

Strategies in Residential Energy Efficiency Financing

Leveraging Secondary Markets

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Presentation Topics



- Kilowatt Financial Overview and Primary Strategy
- Secondary Market Overview
- Whole Loans and Securitization
- Risk Elements in a Secondary Market
- Collaboration Opportunities with State Energy Offices

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Solar Financing Business

Solar System Leases and PPAs

- 20 year lease or PPA contracts
- Monthly and prepaid alternatives
- No money down; consumer saves money day 1
- 0.0%, 1.5% or 2.9% escalators

Solar System Purchase Finance

- 15 year term
- APRs as low as 2.99%
- Dealer rate buy-down ability
- Flexible promotional options
- Use REEPC to reduce monthly payments in years 2-15

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Energy Efficiency Financing Business

- Up to 12 year terms
- APRs as low as 0.0%
- Dealer rate buy-down ability
- Custom Dealer pricing options
- Down to 600 FICO
- Broad range of eligible improvements



Electric

- Solar PV systems
- Battery storage devices
- Fuel cells and other power generators
- Major energy consuming appliances
- Lighting and fans
- Electric car chargers



- **HVAC**
- Repair or removal and replacement of all HVAC equipment
- Installation of gas service
- Thermostats, wood-heating appliances, fireplace modifications, coolers, exhaust fans, dehumidifiers, etc.



- **Building**
- Doors, windows, shutters, screening
- Insulation and siding
- Roofing
- Sunrooms
- Disaster prevention improvements



Water

- Plumbing
- Repair or removal and replacement of water heaters
- Solar thermal water heaters
- Water conservation measures

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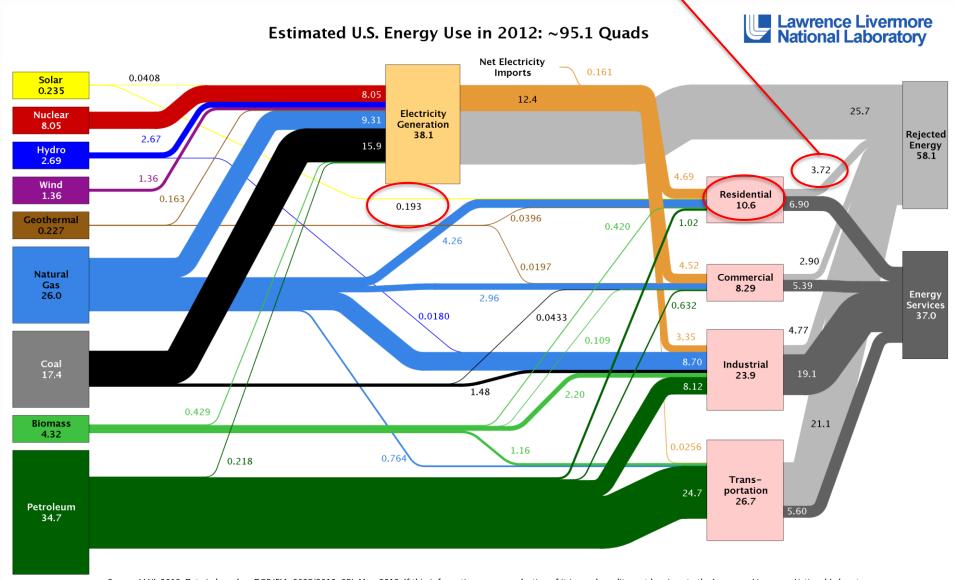


Why Clean Energy and Energy Efficiency?

Residential energy waste

- = More than one third of total energy generated
- = More than 19X residential solar energy generated





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Kilowatt's Strategy

Drive Down Cost of Financing for End Consumers



Primary Strategy:

Create clean energy and energy efficiency financing products:

- 1. With low APRs to compete with bank loan products
- 2. Without the use of public funds (utility, state, ratepayer, taxpayer)

When public funds are available as subsidized capital or structural enhancement:

Incorporate such public capital into our financing products to further drive down the cost of financing for consumers

Banks vs. Finance Companies

Competing in the Private (Unsubsidized) Market



Banks

✓ Access to cheap deposit funding

- Typical bank challenges with respect to the sales process:
 - Lack of flexibility (credit spectrum, loan size, product types)
 - "One size fits all" approach
 - Limited real time credit/e-doc capabilities
 - Limited ability to "private label" solutions
 - Regulatory constraints on size/growth

Finance Companies

✓ Flexibility and operational capabilities to enhance the sales process

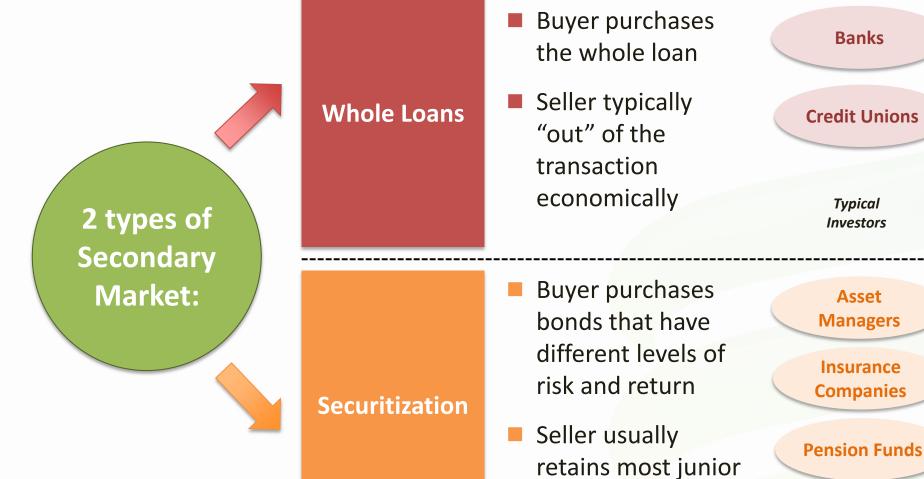
How do you compete with bank deposit funding??



Two Types of Secondary Market

Whole Loans and Securitization





(i.e. riskiest)

interest in loans

Hedge Funds

Whole Loans vs. Securitization



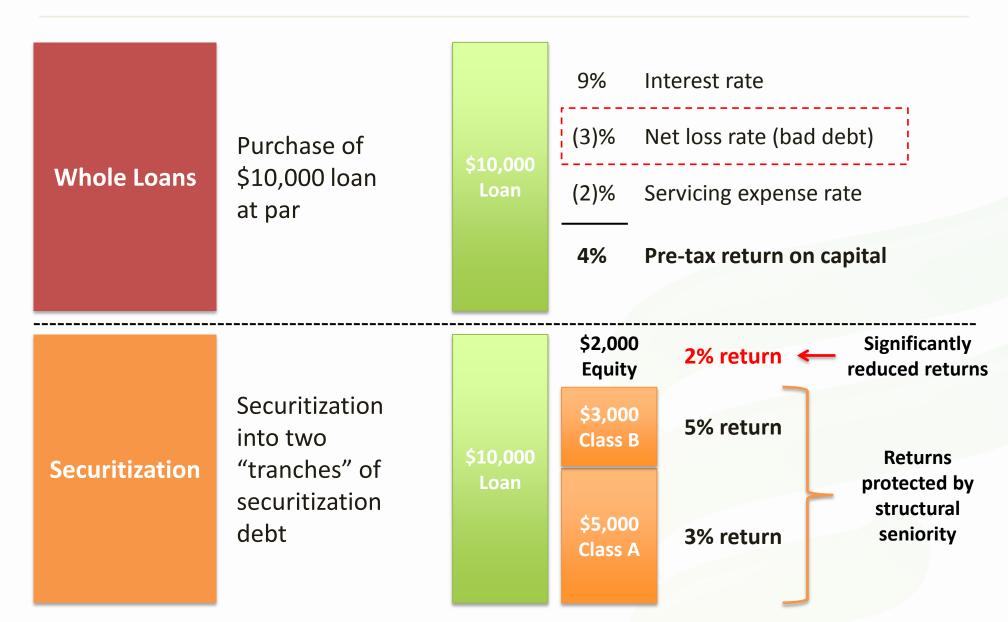


Whole Loans	Purchase of \$10,000 loan at par	\$10,000 Loan	(1)% N (2)% S	(1)% Net loss rate (bad debt)(2)% Servicing expense rate	
Securitization	Securitization into two "tranches" of securitization debt	\$10,000 Loan	\$2,000 Equity \$3,000 Class B \$5,000 Class A	15% return 5% return 3% return	Repaid last Repaid second Repaid first

Whole Loans vs. Securitization







Risk Elements

What are secondary market buyers principally worried about?



What is likely to happen with unemployment rates, economic growth, housing prices, and supply of credit?

How competent is the originator at evaluating consumer credit? Will losses perform in line with expectations?

Is the consumer likely to have any issues with workmanship or equipment quality?

Macroeconomic Risk

Credit Underwriting

Contractor and Equipment Risk

Prepayment Speed If prepayments are higher than expected, premiums paid may be at risk.

If lower, cash flows may be extended.

Does the servicer have the experience and ability to maximize cash flow while maintaining compliance levels? Acceptable infrastructure and technology?

Servicer Capability Servicer Creditworthiness What is the probability that the primary services provider is not around for the full life of the loan? What redundancy is in place?

Compliance and Consumer Protection Are all origination and servicing policies, procedures, and practices in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations?

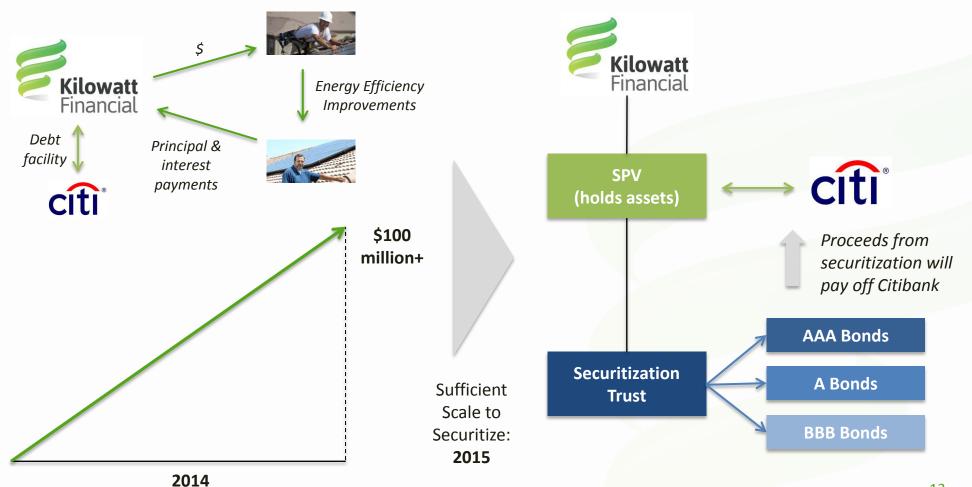
Are consumers being treated fairly?

Kilowatt Financial Path to Securitization





- Our Citibank facility will allow us to reach securitization:
 - Does not require utilization of subsidized funds
 - Can be utilized with subsidized programs to reduce end interest cost to consumer



Collaboration Opportunities with State Energy Offices





	Marketing, Education & Outreach	Incentives	Credit Enhancements	Debt
State Energy Office Role	Mobilize resources to raise contractor and / or consumers awareness about access to energy efficiency financing	Allocate capital toward grants, rebates, or buydowns for clean energy projects	Establish loan loss reserve fund to cover portfolio losses up to a pre-determined cap; typically utilized for energy efficiency programs	Provide subordinated, mezzanine, or senior debt to put public capital to work at larger scale
Impact	Equips contractors with an effective tool to reach more consumers and close more loans	Generates attractive consumer economics which helps to drive program volume	Enables lenders to slightly lower interest rates and potentially expand access to broader range of consumers	Provides significant amount of capital at more flexible / attractive terms than existing alternatives
Tradeoffs	 ✓ Generates volume ✓ Low complexity ✓ Low (or no) capital requirements ✓ High flexibility X No return on capital 	 ✓ Attractive consumer economics ✓ Low complexity ✓ High flexibility X No return on capital 	 ✓ High capital efficiency ✓ Potential to expand program access ✓ Structural and operational complexity ✓ Below-market returns 	 ✓ Good capital efficiency ✓ Adequate returns ✓ Lower risk profile than Credit Enhancement ✓ Structural and operational complexity ✓ Requires significant amount of capital

Thank You



- Kilowatt welcomes the opportunity to build residential clean energy financing programs with state and local energy offices
- Factors to consider:
 - Consumer protection is of paramount importance
 - If return of capital is important: alignment of incentives is critical
 - Remember: there is no substitute for hard work and operational expertise
- Kilowatt can provide more detailed information on products and pricing upon request
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