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- CSG (Home Energy Solutions) will launch a test model of the electronic incentive application generator this summer. A small test group will have a chance to work with the forms soon.
- Fujitsu representative Nolan Bozarth presented on the mini split pilot and qualifying models. He also passed out information about ductless mini-split equipment.
- Energy Trust will pilot a mini-split incentive in the near future. We will offer a limited number of incentives, and trade allies who are interested in participating should contact us for details. We are working to determine the savings from installing these systems.
- Based on feedback from this region, CSG (Home Energy Solutions) will explore the possibility of offering a gas furnace back up incentive on heat pump installations. Current thinking is that gas backups are not cost effective, but we will review the data. Trade allies suggested that we are missing the point of green practices by not encouraging these very efficient heating systems.
- Trade allies met local program representatives (listed on our website in the trade ally pages). We now have a commercial lighting representative covering the area, a New Homes program representative, and a Home Energy Solutions representative.
- The roundtable sessions were considered to be worthwhile, and trade allies were encouraged to provide topics for discussion. We plan to couple training with the roundtable sessions to make them more valuable.
- Energy Trust will develop a short training or breakout session on internal processes, background, and decision making to help trade allies understand how we set our incentive levels and determine measures. The session will most likely be included with a future roundtable meeting.