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**STAFF-DR-01-001**

**REQUEST:**

Refer to the application, paragraph 6. Provide the comments or feedback about Duke Kentucky's proposed changes received from the Residential Collaborative and the Commercial and Industrial Collaborative.

**RESPONSE:**

There were no comments or feedback about the proposed changes from the Residential Collaborative and the Commercial and Industrial Collaborative. However; there was a comment appreciating the update, a question about if the proposed changes had any impact on the statewide Home Energy Assistance program which they do not and the Office of Rate Intervention from the Office of the Attorney General stated they would attend a collaborative if one were to be held.

**PERSON RESPONSIBLE:** Trisha Haemmerle

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**STAFF-DR-01-002**

**REQUEST:**

Refer to the application, paragraph 7. Regarding the Home Energy House Call, provide the Cost-Effectiveness Test Results for each of the proposed individual program expansions.

**RESPONSE:**

Please see STAFF-DR-01-002 Attachment.

**PERSON RESPONSIBLE:** Julie Hollingsworth

Program	Product Code	Measure I	Measure Name	UCT	TRC	RIM	PCT**	
Residential Energy Assessments	HCBLRD	12872	Home Energy House Call - Assess Kit w LEDs Blower Door		1.24	0.62	0.63	14.62
Residential Energy Assessments	HCCNDL	12875	Home Energy House Call - Specialty Candelabra LED		2.52	0.23	0.76	46.29
Residential Energy Assessments	HCGLOB	12876	Home Energy House Call - Specialty Globe LED		511.80	46.52	1.09	15.61
Residential Energy Assessments	HCHHSH	12878	Home Energy House Call - Specialty Showerhead		5,591.54	508.42	0.89	11.92
Residential Energy Assessments	HCNSTE	12873	Home Energy House Call - Smart Thermostat -Elec		16.15	1.47	0.75	2.57
Residential Energy Assessments	HCNSTE	12874	Home Energy House Call - Smart Thermostat -Only CAC Fuel Htd		16.15	1.47	0.75	2.57
Residential Energy Assessments	HCRCSO	12877	Home Energy House Call - Specialty Recessed LED		157.62	14.33	1.06	21.21

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**STAFF-DR-01-003**

**REQUEST:**

Refer to the application, paragraph 8. Duke Kentucky is seeking approval to increase the budget for its Smart Saver® Prescriptive program.

- a. Explain if the increase is in addition to the carry-over amount of \$1,396,010.
- b. Provide support for the need for the additional increase and how Duke Kentucky anticipates the dollars will be spent.

**RESPONSE:**

- a. The carry-over amount of \$1,396,010 is the total requested increase.
- b. The dollars will be spent primarily on Smart Saver Prescriptive & Custom customer projects that have already requested incentive reservations and/or been placed on the Smart Saver incentive waitlist for planned upcoming energy efficiency improvements. To date in 2020, the Duke Energy Kentucky Smart Saver Prescriptive & Custom programs have received prequalification applications for 22 customer projects planned for completion later this fiscal year or early next fiscal year, with total potential incentives of up to \$1,739,309. The projects have all been issued tentative incentive reservations and/or been placed on the program's incentive waitlist for future projects.

**PERSON RESPONSIBLE:** Nathan Lewis

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**STAFF-DR-01-004**

**REQUEST:**

Refer to the application, paragraph 8. Duke Kentucky anticipates increased customer demand and interest in energy efficiency as it relates to the Smart \$aver® Prescriptive Program as customer operations return to pre-COVID-19 levels.

- a. Provide documentation supporting the increased customer demand, such as a waiting list or call log.
- b. Explain whether Duke Kentucky is anticipating having to hire more individuals to handle this anticipated uptick in customer participation.

**RESPONSE:**

- a. Please see STAFF-DR-01-004 Attachment.
- b. No additional hires are anticipated.

**PERSON RESPONSIBLE:** Nathan Lewis

**Duke Energy Kentucky - Reservation/Waitlist Log**  
**Smart \$aver Prescriptive & Custom**

<b>Enrollment Application Number</b>	<b>Potential Incentive Total</b>
EA-0000168190	\$ 5,489.98
EA-0000168966	\$ 906,703.60
EA-0000170615	\$ 25,883.00
EA-0000170620	\$ 25,913.00
EA-0000171093	\$ 4,575.00
EA-0000171463	\$ 150.00
EA-0000171464	\$ 150.00
EA-0000171466	\$ 150.00
EA-0000398734	\$ 9,761.00
EA-0000399080	\$ 55,957.00
EA-0000399347	\$ 1,305.00
EA-0000399359	\$ 5,400.00
EA-0000399795	\$ 5,485.50
EA-0000399970	\$ 1,650.00
EA-0000400021	\$ 7,499.00
EA-0000399898	\$ 800.00
CSK20-0000172363	\$ 9,370.00
CSK20-0000172484	\$ 462.00
CSK19-0000159553	\$ 252,085.00
CSK20-0000209670	\$ 878.00
CSK20-0000172214	\$ 3,942.00
CSK20-0000399129	\$ 415,700.00

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**STAFF-DR-01-005**

**REQUEST:**

Refer to the application, paragraph 9. Duke Kentucky is requesting to carry over the unspent funds for the Peak Time Rebate Pilot Program to the July 2020 through June 2021 period. Provide support for the need for the additional dollars and how Duke Kentucky anticipates they will be spent

**RESPONSE:**

When originally filed, Duke Energy Kentucky anticipated an approval for this pilot program by year end 2019 with development occurring during the first part of 2020 leading to a pilot launch in mid- to late May 2020. Given uncertainty surrounding the pilot program and the Commission's approval, implementation efforts did not start in earnest until Commission approval was received on April 27, 2020. Unfortunately, complications due to the COVID-19 pandemic slowed the development of the pilot. The pilot was launched on July 27, 2020. Due to the delayed launch of the pilot, the timing of program costs shifted later into the summer and with respect to EM&V costs, needed to be rescheduled completely. The shift of the unspent funds from the period ending June 2020 ensures that enough budget dollars are available to the pilot for the July 2020 through June 2021 period. Budget categories such as customer incentives, EM&V, labor, and marketing have not been eliminated, rather the timing of those expected expenses have just been shifted out in time. If the entirety of the requested budget to be shifted are not spent, the actual amount required



to run the pilot will be addressed in the reconciliation component of future Company annual rider proceedings.

**PERSON RESPONSIBLE:** Bruce L. Sailors

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**STAFF-DR-01-006**

**REQUEST:**

Refer to the application, Exhibit A.

- a. For the Residential Energy Assessment Program, provide the individual program cost-effectiveness test results.
- b. For the Smart \$aver® Prescriptive Program, provide the individual program cost-effectiveness test results.

**RESPONSE:**

- a. See STAFF-DR-01-006(a) Attachment.
- b. See STAFF-DR-01-006(b) Attachment.

**PERSON RESPONSIBLE:** Julie Hollingsworth

Program	Product Code	Measure I	Measure Name	UCT	TRC	RIM	PCT**	
Residential Energy Assessments	HCBAER	12207	Home Energy House Call - Bathroom Aerator		824.23	1.27	0.97	97.85
Residential Energy Assessments	HCBLRD	12872	Home Energy House Call - Assess Kit w LEDs Blower Door		1.24	0.62	0.63	14.62
Residential Energy Assessments	HCCNDL	12875	Home Energy House Call - Specialty Candelabra LED		2.52	0.23	0.76	46.29
Residential Energy Assessments	HCGLOB	12876	Home Energy House Call - Specialty Globe LED		511.80	46.52	1.09	15.61
Residential Energy Assessments	HCHHSH	12878	Home Energy House Call - Specialty Showerhead		5,591.54	508.42	0.89	11.92
Residential Energy Assessments	HCLED	12190	Home Energy House Call - Additional LED		31.49	2.08	0.87	5.72
Residential Energy Assessments	HCNSTE	12873	Home Energy House Call - Smart Thermostat -Elec		16.15	1.47	0.75	2.57
Residential Energy Assessments	HCNSTE	12874	Home Energy House Call - Smart Thermostat -Only CAC Fuel Htd		16.15	1.47	0.75	2.57
Residential Energy Assessments	HCPWRP	12206	Home Energy House Call - Pipe Wrap		526.72	34.04	1.03	67.12
Residential Energy Assessments	HCRCSL	12877	Home Energy House Call - Specialty Recessed LED		157.62	14.33	1.06	21.21
Residential Energy Assessments	HEHC	7103	Home Energy House Call - Kit w LEDs		1.37	0.67	0.66	45.45

Program	Product Code	Measure I	Measure Name	UCT	TRC	RIM	PCT**	
Smart Saver® Prescriptive	NRFS	5660	Zero Energy Doors_Med-Temp Cooler		8.92	1.92	1.02	3.41
Smart Saver® Prescriptive	NRFS	5760	Convection Oven Full-Size		12.75	2.75	1.46	3.41
Smart Saver® Prescriptive	NRHVAC	384	Setback Programmable Thermostat		32.22	0.25	0.72	6.78
Smart Saver® Prescriptive	NRHVAC	3001	0.5 gpm Faucet Aerator (DI) - School, public use		31.02	0.24	0.69	6.78
Smart Saver® Prescriptive	NRHVAC	5704	HVAC DX AC 65-135kBtuh 11.7 EER (Tier 0_1)		133.91	1.03	2.98	6.78
Smart Saver® Prescriptive	NRHVAC	5731	HVAC DX PTAC 12000 Btuh 10.7 EER		135.30	1.04	3.01	6.78
Smart Saver® Prescriptive	NRHVAC	10001	High Volume Low Speed Fan		74.31	0.57	1.65	6.78
Smart Saver® Prescriptive	NRLTG	352	LED Exit Signs Electronic Fixtures (Retrofit Only)		14.39	3.75	1.18	5.69
Smart Saver® Prescriptive	NRLTG	3067	LED FLD rplcng or ILO GRT 100W HAL, INCD, or HID		9.92	2.58	0.81	5.69
Smart Saver® Prescriptive	NRLTG	3069	LED Highbay replacing 251-400W HID		15.76	4.10	1.29	5.69
Smart Saver® Prescriptive	NRLTG	3070	LED Highbay replacing greater than 400W HID		15.75	4.10	1.29	5.69
Smart Saver® Prescriptive	NRLTG	3071	LED Lowbay replacing 176W-250W HID		15.17	3.95	1.25	5.69
Smart Saver® Prescriptive	NRLTG	3072	LED Lowbay replacing up to 175W HID		15.18	3.95	1.25	5.69
Smart Saver® Prescriptive	NRLTG	3073	LED Panel 1x4 replacing or in lieu of T8 FL		16.50	4.29	1.36	5.69
Smart Saver® Prescriptive	NRLTG	3075	LED Panel 2x2 replacing or in lieu of T8 FL		16.69	4.34	1.37	5.69
Smart Saver® Prescriptive	NRLTG	3077	LED Panel 2x4 replacing or in lieu of T8 FL		16.75	4.36	1.38	5.69
Smart Saver® Prescriptive	NRLTG	8850	LED 2ft Tube 1-LED, replacing or in lieu of T8 fluorescent		15.76	4.10	1.29	5.69
Smart Saver® Prescriptive	NRLTG	8851	LED 4ft Tube 1-LED, replacing or in lieu of T8 fluorescent		15.79	4.11	1.30	5.69
Smart Saver® Prescriptive	NRLTG	8852	LED A Lamps		16.76	4.36	1.38	5.69
Smart Saver® Prescriptive	NRLTG	8853	LED Decorative, Globe, 3-Way Lamps		16.84	4.38	1.38	5.69
Smart Saver® Prescriptive	NRLTG	8859	LED PAR, BR, MR Lamps		16.86	4.39	1.38	5.69
Smart Saver® Prescriptive	NRLTG	10070	LED Highbay replacing greater than 400W HID Lamp		15.45	4.02	1.27	5.69
Smart Saver® Prescriptive	NRLTG	10074	LED Highbay Fixture replacing 6-lamp 4ft T8 fixture		17.10	4.45	1.40	5.69
Smart Saver® Prescriptive	NRLTG	10075	LED Highbay Fixture replacing 2-lamp 8ft T12 fixture		17.13	4.46	1.41	5.69
Smart Saver® Prescriptive	NRLTG	10077	LED Highbay Fixture replacing 4-lamp 4ft T5HO fixture		17.11	4.45	1.40	5.69
Smart Saver® Prescriptive	NRLTG	10079	LED FLD rplcng or ILO greater than 500W HAL, INCD, or HID		8.50	2.21	0.70	5.69
Smart Saver® Prescriptive	NRP&M	1114	VFD Process Pump 1-50 HP		21.55	3.22	1.40	2.58
Smart Saver® Prescriptive	NRP&M	10098	VFD on Chilled Water Pump		24.43	3.65	1.59	2.58

**REQUEST:**

Refer to the application, Appendix D.

- a. Refer to pages 8-9 of 100, Tables 1-1, 1-2, and 1-3.
  - 1) Explain why programs have a Realization Rate less than 100 percent, thus indicating that verified savings is less than the reported savings estimates.
  - 2) Explain whether Duke Kentucky updates the reported savings estimates inputted into the programs that determine the total savings for the custom program and thus determine the cost-effectiveness of the custom program.
- b. Refer to page 10 of 100. Explain why the tracking data was missing some key information for evaluation activities and program/project tracking. Provide the impact of missing this data on the final Nexant report.

**RESPONSE:**

- a.
  - 1) The overall Duke Energy Kentucky Non-Residential Custom Incentive Program energy realization rate is above 100 percent, in fact 103.5 percent as indicated in Table 1-1 of Appendix D. For this evaluation, the evaluator used sample stratification within the sample design, i.e., Lighting - Large, Lighting - Small, etc.), with a realization rate reported for each stratum, which then rolls up to a program-level realization rate.  
  
The realization rate for the Lighting – Small stratum is less than 100 percent primarily due to actual lighting hours of use being less than reported.

For the Non-Lighting – Large and Non-Lighting – Small strata, the primary reasons for realization rates being less than 100 percent were myriad reasons, including baseline and efficient values were different than reports; lower operating hours for the various non-lighting measures; and inaccurate setpoints.

2) Duke Energy Kentucky updates and applies the verified program-level realization rate and the estimated free ridership rate to determine the cost effectiveness of Non-Residential Custom program applications.

b. Customer contact information, specifically contact phone numbers and email addresses, was occasionally missing or outdated, most likely due to staff turnover at participating customer companies. In addition, the quantities of installed equipment (particularly for lighting) and some savings values associated with projects was missing or incorrect. Quantity data, however, was found in other documentation used in the evaluation. Neither missing customer contact data nor quantity data had any impact on the final Nexant report.

**PERSON RESPONSIBLE:** Jean Williams

**STAFF-DR-01-008**

**REQUEST:**

Refer to the application, Appendix E.

- a. Refer to page 6 of 66, Tables 1 and 2. Also, refer to page 7 of 66, recommendation (1). Confirm that Duke Kentucky will update the reported savings estimates inputted into the programs that determine the total savings for the Multifamily Energy Efficiency Program, and thus update the cost-effectiveness of each customer offering.
- b. Refer to pages 7 and 8 of 66. For each recommendation, explain whether or not Duke Kentucky will adopt the recommendation.

**RESPONSE:**

- a. Duke Energy Kentucky confirms that reported savings for each measure in the Duke Energy Multifamily Energy Efficiency Program have been updated to reflect verified savings indicated in the report. This update includes cost effectiveness.
- b. Responses to each of the recommendations are below:
  1. Duke Energy Kentucky will implement the ex-post, per unit energy and demand impacts.
  2. Program materials have been updated since the time period of the evaluation in question to include information about new measures. Property Managers now also receive a post-installation savings report to share with tenants that highlights the total energy and water saved by the property.

3. For properties with 250 or more units, the program vendor leaves behind a quantity of LEDs equal to 1% of the total LEDs installed. For smaller properties, the property is instructed to contact the program vendor for replacement bulbs for those that quit working. This helps control overall program cost.
4. Smart thermostats are currently under consideration for addition to the program based on property manager feedback while ensuring that the offering is cost effective for customers.
5. Since the time period of the evaluation, the Service Agreement has been updated to include language regarding Quality Assurance and EM&V follow-up activities.

**PERSON RESPONSIBLE:** Jean Williams  
Greg Simmons



**STAFF-DR-01-009**

**REQUEST:**

Refer to the application, Appendix F, page 7 of 18, Table 1-2.

- a. Explain why programs have a Realization Rate less than 100 percent, thus indicating that verified savings is less than the reported savings estimates.
- b. Explain if Duke Kentucky updates the reported savings estimates inputted into the programs that determine the total savings for the Smart Saver® Prescriptive Program and thus determine the cost-effectiveness of the program.

**RESPONSE:**

- a. Each of the technologies (i.e., Lighting, HVAC, Food Service Products, etc.) listed in the Non-Residential Prescriptive program has a respective realization rate. The only technology which has a realization rate less than 100 percent is Lighting. The Lighting technology has a realization rate less than 100 percent due to adjustments the evaluator made to correct actual hours of use and update waste heat and coincident factors.
- b. Duke Energy Kentucky updated the savings estimates reflected in the report for reporting and cost-effectiveness purposes.

**PERSON RESPONSIBLE:**           Jean Williams

**STAFF-DR-01-010**

**REQUEST:**

Refer to the application, Appendix G.

- a. Also, refer to the application, paragraph 4. Regarding the Save Energy and Water Kit Program (SEWKP), explain to which demand-side management program listed in paragraph 4 the SEWKP will be part of.
- b. Provide the cost-effectiveness score for the SEWKP.
- c. Refer to page 5 of 83. Explain how Duke Kentucky pre-selects a household.

**RESPONSE:**

- a. Residential Smart Saver<sup>®</sup> Energy Efficient Products Program – Sheet No. 110
- b. See STAFF-DR-01-010(b) Attachment.
- c. Duke Energy Kentucky uses a propensity model to determine which households are eligible for the program offering. This model evaluates a number of inputs to provide a mathematical score that reflects the likelihood that the customer has an electric water heater. If Duke Energy Kentucky provides natural gas to the customer, then due to the high correlation between the availability of natural gas and its use to heat water, it is assumed the customer has a gas water heater.

**PERSON RESPONSIBLE:**

Trisha Haemmerle – a.  
Julie Hollingsworth – b.  
Greg Simmons – c.

Program	Product Code	Measure I	Measure Name	UCT	TRC	RIM	PCT**	
Residential Smart Saver®	SFEEAR	2979	Faucet Aerators SF DIY 1.0 GPM - bath		30.06	9.01	0.95	33.63
Residential Smart Saver®	SFEEAR	2980	Faucet Aerators SF DIY 1.0 GPM - kitchen		30.14	9.03	0.95	33.63
Residential Smart Saver®	SFEEPW	2997	Pipe Wrap SF DIY		18.06	6.40	0.94	71.34
Residential Smart Saver®	SFEESH	2993	LF Showerhead SF DIY 1.5 GPM		16.17	4.25	0.93	31.85