



## ANNOUNCING THE ELECTION OF A SMALL BUSINESS MEMBER TO THE MASSACHUSETTS ENERGY EFFICIENCY ADVISORY COUNCIL

### INTRODUCTION

The Massachusetts Energy Efficiency Advisory Council (EEAC) is adding a new voting council member.<sup>1</sup> The new Councilor is required to be a “business employing fewer than 10 persons located in the Commonwealth that performs energy efficiency services.”

The new Councilor will be elected by businesses with fewer than 10 employees performing energy efficiency services in the Mass Save® program.

### PURPOSE OF THE EEAC AND THE ROLE OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

The EEAC was created when Governor Deval Patrick signed into law the Green Communities Act, a comprehensive energy reform law. The law created the EEAC, whose members play a key role in designing and approving the Commonwealth’s utility- and municipal aggregator-operated energy efficiency programs.

Council members are expected to attend and participate regularly in Council meetings; contribute their knowledge and expertise to the best of their abilities; participate in Council processes and discussions including any committee processes set up by the Council; and to vote, according to their best judgment, in such a way as to enable the Commonwealth to achieve the efficiency mandates of the Green Communities Act. The EEAC typically meets once per month with meetings generally held in the greater Boston area.

The EEAC is chaired by the Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources (DOER) Commissioner. DOER provides staff support to the EEAC. DOER has asked the EEAC consultant team, led by Optimal Energy Inc., to manage the selection of the new EEAC member.

Please see [www.ma-eeac.org](http://www.ma-eeac.org) for additional information.

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<sup>1</sup> Both the requirement to add a small business member and the selection process are governed by recently enacted Massachusetts legislation. The actual legislation is Part I, Title II, Chapter 25, Section 22(e).

## NOMINATION PROCESS

To streamline the process businesses are asked to only self-nominate.

If you are interested in serving as the new small business member you can nominate yourself by going to [www.ma-eeac.org](http://www.ma-eeac.org) and clicking on the EEAC Small Business Self-Nomination link on the home page. This link will provide access to an on-line nomination form.

To be eligible you must meet the following requirements:

- Provide energy efficiency services in the State of Massachusetts
- Employ less than 10 people (regardless whether they are full or part-time)
- Be an authorized representative of the business
- Be willing to fulfill the duties of an EEAC council member as outlined above

The deadline for nominations is 4:00pm on January 18, 2013.

## VOTING PROCESS

If you are a Mass Save vendor, contractor or service provider employing less than 10 persons you are eligible to vote for the new EEAC member. Voting will be conducted on-line. Go to the link on the home page of [www.ma-eeac.org](http://www.ma-eeac.org) to place your vote.

The voting will be conducted between 9:00am on January 28, 2013 and 4:00pm on February 8, 2013. To be eligible to vote you will be asked to confirm:

- you are an authorized representative of your business
- at the time that you vote your business employees less than 10 people (regardless whether they are full or part time;
- you perform energy efficiency services in the Mass Save program

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

Contact the DOER representative at [doer.energy@state.ma.us](mailto:doer.energy@state.ma.us).

