



Maryland Policies and Programs NASEO Financing Task Force



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Agenda

- ▶ **Maryland Policies Supporting Solar**
 - ▶ RPS and Solar Carve Out
 - ▶ Net Metering
- ▶ **MEA Programs**
 - ▶ Clean Energy Grant Program
 - ▶ Project Sunburst
- ▶ **Challenges**
 - ▶ Market Dynamics
 - ▶ Clean Energy Grant Program Budget
 - ▶ MEA Resources



Maryland Policies Supporting Solar

▶ RPS with Solar Carve-Out

- ▶ 20% by 2022 with 2% solar carve-out
- ▶ \$400 sACP, steps down in 2015
- ▶ SRECs must be from in-state projects starting in 2012

▶ Net Metering

- ▶ Several recent changes to statute
- ▶ Final regulations being drafted
 - ▶ 12 month kWh carry-forward
 - ▶ Excess generation paid at energy/commodity portion of retail rate
 - ▶ Systems up to 200% of historic load
 - ▶ Aggregation for agricultural, municipal, non-profit customers



MEA Programs

▶ Clean Energy Grant Program

- ▶ Solar PV, Solar Water Heating, Geothermal, Wind
- ▶ Residential and Commercial program
- ▶ Funded by ARRA, SEIF, ACP
- ▶ Very popular program but budget and resource constraints

▶ Project Sunburst

- ▶ MEA partnered with State Agencies, Local Gov't, School Boards
- ▶ 17 projects, 9.2 MW
- ▶ Partners signed PPAs with developers
- ▶ MEA working on pack of template documents, best practices, and lessons learned



Maryland Challenges

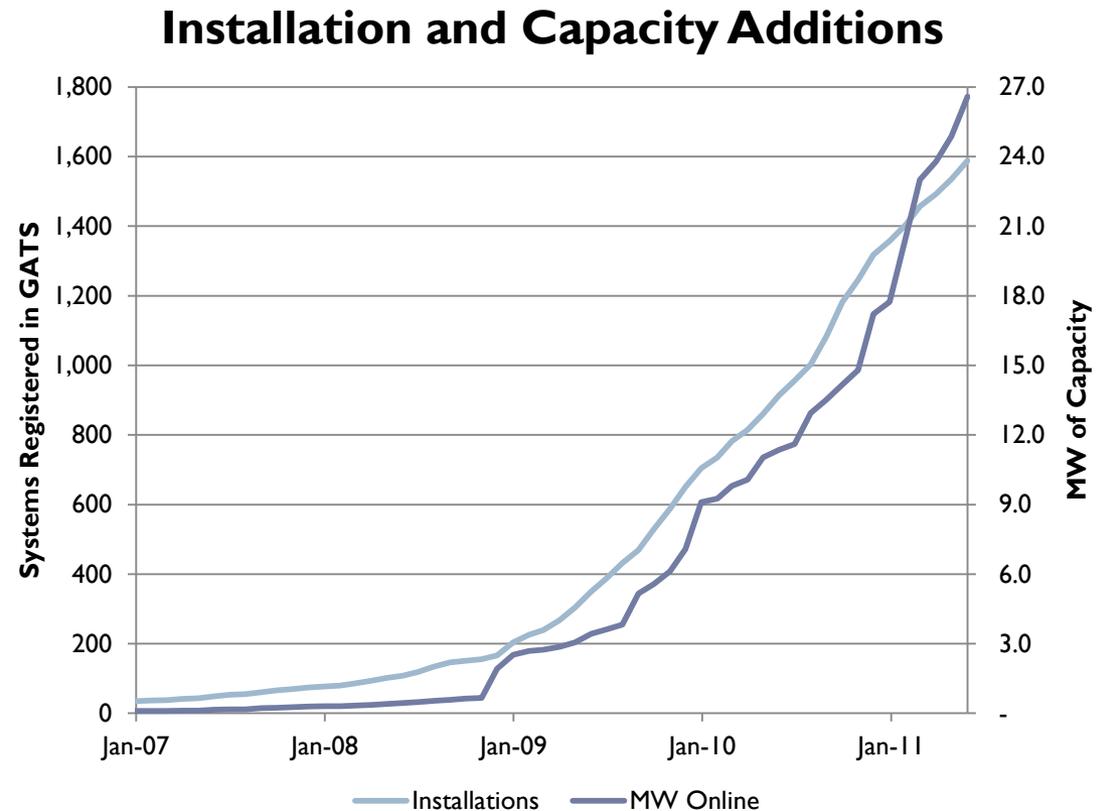
▶ Market Dynamics

- ▶ Shift towards larger installs, how does that impact residential sector?
- ▶ Chasing ahead of RPS demand?
- ▶ Compliance entities building their own systems



Trends in Installation, Pricing, Participation

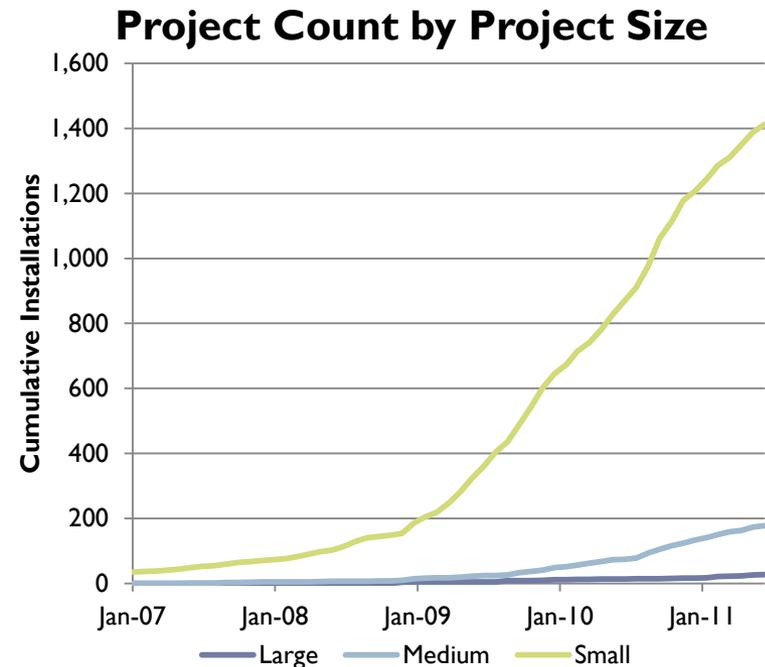
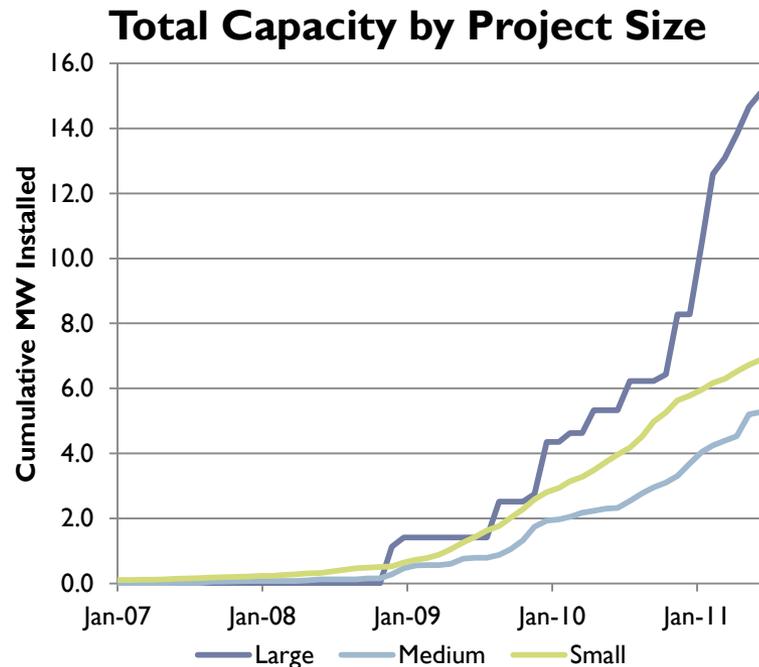
- ▶ PV market has grown substantially in the past 12-24 months
 - ▶ June 2009: 3.4 MW
 - ▶ June 2010: 11.4 MW
 - ▶ June 2011: 26.6 MW



*Based on announced projects,
may end up with 40 MW at end of year*

Trends in Installation, Pricing, Participation

- ▶ Recent shift has been towards larger installations



Large (>200 kW) represented 2% of projects but 61% of installed capacity from 6/10 to 6/11

Prices Have Fallen in Residential Sector

▶ September 2008

- ▶ \$8.50 / Watt
- ▶ 3.5 kW

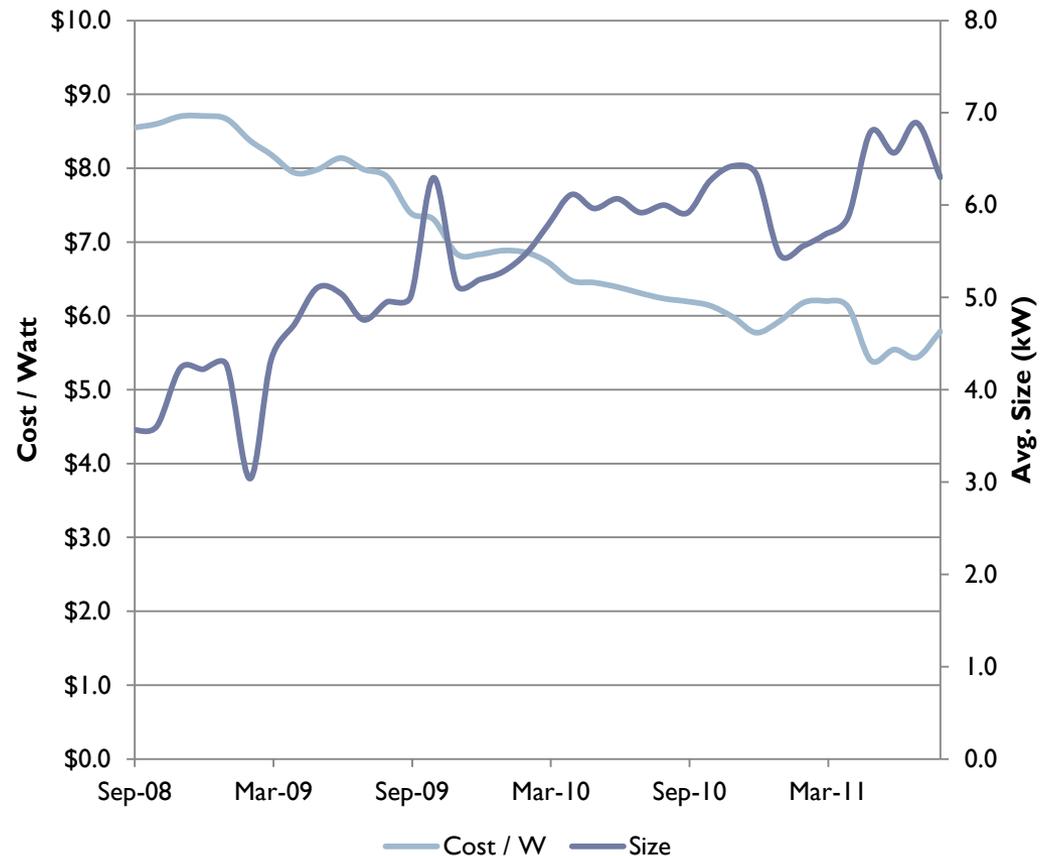
▶ September 2011

- ▶ \$5.80 / Watt
- ▶ 6.3 kW

▶ Prices decreasing 12% YOY

▶ Sizes increasing 21% YOY

**Residential Trends
3 Month Weighted Avg.**

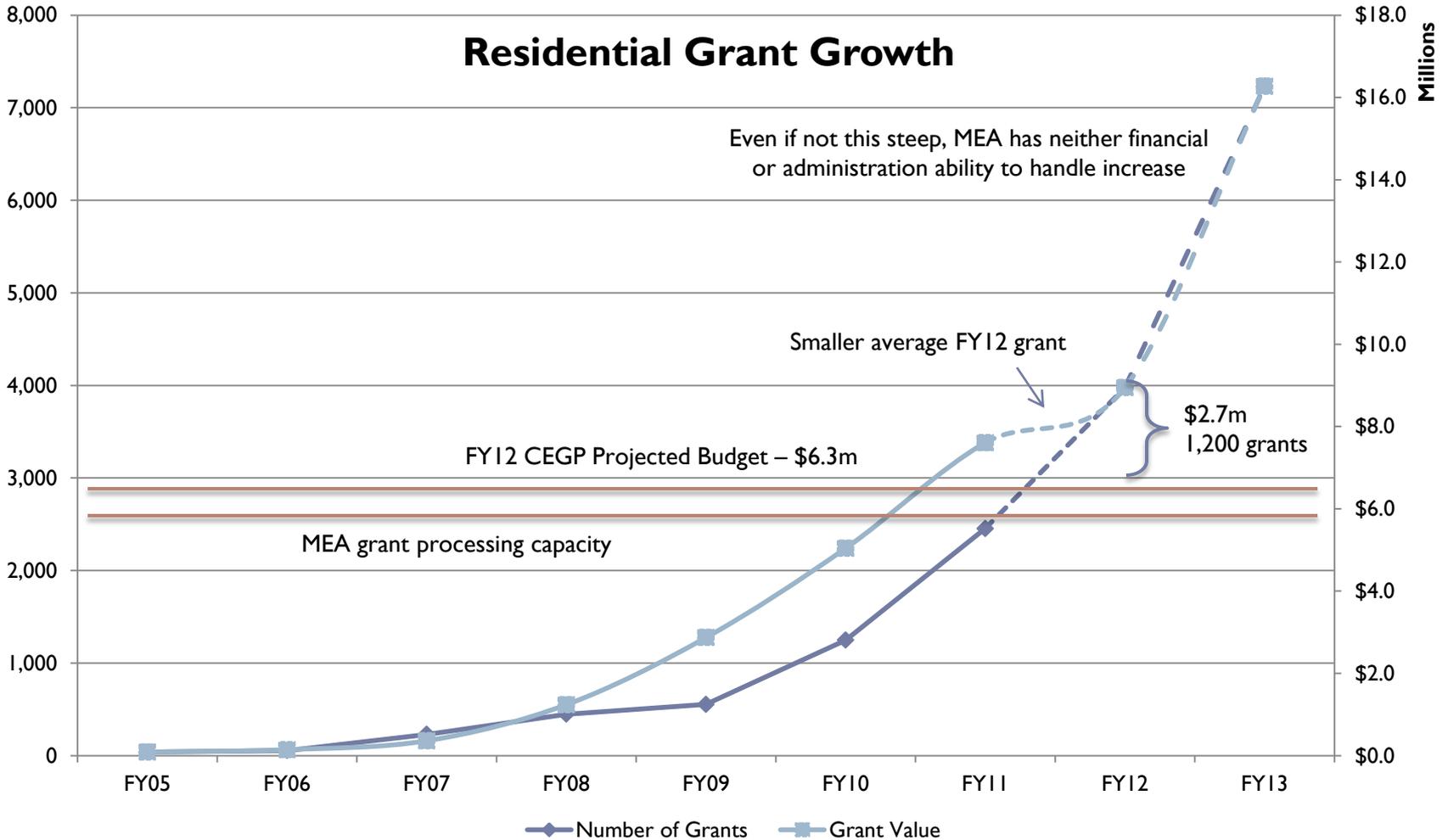


Maryland Challenges

- ▶ **Clean Energy Grant Program Budget**
 - ▶ Variable (RGGI), limited (ARRA), Market Driven (ACP)
 - ▶ Increase in demand for funds while funds are decreasing
- ▶ **MEA Resources**
 - ▶ Count of applications has risen 6x in past three years
 - ▶ Current regulations have some cumbersome requirements



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Thank You

Questions?

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