

Grid-interactive Efficient Buildings Strategy Discussion

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Agenda

| Time | Discussion Topic | Presenters |
|-----------|---|-------------------------------|
| 1:30-1:50 | Strategy Update & RFI Feedback | Monica Neukomm & Nelson James |
| 1:50-2:05 | Interoperability | Bill Livingood |
| 2:05-2:20 | Building Energy Modeling | Jared Langevin & Amir Roth |
| 2:20-2:40 | Demand Flexibility Metrics | Jingjing Liu & Jhi-Young Joo |
| 2:40-2:55 | Assessing Performance of Demand Flexibility | Mike Li |
| 2:55-3:00 | Wrap-Up | Monica Neukomm |

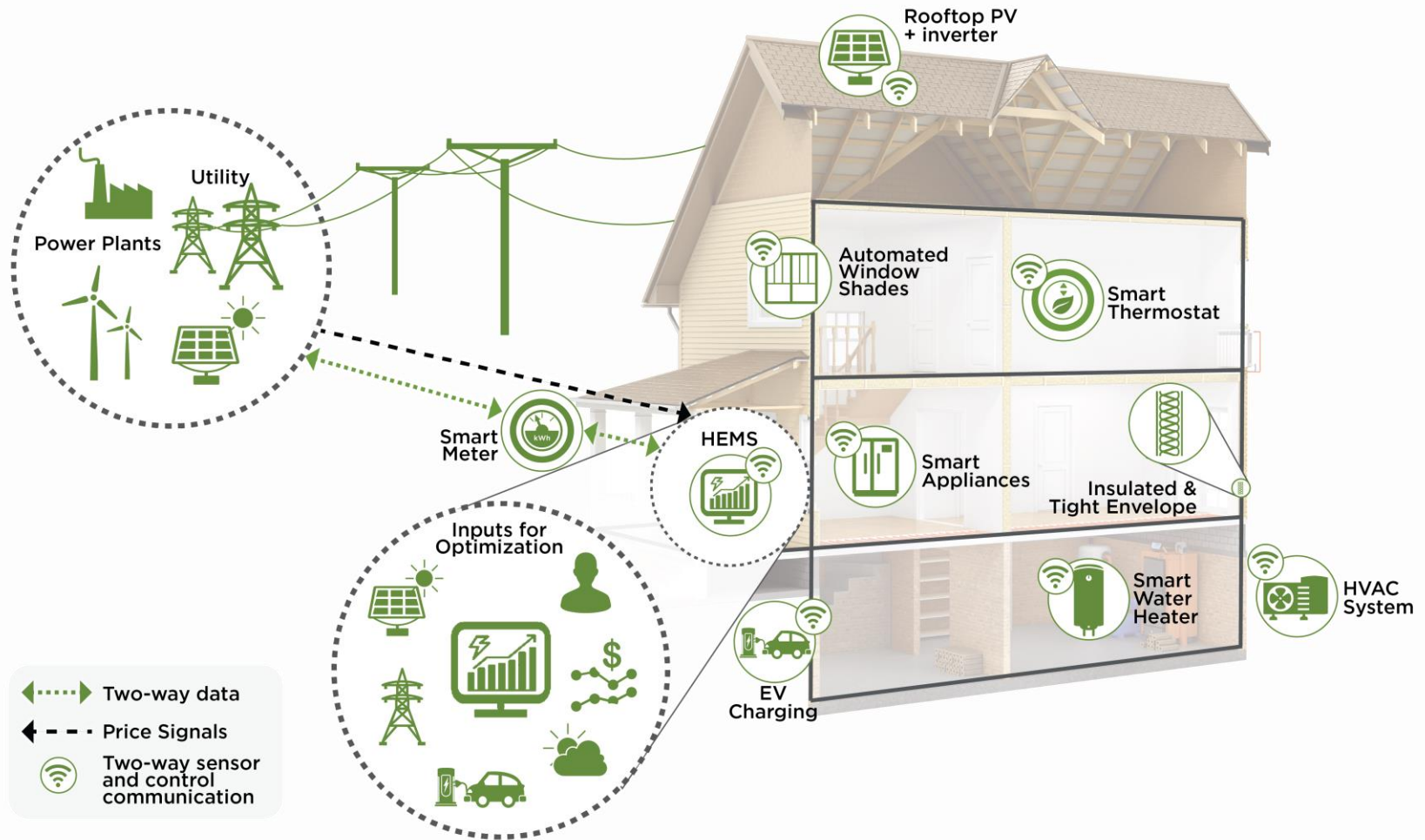
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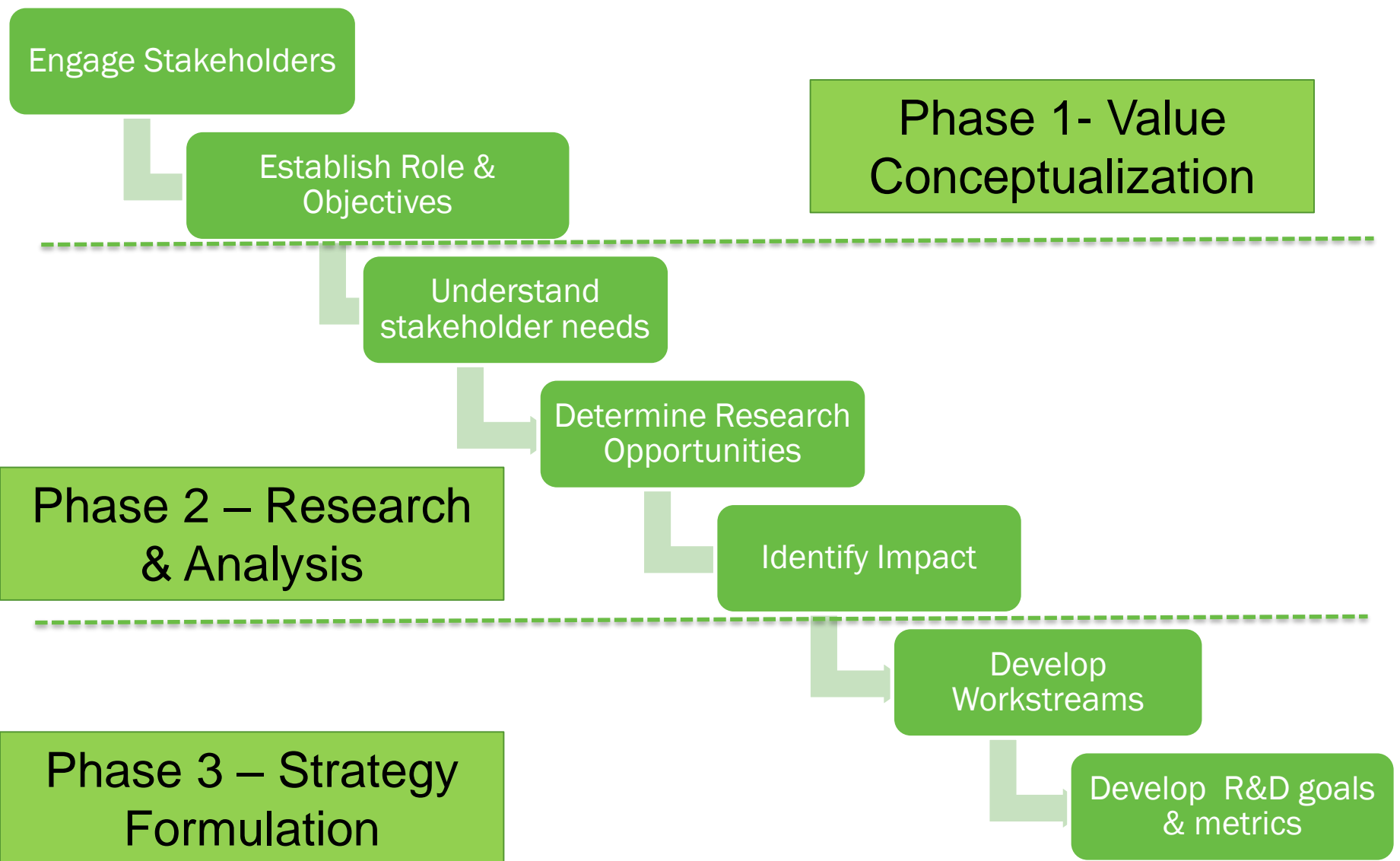


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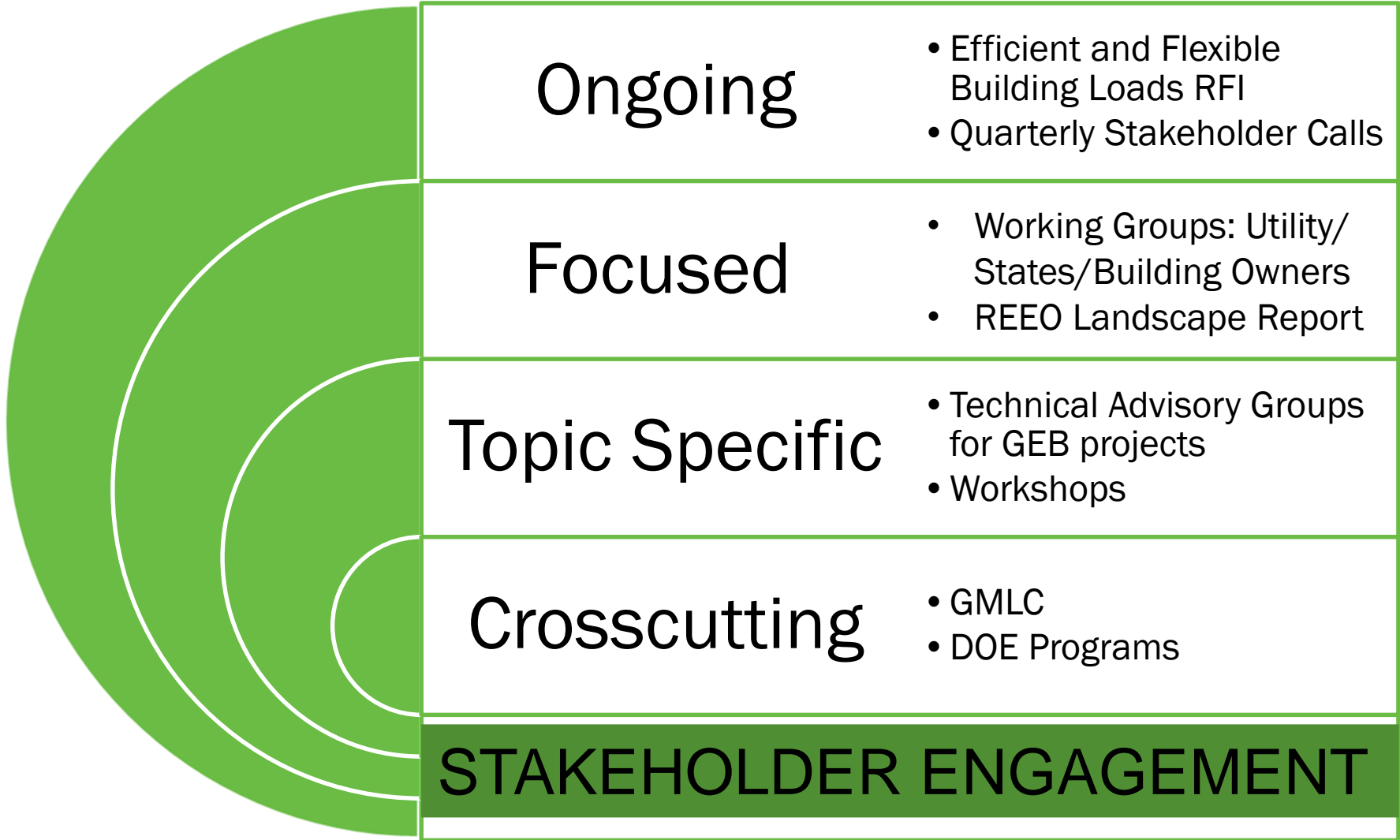
Grid-Interactive Efficient Homes



GEB Strategy Update



Research & Analysis: Understand Stakeholder Needs



Research & Analysis: Determine Research Opportunities

The GEB Technical Report Series will help inform and guide BTO's R&D portfolio and serve as a foundational resource for the larger building research community

Reports will be published in Summer 2019 in partnership with Navigant, NREL, PNNL

GEB Technical Report Series:

- Overview
- Heating, Ventilation, & Air Conditioning (HVAC); Water Heating; and Appliances
- Lighting
- Building Envelope & Windows
- Sensors & Controls, Data Analytics, and Modeling

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Establish Frameworks

- Defines grid-interactive efficient buildings and demand flexibility
- Establishes potential grid services and some basic requirements for buildings to provide needed flexibility

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Assess Flexibility Potential

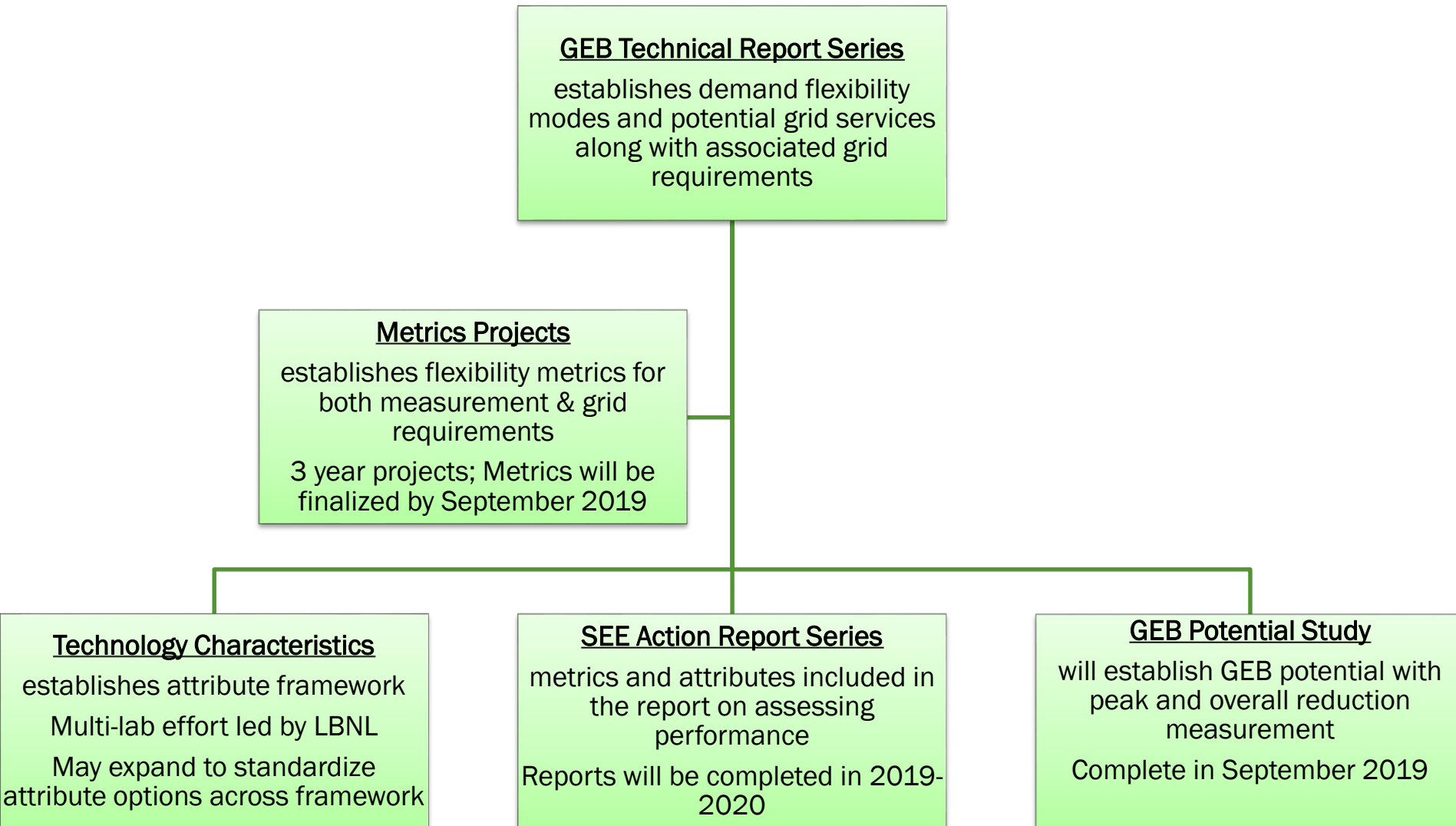
- Evaluate state-of-the-art and emerging building technologies that have the potential to provide grid services
- Considers implementation attributes

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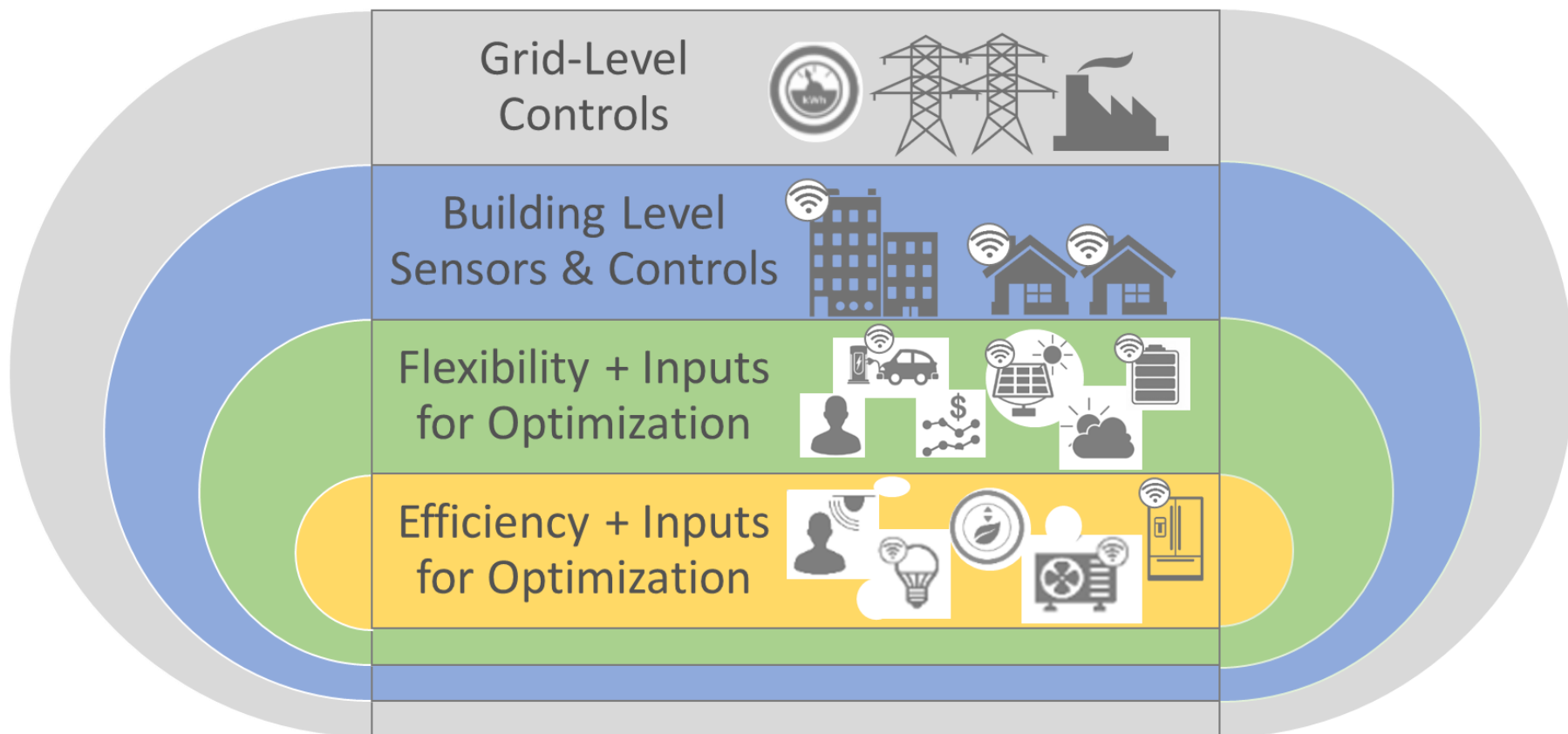
Discuss Research Opportunities

- Identify major research challenges of technologies with significant potential for grid benefits and opportunities for additional technology-specific research and development.

Research & Analysis: Identify Impact

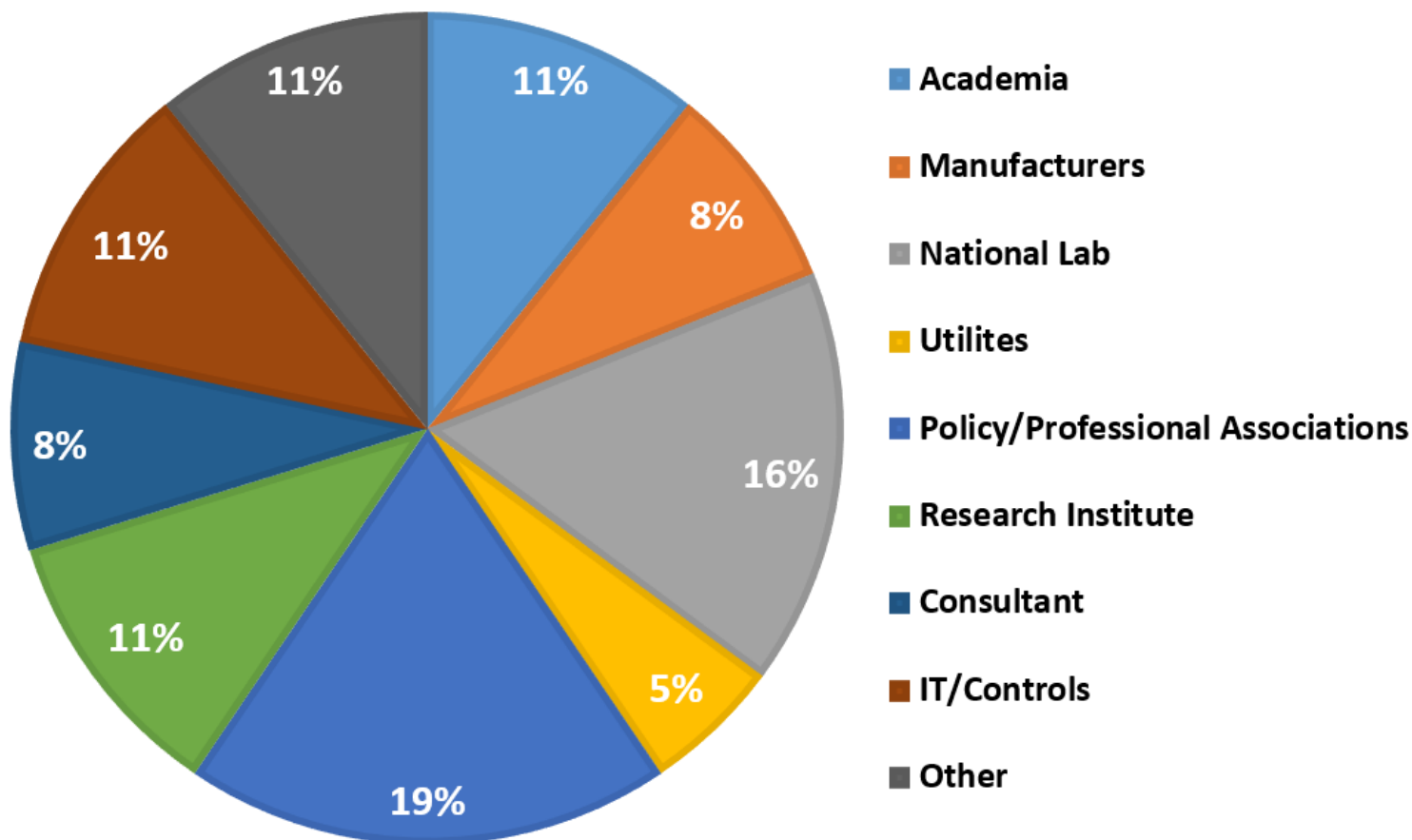


Up Next: Strategy Formulation



Request for Information (RFI) DE-FOA-0002070: Efficient and Flexible Building Loads

- 41 Respondents from a variety of backgrounds and expertise



Question Categories

- **Category 1: Building Technologies R&D and Integration Needs for Increased Load Flexibility**
- **Category 2: Controls and Communication to Enhance Building-to-Grid Interactions**
- **Category 3: Building Energy Modeling for Load Flexibility**
- **Category 4: The Value of Flexible Building Loads**

Category 1: Building Technologies R&D and Integration Needs for Increased Load Flexibility

Example Questions

- What are the most important barriers that prevent building technologies from contributing to grid services through load flexibility?
- What potential concerns might building owners and operators have about using their building technologies to provide load flexibility ?

Themes

- Need means of reducing the uncertainty associated with implementing flexible loads. Also need to better understand impacts on occupants and value added to building and grid.
 - Demonstration projects are invaluable and needed to further adoption
- “There is a lack of data on the ability of load flexibility to improve grid reliability, which undermines the ability of building owners and utilities to use building-to-grid technologies in a way that optimizes energy efficiency both at the building and the grid.” (Alliance to Save Energy)*

Category 2: Controls and Communication to Enhance Building-to-Grid Interactions

Example Questions

- What are the pros and cons of direct, distributed control vs. supervisory, hierarchical control?
- Are the current standards and protocols sufficient for building-to-grid two-way communications?

Themes

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- How can BEM help inform utilities and grid operators' forecasts?

Themes

- BEM improvements are needed to provide greater accuracy on smaller timescales and account for variability introduced by human/machine/control interactions
- Need easier integration of BEM into grid models to understand impacts of flexible building strategies on larger scales
- BEM's role in MPC is likely limited to design and feasibility studies

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(Southern Company)

Category 4: The Value of Flexible Building Loads

Example Questions

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Potential Grid Services Provided by Demand Flexibility in Buildings

| Grid Services | Potential Avoided Cost | Potential Market Size Addressable by Demand Flexibility in Buildings |
|----------------------|--|--|
| Generation Services | | |
| Generation: Energy | Power plant fuel, operation, maintenance, and startup and shutdown costs | Large |
| Generation: Capacity | Capital costs for new generating facilities and associated fixed operation and maintenance costs | Large |
| Ancillary Services | | |
| Contingency Reserves | Power plant fuel, operation, maintenance, and associated opportunity costs | Moderate |
| Frequency Regulation | Power plant fuel, operation, maintenance, and opportunity costs associated with providing frequency regulation | Small |
| Ramping | Power plant fuel, operation, maintenance, and startup and shutdown costs | Small |
| Delivery Services | | |
| Non-Wires Solutions | Capital costs for transmission & distribution equipment upgrades | Moderate |
| Voltage Support | Capital costs for voltage control equipment (e.g., capacitor banks, transformers, smart inverters) | Small |



Report series underway to address key state and local government opportunities for Grid-Interactive Efficient Buildings

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About SEE Action

- Professional network of state and local governments and their stakeholders, energy experts and industry representatives
- Facilitated by the US DOE Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Office of Electricity, and US EPA Climate Protection Partnerships Division

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1 Introduction

- Key technology trends
- Value proposition for grid & customers
- Critical actors and their emerging opportunities

2 Assessing Value

- Valuing demand flexibility
- Methods to determine economic value of services provided by GEBs
- Implementation considerations

3 Assessing Performance

- Audiences/needs for performance data
- Practices and protocols, data and analytical tools that are needed
- Putting assessments into practice

Other reports TBD

SEE Action Executive Group Feedback

Education is a first step

“State legislators are working more on smart grid, grid mod. Smart buildings are less familiar to them”

Incorporate Cost-Effectiveness

“It’s an exciting time with the smart technologies that are entering the scene, but these things cost A LOT of ratepayer money!! Encouraging decision-makers to identify “wants” vs. “needs” and go from there, based on goals. Getting a grasp on potential savings is key, and not always easy with the newest gadgets and systems”

Data & Validation is Needed

“People are concerned about the experience of the tenant – don’t want to make sacrifices”

“Do current building automation systems support GEB? What technologies are most impactful?”

Metrics, Value Proposition, Valuation!!!

“Need to get at the reliability question. What data exists for the performance of buildings or the components of the buildings? Needs discussion about what data and metrics have been developed b/c depending on the answer to whether GEBs will perform as expected, that affects the value proposition / valuation.”

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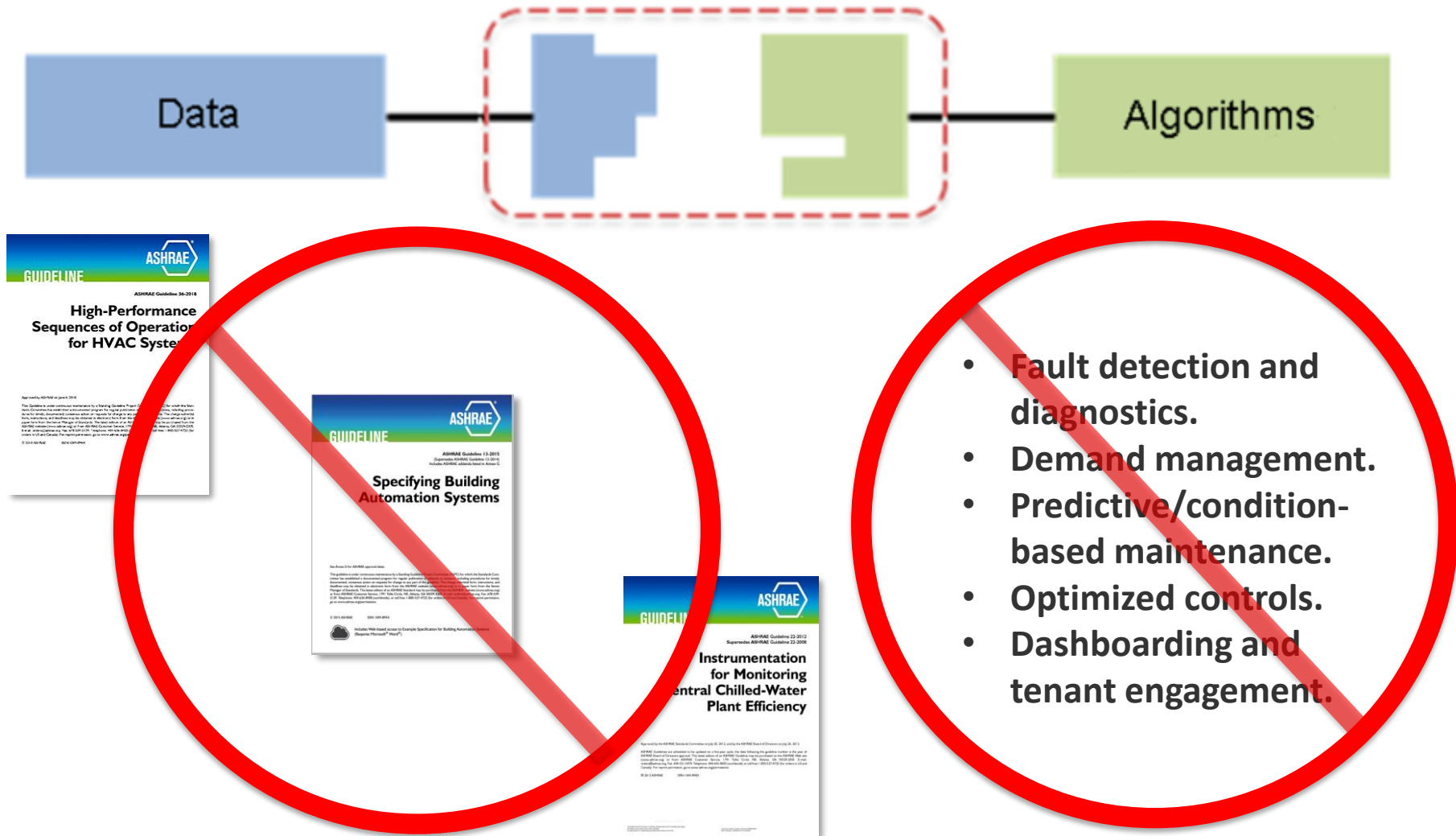
The Costs - Without Interoperability

- Utility Market
 - Opportunity cost for flexible loads
- Building Owners
 - Increased upfront costs of BAS systems by 10-20%
 - Vendor lock-in
- Software Vendors
 - Increased R&D costs so that specific devices communicate with systems
- Hardware Manufacturing
 - Interoperability could boost sensors and control (IoT) market by 40%



Unstructured Metadata

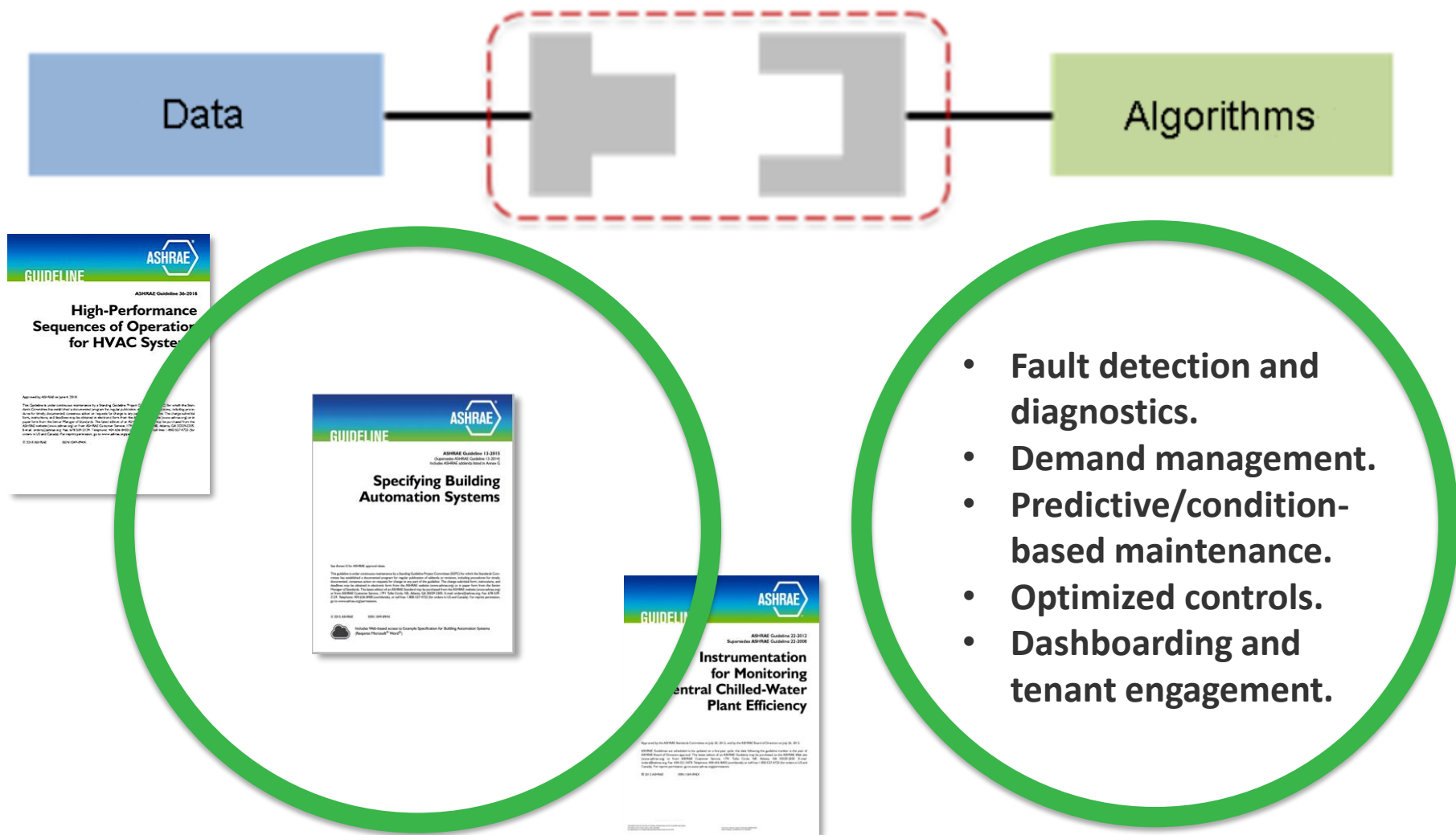
Unstructured Metadata Impede Efficient Communication



Graphic: Justin Stein and William Livingood, NREL

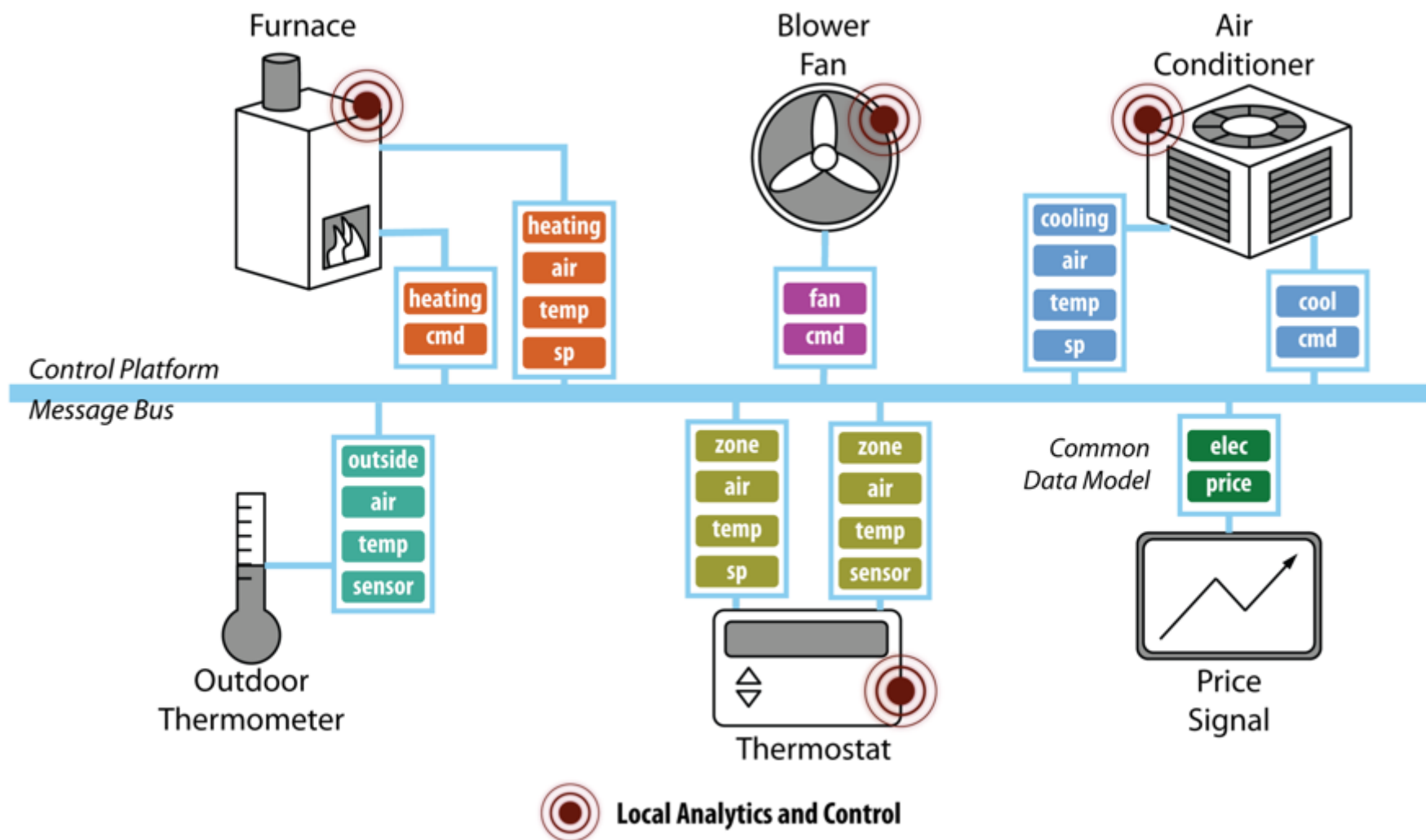
Structured Metadata

Structured Data Improve Communication



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Project Haystack: Metadata-Enabled Building Automation

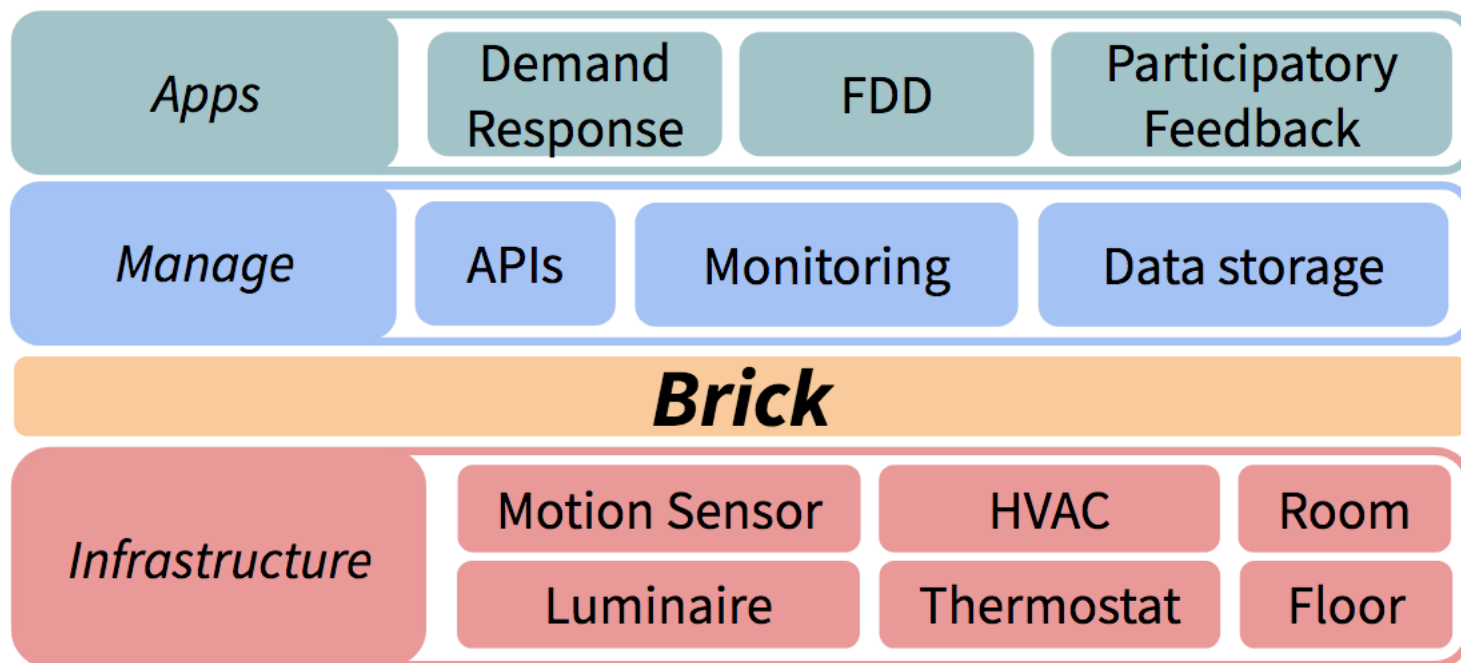


Metadata enables plug-and-play interoperability

Graphic: Marjorie Schott, NREL

Structured Metadata – Brick Schema

(Feb. 28, 2018) – The ASHRAE BACnet committee, Project Haystack and the Brick initiative announced they are actively collaborating to integrate Haystack tagging and Brick data modeling concepts into the new proposed ASHRAE Standard 223P for semantic tagging of building data.



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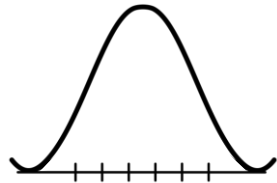
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Determining the national-scale impacts of building flexibility and energy efficiency on electricity use and peak demand

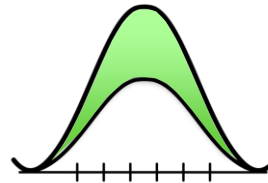
1. Define energy efficiency (EE), demand flexibility (DF), and EE + DF measure portfolios



2. Develop 8760 load baselines for Scout by climate region and building type



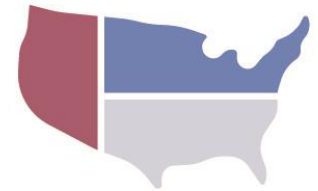
3. Develop bottom-up EnergyPlus measure simulations and 8760 savings shapes



4. Translate measures into Scout ECMs



5. Assess national portfolio potential in Scout



Limitations in demand flexibility modeling include handling of occupant responses, time dynamics, and valuation methods



**Building-scale
limitations**



Individual
behavioral
diversity



Dynamic
comfort
thresholds



Realistic
signals for
flexibility



Short time
scale
operations



**National-scale
limitations**



Sub-annual
energy use
projections



Regional
electricity use
attribution



Consumer
choice models



Cost-effectiveness
assessments

Icon attributions

Slide 1

Air conditioning unit (Arthur Shlain), Water heater (Michael Thompson), Window (Arthur Shlain), Calendar (Khomsun Chaiwong), Gauge (Nicolas Vicent), US Dollar (Christopher Beach), Clock (Nadya Bratt)

Slide 2

Home (Arthur Shlain), Office building (Adi Kuriawan), Person (Mello), Signal (ishircia), Frequency (Agri), United States (anbileruadeleru), Clock (creative outlet), Choice (Adrien Coquet)

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Energy Technologies Area

Framework & Method to Define Flexible Loads in Buildings

to Integrate as a Dynamic & Predictable Grid Resource

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Rongxin Yin, Marco Pritoni



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Project Framework



Identify priority **grid services** by region



Select regional prioritized **building types** for analysis



Define a **metrics system** for quantifying buildings' flexibility that measures their ability in providing various grid services



Develop **use cases** calculating buildings' flexibility using developed metrics system



Document **methodology** & steps for metrics calculation such that it can be replicated by users



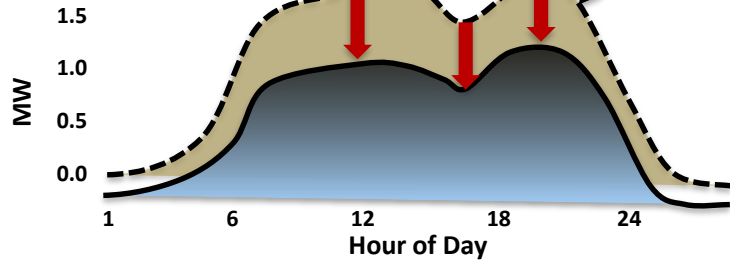
Promulgate products to **key stakeholders** in support of GEB



Simple Measure of Flexibility Quantity

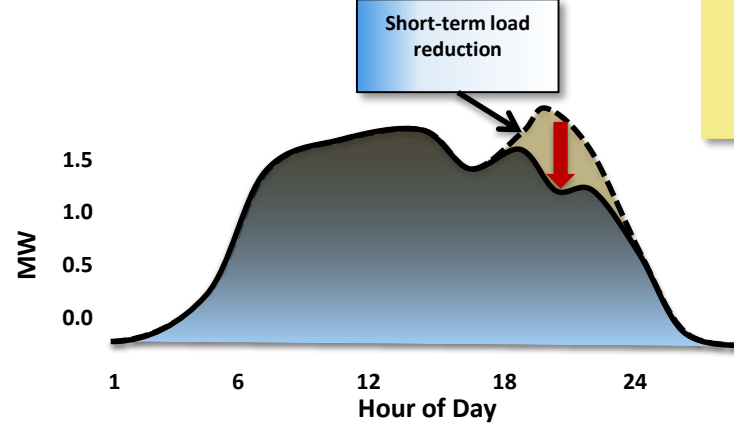
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kWh/yr
kWh/yr/sf (EUI)



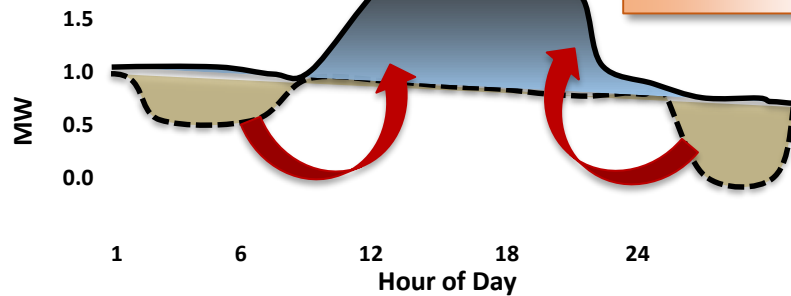
Shed

kW
W/sf



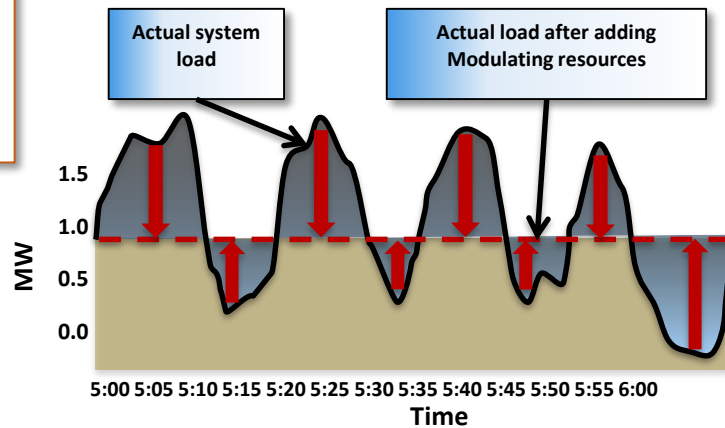
Shift

kW-h
W-h/sf



Modulate

kW
W/sf
(reserved capacity)

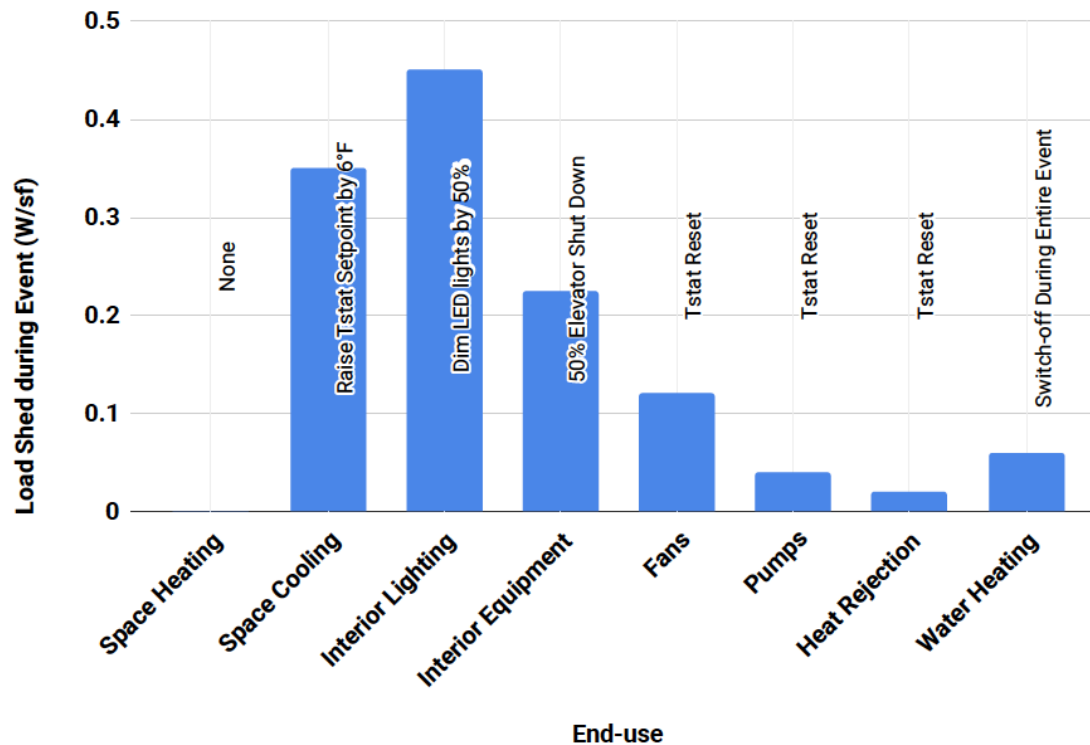




Example: Shed Quantity Metric – kW -> W/sf

Building Flexibility Quantity Metric Example - W/sf

Peak Capacity Management Provided by A Large Office (CA, CZ12)



| End-use | W/sf |
|--------------------|------|
| Space Heating | 0 |
| Space Cooling | 0.35 |
| Interior Lighting | 0.45 |
| Interior Equipment | 0.23 |
| Fans | 0.12 |
| Pumps | 0.04 |
| Heat Rejection | 0.02 |
| Water Heating | 0.06 |



Additional Metrics for Other Attributes

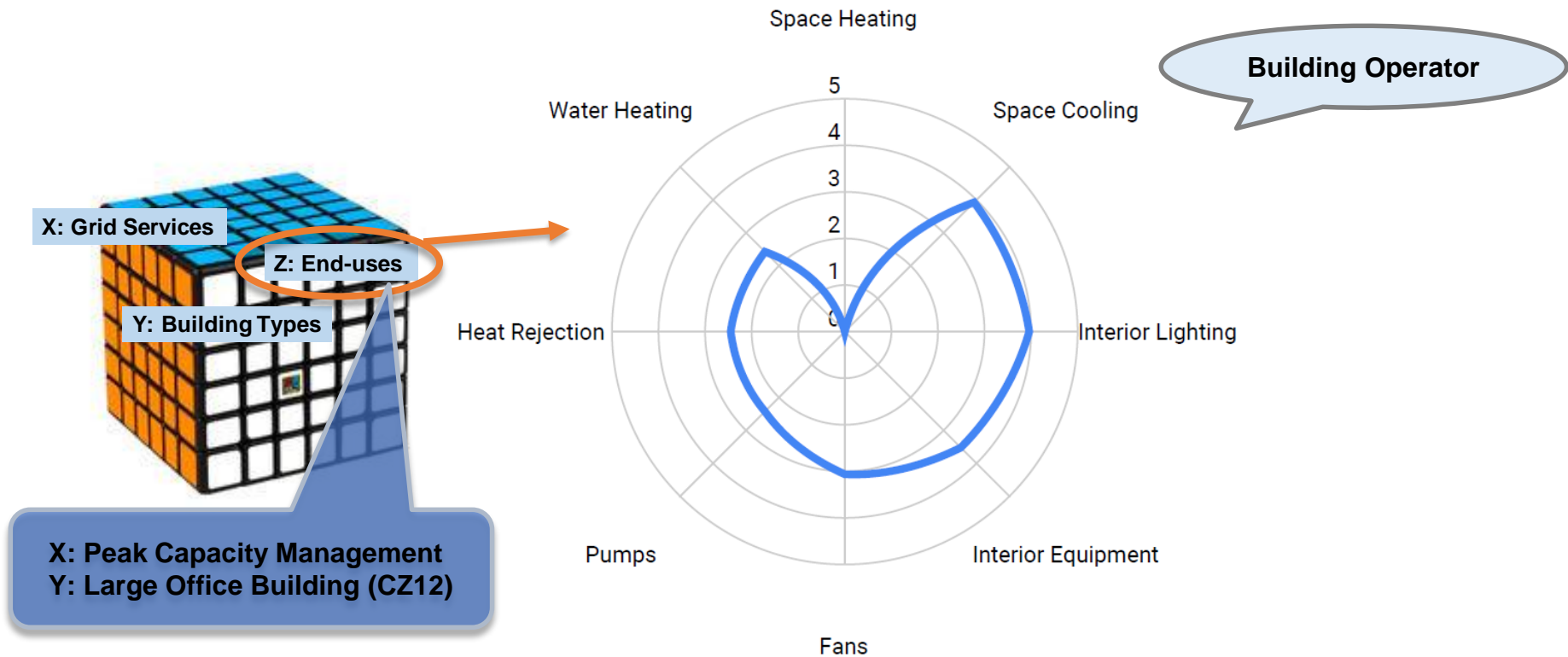
(for Peak Shed DR, Large Office)

What's the
Take-away?




| Metric Name | Unit | Example Use Case |
|---|------|-------------------------------------|
| Average kW Reduction | kW | Compensation; Resource Planning |
| Minimum kW Reduction (95% Confidence Interval) | kW | Penalty Mgmt.; Predictable Resource |
| Shed Duration | hrs | Aggregation Strategy |
| Response Time | mins | Aggregation Strategy |
| Building Service Impact | - | Building Lease Contract |

Example Tier 1 Metric: Spider-web Chart

Building Flexibility Score by End-use



Proposed 3-Tier Metrics System

| Tiers | Issue Addressed | Addressed Questions |
|-------|--|--|
| 1 | On a high-level, match needs with resources |  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Grid: What's the <u>prevailing regional need</u> for grid services? ▪ Building: Which <u>building types & end-uses</u> are <u>good</u> for providing what <u>grid services</u>? |
| 2 | Quantify flexibility amount (i.e., grid service amount) |  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Grid/Building: <u>How much</u> of each grid service can a particular building type & each of its end uses provide? |
| 3 | Boundary conditions (service quality & impact) when providing grid services; compare resources |  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Grid: What is the grid <u>service quality (performance & reliability)</u> provided by each building type & end use? ▪ Building: What is the <u>impact</u> on occupancy comfort & other building serviceability when providing grid services? |



Example Tier 2 & 3 Metrics and Weighting System (for Peak Shed DR, Large Office)

| Label | Metric Name (Tier 2&3) | Unit | Threshold Values for Scores | | | | | Weight (Total 100%) |
|-------|---|------|---------------------------------------|-----|----|----|-----|---------------------------|
| | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | |
| a | Average kW Reduction | kW | 15 | 40 | 60 | 80 | 120 | 30% |
| b | Minimum kW Reduction (95% Confidence Interval) | kW | 13.5 | 32 | 48 | 64 | 96 | 20% |
| c | Sustainable Shed Duration | hrs | 0.75 | 1.5 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 20% |
| d | Response Time | mins | 60 | 45 | 30 | 15 | 5 | 10% |
| e | Building Service Impact | - | (vary by end-use; see examples below) | | | | | 20% |

| | | | | | | | | |
|----|--|-----|------|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|
| e1 | Average Predicted Mean Vote Index (PMV) | - | 1.75 | 1.5 | 1.25 | 1 | 0.5 | 20% |
| e2 | Average Desk-level Light Level | lux | 180 | 200 | 250 | 300 | 350 | 20% |
| e3 | Inconvenience from Cutting Off Non-Critical Service | - | | | Off | | On | 20% |



Proposed Grid Service Map

| Grid Service Purpose | Grid Service Products | Key Characteristics | | | | | |
|--|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|---|----------------------------|--|
| | | Duration | Notification Period | Load Change | Event Frequency | Expected Response Speed | Predictable Time Pattern |
| Reduce Generation Capacity Costs | Peak Capacity Management; Critical Peak Pricing (CPP) | 4 - 12 hours | 2 - 24 hours | Decrease ("shed") | Typically < 100 hours in a year | Multiple minutes or longer | To some extent - seasonal |
| Reduce Transmission Upgrade Costs | Locational DR Programs (not available yet) | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Reduce Generation Operating Costs | Energy Resource (a.k.a. Wholesale Market Price Response); Real Time Pricing; TOU | Continuous | ~ 5 minutes - 24 hours; ~ 24 hours; ~ 5 minutes - 1 hour after; > 6 months | Increase or decrease | Depends upon price level; for TOU: daily / seasonal | Not specific | To some extent - seasonal and diurnal (follows wholesale energy price pattern) |
| | Load Following (Imbalance) | Continuous | ~ 1 minute | Increase or decrease | Continuous, every 5 minutes | A few seconds - a minute | Not predictable |
| | Multi-hour Ramping | 1 - 4 hours | ~ 30 minutes - 24 hours | Increase or decrease (more important) | As frequent as daily | A few minutes | To some extent - seasonal and diurnal |
| Provide Frequency Regulation | Traditional Frequency Regulation; Dynamic Frequency Regulation | Continuous grid signal; Committed hourly; Dispatched every 5 minutes | 1 hour | Increase or decrease | Continuous | A few seconds - a minute | Not predictable |
| Provide Contingency Reserves | Autonomous Frequency Response | 5-10 minutes | Autonomous | Decrease | Continuous | A second | Not predictable |
| | Spinning Reserve; Non-spinning Reserve | 10 minutes | ~1 minute | Decrease | 20-200 times a year | Within 10 minutes | Not predictable |
| | Capacity Resource; Emergency DR Resource | 2 - 4 hours minimum | 2 - 24 hours | Decrease | Typically < 100 hours in a year | A few minutes | Not predictable |
| Provide Distribution Voltage Support/Solar Integration | Autonomous Distribution Voltage Response | N/A | Autonomous | Change Apparent Power | N/A | A second | Not predictable |



Thanks!

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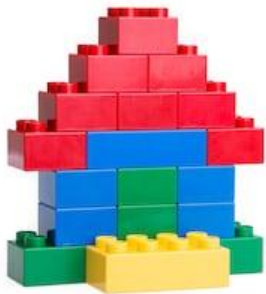
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Example Tier 1 Score Calculation

Table - Example Weighting System Used to Calculate Tier 1 Scores for Large Office Providing Peak Capacity Management

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| Metric Label & Name | | | | | Impact Metric (e1,2,3) Applied |
|---------------------|--------|---------------|-----------|--------|--------------------------------|
| a | b | c | d | e1,2,3 | |
| kW | Min kW | Shed Duration | Ramp Time | Impact | |
| 30% | 20% | 20% | 10% | 20% | |
| Space Heating | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | N/A |
| Space Cooling | 91 | 52 | 4 | 15 | e1 |
| Interior Lighting | 4 | 2.5 | 5 | 4 | e2 |
| Interior Equipment | 4.5 | 4.5 | 5 | 5 | e3 |
| Fans | 3 | 2.5 | 5 | 5 | e1 |
| Pumps | 1.5 | 1.5 | 5 | 5 | e1 |
| Heat Rejection | 0.5 | 0.5 | 5 | 4 | e1 |
| Water Heating | 1 | 0.5 | 5 | 4 | e3 |



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Measuring Energy Flexibility Potentials : Data-Based Approach by CUBE

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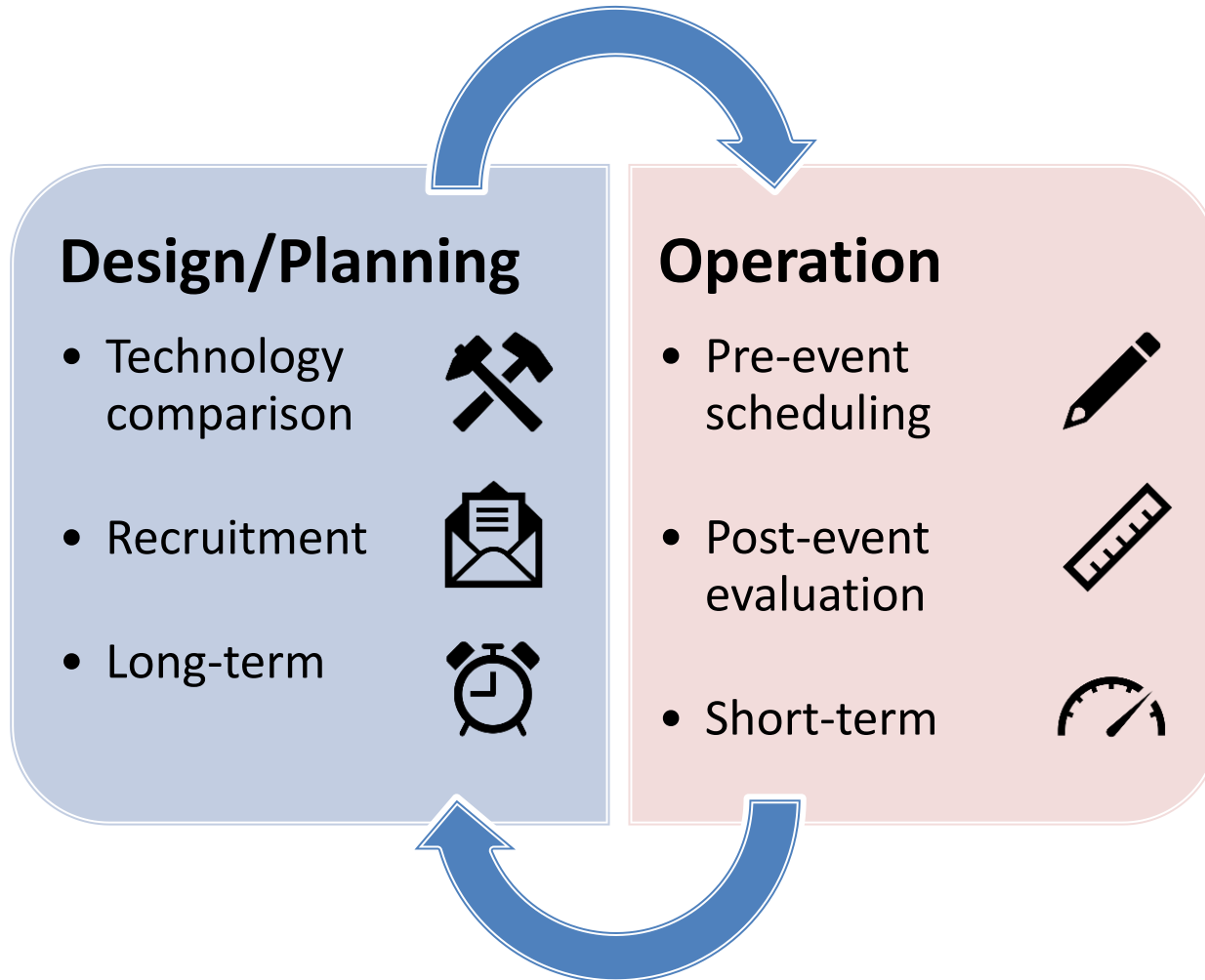
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Building Energy Flexibility Metrics



Building Energy Flexibility Metrics – Operation

| Stage | Purpose | Attributes | Example metrics |
|-----------------------------|---|--|---|
| Pre-event scheduling | Quantify service capacity for grid services | Time interval [sec or min] | Quantity [kW] Uncertainty [x% confidence interval or quartiles] |
| During event | Building operation, impact evaluation | Service time window [from and to, hh:mm] Lead time [sec/min/hr] | Comfort [PMV/PPD or degrees F/C] Equipment lifetime [% lifetime reduced] |
| Post-event | Performance evaluation, verification | Response time [sec/min/hr] | Quantity [kW] Relative performance [% from scheduled amount] |

Example of Measuring Flexibility

– Pre-event Scheduling Example

| Stage | Attributes | Example metrics |
|----------------------|---|--|
| Pre-event scheduling | <p>Time interval [30 min]</p> <p>Service time window [from 13:00 to 15:00]</p> <p>Lead time [24 hrs]</p> <p>Response time [2 hrs]</p> | <p>Quantity [kW]</p> <p>Uncertainty [Q1 to Q3]</p> <p>Energy flexibility + uncertainty of multiple buildings</p> <p>100 95 90 85 80 75 70 65 60 55 50</p> <p>Building A Building B Building C</p> <p>kW</p> <p>13:00 13:30 14:00 14:30</p> |

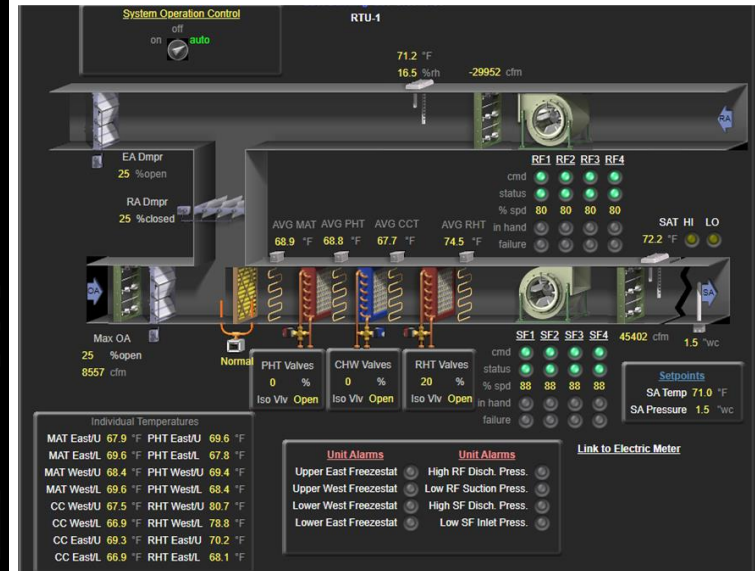
Case Study: New York University Building

NYU PI: Yury Dvorkin, Ph.D.

- 8-story academic building with BAS and 5-min interval meter data
- Participating in both transmission (NYISO) and distribution (ConEdison) demand response programs through third party aggregator
 - Enrollment of 57 kW



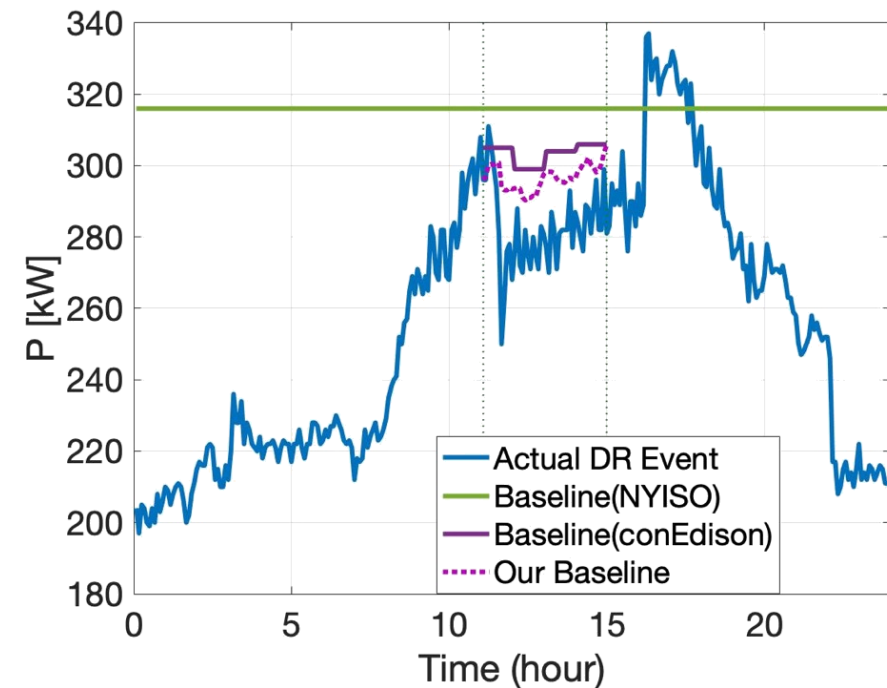
Floor layouts with indoor temperature



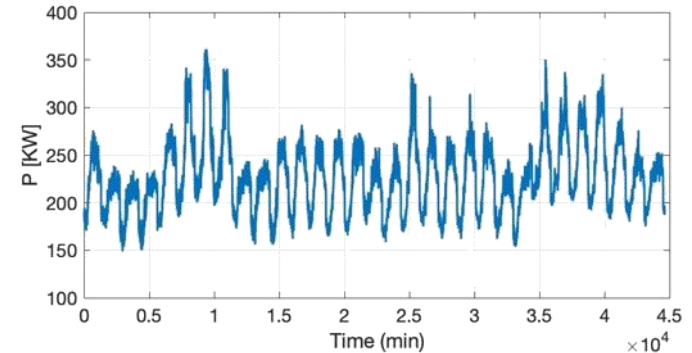
Roof top unit (RTU)

Energy Flexibility Metrics

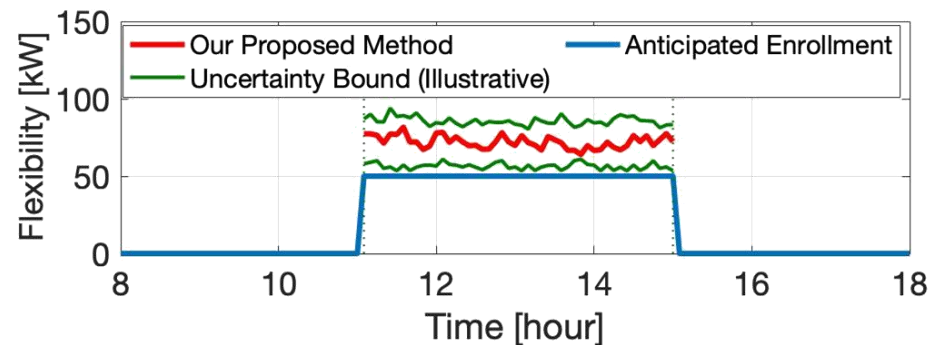
NYU Building example: DR event at hour 11 through 15



Metered load data on a day of DR event



Historical load data used for training
for Markov Decision Process



5-min estimated flexibility during the DR event

Closing remarks

- Estimation and measurement of operational flexibility metrics can be improved with **data analytics**.
- **Uncertainty** should be one of the metrics where aggregators and grid operators can manage the risks against.
- Ongoing work
 - Metrics and attributes by grid service
 - Improvement of flexibility measurement algorithm
 - Impact metrics on both grid and building operation



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Education is a First Step

“State legislators are working more on smart grid, grid mod. Smart buildings are less familiar to them”

Data & Validation is Needed

“People are concerned about the experience of the tenant – don’t want to make sacrifices”

“Do current building automation systems support GEB? What technologies are most impactful?”

Incorporate Cost-Effectiveness

“It’s an exciting time with all the smart technologies that are entering the scene, but these things cost A LOT of ratepayer money!! We are encouraging decision-makers to first identify “wants” vs. “needs” and go from there, based on goals. Getting a grasp on potential savings is key here, and not always easy to do with some of the newest gadgets and systems”

Metrics, Value Proposition, Valuation!!!

“Need to get at the reliability question. What data exists for the performance of buildings or the components of the buildings? Needs discussion about what data and metrics have been developed b/c depending on the answer to whether GEBs will perform as expected, that affects the value proposition / valuation.”

Assessing the Performance of Grid-Interactive Efficient Buildings

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Questions & Wrap-Up

