The Evolving Landscape for Energy Storage

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• Division of the Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA)
  • Coordinates the Iowa Clean Cities Program / Coalition

• Manage a diverse mix of state, federal & utility-funded programs & initiatives
  • Programs & initiatives that provide energy-economic benefits for Iowa’s citizens, businesses & organizations

• Led the development of policy reports / action plans:
  • December 2016 – *Iowa Energy Plan*
  • August 2018 – *Biomass Conversion Action Plan*
  • February 2019 – *EV Infrastructure Report*
  • May 2019 – *Energy Storage Action Plan*
Iowa Energy: What’s New and Next
Energy Storage Activities

• 2018, IEDA formed the *Iowa Energy Storage Committee*
  • Diverse group of 17 energy stakeholders
  • Committee’s charge; garner input & recommendations how Iowa should embrace storage
  • May 2019, IEDA released *Iowa Energy Storage Action Plan*

• IEDA supporting pilot-scale & replicable energy storage projects
  • 2018, provided grant funds for large-scale solar + battery storage projects in Fairfield (university & industrial)
  • 2018, provided grant funds for research project on MiEnergy Cooperative’s residential battery project
  • Numerous other energy storage projects under consideration for IEDA support
  • IEDA agnostic to storage technologies, applicants, etc. Rather, *we see a multitude of benefits.*
Energy Storage Activities…continued

• Midwestern Gov.’s Association – Grid Initiative
  • Gov. Reynolds - 2019 MGA Chair / MN Gov. Walz Vice Chair
  • Chair’s Agenda - creating a more secure & modern electric grid in the Midwest
  • Amongst numerous topics, Iowa will encourage storage to be considered during the regional collaboration

• ETA early fall – IEDA expected to issue RFP for consultant services to develop an economic value of storage assessment
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