

Measuring Energy Savings When it Counts: How Smart Grid Data and Open-Source Analytics Can Lead to Savings Load-Shapes

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Why Measure Savings?





What Does AMI Get Us?



Cornwell and Grover, <u>Is More Always Better? A Comparison of Billing Regression</u> <u>Results Using Monthly, Daily and Hourly AMI Data</u>, Long Beach, California: International Energy Program Evaluation Conference, August 2015.



A Negawatt Saved is a Negawatt Earned

Date: 07/28/2015 S/MWh S/MWh 0.2 Time

Hourly LMP Graph

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Is "Champ" Real?





Vermont's July-average "Champ Curve"

1 GW of net-metered PV in 2025 2 GW of net-metered PV in 2035



From Solar Market Pathways "Barriers and Integration" brief, thanks to Shawn Enterline and Green Mountain Power



Pre- and post-efficiency load-shape





Pre- and post-efficiency load-shape





Pre- and post-efficiency savings-shape





Pre- and Post-efficiency Load-shape





Pre- and Post-efficiency Savings-shape





Getting Lost in the Noise

Savings as a Percent of Bill





Savings from Behavior Programs



Todd et al. 2013, Insights from Smart Meters: Focus on Home Energy Report Programs



There's No Accounting for the Weather





Single Building Model





Weather Regression Billed Energy vs. Cooling Load





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Prediction Accuracy of Different Models



Granderson, Jessica, Samir Touzani, Claudine Custodio, Michael Sohn, andSamuel Fernandes. <u>Assessment of Automated Measurement and</u> <u>Verification (M&V) Methods</u>, Edited by David Jump. Berkeley: LBNL, 2015.

Variation of 15-Minute Loadshapes



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What the Heck Does That Even Mean?

Smart meter data helps to measure savings.

It may still not be good enough.



Looking for the Biggest Needles

AMI Meter Weather Sensitivity Screening 35000 30000 25000 Number of Points 20000 15000 10000 5000 0 Mar 2013 Jun 2013 Sep 2013 Dec 2013 Mar 2014 Jun 2014 Sep 2014 Dec 2014 Mar 2015 Jun 2015 Timeline -1.0 -0.8 -0.6 -0.4 -0.2 1.0 0.2 0.4 0.6 0.8 0.0 Spearman rank coefficient

Strongly cooling sensitive





Billions and Billions of Connected Devices





Automating Savings for Each Project





Open Energy Efficiency Meter



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Questions?

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