

**From:** Springer, Darren [Darren.Springer@state.vt.us]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 8:36 PM  
**To:** Christopher Bray  
**CC:** Hopkins, Asa  
**Subject:** Re: How efficient is Efficiency Vermont?

Asa can speak to this as well if asked during his testimony, we recently completed a benchmarking comparison that looks at EVT compared to other state's programs and came out favorable :

[http://publicservice.vermont.gov/sites/psd/files/Topics/Energy\\_Efficiency/EVT\\_Performance\\_Eval/VT%202011%20%26%202012%20High%20Level%20Benchmarking.pdf](http://publicservice.vermont.gov/sites/psd/files/Topics/Energy_Efficiency/EVT_Performance_Eval/VT%202011%20%26%202012%20High%20Level%20Benchmarking.pdf).

I will be on hand too to answer questions on this or H. 40 as needed.

Thanks  
Darren

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 21, 2015, at 6:39 PM, Christopher Bray <[cbray@sover.net](mailto:cbray@sover.net)> wrote:

Darren,

It would be helpful if you could be prepared to address this potential challenge (see email below) tomorrow.

Asa is on at 8:45 to talk about the model.

Do you want 5-15 minutes to address this charge that EVT is the second least efficient efficiency program?

It would be helpful if you could assess the validity and the impacts of this analysis.

--Chris

Begin forwarded message:

From: <[mark@energizevermont.org](mailto:mark@energizevermont.org)>  
Subject: How efficient is Efficiency Vermont?  
Date: Apr 21, 2015 11:57:24 AM EDT  
To: "[cbray@leg.state.vt.us](mailto:cbray@leg.state.vt.us)" <[CBray@leg.state.vt.us](mailto:CBray@leg.state.vt.us)>,  
John Rodgers <[jroddgers@leg.state.vt.us](mailto:jroddgers@leg.state.vt.us)>

I have no axe to grind about Efficiency Vermont, but I found these materials interesting.

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**From:** [Mark Whitworth](#)

**Sent:** Wednesday, April 8, 2015 8:05 AM

**To:** [agreshin@leg.state.vt.us](mailto:agreshin@leg.state.vt.us)

Adam,

I enjoyed your comment a few weeks ago that if Efficiency Vermont were so effective at leveraging its money, we should invest the entire general fund in it.

Here's a report about a study that says Efficiency Vermont is the second least efficient efficiency program in the country:

<http://www.greentechmedia.com/articles/read/Why-Top-Down-Efficiency-Is-So-Expensive>.

Perhaps it's best captured in this graph. Have we reached a point of diminishing returns?

Regards,

Mark

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