

# Buildings as Grid(-interactive Efficient) Assets

## DOE Lighting R&D Workshop

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# Our Homes and Buildings



There ~**125 million buildings** in America.

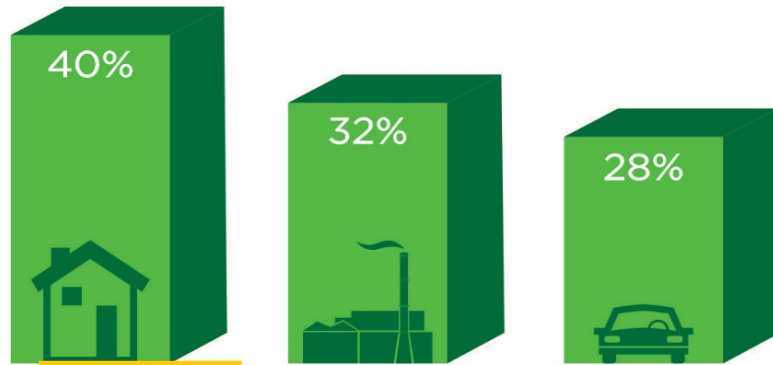


They use **40%** of America's **energy** and **75%** of its electricity.

**More than 80% of them are 20 years old or older.**

At least **20+% of this energy is wasted away** in buildings.

Our Homes and Buildings Use More  
Energy than Any Other Sector



Buildings' **energy bill is \$415 billion annually**, much of which is wasted



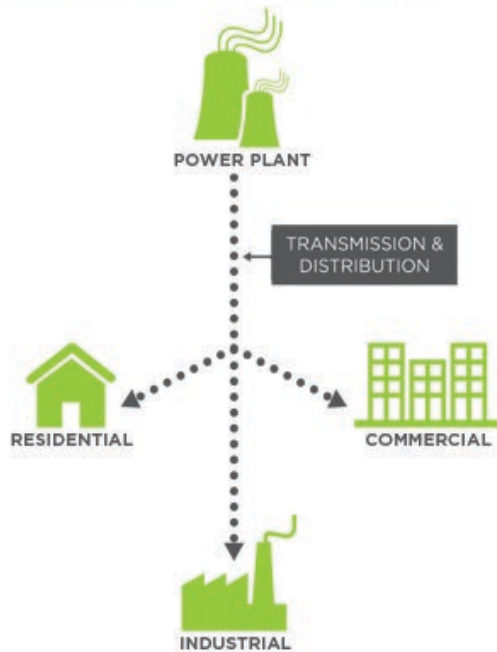
Buildings consume **up to 80% of peak electricity**, often the dirtiest and most expensive electricity utilities can make

Source: EIA Monthly Energy Review;; U.S. Energy Information Administration (CBECs 2012/RECS 2015); NAREIT Reits by the Numbers; Census Bureau Quarterly Retail E-Commerce Sales 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2016

# Moving toward the grid of the future

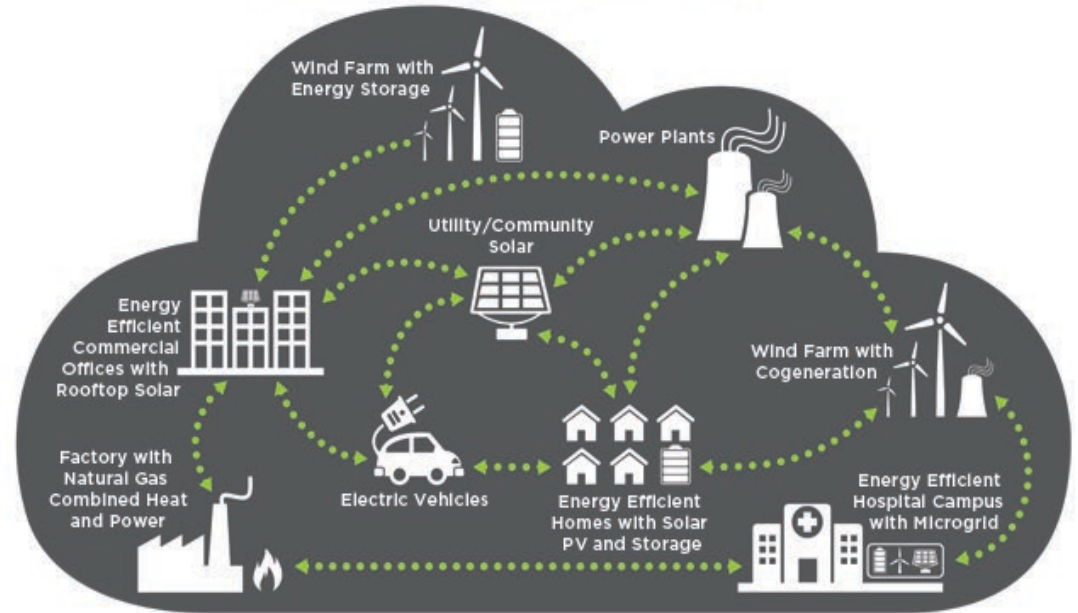
## TODAY: ONE-WAY POWER SYSTEM

Central, One-Way Power Systems



## EMERGING: THE ENERGY CLOUD

Distributed, Two-Way Power Flows



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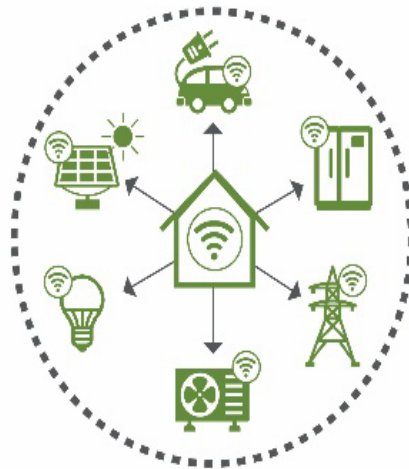
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# Characteristics of Grid-interactive Efficient Buildings



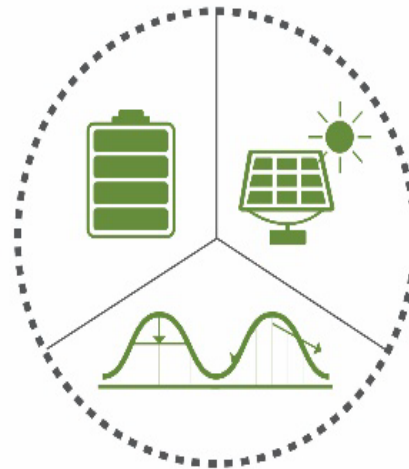
## EFFICIENT

Persistent low energy use minimizes demand on grid resources and infrastructure



## CONNECTED

Two-way communication with flexible technologies, the grid, and occupants



## FLEXIBLE

Flexible loads and distributed generation/storage can be used to reduce, shift, or modulate energy use



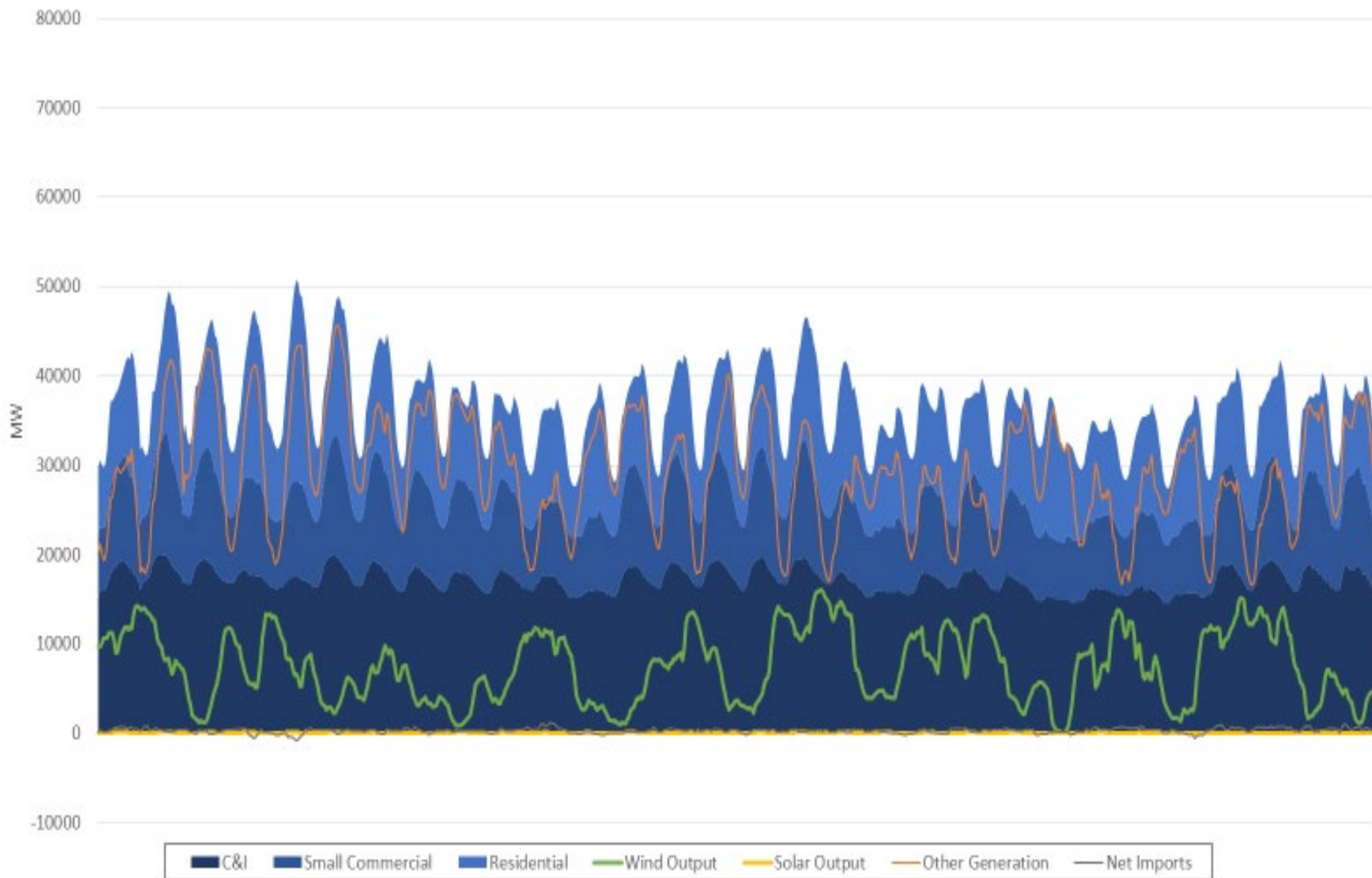
## SMART

Computing, data analytics, and machine learning supported by sensors and controls co-optimize efficiency, flexibility, and occupant preferences

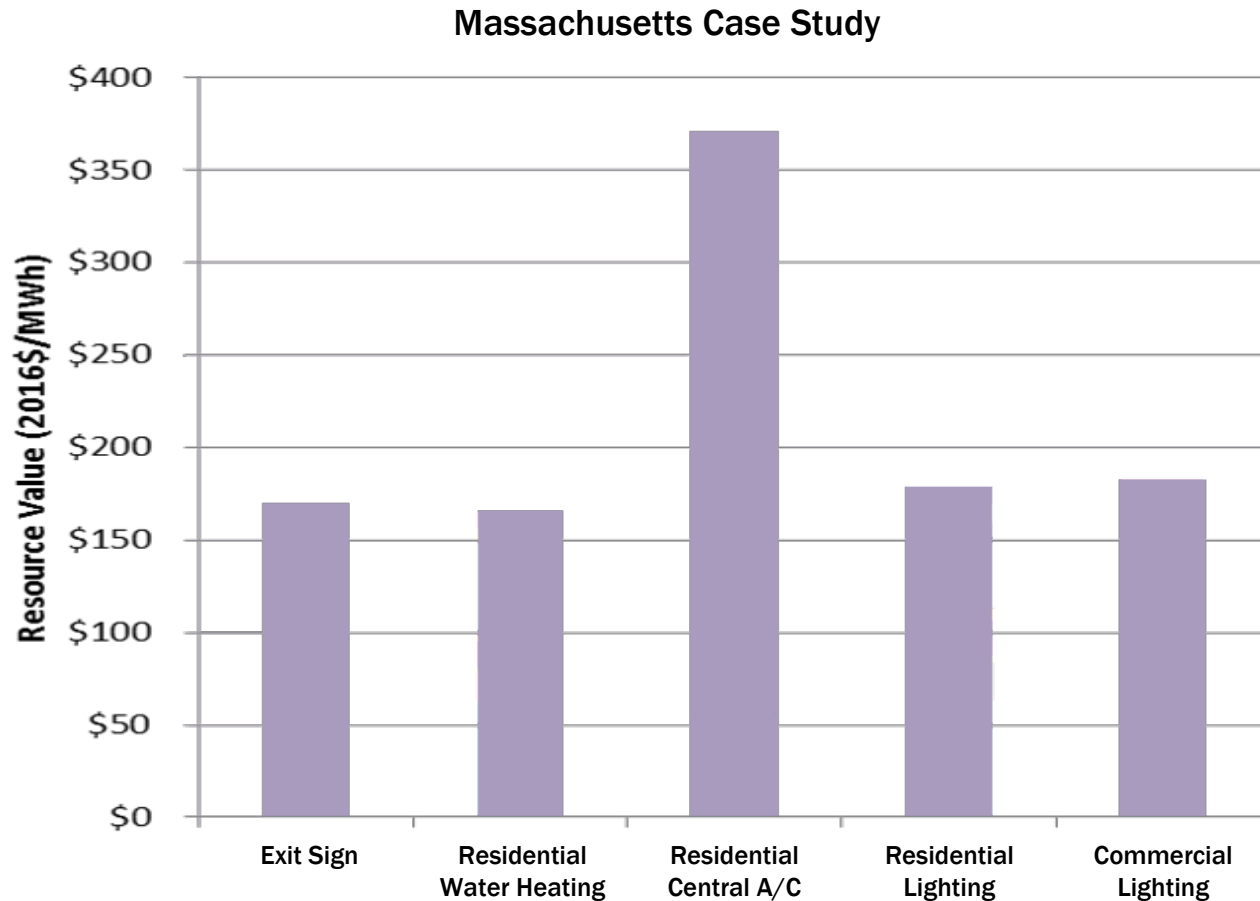
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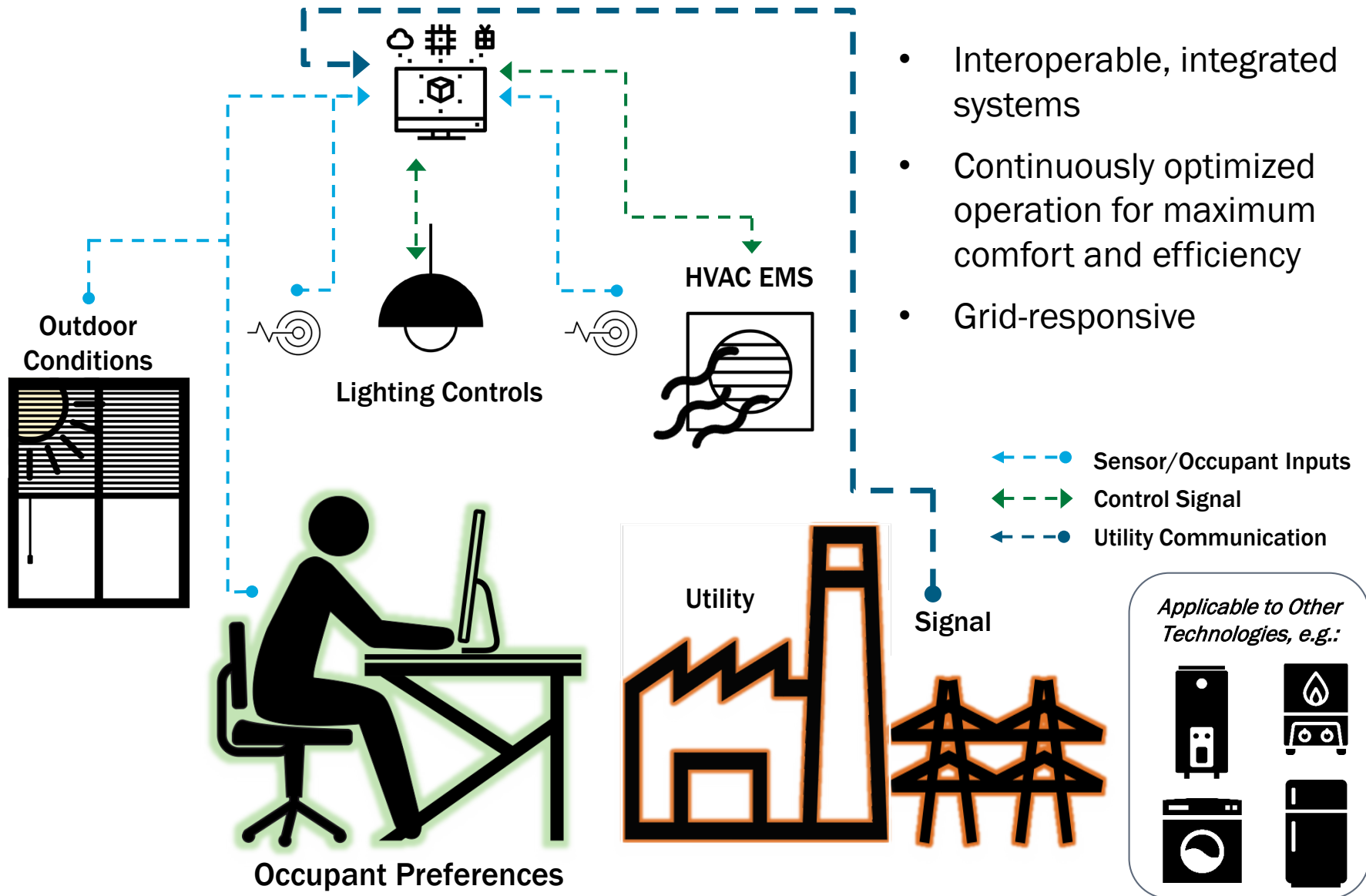
# Not All Energy Efficiency is Equally Valuable



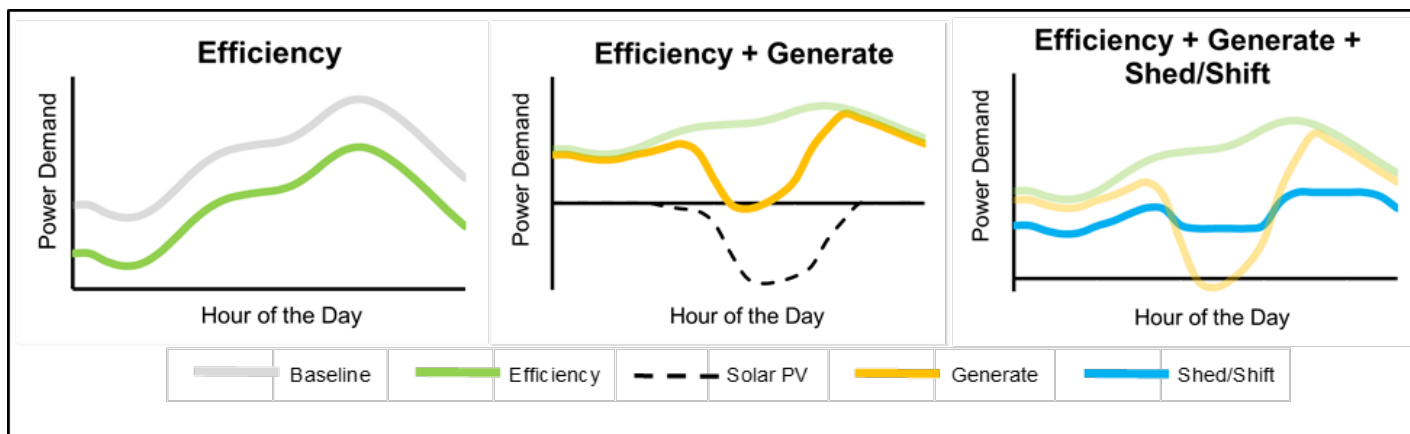
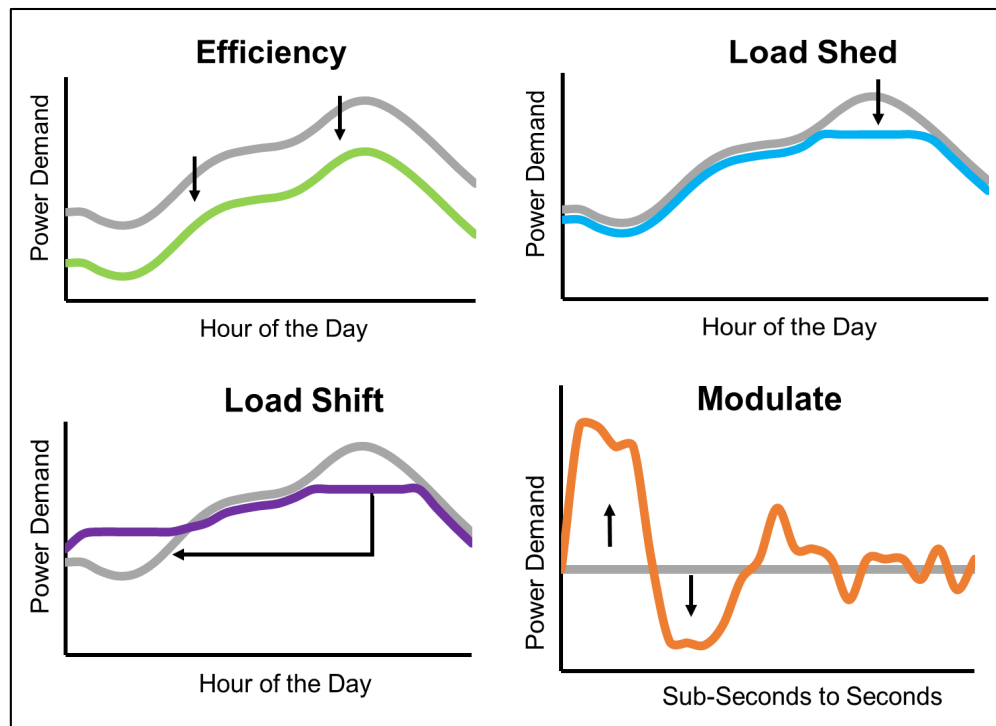
Time-varying value of energy efficiency savings by load shape  
*(reflects publicly available data only)*

Source: *Time-Varying Value of Electric Energy Efficiency* June 2017 N.Mims, T.Eckman & C.Goldman, LBNL, for BTO

# Interactions with Building Occupants

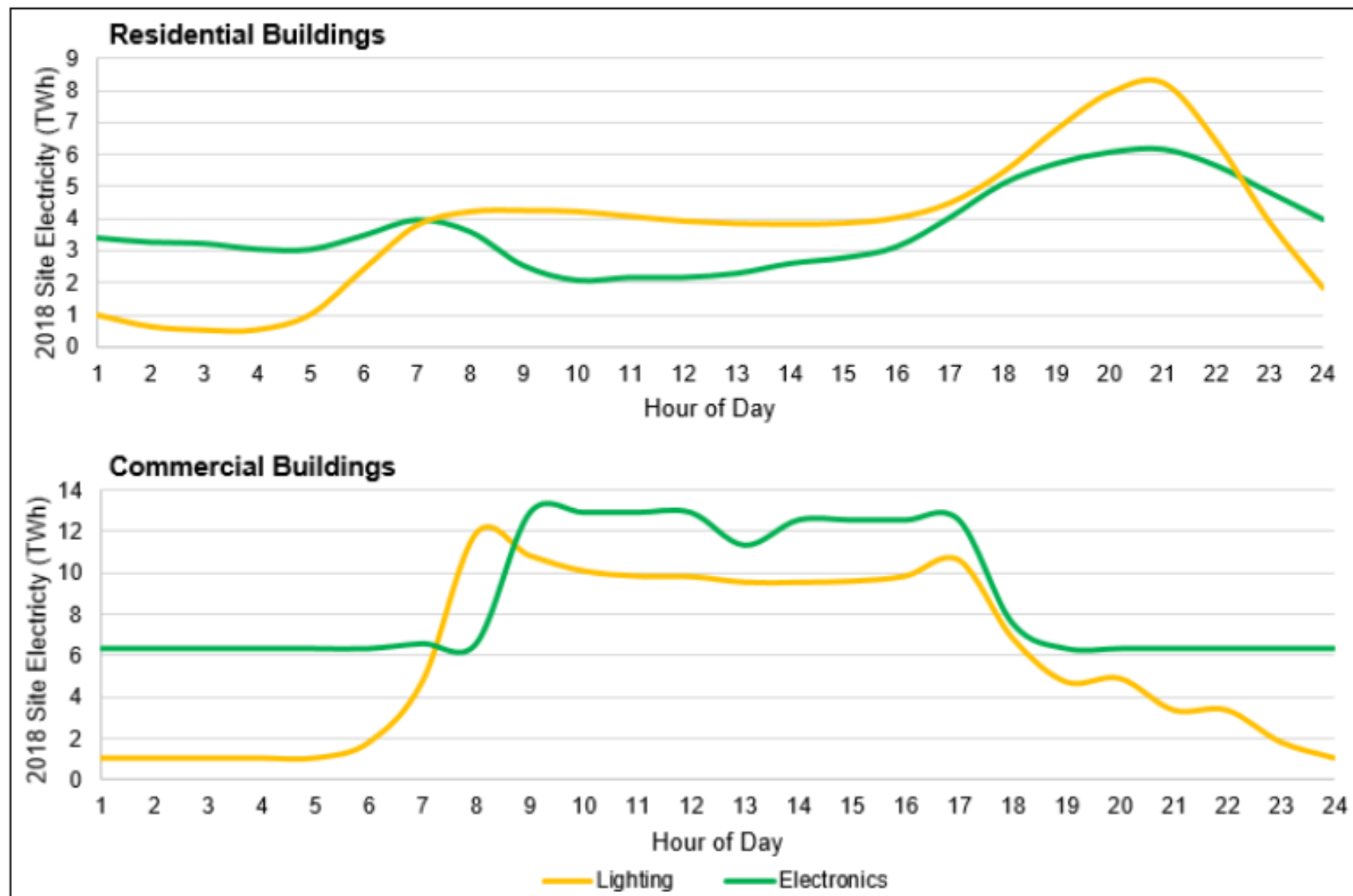


# Demand Flexibility Provided by GEB



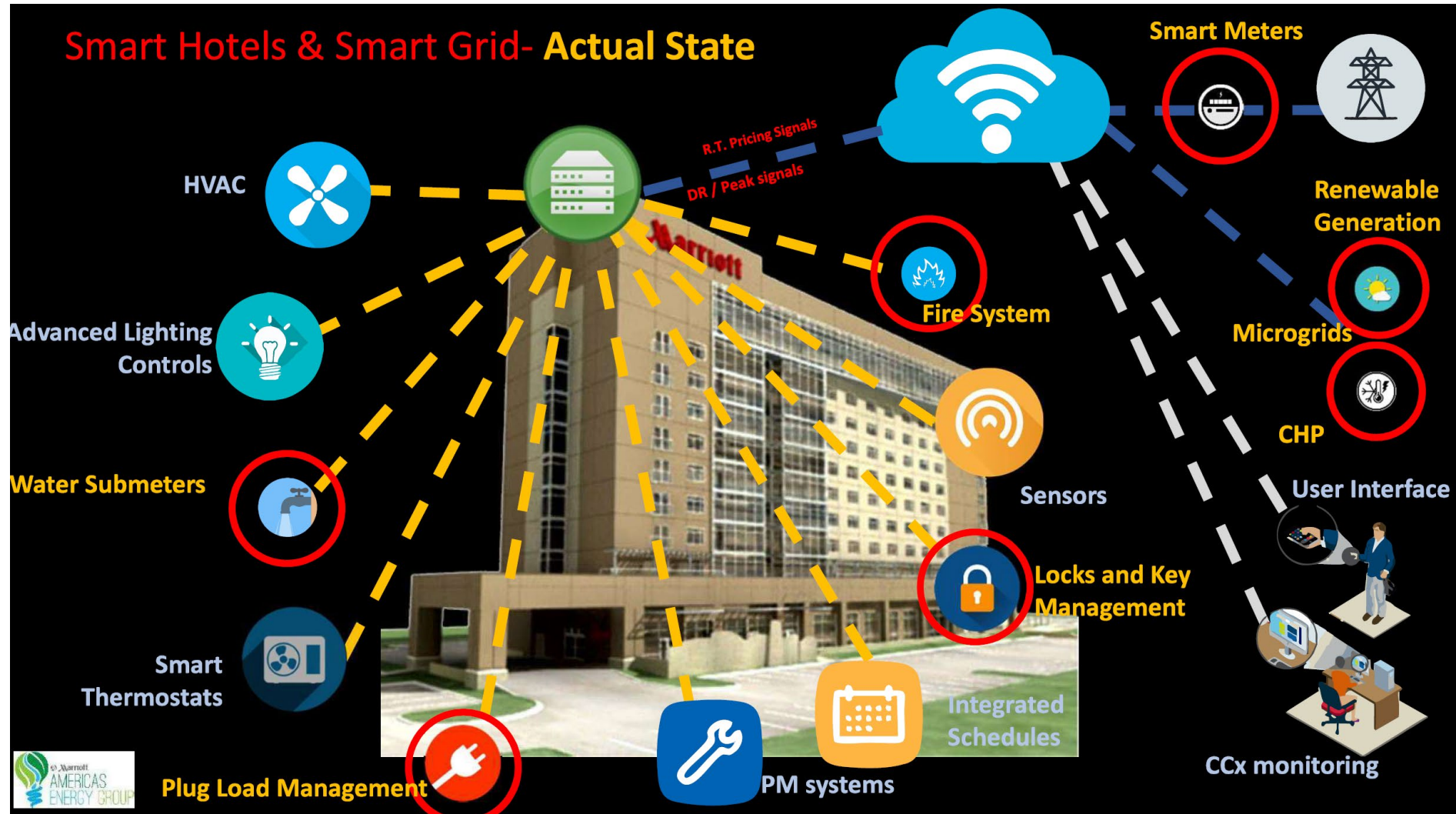


# Lighting load profiles



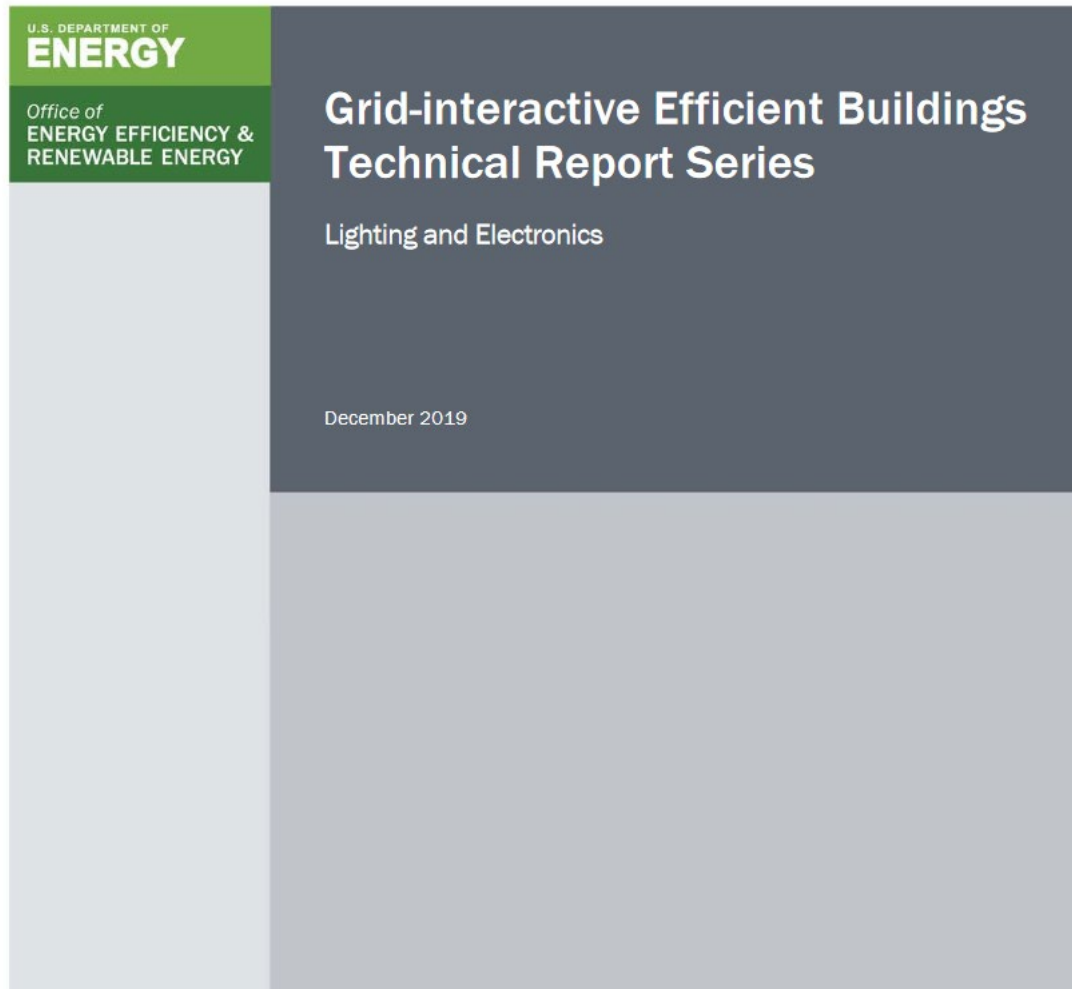
# Remembering the bigger picture

## Smart Hotels & Smart Grid- Actual State



Source: Douglas Rath, Marriott International

# *GEB Technical Report: Lighting and Electronics*



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