

DATE: August 31st, 2026

CICC OBJECTIVE + DESIRED OUTCOME: Collaboration on coordination and optimization of NEEA programs and related activities by (1) identifying and managing through potential implementation challenges between NEEA and local utility activities, and (2) identifying and seizing leveraging opportunities that can drive amplified market influence.

Q4 Meeting Agenda

Q4 Day 1 Meeting – 4 th November, Wednesday (VIRTUAL)	
Regional Topic	Topic: <i>Optimizing fan selection software to highlight FEI and influence specifier decision-making</i>
Regional Roundtable Update	
Housekeeping	

Q4 Day 2 Meeting – 5 th November, Thursday (VIRTUAL)
Annual Planning Session

Please review memo on pg. 3 for updates on the annual planning session

Memorandum- *Agenda Items*

August 31st, 2026

TO: Commercial & Industrial Coordinating Committee (CICC)

FROM: Anouksha Gardner, Stakeholder Relations Manager

SUBJECT: **Meeting Packet Agenda Items, Informational Updates and Additional Information**

MEETING PACKET APPROACH

This packet continues the “tiered” approach:

- Tier-1 memos for active agenda items
- Tier-2 memos for informational updates on items not currently requiring agenda time.
- Tier-3 materials provided as additional detail for those interested, accessible via links in the Tier 1 and Tier-2 memos. All other Tier 3 materials are listed below.

PACKET ITEMS and INFORMATIONAL UPDATES (Tier 2)

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ADDITIONAL LINKS

- Committee Materials (*meeting notes include links to recordings, packet, and slides*)
 - Q2 2026 CICC [Meeting Notes](#), [Agenda Packet](#), and [Slides](#)
 - Q2 2026 RCC [Meeting Notes](#), [Agenda Packet](#), and [Slides](#)
 - 2026 Workplan: [Commercial & Industrial \(CICC\)](#) | [Residential \(RCC\)](#)
 - Charters: [RPAC](#), [Coordinating Committees](#)
- [Quarterly Newsletters](#) (all the updated newsletters and quarterly reports can be found here)

Memorandum – *Informational (Tier 2)*

August 31st, 2026

TO: Commercial & Industrial and Residential Coordinating Committee Members
FROM: Anouksha Gardner and Alisyn Maggiora, Stakeholder Relations Team
SUBJECT: Nov 5 (CICC) & Dec 2 (RCC) Annual Planning Sessions

Ask of You:

Review the details below so you are refreshed on the annual planning process and know what to expect heading into the Q4 meeting.

What to Expect:

The annual planning sessions to develop 2027 regional priority topics will take place on the second day of the Q4 2026 Coordinating Committee meetings. We will use the Mural board platform again to discuss and finalize topics. Committee Members will not need to familiarize themselves with Mural in advance, nor will they need to do any activities on the Mural board during the session. NEEA staff will capture the necessary details on the board. **Our ask is that you follow along on your screen, engage in brainstorming discussions and help align on final topics for the 2027 workplan. You are welcome to include any program/product subject matter experts from your organization in the sessions.**

Process:

Committee members will receive a survey on September 23 with proposed topics for discussion in 2027. Committee members will have three weeks to complete the topic ranking, which will be due October 14. Thereafter, NEEA staff will pre-populate the mural board with the topic rankings and any additional topic ideas from the survey results. Each NEEA program will have allotted time for discussion. The planning session will start with a review of NEEA suggested topics based on the survey rankings and create space to discuss any additional suggested topics offered in the survey. NEEA staff may follow up with committee members about additional suggested topics before the sessions.

Schedule will be sent with the Q4 agenda packet, two weeks in advance of the meeting.

Please contact [Anouksha Gardner](#) if you have questions about the annual planning sessions.

Memorandum – *Informational (Tier 2)*

August 31st, 2026

TO: Commercial & Industrial Coordinating Committee

FROM: Alexis Muench, Program Manager Efficient Fans

SUBJECT: Q4 Efficient Fans Topic Inform

Our Ask of You:

In the Q2 meeting, the Efficient Fans Program team provided the committee with a program update and checked in with members to confirm interest in the proposed Q4 topic discussion. Based on the conversation in Q2 the committee agreed to have Efficient Fans on the agenda. Please bring any questions or feedback related to the topic to the Q4 meeting.

Brief Overview:

At the Q4 CICC meeting (November 4th), Alexis Muench NEEA Program Manager will present on the Q4 Regional Priority Topic identified by the Committee — “Optimizing fan selection software to highlight FEI and influence specifier decision-making.” The discussion will focus on recent market feedback and program activities related to fan selection software, manufacturer and manufacturer representative engagement, FEI visibility during specification, and ongoing collaboration with AMCA to support broader market adoption and awareness efforts. Staff will also confirm the continued relevance of this topic based on current market learnings and engagement activities.

Please contact [Alexis Muench](#) if you have questions about this memo.

PROGRAM LIFECYCLE STATUS



Memorandum – *Informational (Tier 2)*

August 31st, 2026

TO: Commercial & Industrial Coordinating Committee
 FROM: Suzi Asmus, Principal Program Manager
 SUBJECT: Luminaire Level Lighting Control (LLLC) Program Update

Ask of You:

Please review the Luminaire Level Lighting Controls program (LLLC) update provided by Suzi Asmus NEEA's Principal Program Manager managing the LLLC program

Program updates:

- Anne Curran retired on July 10th. Suzi Asmus has taken on management of Luminaire Level Lighting Controls (LLLC) for NEEA. Please reach out to Suzi (sasmus@neea.org) with any questions or needs from the LLLC program.
- Lots of exciting news from our national partners during Q2: Design Lights Consortium (DLC), which administers the national technical specification and qualified product list (QPL) for LLLC, updated its specifications v5.2 to include the capture of information about connectivity of LLLC to HVAC via a thermostat, influenced by NEEA's work on this emerging capability. The DLC v5.2 update also includes system configuration reporting aligned with industry standards, which NEEA supported. NEEA staff are representing Lighting on ASHRAE's board for the new Center of Excellence for Indoor Environmental Quality (IEQ). The new IEQ education rolled out in Q2 positions LLLC as a key solution to meet recommended capabilities.
- NEEA is exploring an emerging technology that connects LLLC with commercial rooftop units (RTUs) enabling occupancy and other signals that may lead to savings in space heating and cooling. If your utility is interested in piloting this technology please reach out to Chris Wolgamott for more information. (cwolgamott@neea.org)
- Thanks to Idaho Power for bringing the LLLC program in to support two trade ally lighting trainings in Q2, featuring eight lighting manufacturer representatives who had not previously worked with the LLLC program to promote LLLC. NEEA was excited to be part of LLLC being featured to this lighting installer audience with an opportunity to strengthen the capacity and commitment of the engaged manufacturer representatives.
- NEEA was also happy to partner with Energy Trust of Oregon in Q2 on two LLLC trainings. The first was featured at Energy Trust of Oregon 2026 Technical Forum, and a second was featured Energy Trust of Oregon Existing Buildings Trade Ally Trainings in Portland, Bend and Medford.
- Additionally, the program delivered a hands-on LLLC training to staff at Platt Electric, a lighting distributor. The program is well positioned to meet its goal for 2026.
- If NEEA's LLLC program can support your commercial lighting teams with similar events, please reach out.

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Memorandum – *Informational (Tier 2)*

August 31st, 2026

TO: Commercial & Industrial Coordinating Committee

FROM: Dave Hammond, Senior Program Manager for High-Performance HVAC

SUBJECT: Commercial HVAC Programs Name Change

Our Ask of You:

Please review the memo and contact me at the email below with any questions, recommendations, or feedback.

Brief Overview:

The High-Performance HVAC program (using the Very High Efficiency DOAS system) and the gas-funded Efficient RTUs program have updated their names to Advanced Performance DOAS & Advanced Performance RTUs, respectively. The reasoning for this change is based on the following:

- **Market confusion** – similar versions of both program names are used for unrelated programs/efforts across the industry, including “High Performance HVAC” – National Comfort Institute, “Very High Efficiency HVAC” – Institute for Market Transformation and “Efficient Rooftop Units” – CalMTA.
- **Lack of market connection to current program/technology names** – Market feedback collected by both programs has suggested either confusion with the program names or a lack of connection. This includes the High-Performance HVAC Market Progress Evaluation Report #1 that found HVAC system designers recognize the VHE DOAS design strategies but are not familiar with the actual terminology of “VHE DOAS”.
- **Desired alignment between programs** – Currently, the High-Performance HVAC program and Efficient RTUs program are perceived as two disconnected solutions. NEEA would like to use this program name update as an opportunity to align both programs under one unifying naming convention.

Next Steps:

Both programs have updated their respective webpages on the BetterBricks platform and completed a comprehensive update to NEEA internal systems.

Please contact [Dave Hammond \(dhammond@neea.org\)](mailto:dhammond@neea.org) if you have questions about the **High-Performance HVAC** program name update.

PROGRAM LIFECYCLE STATUS



Memorandum – *Informational* (Tier 2)

August 31st, 2026

TO: Commercial & Industrial Coordinating Committee

FROM: Peter Christeleit, Senior Manager, Corporate Strategy & Stakeholder Relations
Virginia Mersereau, Vice President, Corporate Strategy, Relationships & Communication

SUBJECT: REMINDER: Planned 2026 Stakeholder Satisfaction Survey Launching Sept. 28, 2026

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Our Ask: Please encourage anyone in your organization who interacts with NEEA to fill out the survey, this information is very valuable for staff to continuously improve the experience of our stakeholders. Please contact Peter Christeleit at pchristeleit@neea.org with any questions or concerns.

Need to Know:

As a reminder, NEEA is planning to launch an **online stakeholder satisfaction survey** on September 28, 2026, similar to the survey that was completed in 2024. The survey will seek feedback on funders/stakeholders' experience with NEEA's work, committees/forums and staff engagements (see additional detail below). NEEA staff will send the survey to all current participants in alliance committees and work.

Survey Details:

The last time NEEA conducted a formal stakeholder satisfaction survey was in 2024. To assess the current perception of NEEA's performance with stakeholders, staff are preparing to launch another stakeholder satisfaction survey in September 28, 2026, running until October 27, 2026. Survey results, insights and an action plan to address the results (if needed) will be shared with the Board at its Q1 meeting in 2027.

Research Goals:

- Benchmark stakeholder satisfaction of the alliance's work and engagements with NEEA staff and Northwest stakeholder forums against previous survey findings.
- Gain insights that can be put into action to improve stakeholders' experience with NEEA.
- Understand where regional collaboration and work are excelling and where there are opportunities for improvement and/or new approaches.

Timeline:

- September 28: Link to online survey sent to stakeholders
- October 27: Survey period is closed
- February 2027: Exec Committee review of survey results, insights and potential actions
- February 2027: RPAC/NGAC review
- March 2027: Board presentation

Draft Meeting Dates for 2027

Q1 (HYBRID) 2 Half Day	Wednesday and Thursday	February 24 th and 25 th
Q2 (VIRTUAL) Half Day	Wednesday	May 26 th
Q4 (VIRTUAL) Half Day	Wednesday and Thursday	November 17 th and 18 th

Please reach out to [Anouksha Gardner](#) with any major conflicts or feedback regarding the tentative dates by October 1st.



Help us honor the innovators and collaborators driving energy efficiency across the Northwest and beyond. NEEA will recognize individuals and teams for their exemplary dedication and performance in the industry from 9-11 a.m. on the second day of the NEEA Annual Board Meeting on December 4.

Nominations can be made in the following categories:

- **Rising Star**
- **Innovative Collaboration**
- **Lifetime Achievement**

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Nominations

Aug 03
Through
Sept 18

Event

Dec 04

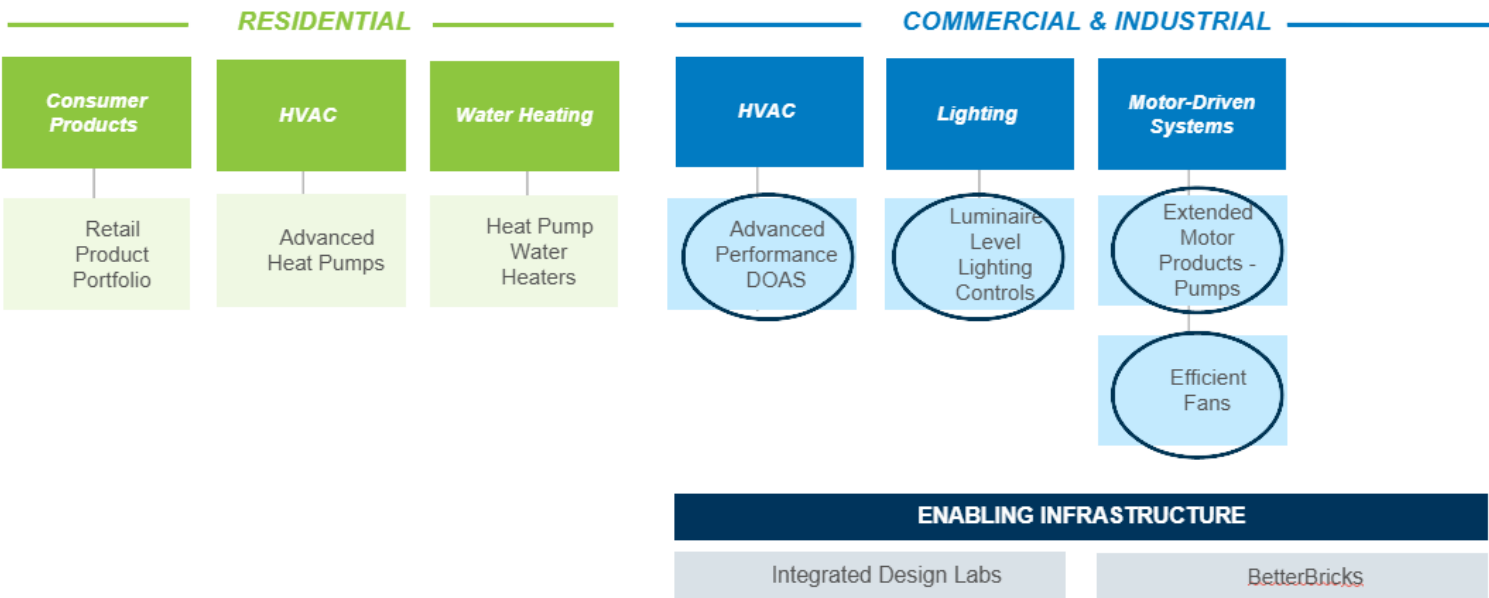


- Event Date: December 4th, 2026
- It's time to start brainstorming peers and colleagues, or even projects **you've** worked on that have made strides in the industry for the 2026 Leadership in Energy Efficiency Awards!
- The awards are held annually in conjunction with NEEA's December Board meeting to recognize the exemplary work taking place throughout the region to further energy efficiency.
- We accept all types of awards. Including for:
 - Electric, Natural Gas, Dual-Fuel and Fuel Neutral efforts.
 - Individuals, teams and projects, companies or even organizations that are furthering energy efficiency in the region.
- The nomination window will be open from August 3 to September 18. The four award categories are as follows:
 - Rising Star - seeks to highlight an individual new on their energy efficiency journey who is bringing new energy and creative ideas to the industry.
 - Innovative Collaboration - seeks to highlight the unique ways in which the Northwest works together to drive energy efficiency.
 - Tom Eckman Lifetime Achievement - highlights an individual who has made long-term contributions to the progress of EE in the region.
- **OUR ASK:** Please submit nominations and encourage your peers to do the same!

The background image for the Efficiency Exchange 2027 banner shows a group of people at a conference. A large, semi-transparent blue arrow points from the left towards the text. The text is white and centered over the image.

Efficiency Exchange 2027 Wenatchee, WA May 18-19

- Event Date and Location: May 18th & 19th, Wenatchee, WA
- The call for session topics opens on September 14, and you can go to neea.org/EFX to complete the form
- The conference thrives from ideas throughout the region and your input helps to shape the conference agenda – so please get the word out to your colleagues and send in topics for EFX27.



2026 Annual Workplan

Commercial & Industrial Coordinating Committee (CICC) 2026 Annual Workplan				
Q1 Meeting Day 1 – 25 th February, Wednesday (HYBRID)	Q1 Meeting Day 2 – 26 th February, Thursday (HYBRID)	Q2 Meeting – 27 th May, Wednesday (VIRTUAL)	Q4 Meeting Day 1 – 4 th November, Wednesday (VIRTUAL)	Q4 Meeting Day 2 – 5 th November, Thursday (VIRTUAL)
<u>COMMERCIAL HVAC:</u> <u>Advanced Performance</u> <u>DOAS</u> <u>Topic:</u> NEEA Inform & Coordination Opportunity – Developing messaging regarding program benefits to target building owners and facility/operations staff <u>(60 -90 minutes)</u> <u>Desired Outcome:</u> TBD during topic buildout	<u>MOTOR-DRIVEN</u> <u>PRODUCTS: Pumps &</u> <u>Circulators (XMP)</u> <u>Topic:</u> NEEA Inform & Coordination Opportunity - Update on Hydraulic Institute (HI) efforts to promote energy efficient pumping <u>60-90 minutes</u> <u>Desired Outcome:</u> TBD during topic buildout <u>MOTOR-DRIVEN</u> <u>PRODUCTS: Efficient Fans</u> <u>Topic:</u> Program Updates <u>30 minutes</u> <u>Desired Outcome:</u> TBD during topic buildout	<u>COMMERCIAL LIGHTING:</u> <u>Luminaire Level Lighting</u> <u>Controls (LLLC)</u> <u>Topic:</u> Coordination Opportunity – Panel Discussion on LLLC Training <u>60 -90 minutes</u> <u>Desired Outcome:</u> TBD during topic buildout	<u>COMMERCIAL LIGHTING:</u> <u>Luminaire Level Lighting</u> <u>Controls (LLLC)</u> <u>Topic:</u> Coordination Opportunity – Panel discussion on market segments and applications adopting LLLC <u>60 -90 minutes</u> <u>Desired Outcome:</u> TBD during topic buildout <u>MOTOR-DRIVEN PRODUCTS:</u> <u>Efficient Fans</u> <u>Topic:</u> NEEA Inform & Coordination Opportunity - Optimizing fan selection software to highlight FEI and influence specifier decision- making; lessons from early pilots and feedback from the field	2027 ANNUAL TOPIC PLANNING