DOE OFFICE OF INDIAN ENERGY Overview of Energy Technologies and Energy Efficiency (solar, wind, net metering, and energy efficient buildings and infrastructure)

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Energy Efficiency then Renewable Energy (EERE)

- All new buildings should be as efficient as possible with the goal of net zero annual energy.
- Determine the energy use and energy cost of existing buildings and infrastructure
- Reduce energy use by installing EE lighting, HVAC and controls and reducing plug loads
- Install RE (Solar, Wind, Biofuels) to meet
 remaining energy needs



Step 1 – Compile monthly electricity and heating fuel bills

- Where do you go for the data?
 - Finance department
 - Facilities reports
 - Environmental Management Systems
 - Leases
- What are you looking for?
 - Electricity consumption (kWh) and rates (\$/kWh)
 - Natural Gas consumption (CCF, Therms, Btu or MMBtu) and rates (\$/unit)
 - On-peak and off-peak rates
 - On-peak start time and stop time
 - Utility provider
- Not sure how to read the bills?
 - Ask the finance department
 - Contact the Utility company directly (they're often really helpful)



Background

- Lighting accounts for 25% of the total electricity used in the federal sector
- Electric lighting accounts for more than a third of all electricity consumed for commercial use in the United States

General Energy Saving Strategies

- 1. Optimize use of natural daylight
- 2. Replace lamps and ballasts with modern, efficient lamps / ballasts
- 3. Replace incandescent lamps with compact fluorescent lamps (CFLs)
- 4. Implement task lighting
- 5. Install state-of-the-art lighting controls





Energy Conservation Measures (ECM's)

Fluorescent Lights and Electronic Ballasts

- Replace T-12 lamps and Magnetic Ballasts with Low Wattage T-8 Lamps and Electronic Ballasts
- Replace Standard T-8 Lamps with Low Wattage T-8 Lamps and Low Ballast Factor Ballasts
- Install Perimeter Dimming Ballasts
- Optimize Interior Security Lighting
- Compact Fluorescent Lights (CFL)
 - Screw-in Lamp Retrofit
- Light Emitting Diodes (LED)
 - Replace Standard Exit Signs with LED Exit Signs
 - Install LED Task Lighting
 - Replace Incandescent and HID/HPS Fixtures with LED Fixtures



ECM's - Continued

Lighting Controls

- Install Occupancy Sensors in Bathrooms, Conference Rooms and Private Offices
- Install Central Lighting Controls



Lighting Projects by Year and Type



HVAC Overview

- Convert CV to VAV
- Convert 3 Way Valves to 2 Way Valves w/ VFDs
- Install Dedicated OA AHU
- Install Static Pressure Sensor and VFD on Small CV AHU
- Install Energy Recovery



Convert CV to VAV

- Constant Volume Configurations:
 - Most constant volume systems have electric or hot water heating elements serving as terminal units
- Variable Air Volume System Components:
 - Each VAV system will have a central air handling unit with a variable speed supply fan (VFD on supply fan)
 - The AHU will contain a cooling coil, controls, mixing box, possibly a return air fan
 - AHU's should be located as close to end loads as possible
 - Existing AHU can be used or it might need to be replaced



http://www.betterbricks.com/graphics/assets/images/Building_Ops/BOpTlsCmnOps_3W.png



Energy Recovery

- Factors that improve energy recovery economics include:
 - Colder climates (e.g. more than 3,000 heating degreedays)
 - High exhaust rates
 - High utility rates
- Consider impact of increase pressure drop due to energy recovery devices in airflow.





Heating Background

 Space heating and water heating accounts for 45% of the energy used in commercial buildings.¹

General Energy Saving Strategies

- 1. Install high efficiency equipment
- 2. Turn equipment down or off as load decreases
- 3. Install biofuel (typ wood) heating systems



Install Condensing Gas Furnace

- Small condensing furnaces have efficiencies 92% 96%
- Great application for smaller facilities
- PVC exhaust stack reduces installed cost





Consider Installing Condensing Boilers

- Condensing boiler benefits:
 - High efficiencies ~ 98%, low Nox
 - Good part load efficiencies
- Condensing boiler issues:
 - Most common problem is high return water temperatures
 - Typical heating coils are 180 F/ 150 F
 - Won't work if the building is heated with only perimeter baseboard heaters
- Condensing remedies:
 - Install 180/120 F cooling coils (60 deg delta) w/ supply water temp reset
 - Set them up with two return water steams





HVAC Control Overview

- Install Programmable Thermostats
- Replace Pneumatic Sensors with Electronic Sensors
- Reduce OA and EA Flow Rates per ASHRAE 62
- Enable Air-side Enthalpy Economizer Operation
- Optimize Supply and Exhaust Air Duct Work
 Static Pressure



Background

 HVAC Control system improvements typically produce considerable energy savings with minimal capital investments

General Energy Saving Strategies

- 1. Match HVAC schedules to occupancy schedules
- 2. Optimize current control strategies for improved efficiency and comfort



Install Programmable Thermostats

Programmable Thermostat Applications:

- Control of zone
- Control of system such as a packaged air handling unit

Programmable Thermostat

Requirements:

- Commercial building unit
- Minimum of 7 day scheduling capability
- EASY TO PROGRAM
- Able to turn zone or unit on-off based on time and temperature
- Adjustable dead-band (differential where thermostat remains neutral no heating or cooling)

• Programmable Thermostat Optional:

- Occupied/unoccupied control
- Heating only
- Cooling only
- Ventilation only





Plug Loads Overview

- Definition of Plug Loads
- Energy conservation measures to reduce plug loads
 - Activate power management on computers and monitors
 - Replace desktop computers with laptop computers and a docking station
 - Replace desktop computers with low energy desktop computers or thin clients
 - Replace CRT monitors with LCD monitors
 - Install vending machine misers on refrigerated vending machines and de-lamp advertising lighting
 - Install occupancy sensor controlled surge protectors in offices
 - Replace appliances with Energy Star appliances
 - Others
 - Network printers to reduce the number of personal printers
 - Replace task lighting with LED task lighting
 - Replace office equipment with Energy Star models



Plug Loads

- Plug loads are devices that plug into a building's electrical system. They include:
 - Office equipment (fax machines, computers, printers, and copiers)
 - Appliances
 - Soda machines
 - Drinking fountains
 - TVs
 - VCRs



• Plug loads account for 9% of a building's total electrical use



ECM: Activate Power Management on Computers and Monitors

- Technical Specifications
 - Activate power management settings on all computers through built-in Windows tools
 - "Turn off monitor" set to **15** minutes
 - "System Standby" set to **30** minutes
 - "Hibernation" set to 45 minutes
 - Limit screen-saver use
- Cost Guidelines
 - Power management settings are already built in to Windows at no additional cost
 - Average labor time per computer should be 15 minutes

Power Options Properties 🛛 👔		
Power Schemes Alarms	Power Meter Advan	ced Hibernate
Select the power scheme with the most appropriate settings for this computer. Note that changing the settings below will modify the selected scheme.		
Power schemes		
Home/Office Desk		
Save As Delete		
Settings for Home/Office Desk power scheme		
When computer is:	Rlugged in	Bunning on batteries
Turn off monitor:	After 15 mins 🛛 👻	After 5 mins 🔽
Turn off hard disks:	Never 💌	After 10 mins 💌
System standby:	After 30 mins 💌	After 5 mins 💌
OK Cancel Apply		



ECM: Replace Appliances with Energy Star Appliances

- Refrigerators
 - Specify refrigerators at least 20% more energy efficient than the minimum federal government standard (NAECA)
- Clothes washers
 - Specify modified energy factor (MEF) \geq 1.72
 - MEF equals washer capacity divided by total energy consumption per cycle
 - − Specify water factor (WF) \leq 8.0
 - WF is the water consumption per cycle divided by the washer capacity
- See

http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?c=appliances.pr_appliances

for Energy Star specifications on other appliances





Lifetime or Levelized Costs of Renewables





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Renewable Portfolio Standard Policies



Net Metering of Renewable Energy



Energy consumed immediately: retail rate

Excess energy used to **offset** consumption at another time: retail rate

Net excess energy (determined monthly or annually): retail rate, avoided cost, or given to the utility



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Note: Numbers indicate individual system capacity limit in kilowatts. Some limits vary by customer type, technology and/or application. Other limits might also apply. This map generally does not address statutory changes until administrative rules have been adopted to implement such changes.

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Interconnection Policies



<u>Notes</u>: Numbers indicate system capacity limit in kW. Some state limits vary by customer type (e.g., residential versus non-residential). "No limit" means that there is no stated maximum size for individual systems. Other limits may apply. Generally, state interconnection standards apply only to investor-owned utilities.

PV Technology

Overview

- Direct conversion
 of sunlight into DC
 electricity
- DC converted to AC by inverter



- Solid-state electronics, no-moving parts
- High reliability, warranties of 20 years or more
- PV modules are wired in series and parallel to meet voltage and current requirements



Common PV Technologies











Single Crystal 14 to 23%

Notes: Most efficient. Rigid.





Multi-Crystal 13 to 17%

Notes: Efficient. Most Common. Less area per watt. Rigid.



CIGS 12% to 14%

Notes: Uses no Silicon. Can be made flexible. Cadmium Telluride 10% to 11%

Notes: Uses no Silicon. Rigid.

Thin Film Si 6 to 11%

Notes: Uses relatively little Silicon. Can be made flexible.





PV Watts

- PV Watts Photovoltaic Analysis
 - Select default values or input customized system parameters for size, electric cost, array type, tilt angle, and azimuth angle
 - Typical Meteorological Year weather data for the selected location (TMY files) used to calculate incident solar radiation and PV cell temperature for each hour of the year

Benefits

- Easy to use
- Very Quick
- Useful for users of all technical levels
- Widely accepted tool



Click on the site where you want to use PVWATTS to calculate the electrical energy produced. Choose the site nearest to your location that has similar topography. If near a state border, you may wish to review site locations in the adjacent state.



Price of PV Modules



Source: EIA 2005 data



Costs

- Use PPA or PERFORMANCE SPECS (kWh/year) not specific manufacture or kW.
- Provide clear requirements and evaluation criteria
- Costs depend on:
 - Size bigger is better:
 - Balance of system costs including structures, inverters, electrical and interconnection.
- Lowest cost is large (5 MW+) ground mount, \$2/W (6-14)
- Ballasted or Direct roof attachment such as standing seam metal roof – Installed approx. \$3/Wdc for 100kW
- Single axis tracking (over 300 kW in SW) add \$0.1/W
- Carports add \$0.6/W (careful w/ snow and ice)
- High efficiency modules (GT 17%) add \$0.3/W

PV Net Zero Energy Home Example in Boulder, CO

- Annual Energy use = 6000 kWh
- PV on south facing roof sloped at 20 degrees produces 1458 kWh/kW Annual with 0.8 derate factor
- 6000 kWh/1458kWh/kW = 4.1 kW
- Expected cost at \$4/W = \$16.4K before incentives
- Area required = 4100 W/11W/sq ft = 373 sq ft.

SHW - Active, Closed-loop (antifreeze), Indirect System



- Excellent freeze protection
- Good hard water tolerance
- High maintenance requirements



Resource Assessment

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The annual wind resource data shown are a composite of available high resolution wind power resource produced by NREL, AWS TrueWind Solutions, states, and other organizations. For states that did not have high resolution data available, low resolution wind power resource data produced by the 1987 "Wind Energy Atlas of the United States" is shown. For more info, visit Wind Powering America: ttp://www.eere.energy.gov/ windandhydro/ windpoweringamerica/ wind_maps.asp

www.nrel.gov/gis

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0.0 - 12.5 12.5 - 14.3 14.3 - 15.7 15.7 - 16.8 16.8 - 17.9

17.9 - 19.7

> 19.7

Wind Power Classification

0 - 200

200 - 300 300 - 400

400 - 500

500 - 600 Outstanding 600 - 800

> 800

^a Wind speeds are based on a Weibull k value of 2.0

Wind

Power Class

Resource

Potential

Marginal

Excellent

Superb

Poor

Fair Good Wind PowerWind SpeedaWind SpeedaDensity atat 50 mat 50 m50m W/m2m/smph

0.0 - 5.6

5.6 - 6.4 6.4 - 7.0

7.0 - 7.5 7.5 - 8.0

8.0 - 8.8

> 8.8

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Locating Windy Sites

- Wind maps check for updated state maps
- Regional wind atlases
- Biological indicators
- Environmental monitoring data
- Local knowledge
- Geographic/social references
- Proprietary localized wind maps
- Measure, measure, measure!
 - Essential for large investments
 - 1yr. dataset is typical
 - "It's really windy here" isn't bankable



http://www1.eere.energy.gov/tribalenergy/guide/pdfs/wind_montana_2.pdf



Sizes and Applications



Small (≤10 kW)

- Homes
- Farms
- Remote Applications
 - (e.g. water pumping, telecom sites, icemaking)



Intermediate (10-250 kW)

- Village Power
- Schools, businesses
- Hybrid Systems
- Distributed Power



- Large (660 kW 2+MW)
- Central Station Wind Farms
- Distributed Power
- Community Wind



Importance of "Micro-Siting"





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449 KW

1,156 kw

408

524

720 KW

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