

Sustainability Programs Update

2026 Update: January – June

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Summary

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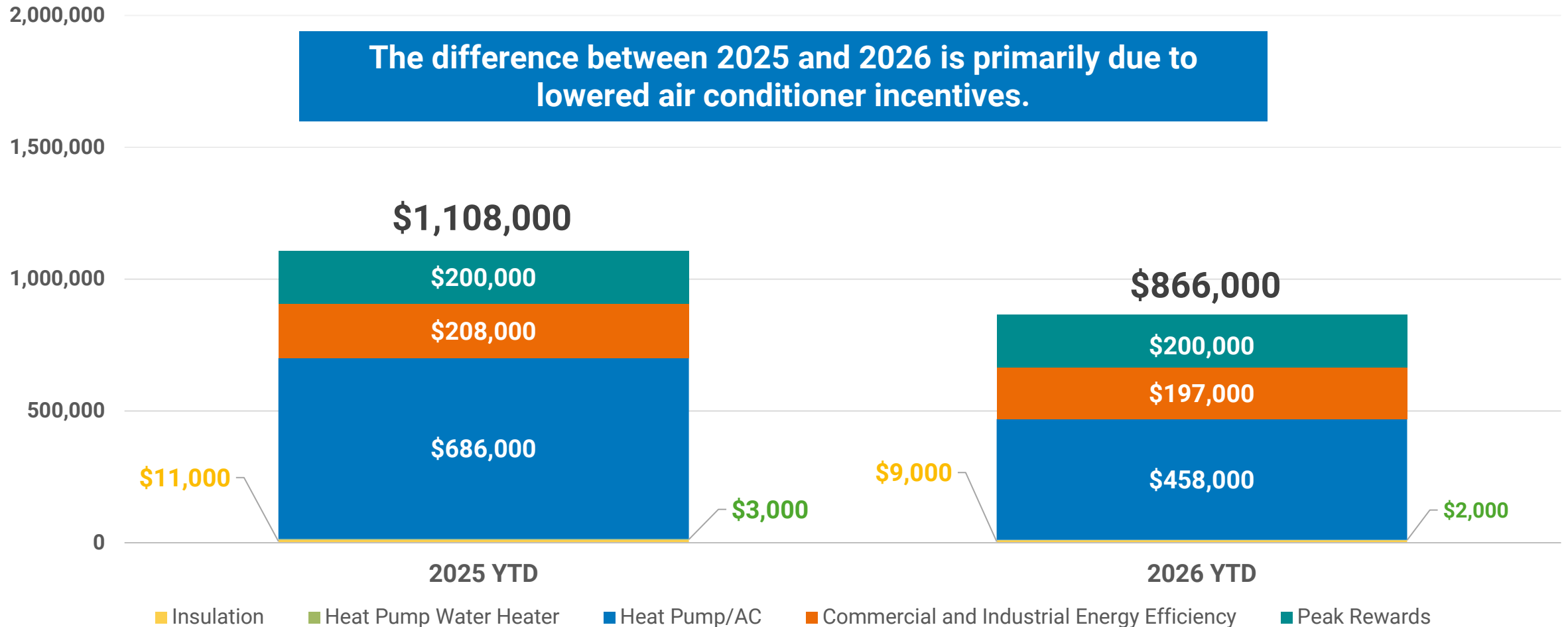
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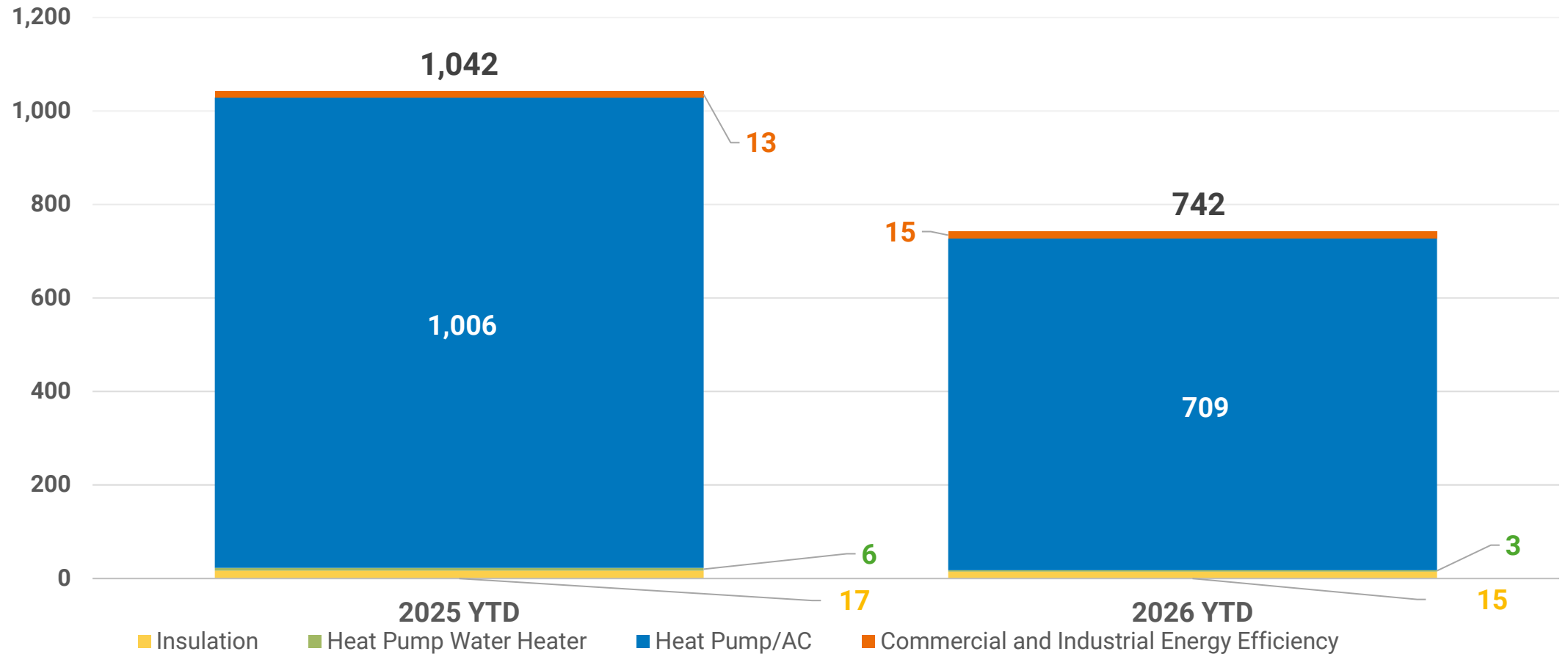


Sustainable Energy Program

LES Funds Obligated

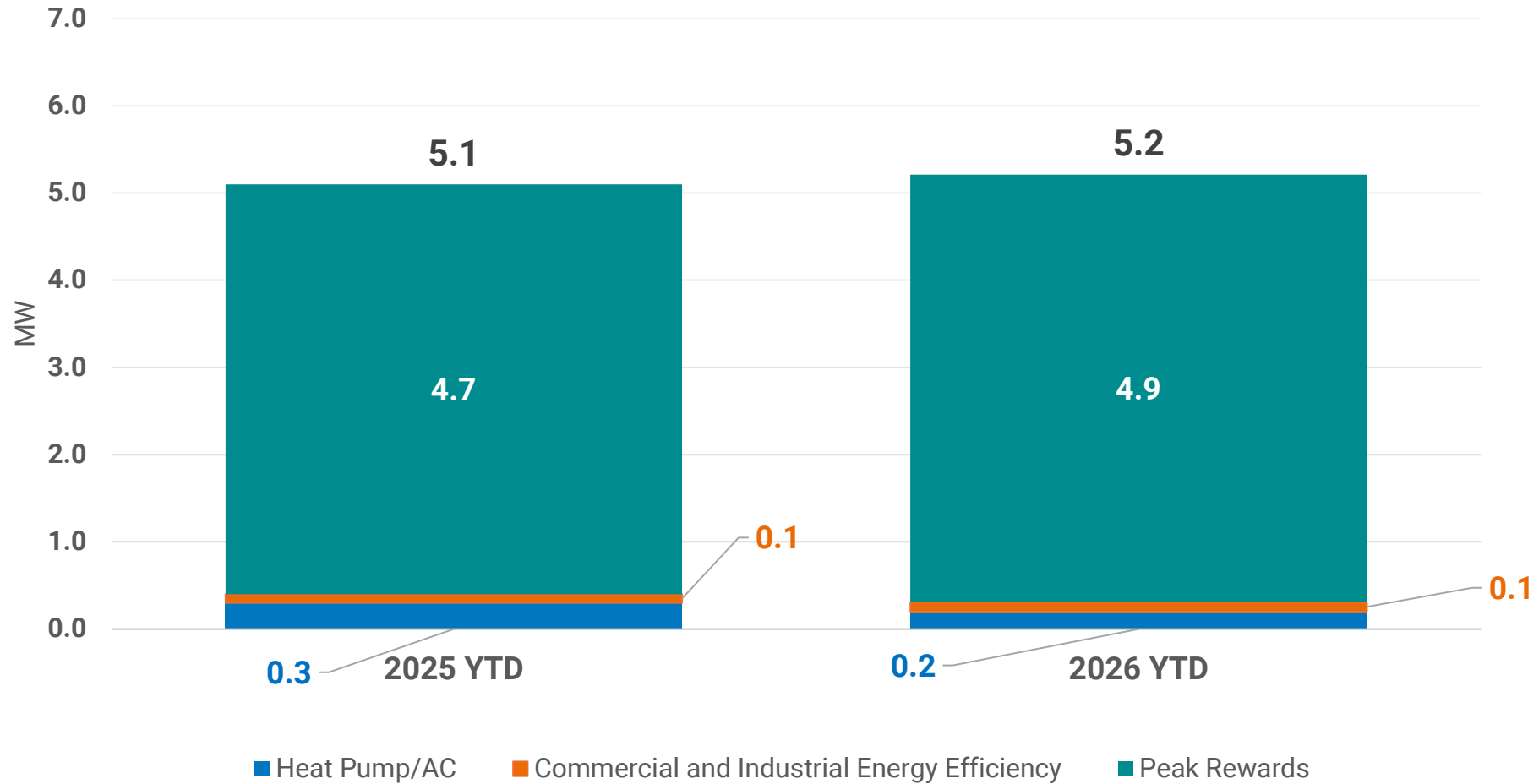


Number of Projects



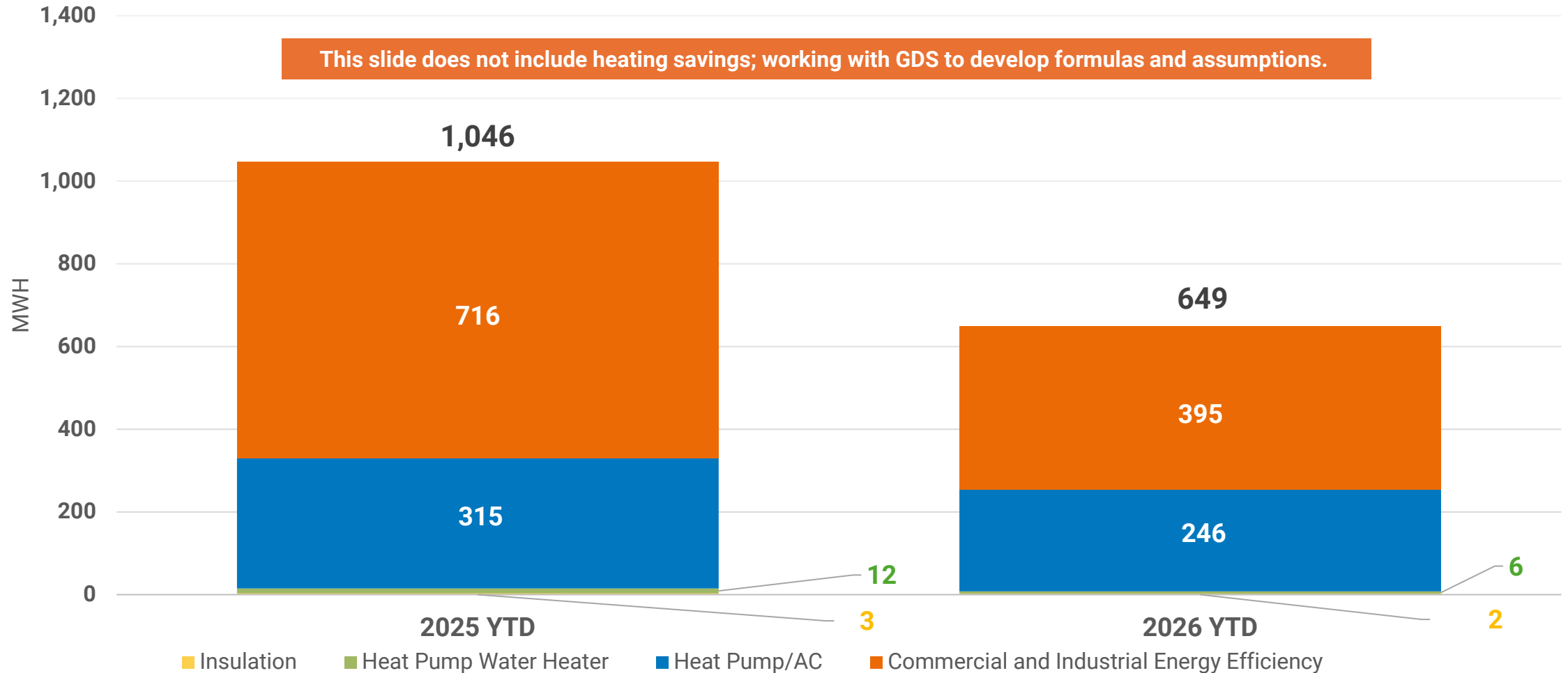
Peak Rewards also has over 4,700 devices enrolled.

Peak Net Demand Reduction (MW)



Insulation and heat pump water heaters are not included on this chart as their peak demand reduction is minimal.

Net Energy Savings (MWh)



Customer Feedback

"Between the LES \$1K, the City of Lincoln's \$3K Low-Moderate Income Heat Pump Grant and the City's 0% Interest Low Income Emergency Rehabilitation Loan, I was able to have a top-line Lennox High Efficiency Extreme Cold Heat Pump System installed to replace my home's original construction, 56 years old, furnace and A/C system for \$0 out of my pocket!"

"The contractor took care of everything."

"Thanks to the LES SEP program, purchasing a new HVAC was more affordable for our family."

"Thank you for making it easier to make this decision."

Customer Feedback

How easy was it for customers to learn and access the LES Sustainable Energy Program incentive?

84% of respondents reported the process was easy or very easy.

How much did the incentives influence decision-making?

76% of respondents said the incentive influenced their decision to choose a more efficient unit (51% as one of several factors; 25% as the primary factor).

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Comprehensive Demand Side Management (DSM) Evaluation

Goals



Evaluate current performance indicators.



Review cost-effectiveness tests and assumptions; redesign to value winter peak reduction.

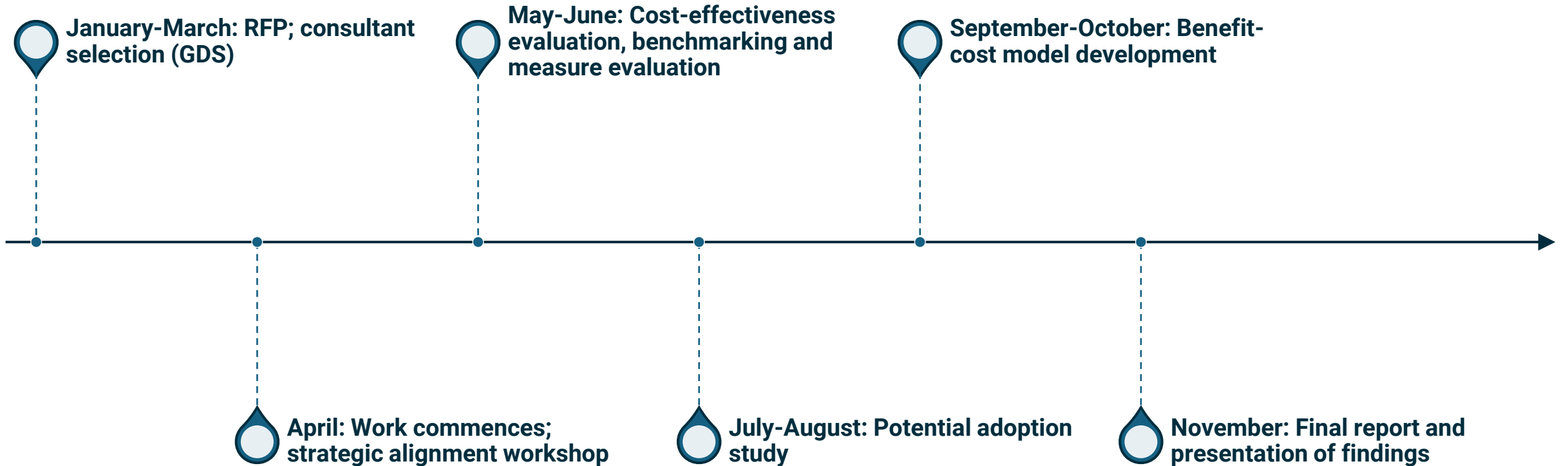


Assess existing energy efficiency and demand response measures; identify new winter peak-reducing options.



Conduct an energy efficiency and demand response potential adoption study to inform long-term planning.

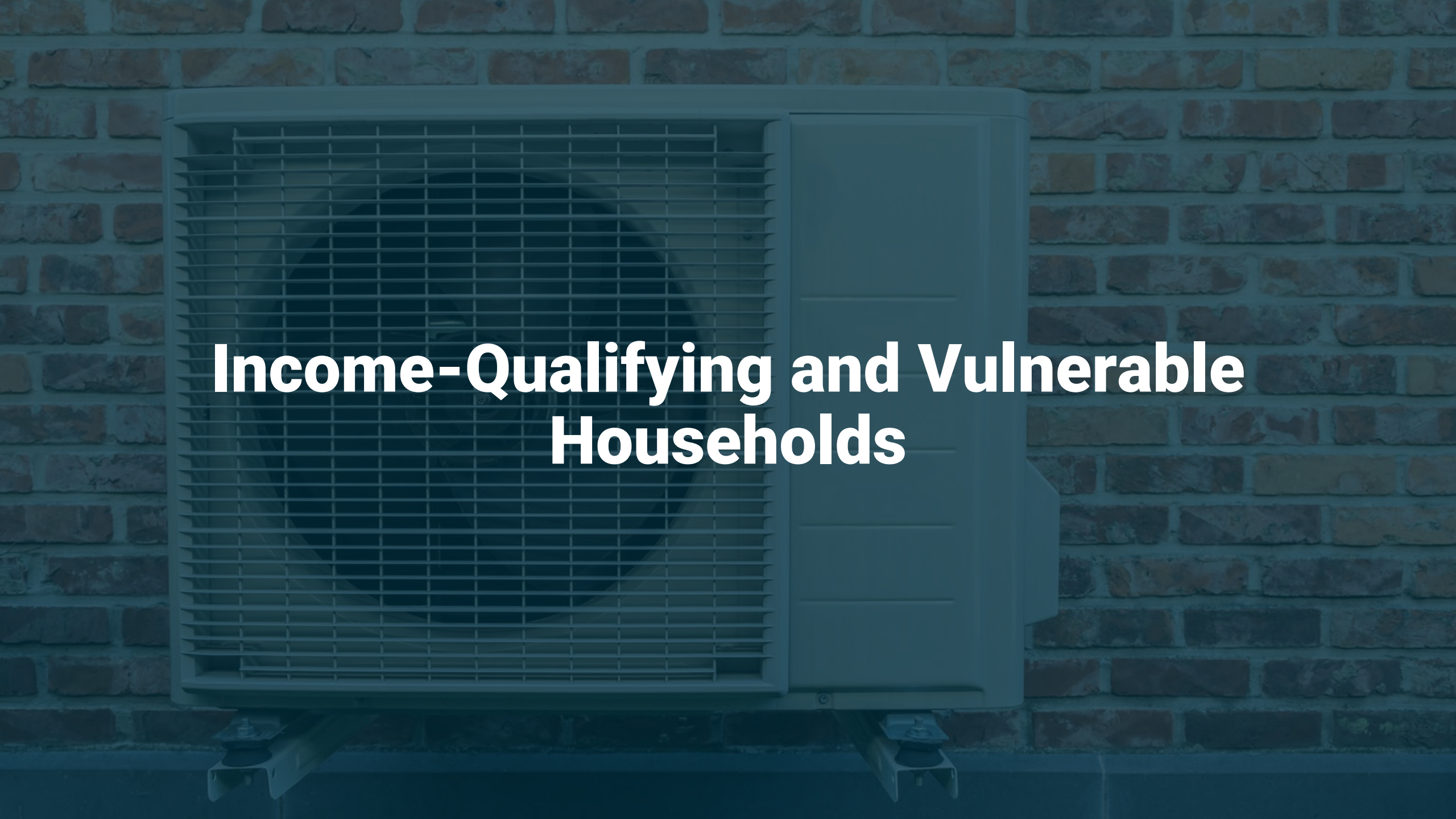
Tentative 2026 Timeline



Consultant Selected: GDS

- Started in 1986
- Completed over 46 energy efficiency and demand response potential studies
- Services include:

POWER SUPPLY & MARKETS	TRANSMISSION	DISTRIBUTION	ENERGY USE & EFFICIENCY	RATES & REGULATORY
				
Strategic Resource Planning Solicitation & Procurement RTO Market & Regulatory Solutions Generation Services & Asset Feasibility Renewable Development Support Cybersecurity Program Management IT Services & Cloud Computing	Transmission Planning NERC/FERC Compliance Cyber & Physical Security Program Management RTO Market & Regulatory Solutions	Field Services Technical Training Services Utility Privatization, Municipalization & Valuation Distribution System Litigation IT Services & Cloud Computing	Program Implementation Energy Engineering Planning, Evaluation & Special Studies Load Analytics & Forecasting	Wholesale Rates Retail Rates Compliance & Litigation Support

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Income-Qualifying and Vulnerable Households

Energy Assistance Program

(LES provides bill assistance up to \$300 per household)



675 HOUSEHOLDS ASSISTED
(OVER 1,700 PEOPLE
IMPACTED)



\$193K PAID



55% OF BUDGET REMAINS

Income-Qualifying Energy Efficiency Recap

(since the start in 2020)



OVER 300 LIVING UNITS IMPACTED



PROJECTED AVERAGE ANNUAL
BILL SAVINGS: \$178 PER LIVING
UNIT



2,500 KWH SAVED PER LIVING UNIT
PER YEAR (AVERAGE)

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Questions