

ATTACHMENT A

STATE	STATUTE/ ORDER	PROGRAMS	SPENDING LEVEL	FUNDING METHOD
ARIZONA	1998 - Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC) Regulations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Rate discounts -Bill assistance -Weatherization -Energy Education -Administered by various entities, including utilities 	existing levels \$7 million	Non-bypassable charges on all customers through societal benefits charge - ACC reviews rates every 3 years
CALIF	Act -1996 Order - 1997	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Bill payment assistance - Percentage of Income Program 150% federal poverty level - 15% discount on volumetric gas, electric and customer charges -Energy efficiency assistance -Administered by community-based organizations 	Equal to 1996 levels - PUC can increase	Nonbypassable charge on all distribution rates
CONN	Department of Public Utility Control Act - 1998	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides for USF & customers service protection -Marketers subject to customer service protection -SBC recovers costs for programs, including existing low income, energy management, weatherization, and consumer protection program -State power pool purchasing requirements to benefit low income customers. (same benefits as municipal aggregation pool) 	DPUC to decide	DPU to decide amount of charge to be imposed on all customers
DELAWARE	Act-1999	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Low income fund -fuel assistance -weatherization programs admin. By Dept. of Health & Social services 		\$0.000095/kWh charge

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ILL	Act - 1997	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Energy Assistance fund for low income customers -Energy efficiency -Renewables -Admin. by state energy assistance program which delivers LIHEAP & federally funded weatherization program 	\$76m annually; 10% of amount to be used for energy efficiency measures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$0.40 monthly charge per residential gas & electric customers -Flat fee for non-res. classes -Billed by distribution companies
MAINE	Act - 1997 Various Orders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Continue existing low income programs - Arrearage forgiveness -Bill payment assistance (percentage of income) -Weatherization -Energy efficiency 	Minimum of existing levels, approx. 0.5% jurisdictional revenues -Possible future funding through taxes based on aggregate customer need	Distribution rates of all customers
MARYLAND	Act - 1999	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PSC to create USF for low income customers at or below 150% federal poverty level -Admin by Dept. of Human Resources through Maryland Energy Assistance Program -Minimum program requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -bill payment assistance -low-income weatherization -retirement of arrearages 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$35 million/year for 1st 3 years -PSC to recommend level of need in subsequent years 	nonbypassable charge on all electric bills
MASS	Act - 1997	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Continue programs existing a/o 3/98 -Discounts, rate reduction programs for customers @ 175% fed. poverty level -Distrib. Cos. must make substantial outreach efforts -Energy conservation programs 	Equal to 1998 level	Nonbypassable charge on all distribution rates

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MONTANA	Act -1997 mandates USF	-Low income energy assistance - Energy conservation and weatherization - Other programs	Continued funding equal to 2.4% of jurisdictional revenues; 17% of these funds allocated to energy assistance	
NEW HAMPSHIRE	Act - 1996 Public Service of New Hampshire (PSNH) Electric Rate Reduction Act signed 6/12/00.	Bill payment assistance - Percentage of Income Program -NHPUC program establishing safety net -Percentage of Income Program - 150% poverty level as part of low income electric assistance program -Energy Efficiency Program -Administered jointly by PSNH, State Community Action Programs & Governors Office of Energy & Community Services. Arrearage forgiveness (not specified in statute, but included in implementation plan)	\$13.2 M annually; PSNH share \$20 M over 3 years	Volumetric charge on all distribution rates billed through system benefit charge \$0.02/kWh
NEW MEXICO	Act-1999	Authorizes SBC to fund electric industry system benefits fund -low income energy assistance -consumer education -renewables	\$4.1 million: \$500,000-energy assistance \$500,000-consumer ed. \$4m- renewables	\$0.0003/kWh

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NEW YORK	No legislation -PUC Orders generic policy decisions & case by case treatment 1998 Order	Support USF & low income programs - Low income programs part of utility obligation as provider of last resort - Established SBC for: - Energy efficiency - R&D - Environmental programs - Low income programs	\$234.3 M fund to be administered by State Energy Research & Development Authority - 13% of fund allocated to low income programs, balance to be allocated for energy efficiencies R&D environmental programs	*Con Ed settlement (1997) nonbypassable charge 10% of SBC (approx \$3M/yr) to be used for low income energy efficiency programs. -aggregation pilot in 2 counties saved customers approx. 10% of annual gas bill
OHIO	Act-1999 Various PUC Orders	USF and Low Income Customer Assistance Program -to be based on existing Percentage of Income Program available to gas & elec. customers -eligibility at or below 150% federal poverty levels -includes consumer ed., energy management, weatherization & bill discount -arrearage forgiveness for customers over 65 & disabled -administered by Dept of Development funding levels which delivers LIHEAP & weatherization programs -low income participants can be aggregated to obtain competitive supply service -bids out Percentage of Income Program customers by service territory -establishes Public Benefits Advisory Board -Director of Development to promulgate implementation program by 3/00 -Director to obtain PUC approval for any change in USF rate	capped at current utility rates	Nonbypassable volumetric charge (per kWh) on all rates

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OKLA	Act - 1997 Act - 1998	-Low income program -Default service -Implemented some commission recommendations but delayed final decision re: consumer issues, including public benefits charge, until Task Force report completed in 8/00		Distribution access fee to include social costs
PENN	Act - 1997 Various Orders and Settlements (varies by utility)	Bill payment assistance based on % of income (Percentage of Income Program) -Energy conservation -Administered by community-based organizations -Arrearage forgiveness -Automatic enrollment	Equal to 1996 level	Nonbypassable charge on residential distribution rates
RI	Act - 1997	-Continue existing programs -Special discount rates and Percentage of Income Program		Charge on all distribution rates
TEXAS	Act-1999	Requires PUC to adopt low income assistance programs: -reduced elec rates - (min 10%, up to 20% if funded) -energy management services in coordination with existing weatherization program -eligibility 125% or less of federal poverty guidelines or food stamps or medical assistance -to be funded by SBF, which will also fund customer education		nonbypassable volumetric charge on all rates - initial charge not to exceed \$0.65/mWh

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VERMONT	1997	<p>Grant from The Department of Health and Human Services to fund "Consumerco" (not-for-profit buyers coop) to serve all customers regardless of income</p> <p>-Program objectives include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Provide least-cost energy services to low income consumers through aggregation & customer choice (150% of poverty level) 2) Integrate energy supply aggregation with fuel, weatherization, efficiency programs and consolidated affordable payment plans 3) Recruit 75% LIHEAP recipients into Consumerco by year 3, partly by offering enhanced, customized services to 1,000 low income consumers w/heaviest energy burden <p>- Admin by Vermont Agency of Human Services through Fuel Assistance Office and State Office of Economic Opportunity</p>		
WASHINGTON DC	PSC Order	<p>Rate discount program</p> <p>-income-based straight rate discount for low-income customers</p> <p>-rate varies based on income at federal poverty levels</p>		
WEST VIRGINIA	Act - 1998	<p>PSC required to submit deregulation plan to legislature</p> <p>-Plan to include :</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) universal electric service at reasonable rates 2) adequate protection for low-income customers 3) meaningful consideration to developing funding mechanisms to protect senior citizens & others on fixed incomes, low income & the working poor 		