CBERD Monitoring and Benchmarking

2017 Building Technologies Office Peer Review







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Project Summary

Timeline:	Institutional	Industry partners				
Start date: Oct 2012; Planned end date: Sep 2017	partners					
 Key Milestones: 1. Technical requirements for packaged EIS for three target segments 2. Packaged EIS Demonstrations for three target segments 3. New benchmarking methods to address unique Indian benchmarking needs. 	Center for Environmenta I Planning and Technology (CEPT), India	 Mazzetti Synapsense Schneider Electric Wipro Eco-energy (Now UTC) SYNAPSENSE Wipro EcoEnergy 				
Budget:	Project Goals:					
Total DOE \$ to date: \$600 K (FY'13- 16) Total future DOE \$: \$150 K (FY'17)	Develop cos time perforr	t effective, scalable systems to monitor re nance in commercial buildings which can				
Target Market/Audience: Commercial Buildings - EIS vendors - Building owners and operators - Benchmarking programs	integrated in applicability Enhance and benchmarki applicable to	nto EIS and metering products with broad in the U.S. and Indian markets d expand whole-building and system level ng methods adapted for India and o US benchmarking				



Project end

Sep 2017

Oct 2017

Problem Statement:

Benchmarking and Energy Information Systems (EIS) can enable significant energy savings. However, technical challenges exist to their wider application:

1. Energy Information Systems are commercially available and growing in technical capability

But high transaction costs – skill and time required to configure, install and use EIS – limit market reach.

2. Energy Benchmarking tools are well established

But lack flexibility in required data inputs vs. desired accuracy.

Target Market:

Broad applicability to commercial buildings sector, primarily retrofit in the US and new construction India.

In the US, potential savings ~2 Quads primary energy (~10% savings x ~20Q commercial sector energy use)

Target Audience:

- EIS vendors
- Owners, operators of commercial buildings
- •₃ Benchmarking programs



Energy savings reported by EIS users in Better Buildings Alliance Study

Energy Savings in Portfolio Manager



Source: ENERGY STAR Data Trends factsheet



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Purpose and Objectives: Outputs and Impact Energy Information Systems (EIS)

Technical requirements for packaged, scalable, cost effective "EIS in a box" for the US (underserved building sectors) and India (emerging market)



Outputs

Near Term (during project duration):

- EIS guides for specific building types
- Technical requirements for EIS packages for specific market segments
- EIS package demonstrations in real buildings

Intermediate-to-long term (after

project):

- EIS packages offered by vendors
- Scaling up of EIS installations in commercial buildings.

3 components

- (1) Meters
- (2) Gateway
- (3) Software & UI

2-tiers

(1) Entry

- (1) Healthcare

3 target sectors

- (2) Advanced (2) Hotels
 - (3) Offices



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Purpose and Objectives: Impact and Outputs Benchmarking (Bx)



Example - Analysis of Eco-III hotels dataset used to identify variables for graduated benchmarking **Benchmarking methods that enable broader use** of benchmarking tools within market-facing deployment programs and policies.

- "Graduated" benchmarking model that allows tradeoff between data inputs and accuracy.
- Benchmark scores with error bars allow users to apply them appropriately.

Outputs

Near Term (during project duration):

- Benchmarking analysis of hotel and hospital datasets using univariate, bivariate and regression analysis
- Graduated Benchmarking models and methods for hotels and hospitals

Intermediate-to-long term (after project duration):

• Uptake of Graduated Benchmarking by programs in India and the US.



Approach: Overall Approach & Impact Model



EIS activities align to BTO's Commercial Integration Program's objective for "Building operators, managers, operators and investors to understand value and manage building energy performance."

Benchmarking activities align to BTO's Commercial Integration Program objective of building energy data transparency



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Approach: Key Issues and Distinctive Characteristics

EIS

Key issues:

- How to engineer packages that accommodate heterogeneity across buildings.
- Engineering for simplicity how to minimize expertise and time needed for installation and use of EIS packages.

Distinctive characteristics:

- "Commoditizing" EIS not just features, but also ease of installation and use. Field tested.
- Eases sales cycle for vendors for new markets that previously were hard to access or had difficult sales cycle.

Key issues:

 Identifying variables for each tier considering statistical significance and ease of data collection

Benchmarking

 Modeling approach – independent models for each tier vs. Constrained regression vs. other

-Univariate - Bivariate – Multivariate analysis

- Graduated benchmarking model: Test and validate

Distinctive characteristics:

- Uncertainty information for benchmark scores.
- Rigor tailored to programmatic needs.
 e.g. Screening vs. incentive programs





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1. **Technical requirements** for a system that is packaged and standardized, with optimum, integrated components

2. **Cost Reduction** through analysis of hard, and soft transaction costs, and offer strategies for reduction of process times and delivery of EIS

3. **Efficacy** by offering guidance for simple in-house data-driven actionability for relevant stakeholders through tailored dashboards, targeted actions and alerts



Wide cost range for a custom EIS solution Hardware + software= \$5K-\$20K+ per year



Progress and Accomplishments: Recent

EIS

- Office, Hospital, Hotels EIS-in-a-box technical requirements, demo installation, data analysis
- Transaction cost framework and analysis
- Dissemination and Outreach:
 - Website, blogs
 - Conferences: ACEEE Intelligent Efficiency, ACREX, SXSW Eco
 - Facilities networks: Center for Health Design

Benchmarking

 Specification of Commercial Building Benchmarking Database for India
 Based on DOE Building Performance Database.

- Data needed for various types of commercial building benchmarking analyses.

 Database design, including Application Programming Interface (API) functions, data privacy considerations
 Data input processes and data cleansing.

-Software development, maintenance considerations



Ginger Hotel (Tata group)



Fern Hotel Ahmedabad



Akanksha Hospital Anand



Krishna Hospital, Anand



Schneider Offices, Bangalore



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L&T Knowledge City, Vadodara

Schneider Offices, Gurgaon

Progress and Accomplishments:

Technical requirements for 2 tiers of EIS-in-a-box for 3 market segments





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Progress and Accomplishments: EIS-in-a-box solution



Facility Daily* Dashboard: Building Pulse at a glance How much energy (by fuel) and cost is my building consuming, where and when?



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Progress and Accomplishments: EIS-in-a-box solution

Monthly/ Annual Dashboard



1. Consumption and cost per fuel type (Similar for Tier 1 and 2) \$ or kBtu/ time period



3. Monthly/ Annual energy use and longitudinal benchmarking (Similar for Tier 1 and 2) Electricity (kWh), Gas (kBtu)



2. Cost trending (Similar for Tier 1 and 2) \$ or INR/ time period



- 4. Cross-sectional Benchmarking (Tier 2 only)
- Portfolio Manager score
- Carbon footprint
- Comparisons with peer buildings in the district or nation

Executive level charts



5. Average Loads line chart (Similar for Tier 1 and 2) - Electrical Loads (kW) - Gas Load (kBtu)



- 5. Whole Building Heat Map: (Tier 2 only)
- Electrical Loads (kW)

Facility manager charts



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Progress and Accomplishments: EIS-in-a-box solution



Qualitative insights:

- Shape: Expected use of building based on occupancy, schedule
- Diagnostics: Missing data, measurement fault, broken controls or equipment
- Disaggregation: Relative contribution of end uses

Ouantitative information:

- Target consumption today
- Comparative Baseline (a previous day/week)
- Actual consumption today

Quantitative rule-based alerts, for e.g.:

- Variance +/-% from target: Screen alerts
- Variance : +/-% from baseline: Email/text alerts
- Variance beyond x%: Alarm

Enhanced usability with recommended preconfigured dashboards, and user training



Progress and Accomplishments: Market Impact

Potential reduction in EIS Transactional cost

Interviews conducted with industry partners and collaborators: Schneider, Wipro/UT, Lucid, Solvista, Cascade, Gridium





Progress and Accomplishments: Market Impact: EIS-in-a-box solution

Making building energy information simple, scalable, and actionable Lessons Learned Trade-offs between functionality and broader adoption

- Don't complicate data or develop sophisticated algorithms
- Use the 80-20 principle
- Efforts to scale impact
- Offers streamlined data architecture with right volume, variety and velocity of data
- Available at a lower cost, with integrated hardware, software, and user interface
- Provides deepened intelligence for actionable insights; dashboards targeted to cut across organizational siloes
- Increases the ability for even stock, "nonheroic" buildings to be energy efficient and self-sufficient
- Enhances adoption of energy measurement and management accross
- 15 the buildings sector





EIS-in-a-box offers simpler hardware and software for optimal cost and functionality



1. Project leverages bilateral research and development (R&D) strengths

- Benchmarking R&D assistance to Indian partner, as capacity building: <10% \$ spend
- Emphasis on creation of EIS in a box: builds on U.S. partner strength, demo in Indian buildings, to be applied back to U.S. buildings

2. Bidirectional relevance of outcomes

- Production efficiency: Joint SOW and deliverables
- Project cost-effectiveness. \$ goes ~10X further for Indian R&D time
- Energy reductions: highly relevant to both countries

3. Demonstrated value to US industry: access to markets, use of CBERD imprimatur

- U.S. industry partner Mazzetti opened new office in Bangalore, India; promoted CBERD through blog and industry's ACREX conference in India
- Wipro Eco-energy (acquired by United Technologies USA) developing CBERD imprimatur
- Schneider Electric developed and demonstrated CBERD imprimatur
- Vendors interviewed in U.S showed enthusiasm for such a EIS-in-a-box solution
- Executive level Facility VPs from U.S. facilities interested in potential pilots



Project Integration and Collaboration

Integration with DOE BTO Objectives

- The Better Buildings Alliance (BBA) could serve as a key audience for the work, and future deployment channel for the EIS results.
- Leverage CBERD deliverables (videos, specification, recommended dashboards) for DOE's M&V activities and Smart Energy Analytics campaign

Collaboration and Communications

- 3 US Project R&D Staff (LBNL)
 - o focus is on EIS work
- 3 Indian R&D Project Staff (CEPT University, India)
 - focus is on Bx work (with LBNL input)
- Mazzetti, Schneider Electric India and Wipro Eco-Energy are very actively engaged on EIS.
 - Provide ongoing input/feedback on tech design.
 - Engaged in upcoming pilot demonstrations.
- Inputs from U.S. industry collaborators and practitioners
 - o Transactional cost surveys
 - Outreach events: BBA webinars, ACEEE Intelligent Economy, SXSW Eco, Built Environment Network, ACREX conferences
- Technical reports available from cberd.org website



CBERD Staff presenting to facility executives of the Built Environment Network at Center for Health Design



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Next Steps and Future Plans

Next steps for FY 17

- Testing and iterating tech specs for three sectors based on results from the demonstration sites
- Analysis of "Value of Information" of packaged EIS vs. custom EIS

New activities for expansion of current work, in a CBERD 2.0

- Commercialization of energy information systems (EIS) for underserved building sectors. Entails hand-off to vendors, pilots in U.S. buildings (Facilities executives are showing interest)
- Integrating tech requirements, dashboards and training videos with with BBA, EIS M&V and Smart Energy Analytics campaigns
- Expanding to segments such as retail, education
- Integration of building energy benchmarking with EIS through development of metrics and performance targets for design, commissioning and operations.
- Integrate energy information and benchmarking with urban infrastructure programs in the U.S. and smart city initiatives in India
- Analysis and interpretation of decision making processes across the energy investment lifecycle









Project Budget: \$150K per year for five years, total \$750 K
Variances: None
Cost to Date: ~\$600 K (until end-Jan 2017)
Additional Funding: Cost share of \$500K from industry partners. Average of \$100K/year

Budget History								
FY 2013- (pa	– FY 2016 ast)	FY 2 (curi	2017 rent)	FY 2018 (planned)				
DOE	Cost-share	DOE	Cost-share	DOE	Cost-share			
\$450K	\$400K	\$150K (expected)	\$50K	-	-			



Project Schedule									
Project Start: 10/1/12		Completed Work							
Projected End: 9/30/17		Active Task (in progress work)							
		Milestone/Deliverable (Originally Planned)							
		Milestone/Deliverable (Actual)							
	FY2013	FY2016			FY2017				
Task 2: Monitoring and Benchmarking	Q1 (Oc	Q1 (Oct-Dec	Q2 (Jan-Mar)	Q3 (Apr-Jun)	Q4 (Jul-Sep)	Q1 (Oct-Dec)	Q2 (Jan-Mar)	Q3 (Apr-Jun)	Q4 (Jul-Sep)
FY16Q2 Milestone (EIS) Identification of Sites and Installation of Hospitals EIS package in 2 buildings;									
FY16Q2 Milestone (EIS)Technical requirements for packaged EIS for Offices;									
FY16Q2 Milestone (Bx) Specification for national benchmarking database for India, including data needs and fields; data definitions									
FY16Q4 Milestone (EIS) Identification of Sites and Installation of Offices EIS package in 2 buildings									
FY17Q2 Milestone (EIS) Analysis of data from EIS demonstration buildings							•		
FY17Q4 Milestone (EIS) Updated EIS package specifications based on demonstration buildings									•

