

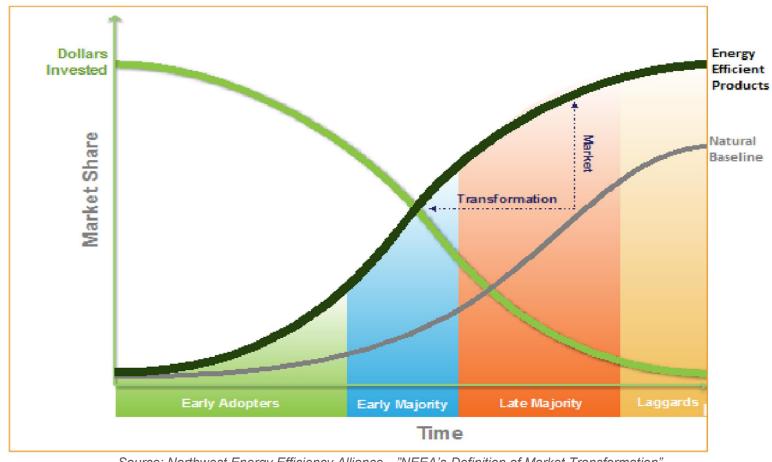
# The ENERGY STAR® Retail Products Platform: Transforming the way energy efficient products and messages are delivered through retail







#### What is the ENERGY STAR Retail Products Platform?









#### **Process**

2014

#### **PREPARATION**

- Pilot plan–products, retailers
- Participation expectations
- Business case
- Decision-maker buy-in
- Budget estimates
- Assemble team

#### 2015

- Task group meetings
- Standards
- Templates
- Program coordination
- Retailer engagement

2016

#### **IMPLEMENTATION**

- Marketing
- Field services
- Data management
- Energy savings analysis Performance dashboard
- Incentive payment

Participation Commitment **ENERGY STAR RPP PROCESS** 

- Process Improvement
- Portfolio Changes

Gap Analysis

Measurement



Program

Launch

**ENERGY STAR RPP** 

**Stakeholders** 

**ENERGY STAR** 



**Program Sponsors** 

2017





Consumers

Retailers





#### Infrastructure

National Planning, Facilitation,
Monitoring & Support
US EPA
(Navitas Supporting)



Local/Regional
Planning & Execution
Utilities/Sponsors

(Implementation Contractors
Supporting)

#### **Task Group Leads**

#### **EM&V/Regulatory**

Peter Banwell – EPA Dan Lawlor - Cadmus Brian Hedman - Cadmus

#### **Data Requirements**

Jon Clark – NEEA

#### **Product/Specifications**

Peter Banwell – EPA Michael Russom – VEIC

#### **Legal Agreements**

Tim Michel – PG&E

#### Marketing/Field Service

Lara Bonn – Eff. VT Becca Yates – NEEA Hewan Tomlinson - EPA

#### Outreach

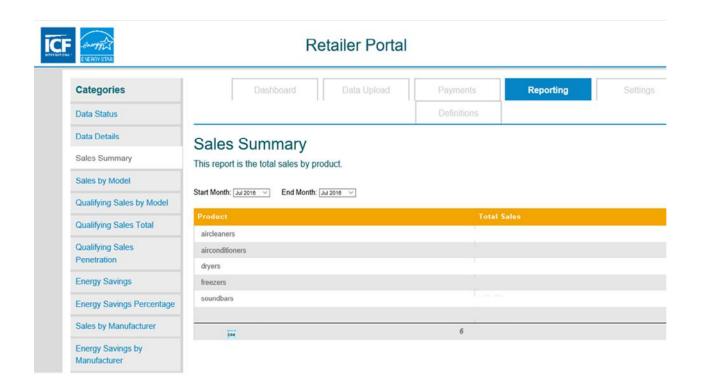
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## **Data System: Key to Success**

- Total category sales data
- Protection of business confidential information
- Access for evaluation







## Marketing, Field Services, and Implementation

- Marketing: in-store signage
  - Retailers pre-approve, no turnaround time or review
  - Prominent program sponsor branding
  - Flexible color scheme and tagline for program sponsor brand alignment
- Implementation Plan
- Letters of Authorization
- Field Services Tool Kit





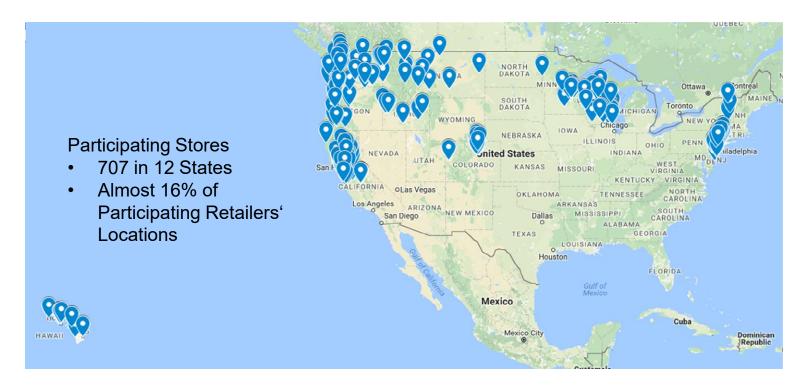


## **2016 Participation**

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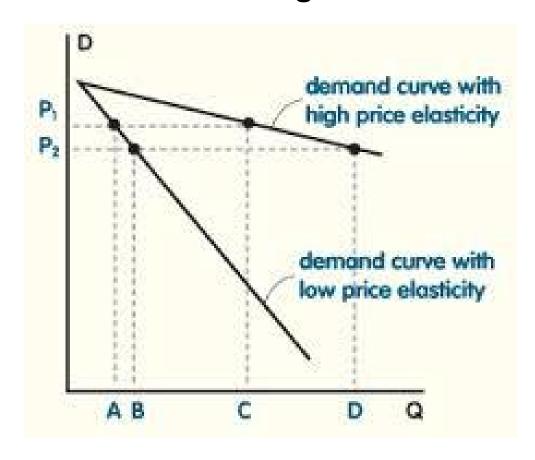








## **Traditional Rebate Program: Behavior Change Tool**







## The Need for Change

## Then (2004)



- ≥30% energy savings
- ➤ Mail-in rebates up to \$200 available.

## Now (2016)



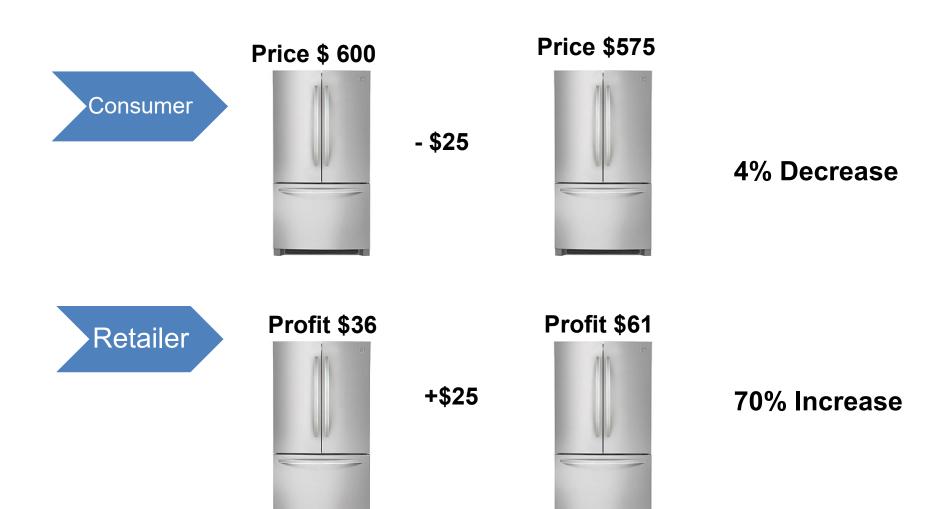
Cost-effective rebates closer to \$25



**\$EPA** 



## **Behavior Change: Where to use \$25?**





## **Retailers at the Center**



















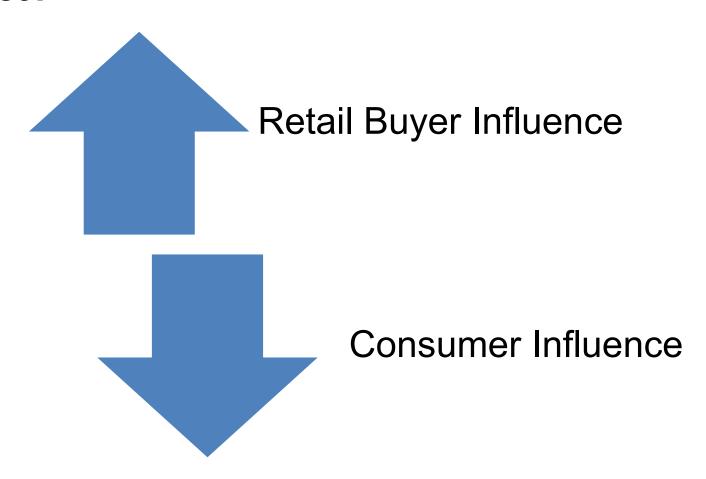


2015 Sales for RPP participating retailers, Sears, Depot, Best Buy = 150 billion dollars





## With Shrinking Incentives, Who Can Move the Market?







## **ENERGY STAR Retail Products Platform Update**

#### **2016 Participants**

- CA: PG&E and SMUD
- CO: Xcel Energy
- MN: Xcel Energy
- ID, MT, OR & WA: NEEA
- NY: Con Ed
- VT: Efficiency Vermont
- WI: Focus on Energy
- HI: Hawaii Energy Efficiency Program
- NJ: New Jersey Clean Energy Program

## **Discussions Regarding 2017**

- CA: LADWP, SCE, SoCalGas, and SDG&E
- CO: Platte River Power Authority, Fort Collins Utilities, Loveland Water and Power, Longmont Power & Communications, and Estes Park Power & Light
- CT: Eversource CT, UIL Holdings
- DC: DC SEU
- MD: BGE, PEPCO, SMECO, Delmarva Power
- MI: DTE Energy
- NM: Xcel Energy, Public Service of New Mexico

- Implemented at +700 store locations at Best Buy, Home Depot and Sears since April 1, 2016!
- Receiving on-going full category sales data
- 12 months historic category sales data
- Retailers and Utilities working together to select 2017 product categories
- Largest appliance and CE manufacturers beginning to collaborate with ESRPP







## **Final Thoughts**

- > A valuable national experiment is underway
- Numerous parties are participating from different organizations and business sectors
- ➤ In theory, influencing 12 retail buyers, rather than 50 million purchasers, will be more effective
- ➤ Next year, more results!

