

Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative Program Review:

Public Meeting

September 26, 2023

Meeting Protocols

- This meeting is being recorded and will be shared publicly on the RGGI website.
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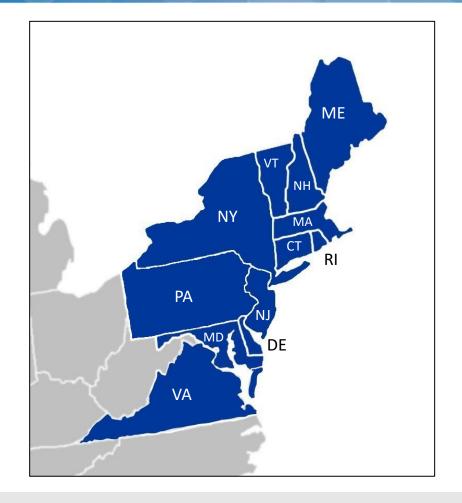
Meeting Agenda

- Welcome & Introductions
- EJ & Equity Considerations
- Program Design Elements
- Electricity Sector Analysis
- Question & Answer
- Public Comment
- Next Steps

Program Review Introduction

RGGI Overview

- Cooperative effort to reduce CO₂ emissions from the power sector
- Each state develops its own capand-invest program to cap and reduce emissions over time
- Individual programs are similar enough to allow for allowance fungibility, regional auctions, and other cooperative elements



What is Cap and Invest?



Power plants emit CO_2 and states set a **cap** on emissions.



Power plants must purchase allowances equivalent to their emissions.



States sell those allowances at quarterly auctions.



States **reinvest** the proceeds in decarbonization and other programs to deliver benefits to their communities.

Program Review Introduction

Public engagement held throughout Program Review

State goals & ambitions informed by the best available science

> **Technical modeling & analyses** to examine electricity market, emissions, economic impacts

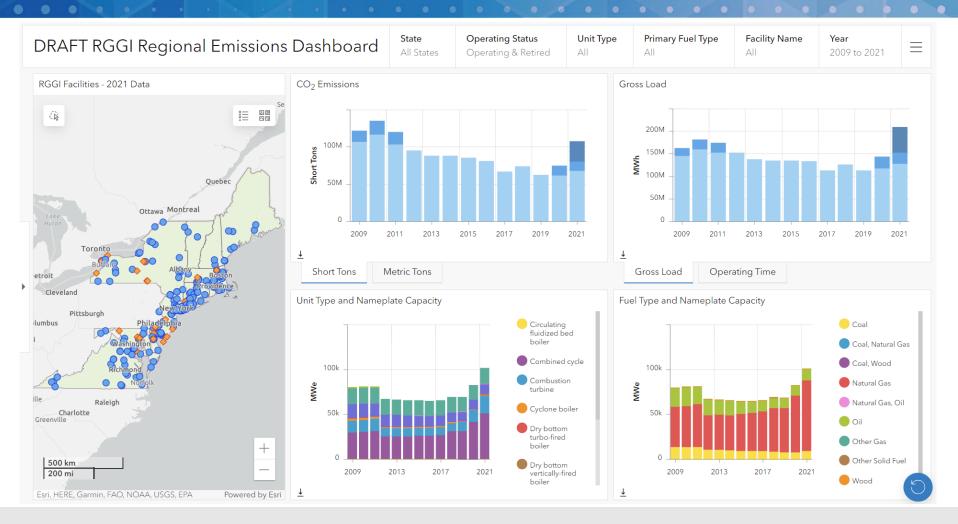
Updated RGGI Model Rule & accompanying program recommendations

Launch of state rulemaking processes

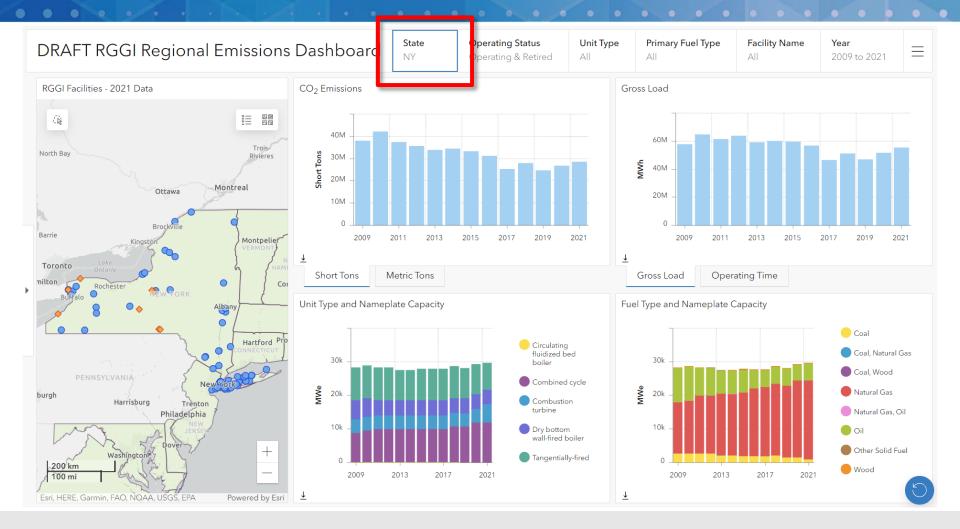
EJ & Equity Considerations

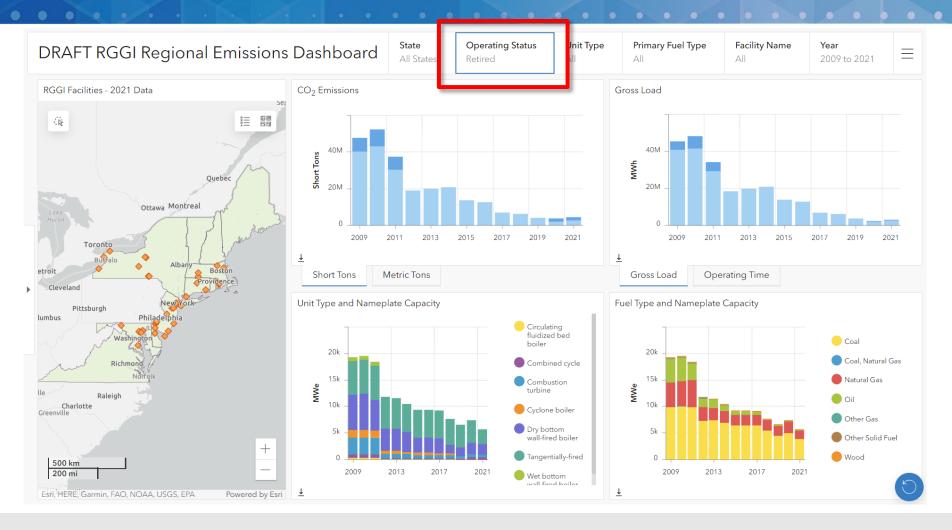
- Ongoing review of public comments
- States share information and best practices
 - <u>EJ and Equity Advisory Boards of the Participating</u> <u>RGGI States</u>
- Local emissions data:
 - Draft RGGI Emissions Dashboard

- Draft Emissions Dashboard available for review and comment on the RGGI website <u>here</u>.
 - User Guide available <u>here</u>.
- Based on: <u>New Jersey RGGI Power Plant EGU</u> <u>Emissions Dashboard</u>

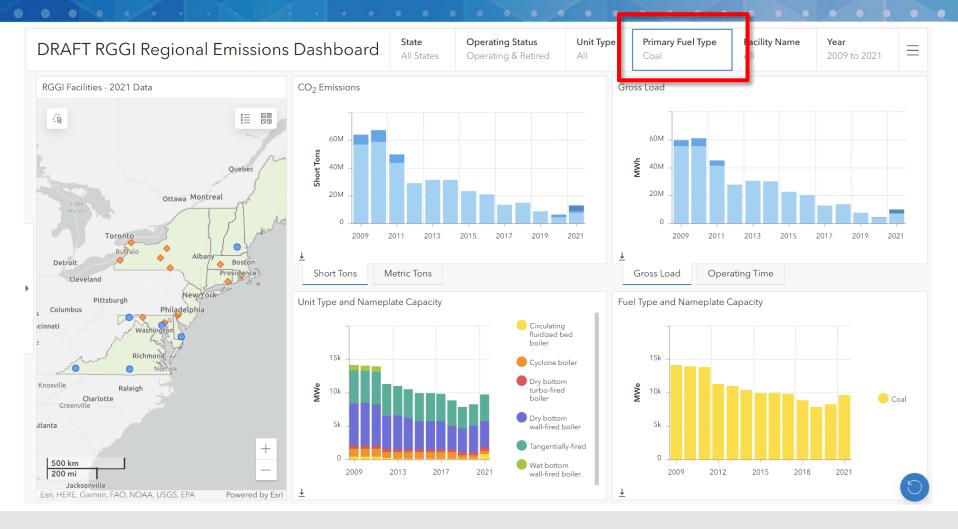


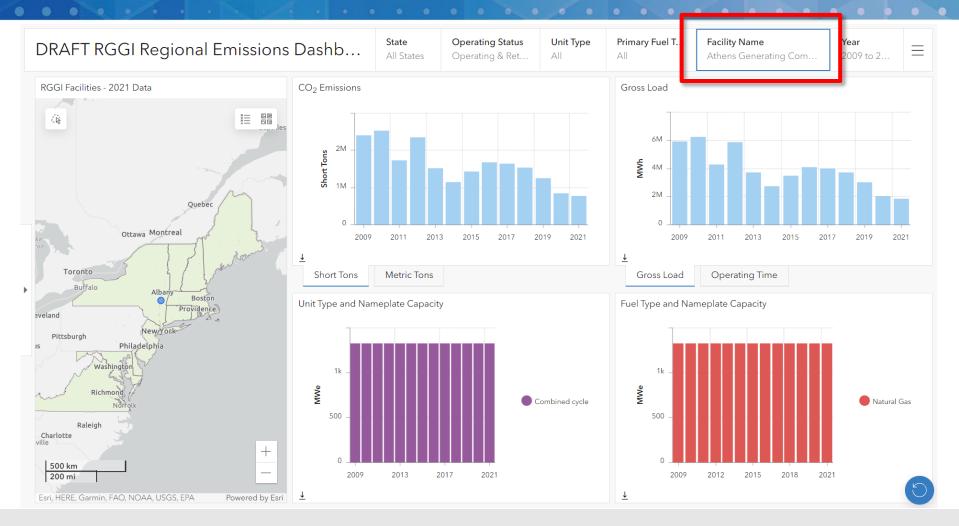
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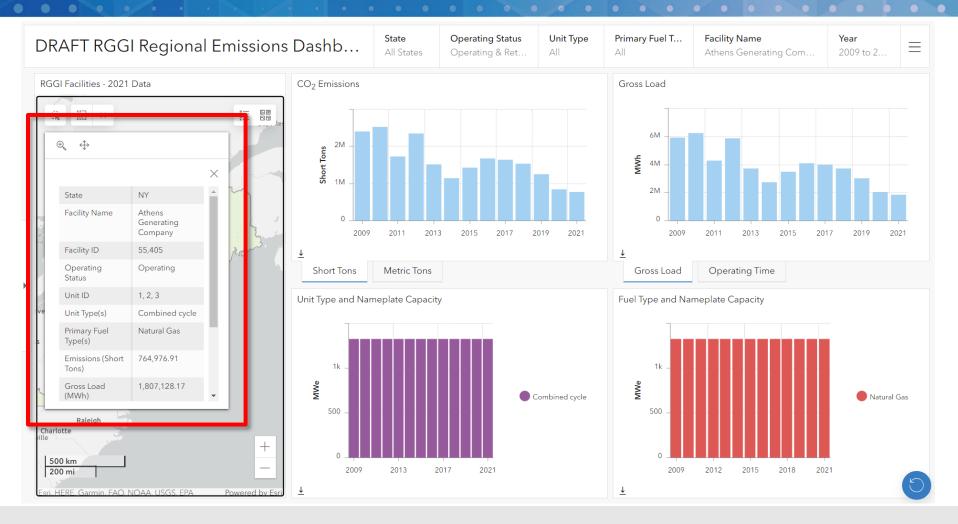




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DRAFT RGGI Regional Emissions Dashboard

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About this Dashboard

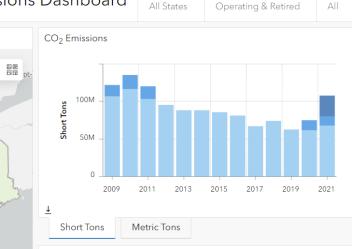
This dashboard displays the operating and retired power generating facilities covered by the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI). Select a facility on the map or use the toolbar at the top of the dashboard to view historic emissions, gross load, unit type and fuel type for the selected facilities.

Data for this dashboard was sourced in 2023 from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Clean Air Markets Program Data (CAMPD)¹ for facilities covered by the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative. Data represents direct CO2 emissions from fossilfuel-fired electric power generators with a capacity of 25 megawatts² or greater.

For 2009-2011 and 2020, data is included for the ten-state RGGI region, referred to as RGGI 10, which includes Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Rhode Island, and Vermont,

For 2012-2019, data is included for the ninestate RGGI region, referred to as RGGI 9, which includes the RGGI 10 states except New Jersey, which did not participate in RGGI during this period.

For 2021, data is included for the eleven participating RGGI states, referred to as RGGI 11, which includes the RGGI 10 states and



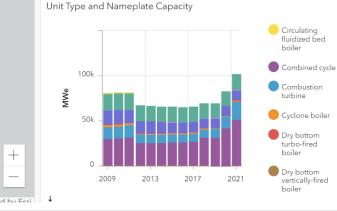
State

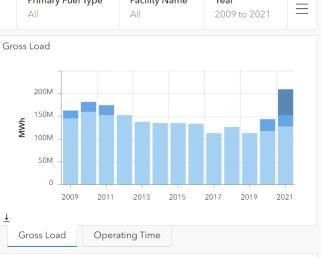
All States

Operating Status

Unit Type

All



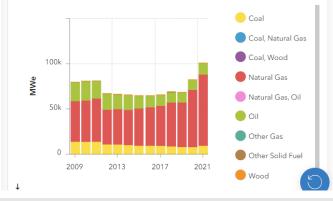


Facility Name

Year

Fuel Type and Nameplate Capacity

Primary Fuel Type



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Program Review Considerations

- Ongoing discussion of a variety of program design elements
- Considerations informed by state goals, public feedback, and electricity sector analysis
 - Topics for Consideration

Program Review Considerations

Annual Compliance

- Current Policy: Three-year control periods.
 - Years 1 2: Interim control periods during which facilities acquire and surrender allowances to match 50% of their emissions each year.
 - Year 3: Facilities acquire and surrender allowances to match 100% of remaining emissions over the three-year period and submit a compliance certification report.

• State Leanings: Annual Compliance

- Facilities acquire and surrender allowances to match 100% of their emissions and submit a compliance certification report each year.
- Reduced risk of facilities remaining out of compliance.

Spring Modeling Considerations

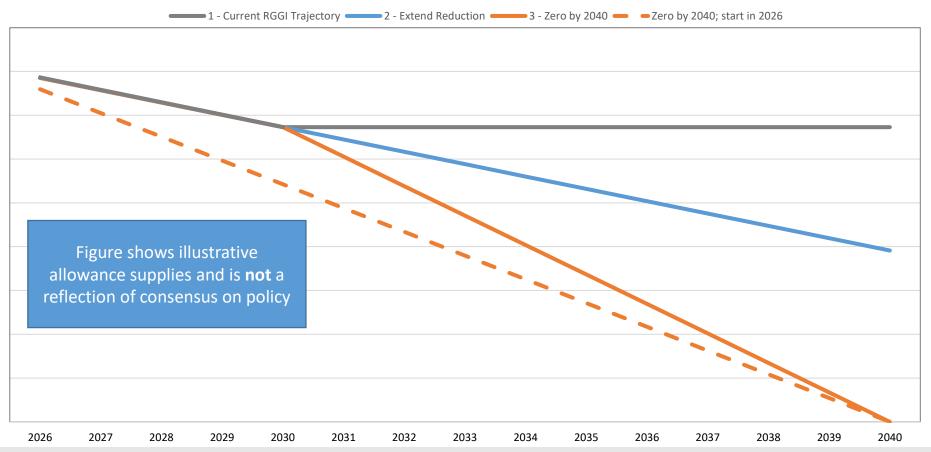
- Fluidity of state participation
- Climate and complementary energy policies will dramatically impact electricity load
 - Electric vehicles and EV infrastructure
 - Electrification in the building sector
 - Aggressive energy efficiency efforts
- Decarbonization timeline for the electricity sector
 - Participating State timelines vary
 - Implementation of offshore wind deployment
 - Grid-scale battery storage deployment, duration, and supply

Spring Modeling Framework

Allowance Supply Assumption Set	1: BAU Flat Cap Post-2030	2: Extend Current Cap Reduction to 2040	3: Test Against Zero by 2040
A: Procured Only	A - 1	A - 2	A - 3
B: A + In Statute or Regulation	B - 1	B - 2	B - 3
C: B + Additional Goals	C - 1	C - 2	C - 3

Spring Modeling Framework – Allowance Supply

Illustrative Allowance Supply Cases

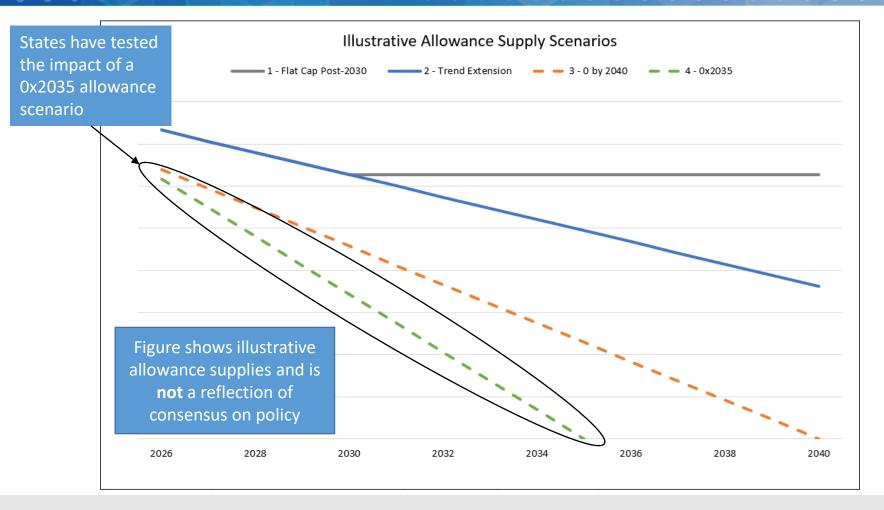


Updated Modeling Framework

Allowance Supply Assumption Set	4: Test Against Zero by 2035 Trajectory
A: Procured Only	A - 4
B: A + In Statute or Regulation	B - 4
C: B + Additional Goals	C - 4

States have modeled an additional stringency scenario to understand how capacity and emissions results change

Updated Modeling Framework – Allowance Supply



Navigating the Modeling Matrix

Fewer Allowances Available/Greater Stringency

Allowance Supply Assumption Set	1: BAU Flat Cap Post- 2030	2: Extend Current Cap Reduction to 2040	3: Test Against Zero by 2040 Trajectory	4: Test Against Zero by 2035 Trajectory
A: Procured Only	A - 1	A - 2	A - 3	A - 4
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More Renewables & Electrification

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Updated Modeling Matrix

Allowance Supply Assumption Set	3: Test Against Zero by 2040 Trajectory	4: Test Against Zero by 2035 Trajectory
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RGGI Program Review – Modeling Methodology

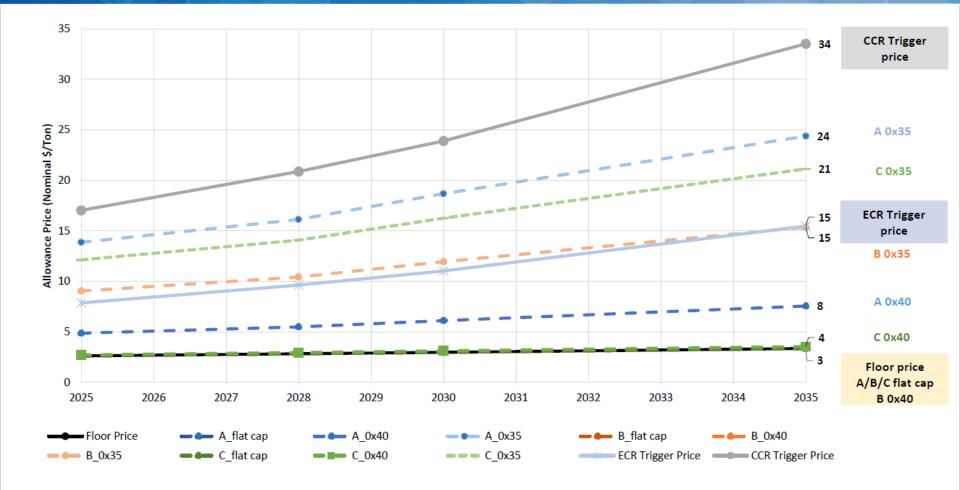
• Time Horizon

- Results for model runs are presented for 2025 2035
- Modeling extends through 2040 to capture impacts of cap decline trajectories beyond 2035, as appropriate
- ECR/CCR Methodology
 - For Program Review purposes, ECR and CCR are not modeled in the runs presented
- Assumption Update
 - Renewable cost data has been updated to align with NREL's 2023 release of the Annual Technology Baseline dataset

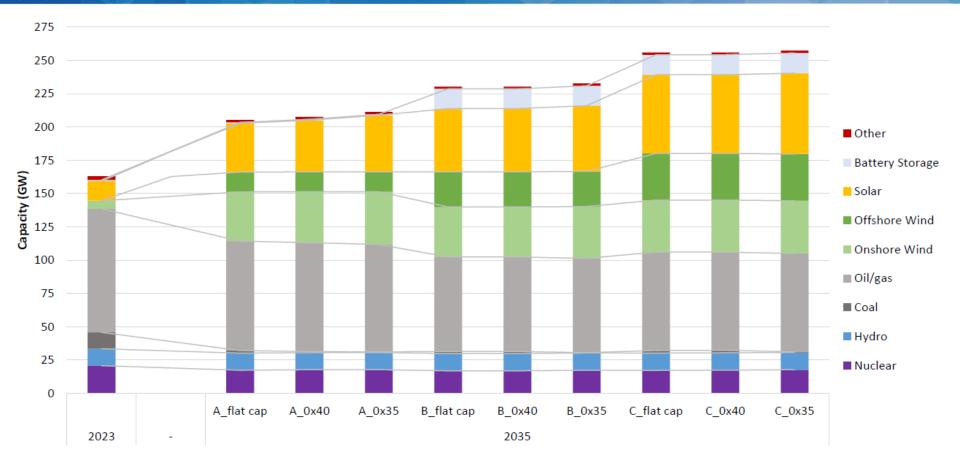
11-State RGGI-Affected CO₂ Emissions 2025 - 2035



11-State RGGI Allowance Price: 2025-2035



11-State RGGI Capacity Mix (2023 – 2035)



Key Observations

- Federal incentives for clean energy have the potential to rapidly transform the RGGI region generation mix
- Modeling shows how current state decarbonization and renewable requirements can significantly reduce emissions
- Scenarios modeled to date show relatively low allowance prices compared to the ECR/CCR price triggers in the Model Rule

Clarifying Questions

- Use the Q&A function a question to the host.
- Send additional questions to <u>info@rggi.org</u>

How to Provide Comment

- **1. Submit verbal comments during public meetings:** Meetings throughout Program Review will include opportunities for verbal comment from members of the public.
- 2. Submit written comments during open comment periods: Public meetings will be paired with comment periods, during which comments may be sent to <u>info@rggi.org</u>.

Submit written comments for this meeting by **October 24, 2023.** with the subject line "RGGI Program Review Comment."

Public Comment

- Individuals who reserved time to comment will provide comment first.
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• States will review and incorporate feedback into the electricity sector analysis and program considerations.



Thank You!