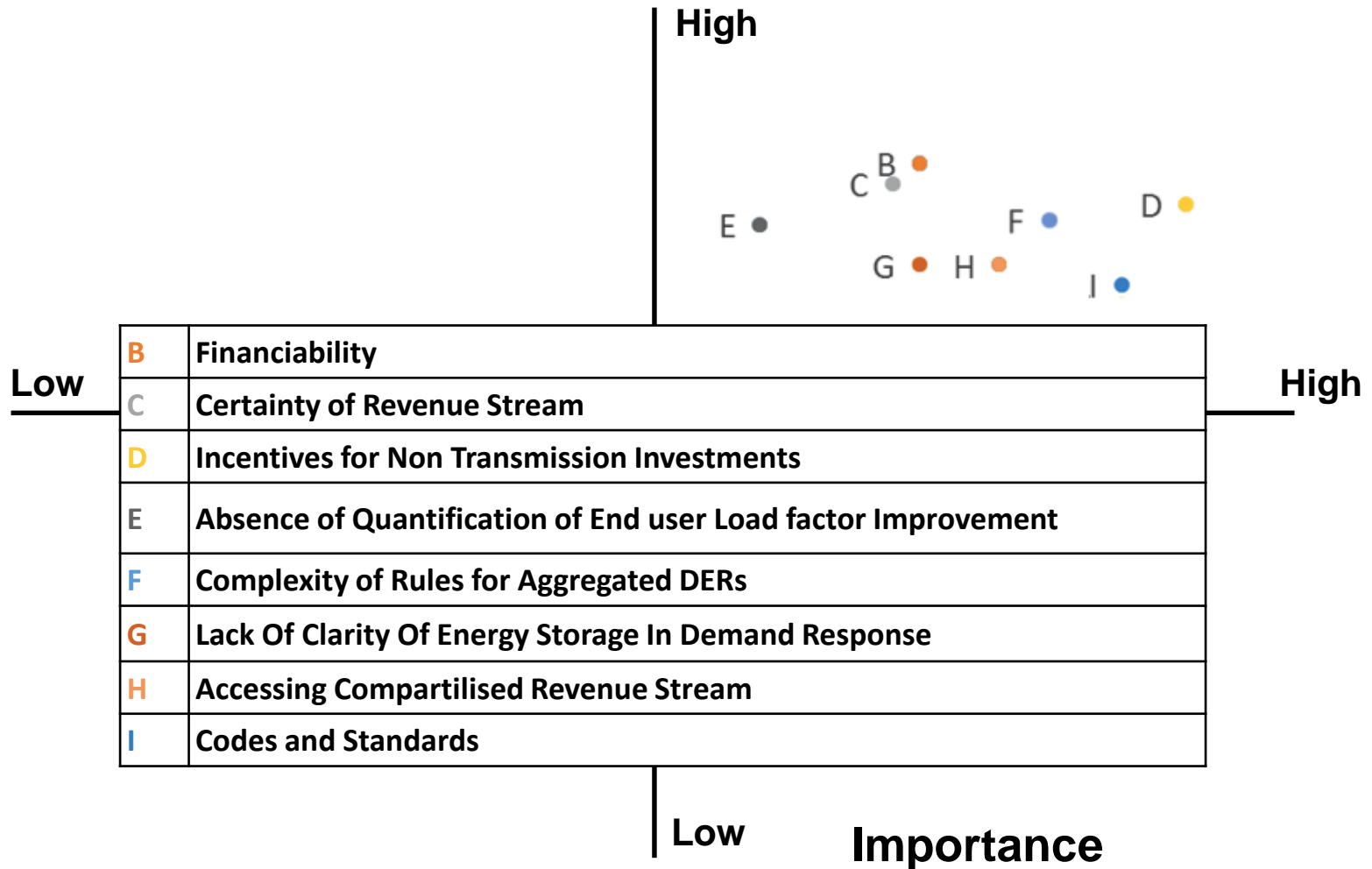
- In-Person Workshop on 30<sup>th</sup> October, 2015
- Breakout Sessions were organized with the following goals:
  - Identify challenges/ system needs
  - Identify market opportunities through energy storage deployment
  - Barriers and challenges for energy storage participation
  - Solutions / mitigation strategies
- A follow up online survey was submitted to DER stakeholders to:
  - Rank barriers and challenges for energy storage
  - Gauge the influence of policy on identified barriers
  - Rank solutions and mitigation strategies
- 10 individual interviews were conducted to gather additional information on:
  - Project finance challenges
  - ISO-NE rules for DERs
  - Interconnection processes and challenges
  - Information gaps and desired regulatory focus

# Ranking of Barriers and Challenges for Energy Storage



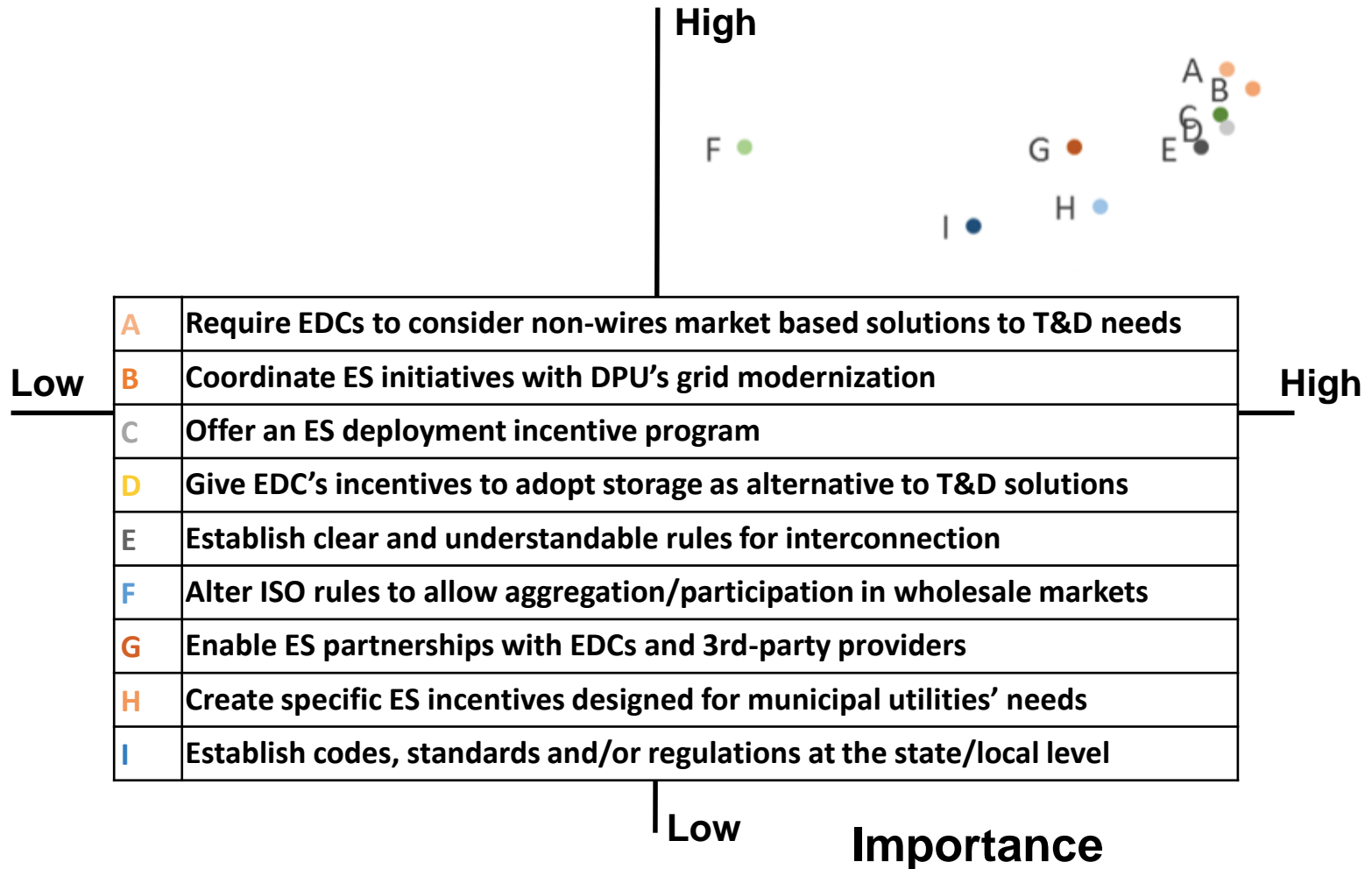
# Barriers (Preliminary Findings)

Amendability to Policy-Maker Influence



# Potential Solutions (Preliminary Findings)

Amendability to Policy-Maker Influence



# Competitive Supplier Perspective

# Competitive Supplier Perspective – Activities

- Direct contact with workshop invitees
  - Email solicitation for feedback via web survey
  - Follow-up calls
- Discussion with stakeholders
  - Opportunities for storage in the competitive supply space
  - Barriers currently preventing adoption and deployment of energy storage
  - Measures which could mitigate or eliminate current barriers
- Competitive Supplier participation
  - Lower than ideal response rate
  - Responses have been varied
  - Responses still pending from some invitees

# Competitive Supplier Perspective – Preliminary Observations

- **Priority Opportunities for Storage:**
  - Peak Demand Shaving / Management
    - Monthly demand charges
    - Capacity peak load contribution
  - Behind the meter renewable generation optimization
  - Reliability
  - Portfolio risk management
  - Demand response participation
- **Key Barriers to Storage Adaption in MA:**
  - Understanding the sources of value for energy storage and the ability to clearly quantify and monetize that value
  - Infrastructure for accessing and analyzing customer usage data
  - Lack of viable demand response programs
  - Limited access to customer bill, e.g., for financing value added programs and services



# Competitive Supplier Perspective – Preliminary Observations (Cont'd)

## ➤ Potential Barrier Mitigation:

- Clarify the definition of energy storage and how to value it
- Resolve regulatory and legislative ambiguity of storage as an asset class
- Clear determination that storage will not be reconstituted as loads
- Clarity regarding future of Net Energy Metering
- Development of Demand Response programs (resolution of FERC Order 745 issue)
- Metering technology/usage information accessibility upgrades, e.g., AMI mass deployment
- Allowance for on-bill financing/value added products and services for third party on the customer utility bill

# Technology Developer Perspective

# Technology Developer Perspective - Activities

- Breakout Session at October 30th Workshop
  - Emerging storage technology developers, system integrators, project developers
  - Seen by developers as a positive and promising opportunity
- Key challenges and barriers identified:
  - Hard to get the first demonstration
  - Locational and regulatory differences affecting storage valuation
  - Financing for technology and project development
- Follow-up online questionnaire sent to 80 storage technology developers and university researchers in MA
  - Awaiting responses to undertake analysis (December)
- Plan to interview companies in other jurisdictions

# Tech Developer Perspective – Preliminary Observations

## ➤ Potential Barrier Mitigation:

- Provide incentives to commercial or other partners willing to locate technology demonstrations
- Encourage state/federal collaborations
- Utilize government backstopping power to leverage private financing (loan guarantees)
- Support proposed grid modernization plans and data collection
- Locational value assessment for identifying market opportunities
- Create a RPS equivalent for energy storage
- Augment efficiency programs to support peak load reduction
- Offer investment tax credits for storage
- Augment InnovateMass funding (and/or create storage-specific funding program)

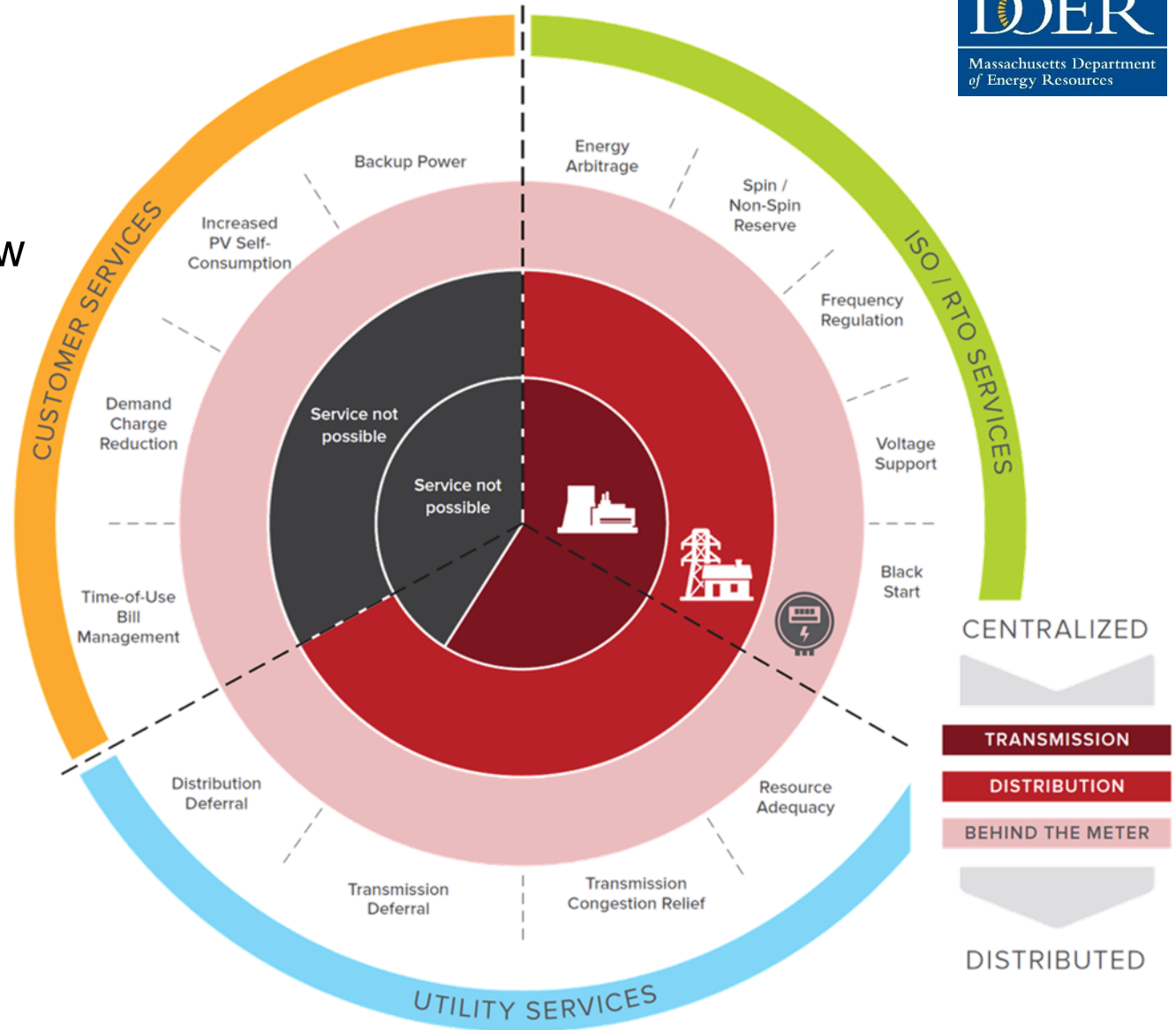
# ES Study Tasks - Status Update

- Ongoing:
  - Foundational Database
  - ES Market Opportunities
- Next Steps

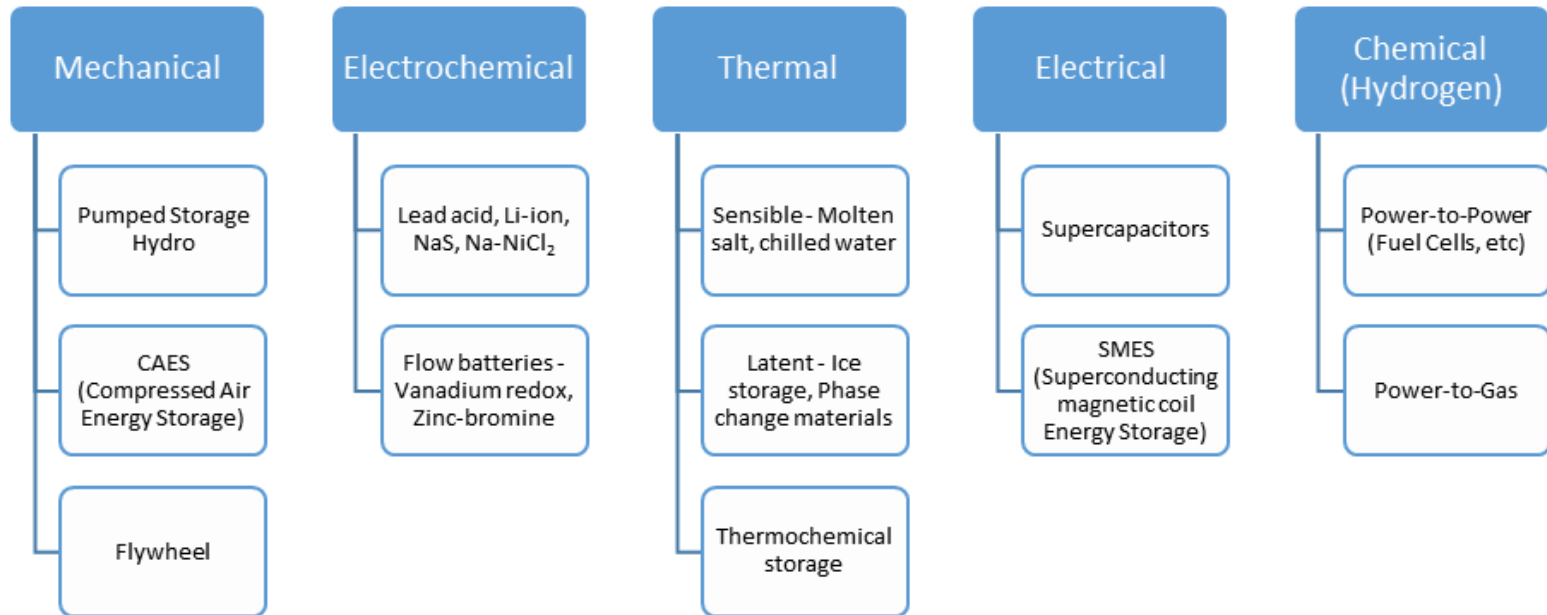
# Foundational Database

- Energy Storage (ES) Applications Overview
- ES Technologies: Scale, Costs, Outlook
- Database of ES Companies in MA
- Government Programs that Benefit Storage Today

# Energy Storage Applications Overview



Source: [http://www.rmi.org/electricity\\_battery\\_value](http://www.rmi.org/electricity_battery_value)



- Technology Status / Maturity
- Performance Parameters
- Pricing / Pricing Outlook
- Applications Matching



# Matching ES Technologies to Application & Location

| APPLICATION   | USE CASE<br>LOCATION ON THE<br>GRID |              |              |                  | TECHNOLOGY |        |     |                |          |      |              |
|---|-------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|------------------|------------|--------|-----|----------------|----------|------|--------------|
|   | Generation                          | Transmission | Distribution | Behind the Meter | Lead Acid  | Li-Ion | NaS | Flow Batteries | Flywheel | CAES | Pumped Hydro |
| Energy Arbitrage  | ✓                                   | ✓            | ✓            | ✓                | 1          | 1      | 1   | 1              | 0        | 1    | 1            |
| Electric Supply Capacity / Resource Adequacy                                | ✓                                   | ✓            | ✓            | ✓                | 1          | 1      | 1   | 1              | 0        | 1    | 1            |
| Synchronous / Non-Synchronous Reserve                                       | ✓                                   | ✓            | ✓            | ✓                | 1          | 1      | 1   | 1              | 0.5      | 1    | 1            |
| Renewables Energy Smoothing<br>(short duration < 1 Hr)                      | ✓                                   |              |              | ✓                | 0.5        | 1      | 1   | 1              | 0        | 1    | 1            |
| Renewables Capacity Firming / PV Self<br>consumption (long duration > 1 Hr) | ✓                                   |              |              | ✓                | 0.5        | 1      | 1   | 0.5            | 0        | 1    | 1            |
| Frequency Regulation  | ✓                                   | ✓            | ✓            | ✓                | 0.25       | 1      | 1   | 0.25           | 1        | 1    | 1            |
| Voltage Support   | ✓                                   | ✓            | ✓            | ✓                | 1          | 1      | 1   | 1              | 1        | 1    | 1            |
| Frequency Response  | ✓                                   | ✓            | ✓            | ✓                | 0          | 1      | 1   | 0              | 1        | 1    | 1            |
| Black Start   | ✓                                   | ✓            |              |                  | 1          | 1      | 1   | 1              | 0        | 1    | 1            |
| Transmission Congestion Relief  |                                     | ✓            | ✓            | ✓                | 1          | 1      | 1   | 1              | 0        | 0.5  | 0            |
| Transmission Deferral   |                                     | ✓            | ✓            | ✓                | 0          | 0.5    | 1   | 0.5            | 0        | 0    | 0            |
| Distribution Deferral   |                                     |              | ✓            | ✓                | 1          | 1      | 1   | 1              | 0        | 0    | 0            |
| Time-of-use Bill Management   |                                     |              |              | ✓                | 1          | 1      | 1   | 1              | 0        | 0    | 0            |
| Demand Charge Reduction   |                                     |              |              | ✓                | 1          | 1      | 1   | 1              | 0        | 0    | 0            |
| Backup Power / UPS  |                                     |              |              | ✓                | 1          | 1      | 1   | 1              | 1        | 1    | 0            |
| Resiliency  |                                     |              | ✓            | ✓                | 1          | 1      | 1   | 1              | 1        | 0    | 0            |

# Database of Energy Storage Companies in MA

➤ Purpose:

- Capture characteristics such as the company technology, service, products, number and type of employees, location and revenue level.

➤ Deliverable:

- An Excel based spread sheet

➤ How it Fits in:

- Understand which programs and market opportunities have been successful in attracting companies.
- Capture NAICS codes and use them to derive economic impact of storage deployment scenarios.
- Serve as a baseline to track progress of the industry.

# Programs That Benefit Storage Today in MA

## ➤ Purpose:

- This task provides a summary of the current MA programs (grants, rebates, etc) that may already involve energy storage
- This is an information gathering task to concisely express what programs exist today

## ➤ Deliverable:

- Includes a comprehensive table of the existing MA programs
- A discussion of which program-specific criteria can be specified to encourage use of energy storage
- Stakeholder feedback is included

## ➤ How it Fits In:

- Information gathered in this task will feed into subsequent tasks where programmatic actions for energy storage are being considered

| MASSACHUSETTS ENERGY PROGRAMS  |                       |                        |  |                   |
|--|-----------------------|------------------------|--|-------------------|
| PROGRAM / INCENTIVE  | PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR | PROGRAM TYPE           | ELIGIBLE TECHNOLOGIES  | APPLICABLE TO ES? |
| AccelerateMass   | MA CEC                | Investment             | Clean Tech   | Yes               |
| Alternative Energy and Energy Conservation Patent Income Tax Deduction (Corporate) | MA DOR                | Tax credit / deduction | Solar, Geo, Wind, Biomass, Hydro, MSW, Fuel Cell   | Potentially       |
| Alternative Energy and Energy Conservation Patent Income Tax Deduction (Personal)  | MA DOR                | Tax credit / deduction | Solar, Geo, Wind, Biomass, Hydro, MSW, Fuel Cell   | Potentially       |
| AmplifyMass  | MA CEC                | Investment             | Clean Tech   | Yes               |
| Berkshire Gas - Commercial Energy Efficiency Rebate Program                        | N/A                   | Rebate                 | Equipment insulation, water heaters, furnaces, boilers, steam system upgrades, programmable thermostats, duct sealing, building insulation, windows, other EE                                    | No                |
| Berkshire Gas - Residential Energy Efficiency Rebate Program                       | N/A                   | Rebate                 | Equipment insulation, water heaters, furnaces, boilers, steam system upgrades, programmable thermostats, duct sealing, building insulation, windows, other EE                                    | No                |
| Business Energy Investment Tax Credit (BEITC)                                      | Federal               | Tax credit / deduction | Solar, geo, wind, MSW, CHP, Fuel Cell, Tidal, Microturbines  | Potentially       |
| Cape Light Compact - Commercial Energy Efficiency Rebate Program                   | N/A                   | Rebate                 | Water heaters, lighting, lighting controls, chillers, furnaces, boilers, heat pumps, air conditioners, CHP, compressed air, EMS, building insulation, motors, motor VFD, equipment, LED lighting | Potentially       |
| Cape Light Compact-  |                       |                        | Refrigerators, dehumidifiers, water heaters, lighting, furnaces, boilers,  |                   |

# ES Market Opportunities

# Market Opportunities – Preliminary Organization

- Objective: Identify current and near-term market opportunities for energy storage in MA, barriers, and ways to overcome those barriers
  - Focusing on revenue-generating or cost-avoiding activities more so than more general benefits-producing
  - Discussion of market size, ability to stack services, relative value of opportunities
- Method: Gather feedback from stakeholders and supplement with knowledge of markets, both in MA and elsewhere
- Status: Initial draft report in process of being sent to CEC/DOER for review
- Observations: Organizing into three categories:
  - Wholesale
  - Retail
  - Utility



# Market Opportunities – Preliminary Observations

## ➤ Wholesale

- Current ISO-NE market products
- Other ISO-related opportunities
- New ISO-NE market products

## ➤ Retail

- Customer Bill Management: Time-of-Use rates and energy price arbitrage; Demand charge management
- Distributed PV Integration / Solar Balancing / Increased PV Self-Consumption
- Backup Power / Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) / Power Quality
- Enablement of the “Prosumer” Model

## ➤ Utility

- Transmission
  - Upgrade Deferral, Equipment Life Extension, Voltage Support, Congestion Relief
- Distribution
  - Upgrade Deferral, Resiliency, Voltage Control / Power Quality, Backup Power, Microgrid
- Customer
  - Similar services listed above for a system that can be utility-controlled

# NEXT STEPS

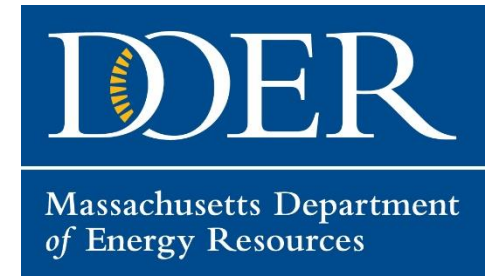


# ES Study Tasks - Next Steps

- Pathways to creating a larger energy storage industry in Massachusetts
  - Policies or programs to foster storage industry growth in MA
- Storage Cost/Benefit Analysis
  - Use ES Valuation Tool (ESVT) to analyze a range of storage applications, quantifying potential value streams against costs
- Vision of the Future of ES in Massachusetts
  - Analyzing the potential amount of cost-effective storage that would provide benefits to Massachusetts ratepayers
- Policy & Program Recommendations
  - Possible policy, market and regulatory tools to promote energy storage, based on potential applications and cost benefit analysis.
  - Program design recommendations for the DOER's \$10 million energy storage demonstration fund.

# Continuing Stakeholder Engagement

- We continue to welcome input from stakeholders to help inform and guide our work
  - Please contact us via email at: [energystoragema@gmail.com](mailto:energystoragema@gmail.com)
- Stay informed at the mass.gov website:
  - <http://www.mass.gov/eea/energy-utilities-clean-tech/renewable-energy/energy-storage-initiative/>
- The next Stakeholder Update will take place in Q1 of 2016  
– stay tuned!



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## Thank You!

