# L Prize

2014 Building Technologies Office Peer Review





Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy

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### **Project Summary**

#### Timeline:

Start date: FY2008

Planned end date: FY2019

**Key Milestones** 

1. First winner announced, FY2011

2. Second winner announced, est FY2015

3. Third winner announced, est FY2017

### **Budget**:

Total DOE \$ to date: \$4.1 million

Total future DOE \$: \$4.0 million

### **Target Market/Audience**:

SSL manufacturers, utilities & energy efficiency programs, retailers, end users

#### **Key Partners**:

Philips	Progress Energy
Other mfgrs	SCE
ComEd	DTE
Efficiency VT	National Grid
WECC	MEEA

#### **Project Goal**:

**Objective:** to spur the development of new, ultra-efficient lighting products to replace common light sources including the 60-watt incandescent bulb and the PAR38 reflector bulb. **Goal:** to realize significant lighting energy savings through widespread adoption of the technological and product innovations developed in response to the competition.

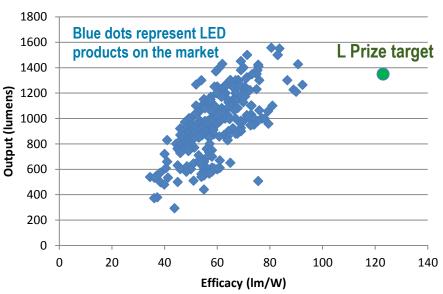


# **Purpose and Objectives**

#### **Problem Statement:**

SSL products have the potential to save significant energy, but many have lower lighting quality and performance compared to incumbent technologies. Cost pressures, performance trade-offs, and component availability currently discourage manufacturers from reaching L Prize performance targets.

# Output and Efficacy of LED PAR38 Lamps Compared to L Prize Requirements



LED Lighting Facts-Listed PAR38 Lamps
As of March 2014



### **Purpose and Objectives**

#### **Target Market and Audience:**

- Key target is lighting manufacturers challenge them to produce advanced, high efficiency SSL products
- Secondary target is utilities and energy efficiency programs that promote efficient lighting technologies
- Secondary target is end-users, especially large volume buyers
  - Estimated energy use for general service A-type and reflector lamps targeted by the L Prize is 166 TWh per year (LMC 2010)









# **Purpose and Objectives**

**Impact of Project (Intended)**: Potential to transform the market for targeted product categories commonly used in residential and commercial buildings.

- If every socket in the U.S. converted their 60W incandescent lamps to the 10W L Prize winner, the country would save approximately 35 TWh per year, and avoid 20 million metric tons of carbon emissions.
- If all 90 million installed PAR38 lamps in the U.S. converted overnight to an L Prize-equivalent PAR38, the country would save 11 TWh per year and avoid roughly 7 million metric tons of carbon emissions.
- 1. Current project endpoint is awards in all 3 categories authorized in EISA 2007
  - a. 60W incandescent replacement lamp
  - b. PAR 38 halogen replacement lamp
  - c. "21st Century Lamp"; category still undefined
- 2. How achievements towards goal are measured:
  - a. Near-term: Products introduced to market
  - b. Intermediate-term: Estimated sales
  - c. Long-term: Estimated energy savings





### **Approach**

### Approach:

- Set aggressive performance targets for select products, ensuring that winning products will save energy and meet user expectations for lighting quality
- Form partnerships with utilities and energy efficiency programs representing tens of millions of consumers and support with incentives and promotion
- Launch competition; solicit entries
- Perform extensive performance evaluation of entries before award; not only assures product meets requirements, but also reduces risks for buyers
- Technical Review Comm. of non-DOE experts determines if requirements met
- Make award if requirements met
- Engage in substantial publicity, recognition, and external communications





### **Approach**

#### **Key Issues:**

- After 25,000 hours of continuous testing, the L Prize winning bulb still had average lumen maintenance of 100% of their initial output and no visually noticeable color shift
- Stress testing (extreme max /min temperatures, vibration, high and low voltage, high humidity, electric waveform distortions) caused all benchmark CFLs to fail, while the L Prize lamps continued to operate.
- Field assessments identified dimming problems that were addressed by Philips in the production version



### **Approach**

#### **Distinctive Characteristics:**

- Technology race with monetary prizes authorized in EISA 2007
- Very challenging technical performance requirements
  - Key specs established in EISA
  - Additional requirements developed by DOE
    - CA utilities helped with 60W replacement specs
- Rigorous evaluation process
  - Short-term photometric testing
  - Stress testing
  - Long-term lumen and chromaticity maintenance testing
  - Field assessments with energy efficiency partners and host sites



#### **Lessons Learned:**

From 1<sup>st</sup> category (60 watt replacement):

- Product was over-specified (900 lumens required by legislation) and overpriced for the market at the time of competition
  - Response: Target PAR38 contest to commercial/retail market
- Utilities did not reward the higher performance of the winning product with financial incentives beyond those available for all Energy Star qualified products
  - Response: Reduce dependence on utility incentives
- Mass adoption by federal agencies was hindered by efficiency policies that had already caused most incandescents to be replaced with CFLs
  - Response: Reduce dependence on federal purchasing
- Long evaluation period delayed market intro while competitors caught up
  - Response: Shorten overall evaluation period from 18 months to no more than 12 months



#### **Accomplishments:**

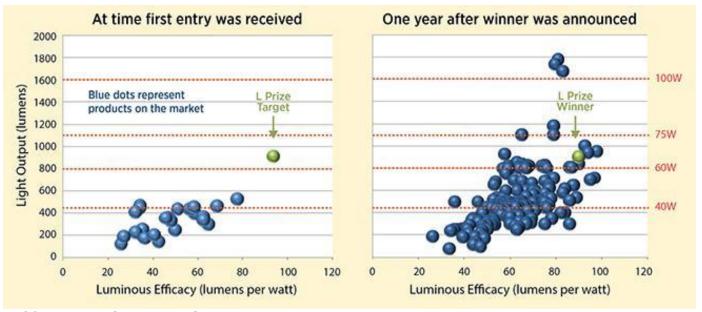
- The Philips product line using L Prize technology had saved more than \$13 million in consumer energy costs by early 2013
  - more than pays back the \$10 million prize awarded in late 2011
- Technical innovations in L Prize lamp enabled multiple products in Philips' LED light bulb line, including 60-, 75-, and 100-watt replacement bulbs, and the Hue color changing bulb, controlled by iPhone interface.
- Established L Prize brand in market as meaning ultra-high performer; U.S. government prize winner





#### **Market Impact:**

- Enabled and accelerated new LED products (not just winning product)
  - In 2009, LED lamps were typically producing 200-400 lumens, at 30-60 lm/W
  - By early 2013, 17 products exceeded 900 lm, 3 exceeded 90 lm/W
  - >\$13 million in consumer energy costs by early 2013 (Slide 10)
- L Prize has helped shift key market player expectations well above ENERGY STAR, which has lagged technology development
- Philips stated the L Prize moved technology ahead 3–5 years







### Awards/Recognition:

- Philips L Prize lamp was listed by TIME Magazine as 3<sup>rd</sup> in "The 50 Best Inventions of 2009"
- L Prize was on the Philips Lighting home page for over a year
- Extensive media coverage of the award in both general and trade press







# **Project Integration and Collaboration**

### **Project Integration:**

- Promotion among NGLIA manufacturers; Philips was the first winner
- Utilities & energy efficiency programs are field assessment and market development partners

















### **Project Integration and Collaboration**

### Partners, Subcontractors, and Collaborators:

- PNNL is lead technical contractor
  - Develop technical specifications and requirements
  - Perform and oversee evaluation testing
- Akoya is communications contractor
  - L Prize branding, messaging, news releases
  - Video development
  - Partner promotion and documentation of field assessments
- L Prize promotion with FEMP, GSA, other federal agencies/programs
  - Cross-fertilization with Challenge.gov and other technology contests



### **Project Integration and Collaboration**

#### **Communications:**

- L Prize award ceremony Aug 2011 on Capitol Hill
- DOE SSL annual R&D and Market Introduction workshops
- Exhibit booth at Light Fair International
- Trade and general press, articles, video

green lodging news WERNER Electric Supply





# **Next Steps and Future Plans**

- To wrap up current project plans, need to make awards in PAR38 and 21<sup>st</sup> Century categories
  - a. DOE revised PAR 38 eligibility requirements Jul 2013 to allow for more potential participants
  - b. 21<sup>st</sup> Century competition still not announced; challenge to align EISA technical requirements with market-appropriate lighting applications
- May consider additional product categories to be the focus of future L
   Prize awards after 21<sup>st</sup> Century competition



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# **Project Budget**

**Project Budget**: Peak spending to date was FY10 & FY11 during evaluation of the 60w replacement lamp entry.

**Variances**: Original FY09 budget was \$100k. A mid-year addition of \$400k supported development of the lumen maintenance test facility.

**Cost to Date**: Approximate total cost to date (through Mar 2014): \$4,100k **Additional Funding**:

- Investment by first winning manufacturer: ~\$10,000k
- In-kind contribution of utilities participating in field assessments: ~\$700k

Budget History								
	– FY2013 ast)		014 rent)		– FY2019 nned)			
DOE	Cost-share	DOE	Cost-share	DOE	Cost-share			
\$4,000k	~\$10,700k	\$379k	\$0	\$4,000k	~\$10,000k			



### **Project Plan and Schedule**

- 60-watt replacement winner announced Aug 2011
- 60w replacement winner entered the market Feb 2012 (commercial) and Apr 2012 (consumer)
- 25,000 hours testing of 60w replacement winner completed Apr 2013
- No PAR38 entries to date
- 21st Century category not opened to date

Project Schedule												
Project Start: FY09		Completed Work										
Projected End: FY19		Active Task (in progress work)										
	•	Milestone/Deliverable (Originally Planned)										
	•	Milestone/Deliverable (Actual)										
		FY2013 FY2014 FY2015						2015				
Task	Q1 (Oct-Dec)	Q2 (Jan-Mar)	Q3 (Apr-Jun)	Q4 (Jul-Sep)	Q1 (Oct-Dec)	Q2 (Jan-Mar)	Q3 (Apr-Jun)	Q4 (Jul-Sep)	Q1 (Oct-Dec)	Q2 (Jan-Mar)	Q3 (Apr-Jun)	Q4 (Jul-Sep)
Past Work												
Q3 Milestone: 60W Lumen maintenance testing												
Q2,3 Milestones: Promotion of 60W L Prize winner			•									
Q4 Milestone: Planning for 21st Century category												
Current/Future Work												
Q4 Milestone: Complete PAR38 photometric testing												
Q2 Milestone: Complete PAR38 Lumen main. Testing	<u> </u>											
Q4 Milestone: PAR38 winner announced												