

# Building Technologies Office Window and Envelope Technologies Emerging Technologies R&D Program



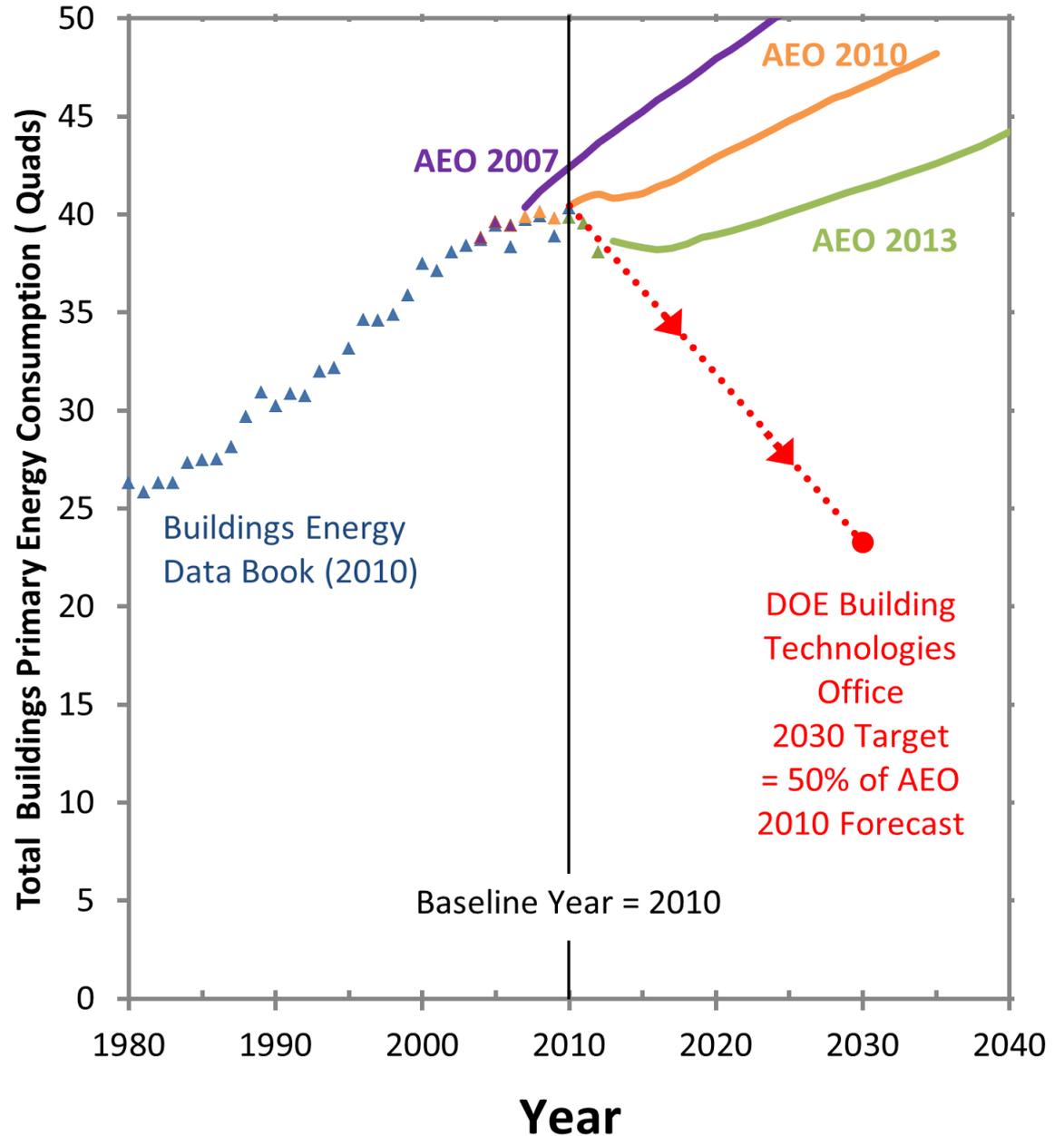
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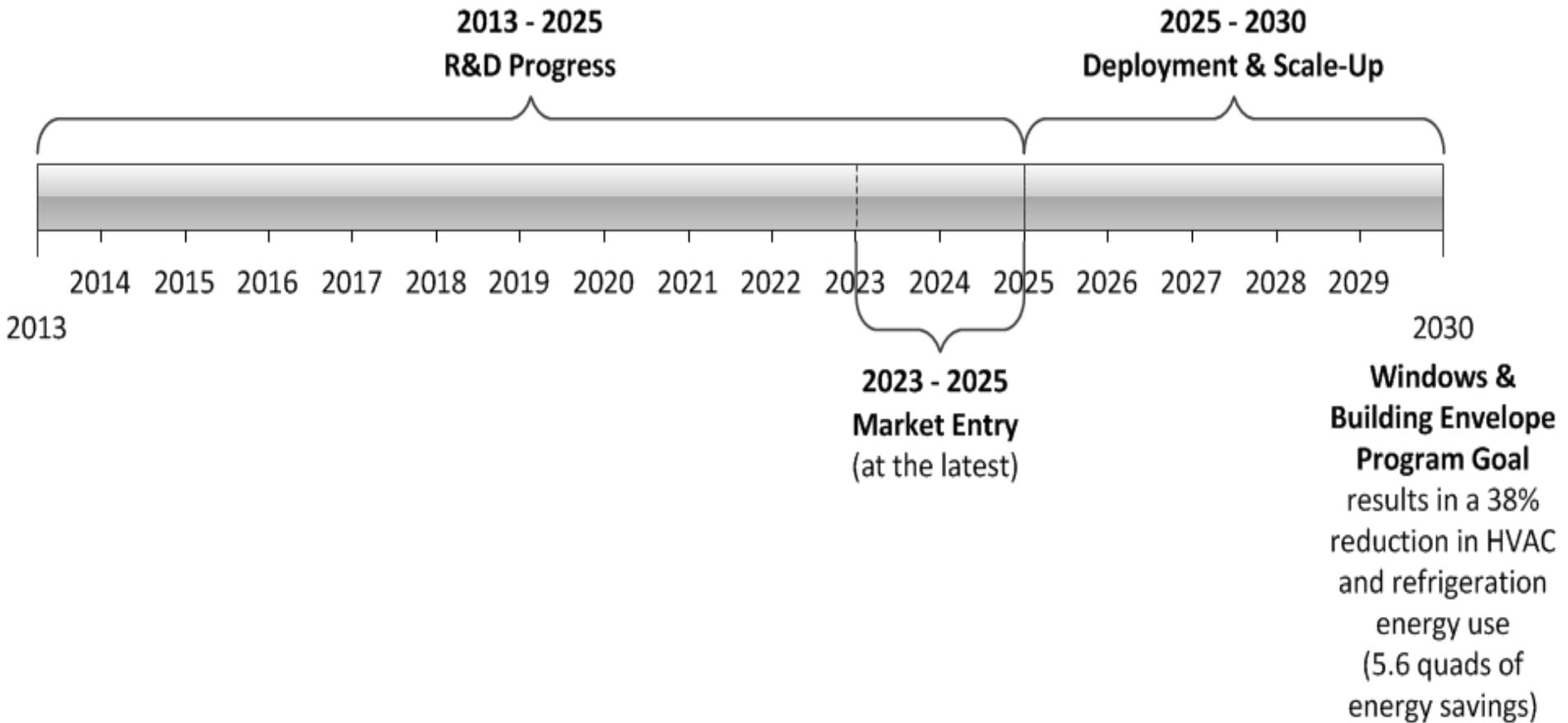
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# BTO Goal

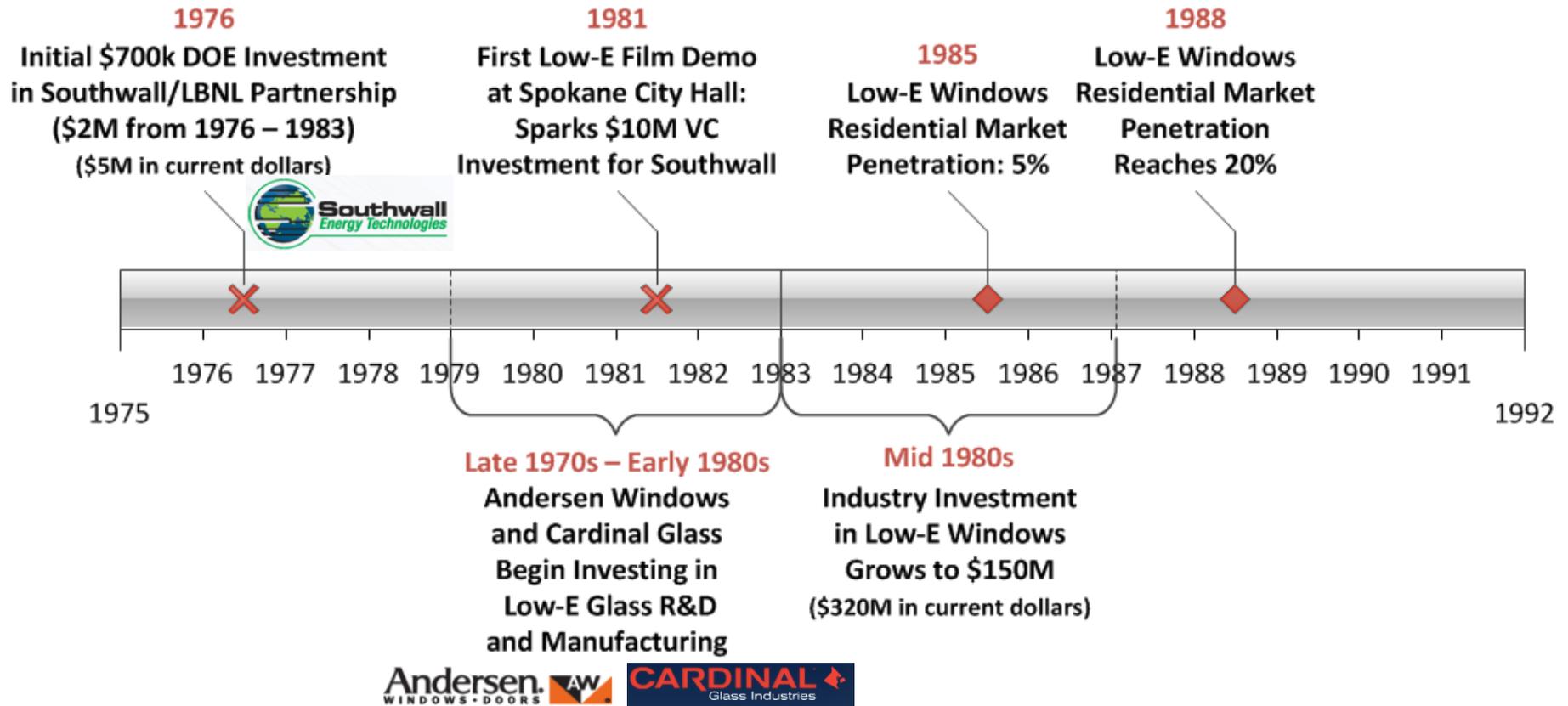
Reduce building energy use by 50% in 2030, compared to the “business-as-usual” energy consumption projected by the *2010 Annual Energy Outlook*



# Notional Timeline for Windows & Envelope R&D



# Timeline and Impact of R&D Investment: Low-E Windows



- **March 1998:** ENERGY STAR standards for Windows established
- **Today,** low-e windows U.S. market share is >80% of residential windows and >50% of commercial windows
- DOE-sponsored R&D investments helped stimulate net savings of more than \$8 billion by 2000 (\$10.7 billion in current dollars)

4 Source: American Energy Innovation Council Case Studies on the Government's Role in Energy Technology Innovation "Low-Emissivity Windows"

# BTO's Integrated Approach

## Research & Development

- Develop technology roadmaps
- Prioritize opportunities
- Solicit and select innovative technology solutions
- Collaborate with researchers
- Solve technical barriers and test innovations to prove effectiveness
- Measure and validate energy savings

## Market Stimulation

- Identify barriers to speed and scale adoption
- Collaborate with industry partners to improve market adoption
- Increase usage of products & services
- Work through policy, adoption, and financial barriers
- Communicate the importance and value of energy efficiency
- Provide technical assistance and training



## Codes and Standards

- Establish minimum energy use in a transparent public process
- Protect consumer interests
- Reduce market confusion
- Enhance industry competitiveness & profitability
- Expand portfolio of EE appliances & equipment
- Raise the efficiency bar

# Energy Lost Through Building Enclosure Components

Building Component	Residential	
	Heating	Cooling
Roofs	1.41	0.05
Walls	1.81	0.03
Foundation	1.29	0.20
Infiltration	2.11	-0.14
Windows (Conduction)	1.54	-0.29
Windows (Solar Heat Gain)	-1.58	1.34

Number of Residential Buildings (millions)		
	Existing	New
2010	82.7	1.193
2035	104.85	1.114

Source: Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy 2011a; Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy 2011b; Energy Information Agency 2010; Energy Information Agency 2013

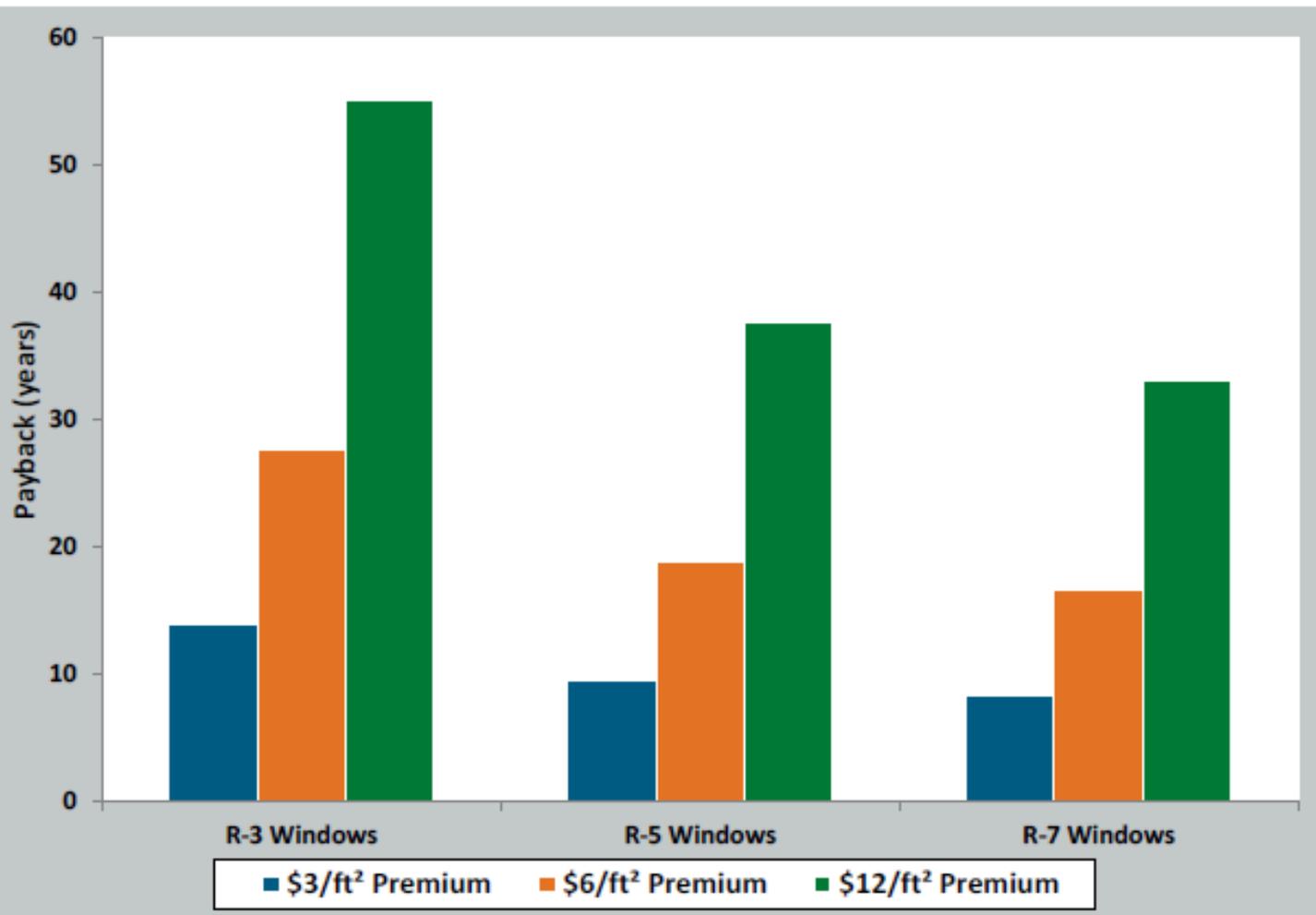


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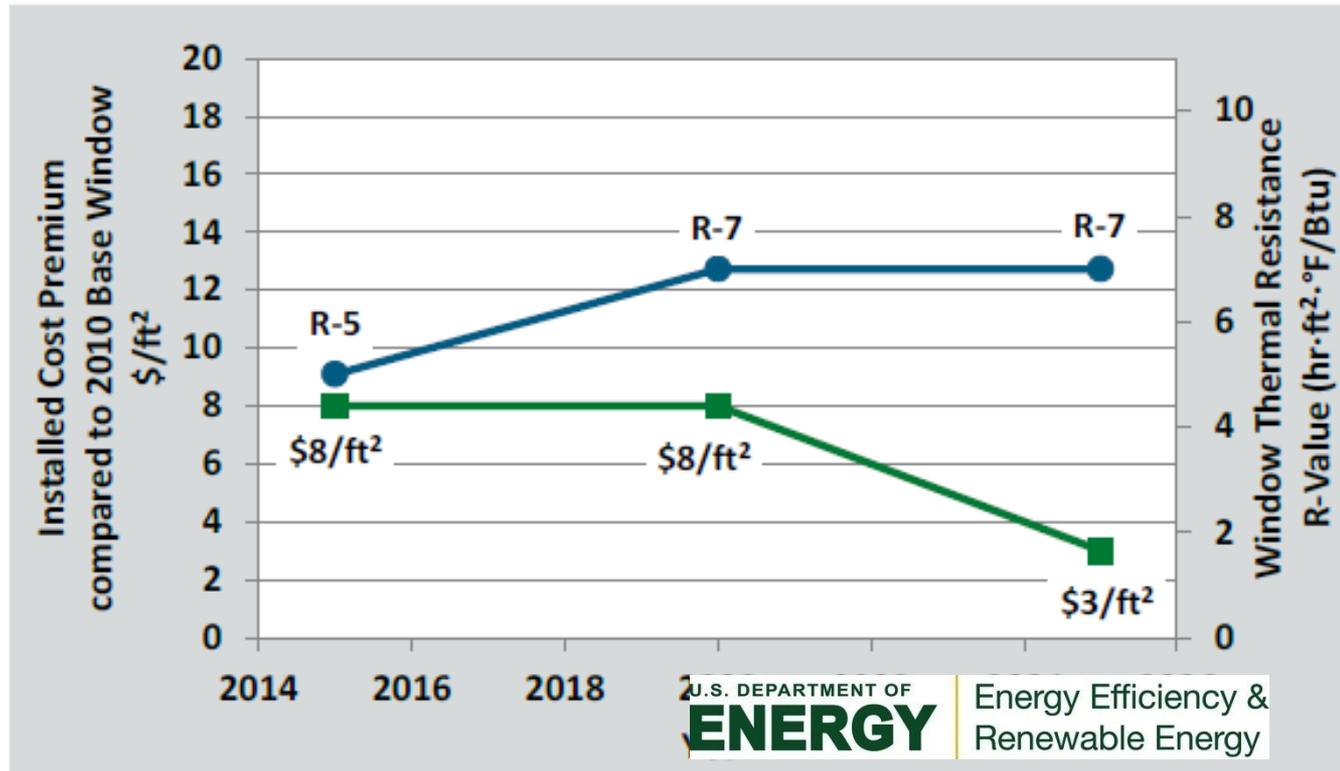
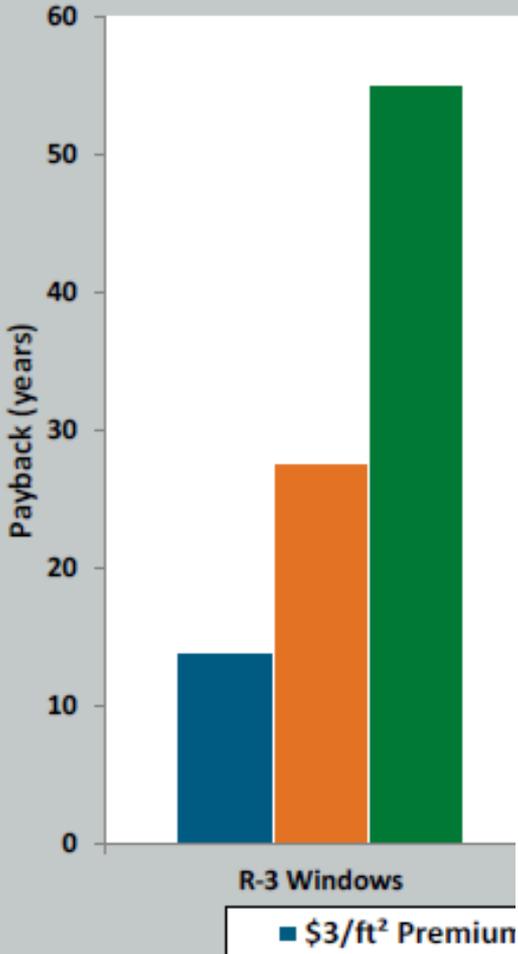
# Windows R&D Priorities

Technology	2025 Cost Target	2025 Performance Target
<b>Highest Priority R&amp;D Area</b>		
<b>R-10 windows</b>	Projected installed cost premium over 2010 installed base: Residential: $\leq \$6/\text{ft}^2$ Commercial: $\leq \$3/\text{ft}^2$	Residential: $R-10$ ; $V_T > 0.6$ Commercial: $R-7$ ; $V_T > 0.4$ Comparable weight and thickness to currently installed base
<b>High Priority R&amp;D Areas</b>		
<b>Dynamic windows</b>	Projected installed cost premium compared to standard IGU: Windows: $< \$8/\text{ft}^2$ Window Films: $< \$2/\text{ft}^2$	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) <math>\Delta \text{SHGC} &gt; 0.4</math></li> <li>2) <math>V_T</math> bleached state <math>&gt; 0.6</math> (residential) and <math>&gt; 0.4</math> (commercial)</li> </ol>
<b>Visible light redirection (Commercial only)</b>	Projected installed cost premium $< \$5/\text{ft}^2$ over standard window or blind installation including the cost of sensors and lighting controls	Reduce lighting energy use by 50% for a 50-ft floor plate

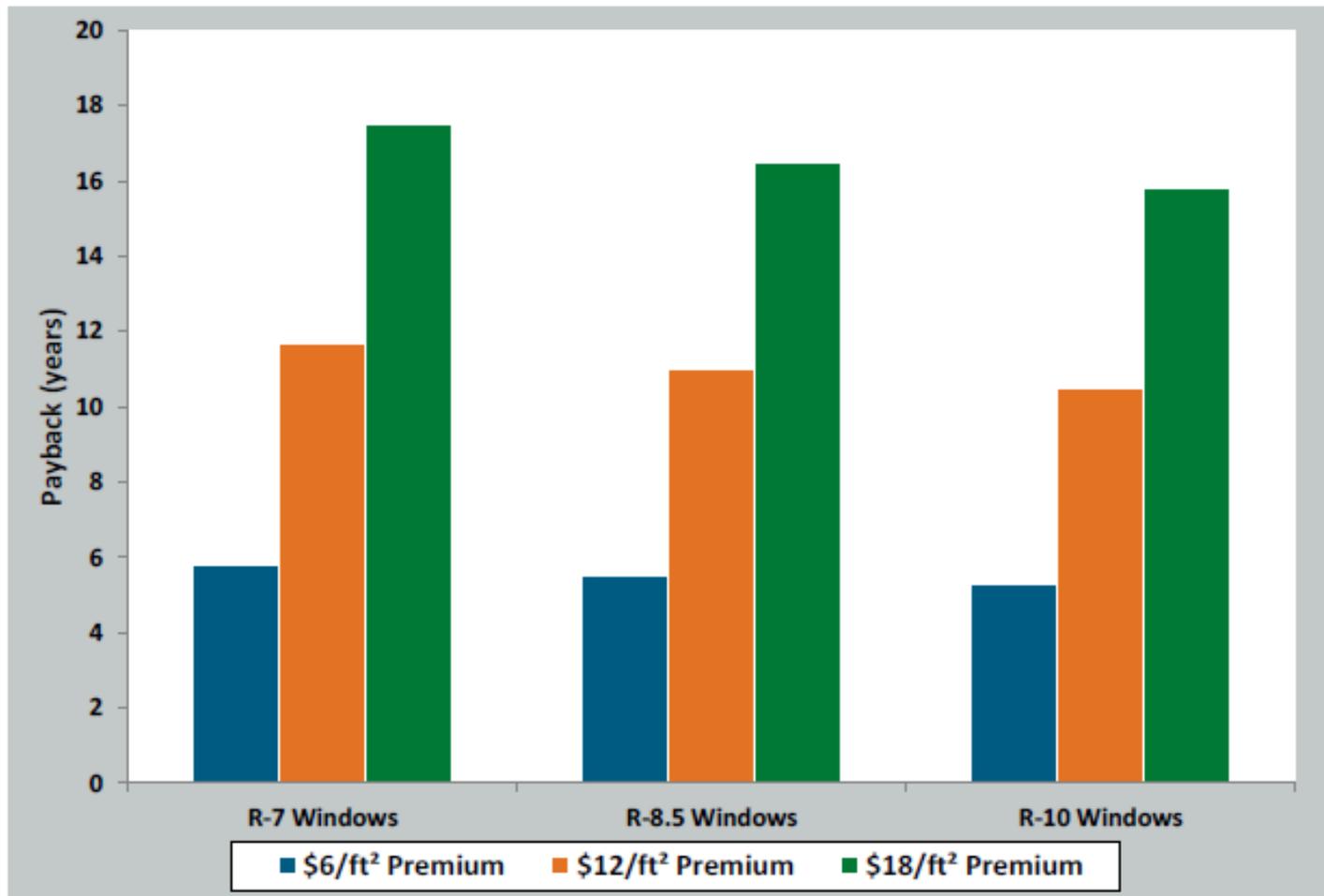
# Highly Insulating Commercial Windows



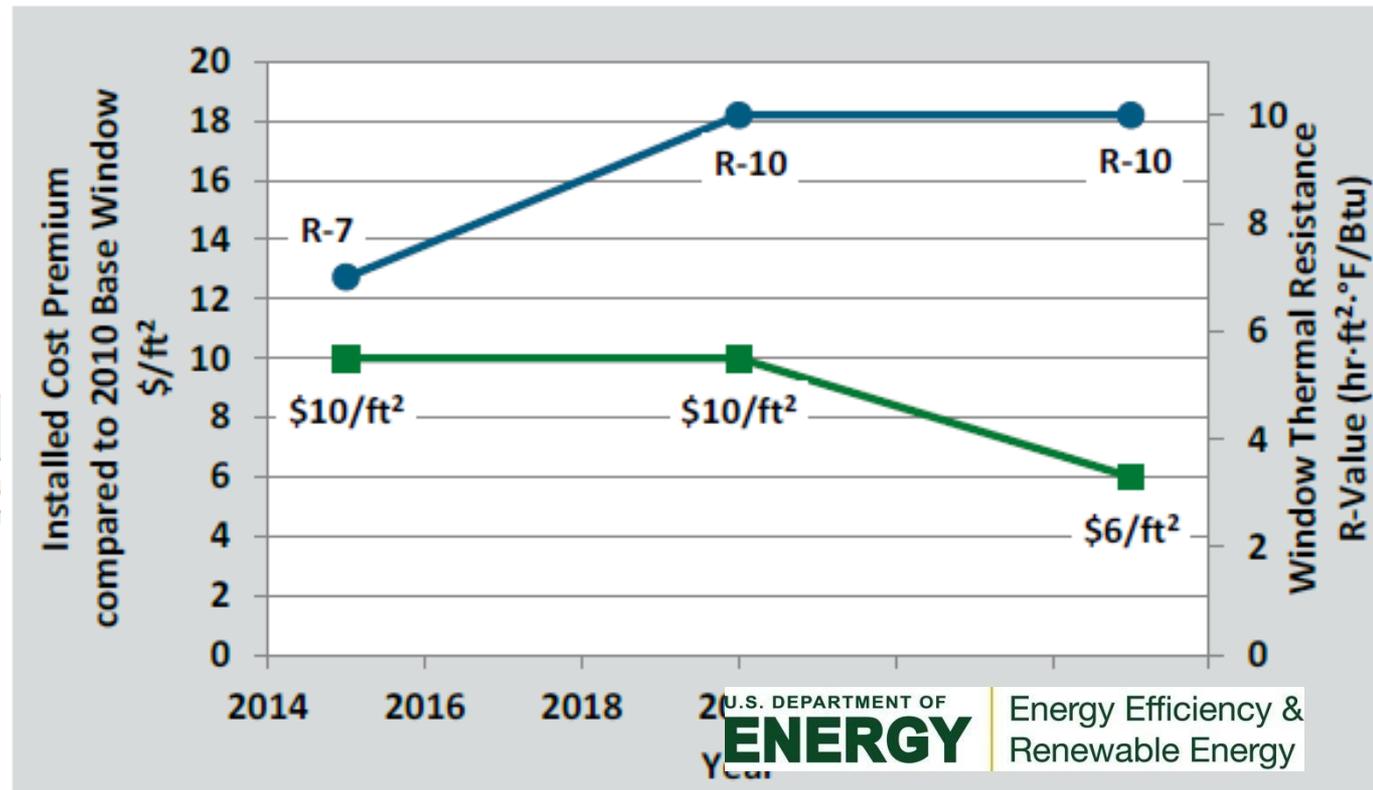
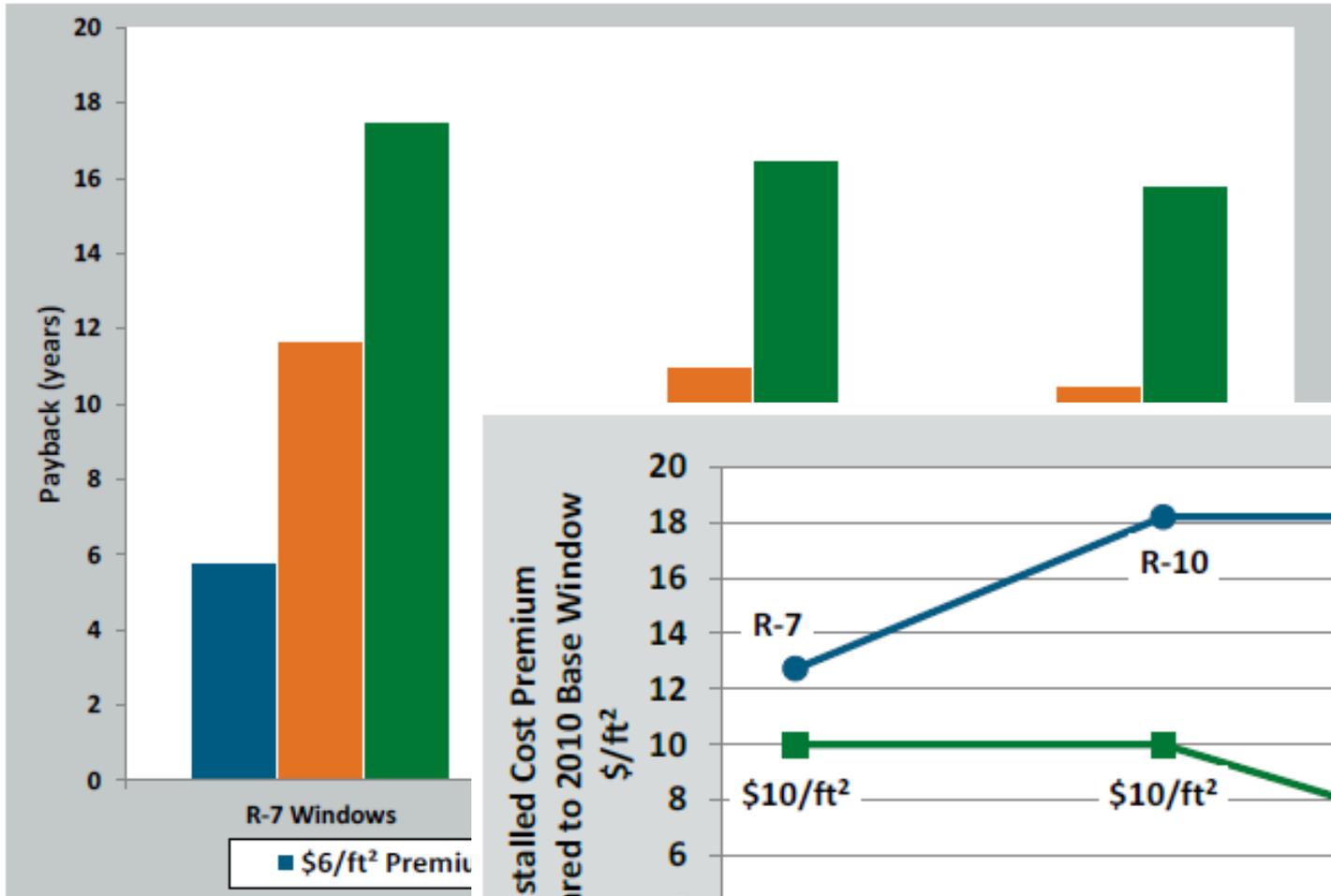
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# Highly Insulating Residential Windows



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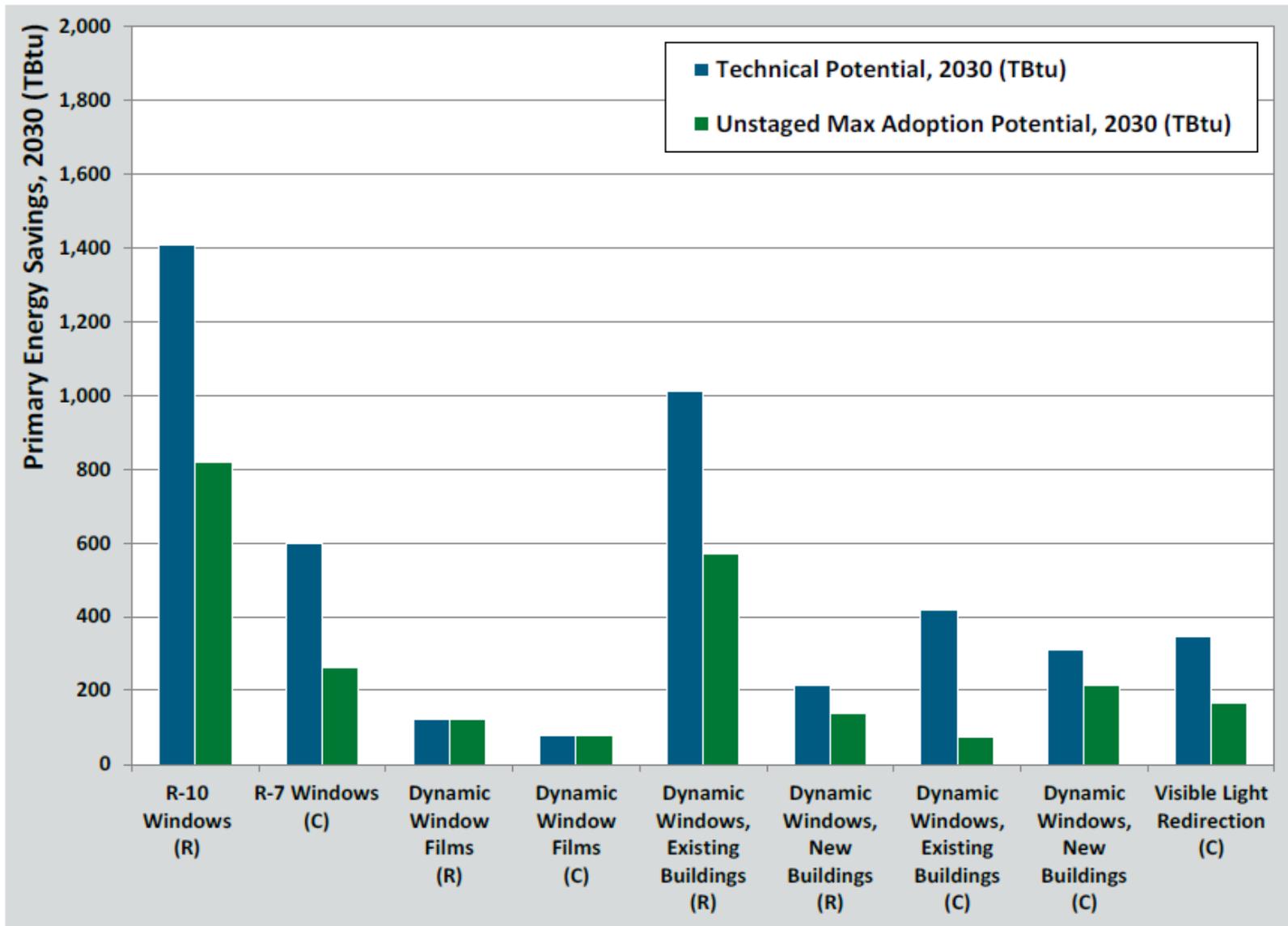


# Highest Priority R&D Area: Highly Insulating Windows

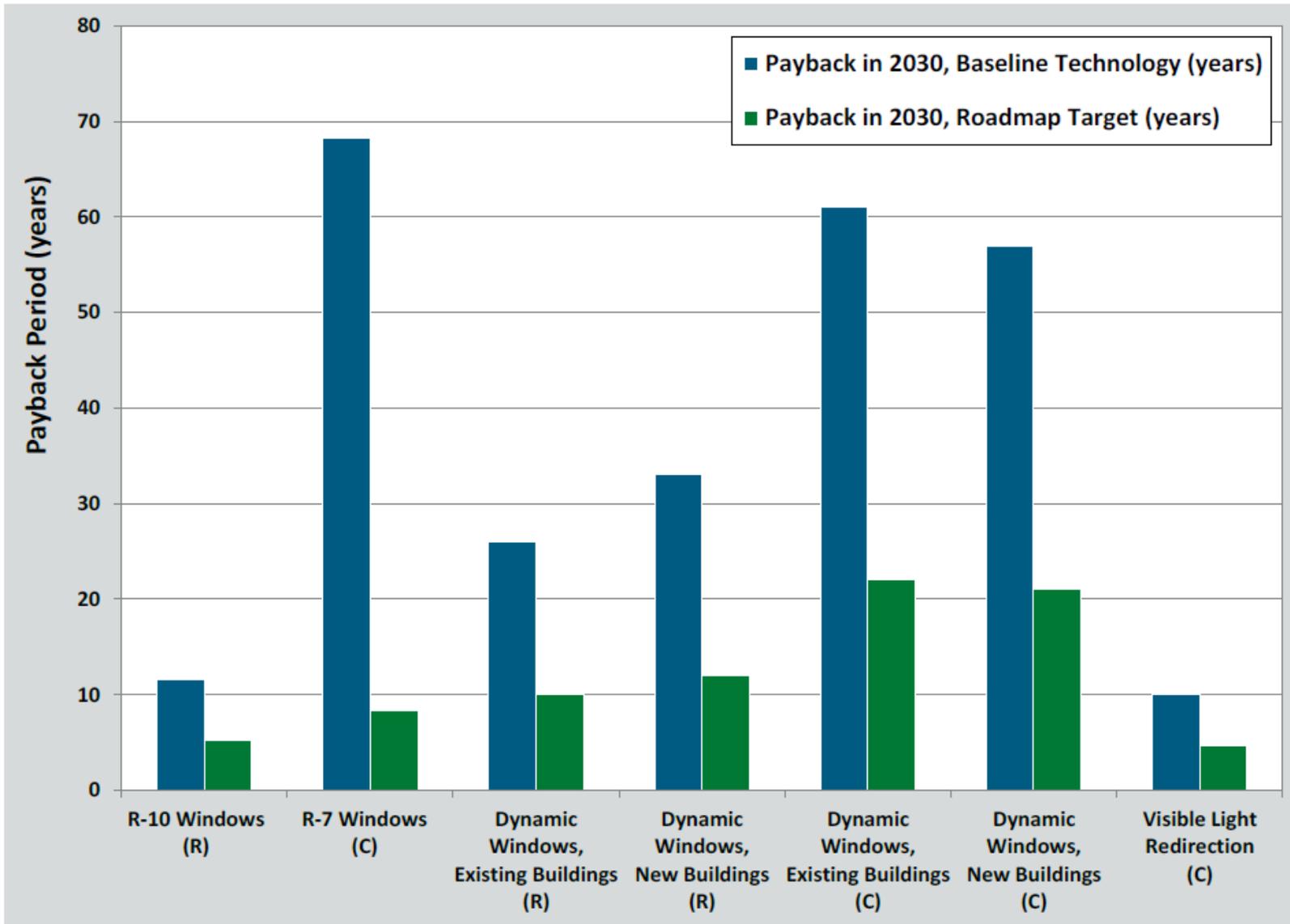
R&D Barriers	Manufacturing Barriers
Low-cost, inert gases for multilayer insulated glazings	High-precision, automated equipment
Cost-effective, improved performance vacuum insulated glass (VIG)	
Novel materials and designs for aesthetically pleasing windows and window films	
Improved performance framing materials	Manufacturing processes capable of handling custom- and large-sizes
Amenability to retrofits	
Simplified window installation	

Market/Deployment Barrier
Inadequate codes and code enforcement
Lack of information for consumers

# Windows Roadmap Targets: Energy Savings



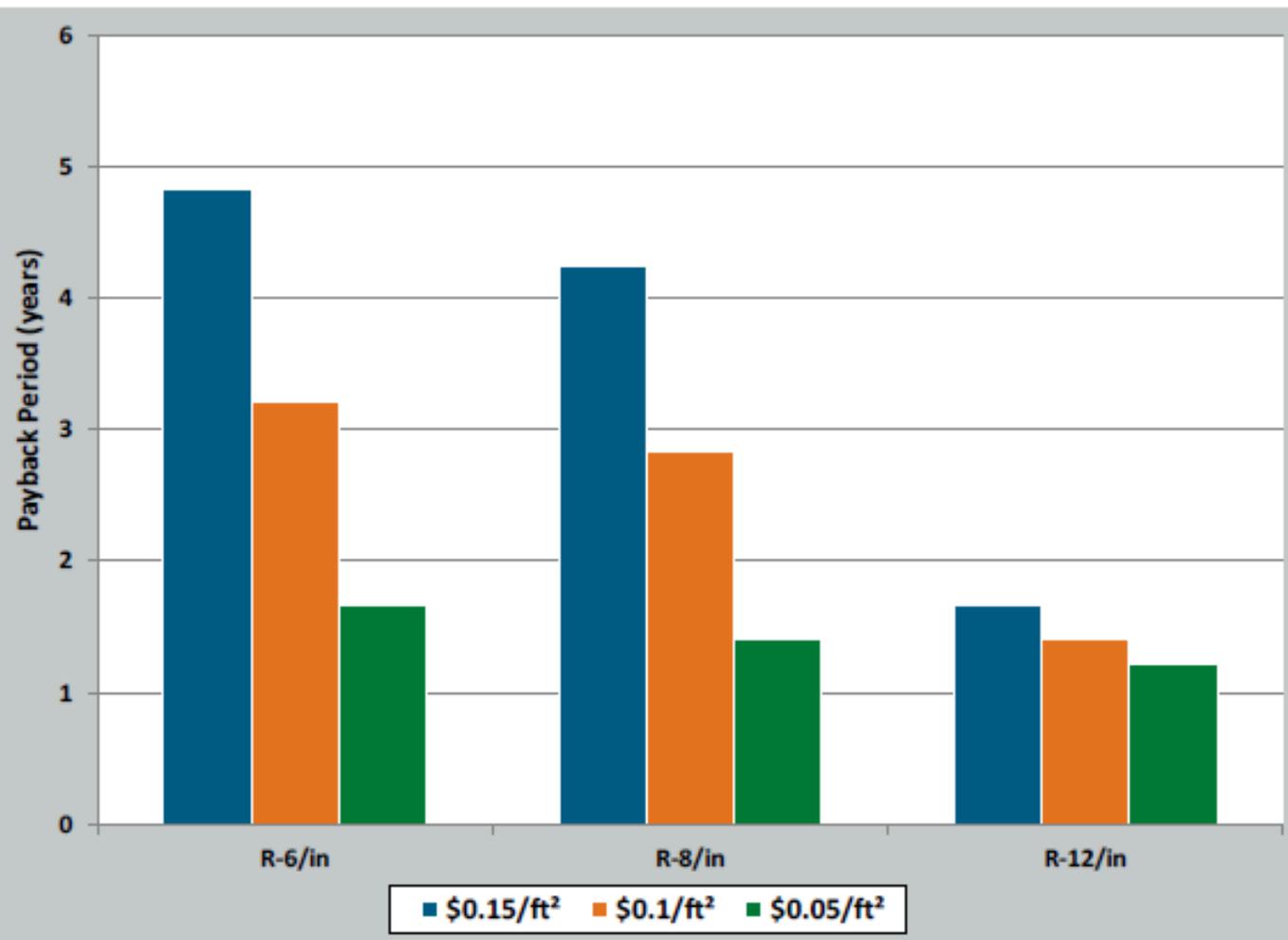
# Windows Roadmap Targets: Payback



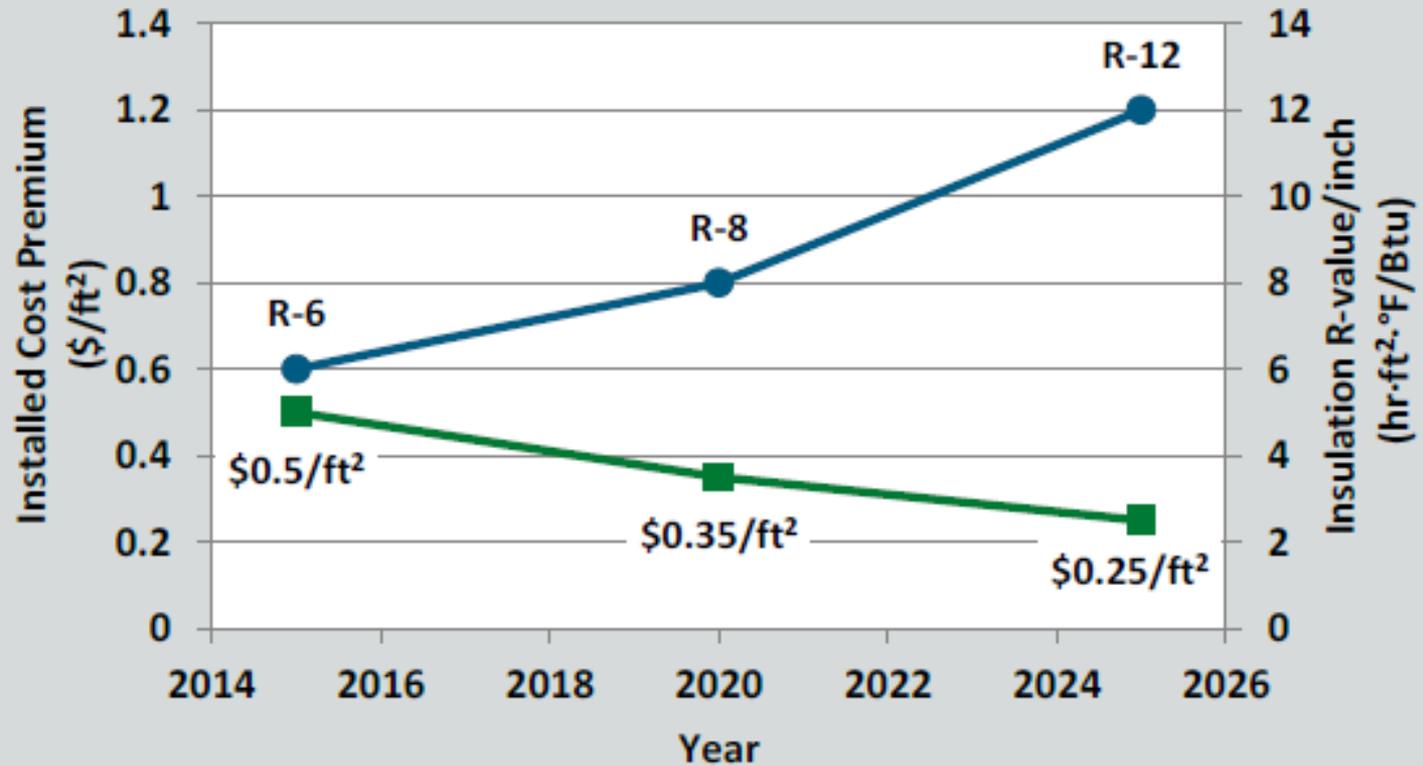
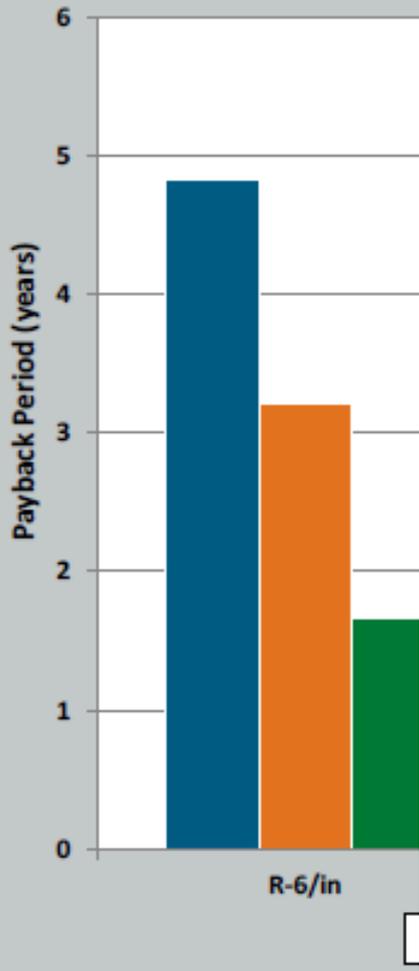
# Building Envelope R&D Priorities

	2025 Cost Target	2025 Performance Target
	<\$0.25/ft <sup>2</sup> projected installed cost premium, including material and labor.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• R-12/inch thermal insulation material for retrofitting walls.</li><li>• Meets durability requirements.</li><li>• Minimizes occupant disturbance.</li></ul>
	<\$0.5/ft <sup>2</sup> finished floor projected installed cost	A system capable of concurrently regulating heat, air and moisture flow to achieve: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Residential: &lt;1 ACH50</li><li>• Commercial: &lt;0.25 CFM75/ft<sup>2</sup> (5-sided envelope)</li></ul>
	Projected installed cost increase <\$1/ft <sup>2</sup> over standard roof costs	Energy use reduction equivalent to doubling current ASHRAE R-values

# Thermal Insulation Material



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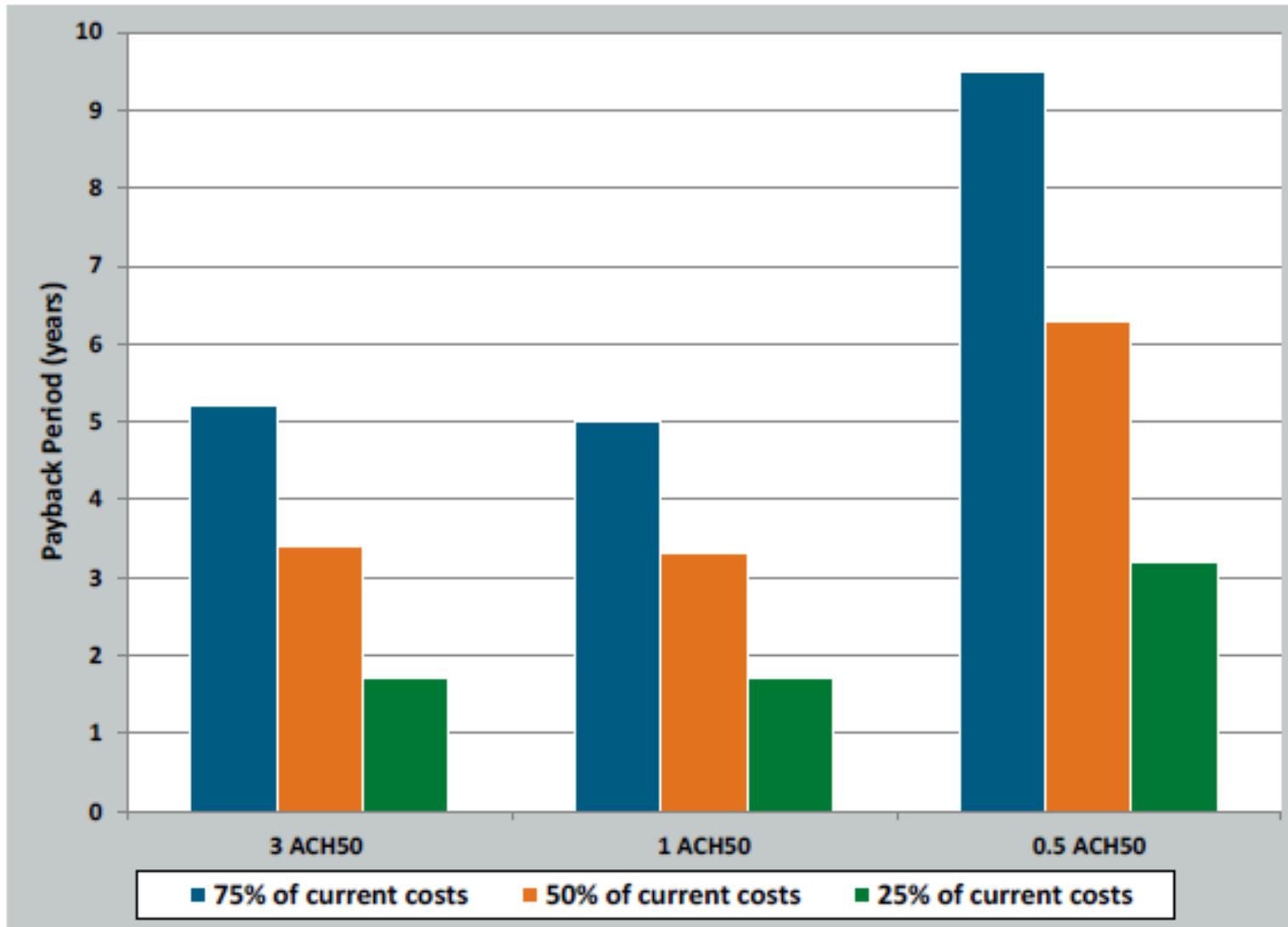


# Highest Priority R&D Area: Building Envelope

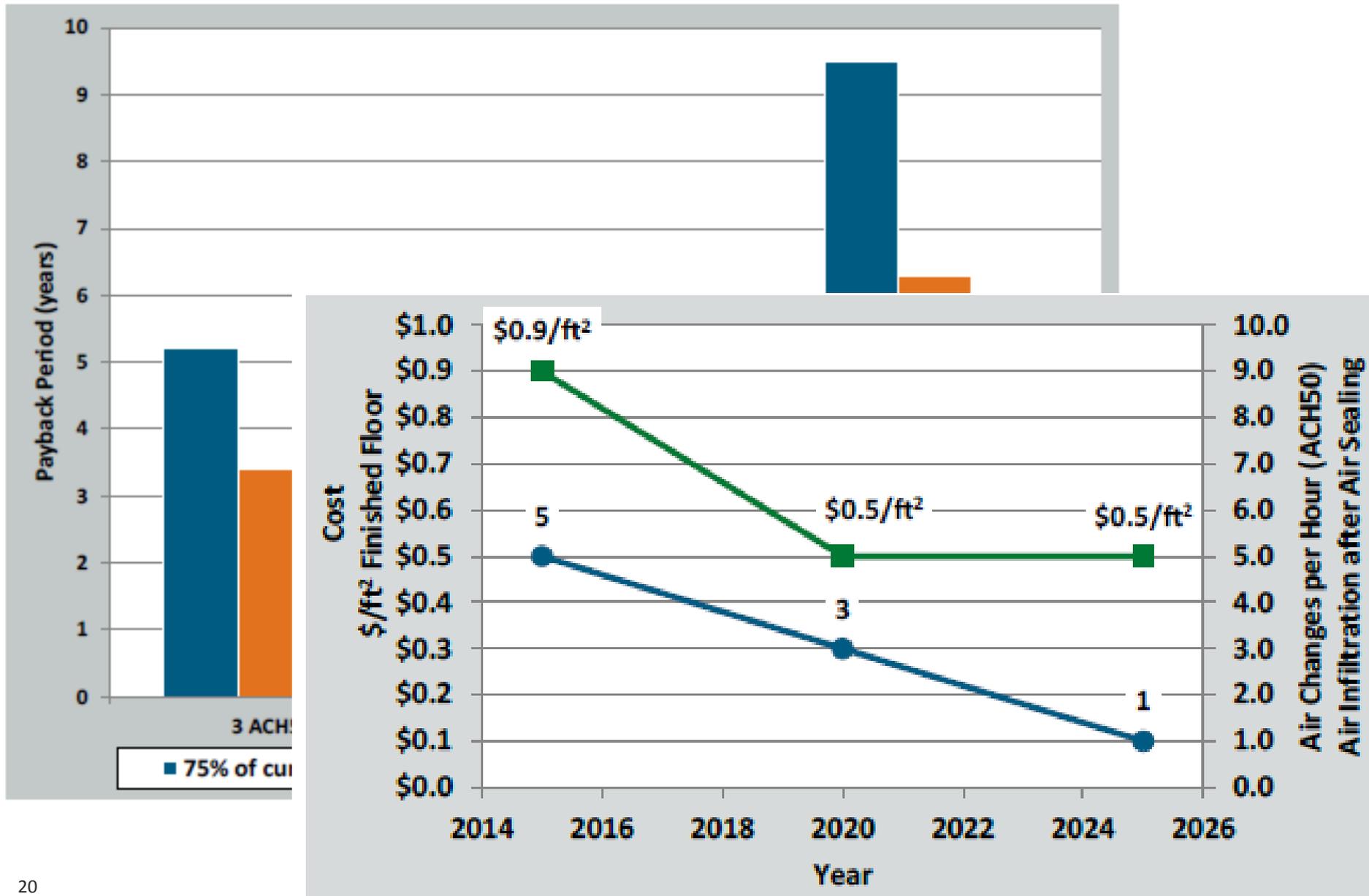
R&D Barriers	Manufacturing Barriers
Development of low-cost materials with exceptional moisture/mold control	Integrated supply chain of materials  Modular manufacturing and standardization
IR radiation control	
Understanding material failure modes and service-life test protocol	

Market/Deployment Barrier
System integration to envelope
Standardization of sizes
Software tools
Moisture management
Blowing agent restrictions
Lack of third-party verification of capabilities and flammability
Lack of clear performance criteria and metrics for homeowners

# Air Sealing System: Residential (pre-2010 buildings)

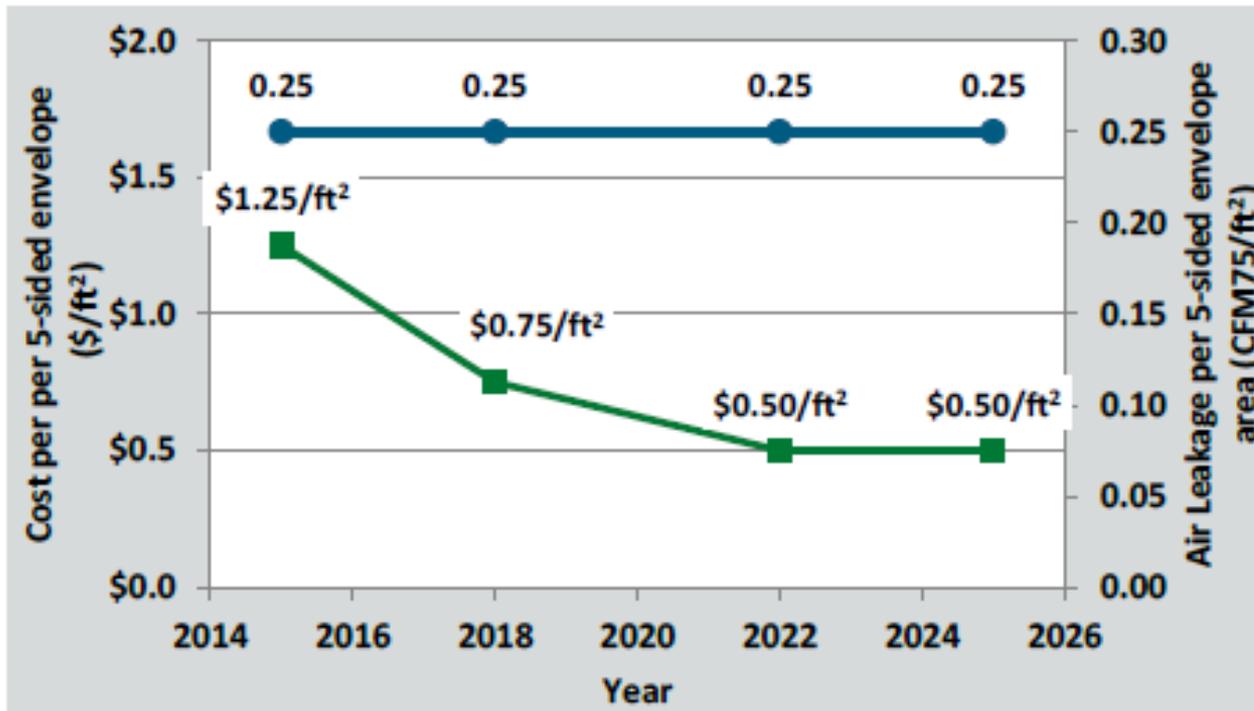


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# Air Sealing System: Commercial

Air-Sealing System Technology Performance Target	Market Size (TBtu)	Technical Potential, 2030 (TBtu)	Unstaged Max Adoption Potential, 2030 (TBtu)
<b>Commercial Building Sector, New and Existing Buildings</b>			
1.24 CFM75/ft <sup>2</sup>	982	44	44
0.25 CFM75/ft <sup>2</sup>	982	805	805



# Highest Priority R&D Area: Building Envelope

R&D Barriers	Manufacturing Barriers
System simplification	<p>Manufacturing quality control to ensure performance</p> <p>Poor coordination of building trades involved in installations</p> <p>Inability to install and seal the system immediately after or during construction</p>
Selective sealing with spray-applied adhesives	
Inadequate quality control and verification of completeness during application process, inadequate identification of installation flaws	
Sealing solutions need to be added a la carte, depending on installation environment	

Market/Deployment Barrier
System must show added value over individual components
Builder vary in product preference
Inadequate inspector training

# Current BTO Windows & Envelope Projects

1. Core capabilities (not competed)
  - a) Unique and critical resources held by DOE National Labs to support industry and R&D community.
  - b) Intellectual and physical assets with high start up and/or shut down costs.
2. On-Roadmap: Awarded by Funding Opportunity Announcement to industry, academia or national labs.
3. Off-Roadmap: Early stage or one-off projects

***BENEFIT FOA Currently LIVE***

***Area of Interest 4: Highly Insulated Building Components***

(This is all that I will say!)

# Check out the Windows & Envelope Roadmap



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## Windows and Building Envelope Research and Development:

Roadmap for Emerging Technologies

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I like to push the envelope...  
both opaque and fenestration.

Thank you!