
STATES ERP CONSORTIUM NATIONAL MEETING

Reno, Nevada

Agenda for Work Group Session 1 – Reporting Results

- Benefits of Using Core Descriptors and Measures
 - Overview of Core Descriptors and Measures
 - Presentation of “ERP Performance Analyzer”
 - *Context.* Use of Common Measures Project data as an example
 - Presentation of tools with connections to reporting results core measures
 - Discussion of Suggested Changes To Date
 - Preparing for Tuesday Morning Work Group Session 3:
 - The ERP Results Reporting Compact
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Agenda for Work Group Session 3 – Reporting Results

- Further Discussion of Suggested Changes (as necessary)
 - Informal Polling of States to Determine Readiness to Sign-On to the **ERP Results Reporting Compact**
 - Identifying Barriers to Signing-On
 - Setting Schedule for Finalizing Core Descriptors & Measures
 - Other Issues:
 - ✓ Possible National Environmental Information Exchange and/or State Innovation Grant Applications;
 - ✓ Completing the Reporting Results Guide;
 - ✓ Next States ERP Results Report
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Benefits of Using Core Descriptors and Measures

- Provide Credible & Defensible Data
 - Better Able to Compare Results within and across Sectors & States
 - Increase Acceptance of the ERP Approach (including ERP measurement)
 - Identify Effective and Efficient Environmental Protection Strategies
 - More Easily Communicate ERP Results
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Overview of Core Descriptors

- **Universe:** Definition; Location; Size; Confidence in; and Key environmental concerns
 - **Policy approach:** ERP tools/components used; Cert type (vol/mand); Cert motivators; ERP permanence; External influences
 - **Measurement approach:** EBPI list; EBPI selection approach; Random sample size and approach; Data collector skills/training
 - **Other:** Data entry approach; Timeframe of key activities
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Overview of Core Measures (1 of 2)

- **Certification-related:** Cert rate; "High-concern" discrepancy rate on EBPIs; Rate of self-disclosed non-compliance; RTC rate; and *RTCs as % of self-disclosed non-compliance*.
- **Inspection-related:** Achievement rate for each EBPI; Summary of EBPI performance changes; aggregate achievement rate for all EBPIs; achievement rate across all compliance-related measures (i.e., compliance rate); *Average and distribution of facility scores for all EBPIs, for just compliance-related EBPIs, and for all compliance-related measures*.

Note: Italics denotes the 7 optional measures

Overview of Core Measures (2 of 2)

- **Environmental/Health Outcomes***: Rate of managing/controlling certain environmental aspects; Level of group emissions/etc.; and Ecological/occupational/public health impacts
- **Costs/Resources***: Agency level of effort (first ERP cycle and subsequent cycles)
- **Other**: Other benefits of ERP; other key measures

*Note: * Denotes the 5 "aspirational" measures*

ERP Measurement Tools

Tools	Houses Data?	Analyzes Data?	Presents Data?	Very Auto-mated?
ERP Performance-Analyzer	Yes	Yes*	Yes	Yes
EPA Results Analyzer	--	Yes	Partial**	--

* Statistical analyses require JMP statistical software.

** Using custom Vermont version of Results Analyzer, for single samples.

For Sample Planning: MA DEP, EPA and other states have tools available to identify sample sizes and pick facilities for random samples.

Contacts: For the ERP Performance-Analyzer, Contact Suzi Peck (MA DEP). For the EPA/VT Tools, contact Scott Bowles (USEPA) or Mike Crow (consultant). States such as RI, FL, and MI have other measurement tools that may be valuable to states.

Suggested Changes to Date (1 of 2)

■ **ADDITIONS:**

- ❑ ERP fit with regulatory structure (e.g., replaces permits, etc.)
 - ❑ Scope of ERP (multimedia, OSHA, etc.)
 - ❑ Description of stakeholder involvement
 - ❑ Similarity with federal requirements
 - ❑ Media-focused compliance rate, rather than overall compliance rate
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Suggested Changes to Date (2 of 2)

- **Deletions:** data entry approach, confidence in universe size
 - **Miscellaneous:** promote the "optional" measures to full core status; provide more guidance on capturing quantitative values
 - **Minor changes:** wording, grouping, numbering, presentation changes
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Approach to Addressing Suggestions

- RRWG PROPOSES:
 - **For Minor Changes:** Proceeding with minor modifications that improve the documentation without substantively changing the measures/descriptors
 - **For Major Changes:** What level of review and sign-off is appropriate?
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ERP RESULTS REPORTING COMPACT

PURPOSE OF THE COMPACT:

- The States ERP Consortium asks all Consortium members and other ERP implementers to sign on and notify the Consortium chairperson of their commitment to the ERP Results Reporting Compact. **The ERP Results Reporting Compact is intended to ensure that agencies implementing ERP are reporting credible and defensible data. This will support the credibility of ERP as a whole, which will benefit all users.**
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THE COMPACT:

- Agencies implementing ERP agree to certain principles when reporting results from ERP initiatives. **The overarching principle is transparency: it should be clear to all interested parties what an ERP state is measuring, how it is measuring it, and what is not captured in that measurement.**
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SPECIFIC PRINCIPLES INCLUDE:

- 1. **Making all results readily available** to the public and to ERP stakeholders (including both positive and negative results).
 - 2. **Presenting results that are representative** of the group covered by ERP, based upon the application of statistically sound sampling approaches.
 - 3. **Reporting on the limited set of "core" measures and descriptors** identified in *A Guide to Reporting ERP Results*, and following the guidelines for those measures.
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- **4. When choosing to report results for non-core measures** from *A Guide to Reporting ERP Results*, striving to **follow the guidelines for those measures whenever feasible.**
 - **5. Adhering to the statistical principles and sampling approaches recommended** in *A Guide to Reporting ERP Results*, or using alternatives which strive for the same goals of transparency and defensibility and reflect good statistical practices.
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- **6. Reporting how each result is calculated** and providing statistical information for each result (e.g., definition of the measure, especially if inconsistent with *A Guide to Reporting ERP Results*; basis for any comparisons made; and statistical significance, sample size, confidence level, and confidence interval).
 - **7. Presenting description, assumptions and limitations of the methodology** used in developing results (e.g., sampling approach, possible sources of bias).
 - **8. Using, improving upon and sharing common tools** for storing, analyzing and presenting results, whenever possible.
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Illustration of Calculations (1 of 2)

	EBPI 1	EBPI 2	EBPI 3 (Vol.)	Non-EBPI 1
Facility A	Y	Y	Y	Y
Facility B	Y	Y	--	N
Facility C	Y	Y	N	Y
Facility D	Y	N	N	Y
Achievement Rate, Each EBPI	100.0%	75.0%	33.3%	

- **Aggregate Achievement Rate for All EBPIs = 73%** (i.e., 8Y/11 relevant)
- **Achievement Rate across All Compliance-Related Measures = 50%** (i.e., 2 facilities at 100%, 2 at 0%)
- **Average Facility Score for All EBPIs = 75%** (i.e., 2 at 100%, 1 at 67%, 1 at 33%; divided by 4)

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- **Average Facility Score for All EBPIs = 75%** (i.e., 2 at 100%, 1 at 67%, 1 at 33%; divided by 4)
- **Average Facility Score for Compliance-Related EBPIs = 87.5%** (i.e., 3 at 100%, 1 at 50%; divided by 4)
- **Average Facility Score for All Compliance-Related Measures = 83.4%** (i.e., 2 at 100%, 2 at 67%; divided by 4)