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It is recognized that in some instances utilities may need to deviate from the prescribed measurement protocols. Per the Joint M&E Protocols Section I.C.(3), "Utility-specific modifications/alternatives for program-specific protocols (Appendix C) are contained in Appendix Z." These deviations are not only acceptable under the precepts of these protocols, but also desirable. It is understood that these protocols represent a base or starting point for the development of measurement techniques, and that, over time, new, more accurate, and possibly less expensive methods of measuring the impacts of DSM programs will be developed. This appendix is designed to allow the utility to search out these new methods, propose them before the California DSM Measurement Advisory Committee (CADMAC) and AEAP, and upon approval, apply them to their measurement programs. It is also understood that the techniques shown to be of value through the use of this appendix could eventually (with full agreement from the CADMAC) be added to or replace the formal protocols listed in this document. When a utility files a request for modifications, the specific deviations should be listed along with the justification for the recommended methodology.