

**LEED AP O+M  
TRAINING**

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**ENERGY AND  
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**EA Overview**

- 39% of energy generated and 74% of electricity produced in U.S. is consumed by buildings
- One megawatt (MW) of electricity generated from coal releases an average
  - 2,249 lbs of carbon dioxide
  - 13 lbs of sulfur dioxide
  - 6 lbs of nitrogen oxides
  - Emissions created by extracting and processing coal to produce energy

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**EA Overview** 



- Energy costs are a large portion of overall operating expenses of buildings
  - 2005 average energy cost
    - \$1.19/SF for commercial building
    - \$1.51/SF for an office building

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**EA Overview** 

- Green Buildings address energy cost issues
  - Reduce the amount of energy required to operate a building
    - Save 5% - 20% with low cost measures
  - Use more benign forms of energy
    - Solar
    - Wind
    - Thermal Storage

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**EA Overview** 

- Energy consumption can be dramatically reduced by economical (including no-cost or low-cost) practices including actions by building occupants, improved building operating strategies, and equipment upgrades

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### EA Overview

- Monitoring & Improving Building Energy Performance
  - Study conducted at Lawrence Berkley National Lab suggests that commissioning and improved operations could save 20% of the energy used by existing buildings
  - "You can't manage what you can't measure"



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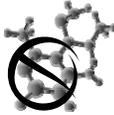
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### EA Overview

- Eliminating CFCs...
  - CFC = Chlorofluorocarbons
  - From Refrigerants
  - Destroys ozone molecules in the stratosphere
  - Banning use of CFC's in refrigerants mitigates climate change



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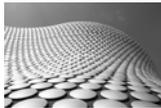
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### EA Overview

- LEED EB O+M does ...
  - Not prescribe approaches
  - Uses a performance based approach
    - Tailoring of energy reduction measures
    - Each building is unique



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EAp1 – Energy Efficiency Best Management Practices

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Planning, Documentation & Opportunity Assessment

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EAp1 – Energy Efficiency Best Management Practices

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- Intent
  - ▣ **Continuity** of information
  - ▣ Maintain **energy-efficient** operating strategies
  - ▣ Provide a **foundation** for training and system analysis

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EAp1 – Energy Efficiency Best Management Practices

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- Requirements & Documentation Guidance
  - ▣ Develop a **building operating plan** that provides details on how the building is to be operated and maintained
  - ▣ Document the current **sequence of operations**
  - ▣ Develop a **systems narrative** that briefly describes the mechanical and electrical systems and equipment

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**EAp1 – Energy Efficiency Best Management Practices** 

- Requirements, Documentation Guidance & Approach
  - Summarize and document the adherence to the **equipment preventive maintenance plan & schedule**
  - Conduct an energy audit the meets the requirements of the **ASHRAE Level 1 walk-through analysis...**

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**EAp1 – Energy Efficiency Best Management Practices** 

- Referenced Standard- **ASHRAE Level 1**
  - Analyze and evaluate a building's energy performance and consumption
  - Walk-through analysis & visual survey
  - Analyzing energy bills
  - Gather data, derive performance indicators,
  - Identify no-cost and low-cost measures to improve energy performance

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**EAp1 – Energy Efficiency Best Management Practices** 

- Referenced Standard- **ASHRAE Level 1**
  - *ASHRAE Procedures for Commercial Building Energy Audits*
    - Publication –procedures for audit
  - *2007 ASHRAE Handbook*
    - Publication – design & operation

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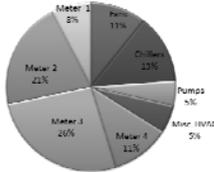
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### EAp1 – Energy Efficiency Best Management Practices

Submittal Documentation:
 

- Energy End Use Profile** - a breakdown of total annual energy consumption, summary of project's site energy utilization index



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### EAp1 – Energy Efficiency Best Management Practices

Submittal Documentation:
 

- A list of **potential low cost/no cost energy efficiency** and conservation upgrades

Cost #	ECM Name	Basic Description	ECM Description	Annual Energy Cost Saving	Investment Cost	Estimated Payback (Year)	Life Cost	Annual Payback (Years)
1	Pump VFD	Plant operates with low OHP/ODS units?	VFD modules used to maintain design flow?	\$ 23,332	\$ 17,390	\$ 1,160	\$ 18,550	0.8
2	After Hours Fan Operation	Main supply and return fans operate 24/7	Schedule fan operation for occupied hours only, unless required	\$ 56,732	\$ 1,160	\$ 1,160	\$ 2,320	0.5
3	Control duct static pressure	Fans operate to maintain constant duct static pressure set point	Program ESP reset schedule, lower reset from design city ESP (setpoint to 50% ESP @ 50% flow)	\$ 9,819	\$ 8,320	\$ 1,160	\$ 9,480	0.9
All Findings				\$ 91,880	\$ 26,870	\$ 3,480	\$ 30,390	0.3

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### EAp1 – Energy Efficiency Best Management Practices

Points- Required Prerequisite
   
 Calculations:
 

- Energy and Cost Indices calculations using ASHRAE Standard 105 methods:
  - Energy Utilization index (EUI)
  - Cost Index
  - Cost Index including water

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**EAp1 – Energy Efficiency Best Management Practices** 

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Equation 1

- Energy Utilization index (EUI)

$$\text{EUI (kBtu/ft}^2\text{/yr)} = \frac{\text{Total kBtu/Gross Floor Area}}{\text{Gross Floor Area}}$$

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**EAp1 – Energy Efficiency Best Management Practices** 

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Equation 2

- Cost Index Calculation

$$\text{Cost Index (kBtu/ft}^2\text{/yr)} = \frac{\text{Annual Energy Cost/Gross Floor Area}}{\text{Gross Floor Area}}$$

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**EAp1 – Energy Efficiency Best Management Practices** 

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Equation 3

- Cost Index Calculation + Water

$$\text{Cost Index Including Water (kBtu/ft}^2\text{/yr)} = \frac{\text{Annual Energy Cost} + \text{Total Water}}{\text{Gross Floor Area}}$$

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**EAp1 – Energy Efficiency Best Management Practices** 

- Approach enables...
  - Understanding by building operation staff of building's energy performance
  - Establishment of metrics and energy goals
  - Development of steps to meet goals

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**EAp2** 

**Minimum Energy Efficiency**

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**EAp2 – Minimum Energy Efficiency** 

- Intent - Establish the **minimum level of operating energy efficiency** performance for the building and systems
- Requirements –
  - Case 1: Earn an ENERGY STAR rating of at least 69
  - Case 2: If not eligible for ENERGY STAR, demonstrate energy efficiency with Option 1 or Option 2

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<h2>EAp2 – Minimum Energy Efficiency </h2>	
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<input type="checkbox"/>	<h2>EAc1</h2>
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<h2>EAc1 – Optimize Energy Efficiency </h2>	
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> Intent: Achieve increasing levels of operating energy performance relative to typical buildings of similar type to reduce environmental and economic impacts associated with excessive energy use</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Points: 1-18, Exemplary Performance</li></ul>	
	
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## EAc1 – Optimize Energy Efficiency

 □ Requirements

- CASE 1- Projects Eligible for Energy Star Rating
  - Enter into Portfolio Manager all data necessary to generate an energy performance rating
  - 12 Space Types
  - Energy Star Label is not a requirement – 75
  - Points start accumulating with a score of 71

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## EAc1 – Optimize Energy Efficiency

□ Requirements, cont'd

- CASE 2- Projects not eligible for ENERGY STAR rating
  - Option 1: demonstrate energy efficiency in at least the 21st percentile
  - Option 2: Use the alternative method in the Reference Guide AND achieve energy efficiency demonstrated by properly calibrated energy meters in the project building

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## EAc1 – Optimize Energy Efficiency

 □ Implementation, Approach & Submittal Documentation

- Provide performance period; calculate site's EUI energy use based on 12 continuous months and ENERGY STAR, building gross square footage, production of on-site renewable energy

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**EAc1– Optimize Energy Efficiency** 

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- Calculations
  - Use whole building energy metering to discern whole-building energy usage for every fuel type (electricity, natural gas, fuel oil, diesel fuel, district steam or hot water, district chilled water, propane, liquid propane, and wood); Assemble 12 months of energy use data and use ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager to organize it

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**EAc1– Optimize Energy Efficiency** 

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- Case 1: Projects Eligible for Energy Star ENERGY STAR Rating
  - Copies of the Portfolio Manager Web Pages
    - Provide ENERGY STAR program award certificate
    - Building's energy use intensities
    - ENERGY STAR performance rating
    - Space usage types, and value for space attributes

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**EAc1– Optimize Energy Efficiency** 

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- Case 1: Projects Eligible for Energy Star ENERGY STAR Rating
  - OR **share access** to ENERGY STAR account with USGBC master account
    - Explain variables used to generate ENERGY STAR rating
    - Summarize monthly energy use for building and provide copies of energy bills representing at least three months of performance period

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**EAc1 – Optimize Energy Efficiency** 

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- Case 2: Projects Not Eligible for Energy Star Rating - Option 1: Efficiency at Least 21%
  - Demonstrate energy efficiency in at least the 21st percentile
  - Complete the Case 2 calculator

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**EAc1 – Optimize Energy Efficiency** 

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- Case 2: Projects Not Eligible for Energy Star Rating - Option 1: Efficiency at Least 21%
  - Adjusted Benchmark Score
    - Explain why building is ineligible for a rating using Portfolio Manager
    - Summarize monthly energy use over performance period OR share access with USGBC

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**EAc1 – Optimize Energy Efficiency** 

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- Case 2: Projects Not Eligible for Energy Star Rating Option 2: Alternative Score
  - 3 Options: 2A, 2B, 2C
  - Input information provided by Portfolio Manager

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**EAc1– Optimize Energy Efficiency** 

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- Case 2: Projects Not Eligible for Energy Star Rating Option 2A: Streamlined Baseline (2pts max)
  - Enter energy use during Performance Period into Portfolio Manager
  - Enter the “weather-normalized source energy intensity” produced by Portfolio Manager into the template’s offline calculator

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**EAc1– Optimize Energy Efficiency** 

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- Case 2: Projects Not Eligible for Energy Star Rating Option 2B: Energy Baseline Including Historical Data (7pts max)
  - Enter at least 3 consecutive years of historical energy use data into Portfolio Manager
  - Enter the “weather normalized source energy intensity” for each year into the template’s offline calculator
  - Adjust for changes in schedules or occupant activities, if appropriate

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**EAc1– Optimize Energy Efficiency** 

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- Case 2: Projects Not Eligible for Energy Star Rating Option 2C: Comparable Buildings (18pts max)
  - Provide historical data from Option 2B AND
  - Provide energy use data for at least 3 other buildings with similar uses over at least a 2-year period
  - Enter the energy use intensities into the template’s offline calculator

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**EAc1 – Optimize Energy Efficiency** 

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- Normalizing the Baseline
  - Portfolio Manager allows for normalization of the project building data based on weather conditions during each year; as well as changes to occupancy, changes in schedules, and other variables

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**EAc1 – Optimize Energy Efficiency** 

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- Referenced Standard:
  - ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager-tools for calculating the ENERGY STAR performance rating, which is a federal program helping business and individuals protect the environment with superior energy efficiency

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**EAc2.1**

**Existing Building Commissioning:  
Investigation & Analysis**

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### EAc2.1 – Existing Building Commissioning: Investigation & Analysis

- Intent:
  - Use a systematic process to develop an understanding of the operation of the building's major energy-using systems
  - Develop options for optimizing energy performance
  - Develop a plan to achieve energy savings
- Points - 2

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### EAc2.1 – Existing Building Commissioning: Investigation & Analysis

- Option 1: Commissioning Process-
  - Recommissioning plan, major energy systems
  - Conduct the investigation and analysis
  - Document energy-use breakdown
  - List problems and offer solutions
  - List capital improvements and document cost-benefit analysis of each

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### Sample Commissioning Investigation

2008 Projects	2008 Approx. Cost	2009 Approx. Cost	2010 Approx. Cost	2011 Approx. Cost	2012 Approx. Cost	2013 Approx. Cost	2014 Approx. Cost	2015 Approx. Cost	2016 Approx. Cost	2017 Approx. Cost	2018 Approx. Cost	Totals
<b>Building Energy Reports</b>												\$0
Energy & Building Reports												\$151,000
<b>Building Upgrades</b>												\$0
Anti-Theft Alarm	\$5,500											\$5,500
Backflow Domestic Water System	\$7,500											\$7,500
Carpets & Subfloors		\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000								\$60,000
Hallway Egress Enhancement						\$6,000						\$6,000
Sprinkler Pump Replacement							\$8,500					\$8,500
Kitchen Interior Makeover	\$13,000		\$8,500									\$21,500
Mechanical Room Mirrors												\$0
<b>Paint Replacement</b>												\$60,000
Paint Replacement												\$60,000
<b>Parking Control Equipment</b>												\$0
Relocation Elevator Cables		\$15,000										\$15,000
Rift System												\$0
Painting Substructure Garage												\$0
Re-stripe						\$15,000						\$15,000
<b>Customer Issues</b>			\$6,000	\$1,200								\$7,200
<b>Central Plant HVAC Upgrade</b>												\$11,000
Control Upgrade			\$12,000									\$12,000
Cooling Tower Replacement	\$45,000											\$45,000
Chiller Retrofit/Replacement				\$95,000	\$95,000	\$95,000	\$95,000	\$95,000	\$95,000			\$480,000
Re-Load Control Water Pumps	\$5,000				\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000					\$45,000
Re-Configure Condenser water pumps, valves to parallel												\$15,000
<b>Common Area</b>												\$0
Paint Stairwells	\$8,000											\$8,000
<b>Security</b>												\$0
Customer Service PC's												\$0
Upgrade Camera System (Bop. & Pk)	\$69,000	\$69,000	\$69,000	\$69,000	\$69,000							\$345,000
Fire Life Safety Upgrade												\$0
Fire Exting.												\$0
<b>Recoverable Cost Total</b>	\$140,000	\$112,000	\$120,000	\$95,000	\$179,000	\$171,000	\$170,500	\$60,000	\$60,000	\$190,000	\$60,000	\$1,063,500
Recoverable Cost Per Sq. Ft.	\$0.47	\$0.37	\$0.40	\$0.32	\$0.59	\$0.49	\$0.49	\$0.33	\$0.30	\$0.60	\$0.30	\$2.99
Non-Recoverable Cost Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Grand Total</b>	\$140,000	\$112,000	\$120,000	\$95,000	\$179,000	\$171,000	\$170,500	\$60,000	\$60,000	\$190,000	\$60,000	\$1,063,500

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**EAc2.1 – Existing Building Commissioning: Investigation & Analysis** 

- Option 2: ASHRAE Level II, Energy Audit
  - Conduct an energy audit to ASHRAE Level II standards
  - Document energy-use breakdown
  - Perform a savings and cost analysis
  - List capital improvements that will provide cost-effective energy savings; document cost/benefit analysis of each

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**EAc2.1 – Existing Building Commissioning: Investigation & Analysis** 

- Referenced Standard: ASHRAE Level II, Energy Audit: Energy Survey and Analysis: a detailed analysis that includes a breakdown of energy distribution within the building
- Points: 2 points

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**EAc2.1 – Existing Building Commissioning: Investigation & Analysis** 

- Documentation Guidance:
  - Perform an investigation and analysis of building systems, through commissioning or ASHRAE Level II audit
  - Analyze building systems that consume energy- create a breakdown of energy end uses
  - List operational issues and capital improvements, with estimated costs and anticipated savings, that will improve energy performance and occupant comfort

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**EAc2.1 – Existing Building Commissioning: Investigation & Analysis** 

Calculations:

- Calculations required for the Level II audit are detailed in ASHRAE “Procedures for Commercial Building Energy Audits” (RP-669, SP-56)

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**EAc2.2 – Existing Building Commissioning: Implementation** 

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**EAc2.2 – Existing Building Commissioning: Implementation** 

Intent: Implement minor improvements and identify planned capital projects to ensure that major energy-using systems are repaired, operated, and maintained effectively to optimize energy performance

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**EAc2.2 – Existing Building Commissioning: Implementation** 

- Requirements:
  - Implement no- or low-cost improvements and create a plan for major upgrades
  - Provide training of sustainable building operations topics for building management
  - Demonstrate the observed/anticipated financial costs and benefits of implemented measures

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**EAc2.2 – Existing Building Commissioning: Implementation** 

- Requirements (cont'd):
  - Update the building operating plan to reflect changes in operational/equipment run-time schedules, design set-points, and lighting levels
- Approach:
  - Use findings from master list generated in EAc2.1 to implement improvements

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**EAc2.2 – Existing Building Commissioning: Implementation** 

- Approach (cont):
  - Implement immediate, cost-effective measures to improve operations, efficiency, and occupant comfort
  - Calculate cost/benefit analyses for deficiencies rectified
  - Establish management/ownership's long term priorities
  - Provide management staff the skills and knowledge to enact sustainable operations

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<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Calculations:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> Simple payback period: length of time required to recoup initial investment</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Rate of return: ratio of cost-savings generated relative to amount of money invested</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Cost-benefit ratio: total financial return for each dollar invested in operation improvements and upgrades</li></ul>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Points: 2 points
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<b>EAc2.2 – Existing Building Commissioning: Implementation</b> 	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Referenced Standard: None
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Documentation Guidance:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> Perform cost/savings analysis of all improvements and minor repairs</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Track all no- or low-cost operational improvements and include cost savings per improvement</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Update building operating plans to reflect improvements</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Summarize the training of management staff and the material covered</li></ul>
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<b>Existing Building Commissioning: Ongoing Commissioning</b>	
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**EAc2.3 – Existing Building Commissioning: Ongoing Commissioning** 

Intent: use commissioning to address changes in facility occupancy, use, maintenance, and repair. Make periodic adjustments and reviews of building operating systems and procedures for optimal energy efficiency and service provision

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**EAc2.3 – Existing Building Commissioning: Ongoing Commissioning** 

Requirements:

- Implement an ongoing commissioning program including: planning, testing, performance verification, corrective action, measurement, and documentation
- Create a written plan that summarizes the overall commissioning cycle (no more than 24 month cycle)

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**EAc2.3 – Existing Building Commissioning: Ongoing Commissioning** 

Requirements (cont'd):

- Complete at least half the scope of work in the first commissioning cycle prior to the date of application for LEED 2009
- Update the building operating plan or systems narrative as necessary to reflect changes to occupancy schedule, equipment schedule, other specifications

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**EAc2.3 – Existing Building Commissioning: Ongoing Commissioning** 

- Approach:
  - Ongoing commissioning program must integrate a detailed plan for system testing, performance verification, corrective action, and ongoing measurement.
  - Emphasize a systems-wide approach, defined by a basis in performance testing

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**EAc2.3 – Existing Building Commissioning: Ongoing Commissioning** 

- Approach (cont'd):
  - Create a detailed schedule for the completion of the overall commissioning cycle- identify procedures for responding to deviations from preferred performance
  - Regularly review and revise the plan to reflect changes/upgrades, etc.

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**EAc2.3 – Existing Building Commissioning: Ongoing Commissioning** 

- Referenced Standard: None
- Points: 2 points
- Calculations: None

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<b>EAc2.3 – Existing Building Commissioning: Ongoing Commissioning</b> 	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p><b>Documentation Guidance:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Create an ongoing commissioning cycle based on the equipment list, include a schedule of diagnostic testing and response steps for each commissioned piece</li><li>■ As improvements are made, update the BOP</li><li>■ Record data and costs for completed phases of commissioning, indicating the total budget, the task completed, and associated costs</li></ul>
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<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>EAc3.1</b>
<b>Performance Measurement: Building Automation System</b>	
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<b>EAc3.1 – Performance Measurement: Building Automation System</b> 	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p><b>Intent:</b> Provide information to support ongoing accountability and optimization of building energy performance and identify opportunities for additional energy savings investments</p>
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**EAc3.1 – Performance Measurement: **  
**Building Automation System**

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- Requirements:
  - Have in place a computer-based building automation system (BAS) that monitors and controls key building systems (heating, cooling, light, etc.)
  - Have a preventive maintenance program in place to ensure BAS components are tested/repared/replaced
  - Demonstrate that the BAS is being used to inform decisions

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**EAc3.1 – Performance Measurement: **  
**Building Automation System**

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- Approach:
  - Use a computer-based BAS to achieve optimal levels of occupant comfort while maximizing energy efficiency
  - Calibrate sensors regularly, measuring components such as: outside air temperature, mixed air temperature, return air temperature, etc.
  - Maintain a BAS preventive maintenance program: inspect components, verify schedules/setpoints, check gauges/sensors, etc.

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**EAc3.1 – Performance Measurement: **  
**Building Automation System**

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- Implementation:
  - Use a BAS to achieve optimal levels of occupant comfort while maximizing the energy efficiency
  - Properly maintain BAS to ensure efficiency
  - Calibrate sensors, valves, and dampers
  - Conduct inspections, verify setpoints, check gauges, and check sensors
- Points: 1 point

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<b>EAc3.1 – Performance Measurement: Building Automation System</b> 	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Referenced Standard: None
<input type="checkbox"/>	Documentation Guidance: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> Maintain documentation of BAS operation and function</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Retain periodic BAS reports indicating system is operating per the programming</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Maintain a written record of PM practices</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Document decisions informed by BAS data</li></ul>
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<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>EAc3.2-3</b>
<b>Performance Measurement: System-Level Metering</b>	
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<b>EAc3.2 – Performance Measurement: System-Level Metering</b> 	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Intent: Provide accurate energy-use information to support energy management and identify opportunities for additional energy-saving improvements
<input type="checkbox"/>	Referenced Standard: None
<input type="checkbox"/>	Points: 1-2 Points
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**EAc3.2 – Performance Measurement: **  
**System-Level Metering**

□ Requirements:

- ▣ Develop a breakdown of energy use in the building
- ▣ Demonstrate system-level metering covering at least 40% (1 point) or 80% (2 points) of the total expected annual energy consumption
- ▣ Demonstrate that the number of the largest energy-use categories from the breakdown report are metered at least 80%
- ▣ Log all sub-metering data & analyze for trends

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**EAc3.2 – Performance Measurement: **  
**System-Level Metering**

□ Approach:

- ▣ Analyze and develop a breakdown of the building's energy use for major energy use applications
- ▣ Compile for each major energy subsystem: expected annual energy consumption, % of total annual energy use; % of energy consumption sub-metered
- ▣ Install permanent, continuous, automatic, electronic meters
- ▣ Use metering data to improve system performance

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**EAc3.2 – Performance Measurement: **  
**System-Level Metering**

□ Calculations:

- ▣ Use energy breakdown data to determine if metering level is acceptable
- ▣ Report energy use in kBtu for all applications
- ▣ For each major end-use, determine expected annual energy consumption, sum to find total annual energy use
- ▣ Calculate % of total annual energy use of each subsystem
- ▣ Determine the load of each system

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<b>EAc3.2 – Performance Measurement: System-Level Metering</b> 	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Documentation Guidance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ List the type and location of system-level meters</li><li>■ Track energy use on an individual system level</li><li>■ Maintain documentation of the metering operation and function</li><li>■ Maintain a written record of preventive maintenance practices relating to system-level metering</li><li>■ Prepare an energy use breakdown report</li></ul>
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<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>EAc4.1 -4</b>
<b>On-Site and Off-Site Renewable Energy</b>	
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<b>EAc4.1 -4 – On-Site and Off-Site Renewable Energy</b> 	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Intent: Encourage and recognize increasing levels of on-site and off-site renewable energy to reduce environmental impacts associated with fossil fuel energy use</p> 
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**EAc4.1 -4 – On-Site and Off-Site Renewable Energy** 

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Utilize on-site or off-site renewable energy systems, as defined by the **Center for Resource Solutions (CRS) Green-e requirements** (Referenced Standard) [www.green-e.org](http://www.green-e.org)



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**EAc4.1 -4 – On-Site and Off-Site Renewable Energy** 

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Requirements (cont'd):

- If the green power is not Green-e certified, equivalence must exist for both major Green-e program components:
  1. Current **green power performance standards** and
  2. **Independent verification** that standards are being met by green power supplier

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**EAc4.1 -4 – On-Site and Off-Site Renewable Energy** 

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Requirements (cont'd):

Points: 1-6 Points, Exemplary Performance eligible:

On-site: 3%, 4.5%, 6%, 7.5%, 9%, 12%

Off-site: 25%, 37.5%, 50%, 62.5%, 75%, 100%

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### EAc4.1 -4 – On-Site and Off-Site Renewable Energy

On-site approach:

- **Eligible On-site Systems:**
  - Photovoltaic system
  - Wind energy system
  - Solar thermal system
  - Geothermal energy systems
  - Low-impact hydroelectric power systems
  - Wave and tidal power systems



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### EAc4.1 -4 – On-Site and Off-Site Renewable Energy

On-site approach:

- **Eligible On-site Systems:**
  - Biofuel-base systems – allowed fuels:
    - Untreated wood waste including mill residues
    - Agricultural crops or waste
    - Animal waste and other organic waste
    - Landfill gas



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### EAc4.1 -4 – On-Site and Off-Site Renewable Energy

On-site approach:

- **Ineligible On-site Systems**
  - Architectural features
  - Passive solar strategies
  - Daylighting strategies
  - Geoexchange systems (ground-source heat pumps)



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**EAc4.1 -4 – On-Site and Off-Site Renewable Energy** 

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Off-site approach:

- Purchase or commit to purchase renewable energy or renewable energy certificates (RECs)



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**EAc4.1 -4 – On-Site and Off-Site Renewable Energy** 

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Calculations:

- Determine **annual energy** use of entire building and site; **then % or energy use from renewable** energy sources
- Convert both On-Site & Off-Site renewable energy-convert to Mbtu (million Btu), calculate % of total energy use
- Combination of on-site and off-site renewable energy- any combination to earn 6 points

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**EAc4.1 -4 – On-Site and Off-Site Renewable Energy** 

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Calculations for Combination:

**Convert the on-site renewable energy to the equivalent of the off-site renewable energy:**

% of Off-site	% On-site	25%
Equivalency	= Renewable X	-----
	Energy	3%

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**EAc4.1 -4 – On-Site and Off-Site Renewable Energy** 

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This example is if your on-site renewable energy is 2% of the total:

$$16.67\% = 2\% \times \frac{25\%}{3\%}$$

Use 16.67% of the Off-site Equivalency to get credit for the 2% generated on-site.

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**EAc4.1 -4 – On-Site and Off-Site Renewable Energy** 

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□ Documentation Guidance:

- Provide **photos or other documentation** of any installed on-site renewable energy systems
- Sign a **2 year contract** for the purchase of off-site renewable energy
- **Track annual energy use**, indicating alternative sources
- **List the alternative energy sources** used for the project building

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**EAp3**

**Refrigerant Management: Ozone Protection**

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**EAp3 – Refrigerant Management: **  
**Ozone Protection**

- Intent: reduce stratospheric ozone depletion
- Requirements:
  - ▣ Do not use CFC-based refrigerants in HVAC&R systems unless replacement/conversion is not **economically feasible** or is already scheduled
  - ▣ Small units (less than .5 lbs of refrigerant) are exempt

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**EAp3 – Refrigerant Management: **  
**Ozone Protection**

- Approach:
  - ▣ Eliminate CFCs
  - ▣ Perform **economic analysis** of feasibility of replacement/conversion
  - ▣ Payback = more than 10 years = exempt
  - ▣ Minimize refrigerant leakage
    - Less than 5% annual leakage allowed
    - Life of unit less than 30% of charge

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**EAp3 – Refrigerant Management: **  
**Ozone Protection**

- Points: Required Prerequisite
- Referenced Standard:
  - ▣ **EPA Clean Air Act, Title VI, Section 608-** provides regulations on the use and recycling of ozone-depleting compounds

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**EAp3 – Refrigerant Management: **  
**Ozone Protection**

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- Documentation Guidance:
  - Where applicable, develop and track the phase-out plan
  - Retain manufacturers' documentation demonstrating the type of refrigerant used

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**EAp3 – Refrigerant Management: **  
**Ozone Protection**

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- Submittal Documentation OPTION 1:
  - Provide USGBC final LEED review for new building;
  - If a **CFC phase-out plan was performed**, list the components already phased out

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**EAp3 – Refrigerant Management: **  
**Ozone Protection**

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- Submittal Documentation OPTION 2:
  - Project building **uses no CFC-based refrigerants** in base systems:
  - List year of installation
  - **Or conversion of all base building systems**; provide building's refrigerant management program, OR provide manufactures data showing refrigerant use for each base building system

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**EAp3 – Refrigerant Management:** 

**Ozone Protection**

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- Submittal Documentation OPTION 3
  - ▣ Project building **uses CFC-based refrigerants** in base systems:
  - ▣ Provide building's **refrigerant management program** listing refrigerant use for each building, including those with CFCs and those without; OR
  - ▣ Provide **manufacturer's data** showing refrigerant AND provide CFC phase-out plan implemented during performance period

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**EAp3 – Refrigerant Management:** 

**Ozone Protection**

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- Calculation:
 

Simple payback of **replacement** =  
 $\text{Cost of replacement} / \text{sum of annual cost avoidance for energy savings resulting from replacement}$

Simple payback of **conversion** =  
 $\text{Cost of conversion} / \text{sum of annual cost avoidance for energy savings resulting from conversion}$

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**EAp3 – Refrigerant Management:** 

**Ozone Protection**

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- Calculations:
 

**Annual Leakage rate:**  
 $\text{lbs refrigerant added} / \text{lbs refrigerant in full charge} \times (365 \text{ days/year} / T_e) \times 100\%$

Where  $T_e$  (time elapsed) = the shorter of 365 (1 year) or number of days since refrigerant was last added.

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EAc5

Refrigerant Management

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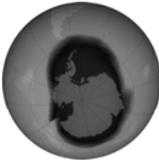
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EAc5 – Enhanced Refrigerant Management 



- Intent: Reduce ozone depletion and support early compliance with the **Montreal Protocol** while minimizing direct contributions to global climate change
- Referenced Standard: None
- Points: 1 Point

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EAc5 – Enhanced Refrigerant Management 

- Requirements:
  - Option 1: Do not use refrigerants in base building HVAC&R systems
  - Option 2: select refrigerants that minimize the emission of compounds that contribute to ozone depletion/global warming, AND do not operate fire-suppression systems that contain ozone-depleting substances

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**EAc5 – Enhanced Refrigerant Management** 

- Approach:
  - Do not use refrigerants
  - Use only natural refrigerants
  - Select refrigerants with low ozone-depletion and global-warming potentials
  - Minimize refrigerant leakage
  - Select equipment with efficient refrigerant charge
  - Select equipment with long service life
  - Choose appropriate fire-suppression systems

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**EAc5 – Enhanced Refrigerant Management** 

- Calculations:
  - Annual Leakage Rate
  - Lifecycle Ozone Depletion Potential (LCODP)
  - Lifecycle Direct Global Warming Potential (LDGWP)
  - Refrigerant Atmospheric Impact
  - Average Refrigerant Atmospheric Impact

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**EAc5 – Enhanced Refrigerant Management** 

- Documentation Guidance:
  - List base building systems containing refrigerants and the associated type of refrigerant. Include ODP and GWP
  - Retain manufacturers' documentation indicating the type and quantity of refrigerant used
  - Track annual refrigerant leakage rates

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## Related Supplemental Reading

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*The Treatment by LEED® of the Environmental Impact of HVAC Refrigerants*

Understand **trade off** between **ozone depletion** & **global warming** potential as it relates to the hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFCs) and the Hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs)

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REFRIGERANT	ODP	GWP	APPLICATION
<b>Cholorofluorocarbons - phasing out</b>			
CFC-11	1.000	4,680	Centrifugal chillers
CFC-12	1.000	10,720	Refrigerators, chillers
<b>Hydrochlorofluorocarbons</b>			
HCFC-22	0.040	1,780	Centrifugal chillers
HCFC-123	0.020	76	CFC-11 replacement
<b>Hydrofluorocarbons</b>			
HFC-23	< 4x10 <sup>-4</sup>	12,240	ultra-low temperature
HFC-134a	< 1.5x10 <sup>-5</sup>	76	CFC-12 or HCFC-22 replacement
<b>Natural Refridgerants</b>			
CO <sub>2</sub>	0.000	1	n/a - not efficient
NH <sub>3</sub>	0.000	0	n/a - not efficient
Propane	0.000	3	n/a - not efficient

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## Emissions Reduction Reporting

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**EAc6 – Emissions Reduction Reporting** 

- Intent: Document the emissions reduction benefits of building efficiency measures
- Requirements:
  - Identify building performance parameters that reduce conventional energy use and emissions, quantify those reductions, and report them to a formal tracking program

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**EAc6 – Emissions Reduction Reporting** 

- Approach:
  - Track and calculate greenhouse gas emissions from every type of building energy use
  - Compare emissions with past levels or with national medians
  - Understand the reductions generated by various actions
  - Credit encourages participation in third-party voluntary reporting or certification programs

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**EAc6 – Emissions Reduction Reporting** 

- Calculations:
  - To show reduction in emissions from baseline year:
    - Emissions for the performance period year
    - Emissions for the baseline year
    - Reduction in emissions from baseline year to performance year
  - To compare GHG emissions with an ENERGY STAR building:
    - Emissions for performance period year

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**EAc6 – Emissions Reduction Reporting** 

Calculations (cont'd)

- Emissions for a baseline building (use Portfolio Manager)
- Reductions in emissions from the baseline building

Referenced Standard: None

Points: 1 Point

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**EAc6 – Emissions Reduction Reporting** 

Documentation Guidance:

- Collect annual utility data and energy consumption data from any on-site operations that generate emissions
- Perform comparisons on emissions reductions from year to year
- Report emissions through formal participation in a third-party voluntary reporting agency, certification program, or through technically sound independent calculations

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**Questions...**

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15 Minute Break...

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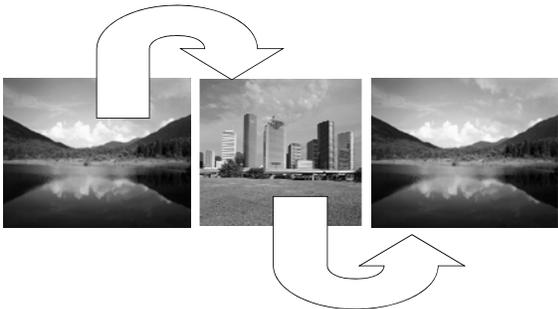
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Water Use in Buildings

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**“When the well's dry, we know the worth of water.”**  
*Benjamin Franklin*

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**Introduction**

- Americans' use of public water supply increasing
- Water is withdrawn, used, treated, and discharged
- Discharged water problematic
- EPA statistics about unsafe waters
- Large volume water use increases maintenance and life-cycle costs for building operation



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**Introduction**

- More efficient water use reduces costs
- Efficiency measures can easily reduce water use in average commercial buildings by **30%** or more
- Conservation strategies cost options:
  - No-cost
  - Rapid-payback
  - Cost-effective under specific circumstances.



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Measures used for water efficiency: 



- Monitor water consumption performance**
  - Track water consumption alongside energy use
  - Make integrated management decisions
- Reduce indoor potable water consumption**
  - Use alternative water sources for non-potable uses
  - Install building upgrades to reduce potable water use

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Measures used for water efficiency: 



- Reduce water consumption**
  - Save energy and improve environmental well-being
  - Reduce energy costs
  - Benefit human health and welfare
  - Lower water levels can concentrate contaminants
- Practice water-efficient landscaping**
  - Maintain or reestablish native plants
  - Reduce irrigation and number of chemicals in water supply

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Water Use – the reality 

- Each day, 5 billion gallons of water is used to flush toilets
- Since the 1940's water levels dropped in underground aquifers (throughout the US) more than 150 feet
- Americans use an average of 100 gallons of water each day - enough to fill 1,600 drinking glasses
- A recent government survey showed at least 36 states are anticipating local, regional, or statewide water shortages by 2013

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**What can we do?** 

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- A 10% reduction in total US commercial building water use (consumption for all uses) would result in a savings of more than 2 trillion gallons of water each year
- In a typical 100,000 sq ft office building, installation of low flow plumbing fixtures and automatic controls would result in at least 1 million gallons of water per year savings

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**Water Efficiency (WE)** 

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- Limit landscape water
- Use water-conserving plumbing fixtures and appliances
- Consider water recovery and re-use systems

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**WEp1 & WEc2**

**Minimum/Additional  
Indoor Plumbing  
Fixture Efficiency**

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**WEp1/C2 - Indoor Plumbing Fixture and Fitting Efficiency** 

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- Intent WEp1**
  - Reduce indoor fixture and fitting water use to reduce burdens on water supply and wastewater systems
- Intent WEc2.1-2.5**
  - Maximize indoor plumbing fixture and fitting efficiency to reduce use of potable water and burden on municipal water supply and wastewater systems

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**WEp1/C2 - Indoor Plumbing Fixture and Fitting Efficiency** 

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- WEp1 – Required – Equal to or below baseline
- WEc2.1 – 2.5
  - Percentage above the baseline
    - 10% = 1 point
    - 15% = 2 points
    - 20% = 3 points
    - 25% = 4 points
    - 30% = 5 points
- IO c1 - Exemplary Performance = 35%



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**Baseline Calculation** 

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- Need:**
  - IPC/UPC Plumbing Codes
  - Number of FTE (Full Time Equivalent) Occupants
  - Number of flush and flow fixtures in facility
    - Broken down by notably different uses
  - Date of substantial completion or plumbing renovation
    - Broken down if staggered

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## WEp1/c2 - Baseline

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**Referenced Standard-** Uniform Plumbing Code (UPC) 2006 or International Plumbing Code (IPC) 2006- defines maximum flow rates and consumption for fixtures and fittings

**UPC/IPC Codes 2006**

- ❖ Substantial completion or plumbing renovation
  - ❖ 1993 or later – 120%
  - ❖ Prior to 1993 – 160%

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## UPC/IPC Standards (Baseline)

**Table 1. UPC and IPC Standards for Plumbing Fixture Water Use** 

Fixture	UPC and IPC Standards	EPA WaterSense Standards
Water closets (gallons per flush, gpf)	1.60	1.28
Urinals (gpf)	1.00	0.5*
Showerheads (gallons per minute, gpm*)	2.50	1.5–2.0 <sup>†</sup>
Public lavatory faucets and aerators (gpm**)	0.5	
Private lavatory faucets and aerators (gpm**)	2.2	1.5
Public metering lavatory faucets (gallons per metering cycle)	0.25	
Kitchen and janitor sink faucets	2.20	
Metering faucets (gallons per cycle)	0.25	

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## FTE Calculations

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- Determine Full Time Equivalent Occupants (FTE)
- Each occupant working an eight hour period = 1
- Each part time worker = hours per day / 8
- Include shifts for all workers
- Calculate transient occupants
- Count estimated retail, student, residential

 **NOTE:** FTE needs to be consistent for all credits

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### Default Fixture Use by Occupancy Type

Table 3. Default Fixture Uses, by Occupancy Type

Fixture Type	FTE	Uses/Day		
		Student/Visitor	Retail Customer	Resident
<b>Water Closet</b>				
— Female	3	0.5	0.2	5
— Male	1	0.1	0.1	5
<b>Urinal</b>				
— Female	0	0	0	n/a
— Male	2	0.4	0.1	n/a
<b>Lavatory Faucet</b>				
— duration 15 sec; 12 sec with autocontrol	3	0.5	0.2	5
— residential, duration 60 sec				
<b>Shower</b>				
— duration 300 sec	0.1	0	0	1
— residential, duration 480 sec				
<b>Kitchen Sink</b>				
— duration 15 sec	1	0	0	n/a
— residential, duration 60 sec	n/a	n/a	n/a	4

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- ### Water Fixture Inventory
- Inventory of quantity & type of each fixture
    - Urinals
    - Toilets
    - Restroom sinks
    - Breakroom/kitchen sinks
    - Showers
    - Janitor sinks
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- ### Water Use Assumptions – for calculation
- Toilets
    - Females flush the toilet 3 times per day
    - Males flush the toilet 1 time per day
  - Urinals - Males flush the urinal 2 times per day
  - Sinks - All occupants use the sink 3 times per day (15 seconds each time)
  - Showers - 10% of occupants use the shower each day (300 seconds each time)
  - 50/50 Ratio for Men/Women - default
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## Calculation



- Enter all of the data for the baseline calculation into LEED template to get your calculated baseline (Template populates the 120% or 160%)
- Know the actual flush and flow rates for all installed fixtures for the **Installed** Calculation
- Enter the actual flush and flow rates

$$\text{Percentage Reduction} = \frac{\text{Baseline} - \text{Installed}}{\text{Baseline}} \times 100$$

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## Sample Project Calculations



**Table 4.1: Fixture Group Definitions**

Group Name	# of Fixtures Installed or Completely Replaced before January 1st, 1993	# of Fixtures Installed or Completely Replaced on or after January 1st, 1993	Annual Days of Operation	Occupants (users) in Group					Gender Ratio	
				Full-Time Employees	Students/Visitors	Retail Customers	Residents	Other	% Female	% Male
Floors 1-2	20	0	260	100	0	0	0	0	50%	50%
Floors 3-10	0	80	260	900	0	0	0	0	50%	50%
<b>Total</b>	20	80								

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## Sample Project Calculations



**Table 4.2: Flush Fixture Data**

Enter flush fixture data for each fixture group defined in Table 4.1.

Fixture Group	Fixture ID (Optional)	Fixture Family	Fixture Type	Daily Uses	Baseline Flush Rate (LPH)	Installed Flush Rate (GPF)	IPC/UPC Baseline	IPC/UPC Performance Class	Annual Water Consumption, kGal
Floors 1-2		Water Closet	Older WC fixtures	200	1.6 GPF	3.5 GPF	83.2 kGal	182 kGal	
Floors 3-10		Water Closet	IPC/UPC Equivalent Water Closet	1,800	1.6 GPF	1.6 GPF	748.8 kGal	748.8 kGal	
Floors 1-2		Urinal	Older Urinal	100	1 GPF	1.5 GPF	26 kGal	39 kGal	
Floors 3-10		Urinal	IPC/UPC Equivalent Urinal	900	1 GPF	1 GPF	234 kGal	234 kGal	
							Flush IPC/UPC Baseline kGal/yr	1,092	
							Flush Calculated Water Consumption kGal/yr	1,203.8	

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### Opportunities for Improvement

Which fixtures exceed the baseline fixtures?

Fixture	Baseline Flush/Flow volume	Your flush/flow volume
Toilet	1.6	
Urinal	1.0	
Restroom sink	.5	
Breakroom Sink	2.2	
Shower	2.5	

Target those areas for improvement opportunities

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### WEp1/c2 - Indoor Plumbing Fixture and Fitting Efficiency

**Requirements and Approach**

- Train maintenance staff in operations and maintenance of specialized equipment.
- Educate building occupants on different technologies
- Develop and implement an economic assessment of conversion to high-performance plumbing fixtures
- Consider consulting WaterSense, an EPA program about products and programs
- Retrofit or replace existing fixtures and features with high-efficiency fixtures
- Collect, stores, and use gray water

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### WEp1/C2 - Indoor Plumbing Fixture and Fitting Efficiency



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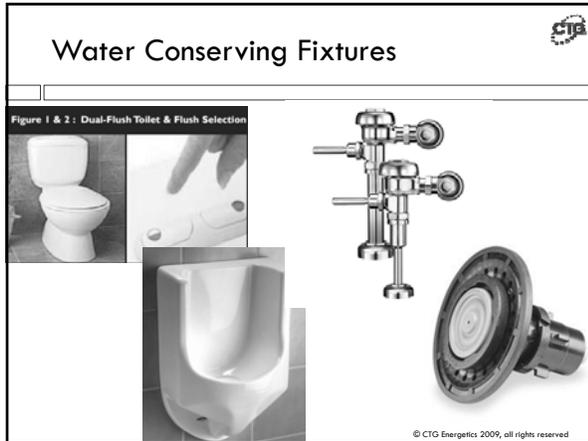
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### Sample Project Calculations - Modified

**Table 4.2: Flush Fixture Data**

Enter flush fixture data for each fixture group defined in Table 4.1.

Fixture Group	Fixture ID (Optional)	Fixture Family	Fixture Type	Daily Uses	Baseline Flush Rate (GPF)	Installed Flush Rate (GPF)	Annual Water Consumption, kGal	
							IPC/UPC Baseline	Performance Case
Floors 1-2		Water Closet	Older WC fixtures modified	200	1.6 GPF	3 GPF	83.2 kGal	156 kGal
Floors 3-10		Water Closet	IPC/UPC Equivalent Water Closet	1,800	1.6 GPF	1.6 GPF	748.8 kGal	748.8 kGal
Floors 1-2		Urinal	Older Urinal modified	100	1 GPF	0.8 GPF	26 kGal	20.8 kGal
Floors 3-10		Urinal	Newer Urinal Modified	900	1 GPF	0.5 GPF	234 kGal	117 kGal
							Flush IPC/UPC Baseline kGal/yr	1,092
							Flush Calculated Water Consumption kGal/yr	1,042.6

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### Sample Project Calculations - Modified

Fixture Group	Fixture ID (Optional)	Fixture Family	Fixture Type	Daily Uses	Duration (seconds)	Baseline Flow Rate (GPM)	Installed Flow Rate (GPM)	Annual Water Consumption, kGal	
								IPC/UPC Baseline	Performance Case
Floors 1-2		Public Lavatory Fa	IPC/UPC Equivalent Lavatory	300	15 sec	0.5 GPM	0.5 GPM	9.75 kGal	9.75 kGal
Floors 3-10		Public Lavatory Fa	IPC/UPC Equivalent Lavatory	2,700	12 sec	0.5 GPM	0.5 GPM	70.2 kGal	70.2 kGal
Floors 1-2		Kitchen Sink	IPC/UPC Equivalent Kitchen Sink	100	15 sec	2.2 GPM	2.2 GPM	14.3 kGal	14.3 kGal
Floors 3-10		Kitchen Sink	IPC/UPC Equivalent Kitchen Sink	900	15 sec	2.2 GPM	2.2 GPM	128.7 kGal	128.7 kGal
Floors 1-2		Shower	Low-Flow Shower	10	300 sec	2.5 GPM	1.8 GPM	32.5 kGal	23.4 kGal
							Flow IPC/UPC Baseline kGal/yr	255.45	
							Flow Calculated Water Consumption kGal/yr	246.35	

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**Table 4.4 Summary Statistics**

Number of fixtures installed before 1 January 1993	20
Number of fixtures installed on or after 1 January 1993	80
LEED EB:O&M Performance Baseline Multiplier	128 %
LEED-EB: O&M Baseline Annual Volume [kgal] ( 128 % of IPC/UPC Baseline)	1,724,736
Total Calculated Fixture Water Use Annual Volume, Performance Case [kgal]	1,288.95
<b>Performance Case percent difference from LEED-EB: O&amp;M Baseline Case<sub>1</sub> (used for determining WEC2 compliance)</b>	<b>25.27 %</b>
Number of Building Occupants <sub>2</sub>	1,000
Fixture Water Annual Use [kgal] per Building Occupant	1.28895
Building Square Footage [SF]	200,000 SF
Fixture Water Annual Use [gal] per Building Square Foot	0.00644475

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### Water Savings = Cost Savings

- ❑ C&W at Adobe Towers water management program saved more than \$30k per year and provided a 22% return on investment
- ❑ A commercial office building in Boston replaced existing 3.5 gpf toilets with low-flow 1.6 gpf toilets
  - ❑ Reduced water use by 15%
  - ❑ Initial cost of \$32,000
  - ❑ Estimated annual savings of \$22,800 and 1.4 year payback
- ❑ An office building in Boston installed 30 efficient aerators
  - ❑ Reduced water use by 190,000 gallons per year
  - ❑ Initial cost \$300
  - ❑ Estimated savings of \$1,250 per year with a simple 2 month payback

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### WEc1.1 and 1.2

### Water Performance Measurement

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WHAT YOU CANNOT  
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**WEc1.1-2 – Water Performance Measurement** 

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**Intent:** Measure building and subsystem water performance over time to understand consumption patterns and identify opportunities for additional water savings



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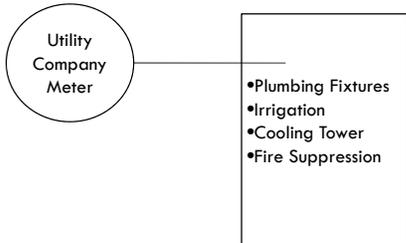
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**Water Metering Diagram - A** 

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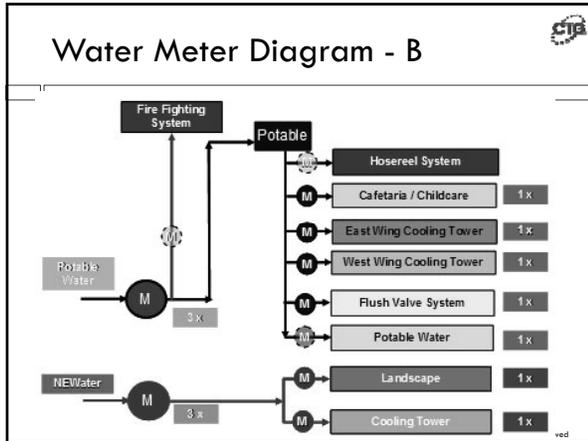
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### WE c1.1 - Water Performance Measurement

**Requirements**

WEc1.1 (1 point) Metering: install permanent water meters measuring potable water use

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### WEc1.2 – Water Performance Measurement

**Requirements**

WEc1.2 (1 point) Submetering: fulfill WEc1.1 and have permanent meter for one more water system

- Irrigation
- Indoor Plumbing Fixtures
- Cooling Towers
- Domestic Hot Water
- Other Process

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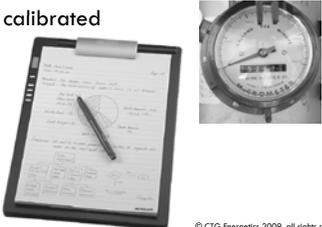
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**WEc1.1-2 – Water Performance Measurement** 

- Metering must be continuous
- Logged weekly
- Calculated/assessed monthly and annually
- Meters must be calibrated



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**WEc1.1-2 – Water Performance Measurement** 



- Approach and Implementation**
  - Install permanent water meters
  - Install submeters for high-water-use applications
  - Continually compile and assess data
  - Understand the building's history
  - Keep meters well-calibrated
- Referenced Standard-** none



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**WEc3**

**Water Efficient Landscaping**

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**WEc3 – Water-Efficient Landscaping** 

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**Intent**

- Limit or eliminate the use of potable water or other natural surface or subsurface resources on or near the project site for landscape irrigation



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**WEc3 – Water-Efficient Landscaping** 

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- Requirements to be considered
  - 5% or more of Building Site Area
    - Building footprint
    - Hardscape
    - Parking footprint
  - Include
    - Planters
    - Garden areas
    - Green roofs



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**WEc3 – Water-Efficient Landscaping** 

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- WEc3.1 – 3.5
  - Percentage above the baseline
    - 50% = 1 point
    - 62.5% = 2 points
    - 75% = 3 points
    - 87.5% = 4 points
    - 100% = 5 points
  - Exemplary Performance - Not an option

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**WEc3- Water Efficient Landscaping** 

- Strategies
  - Landscaping choices
  - Efficient irrigation policies and practices
  - Advanced and high-efficiency irrigation systems
  - Non-potable water use
  - Performance tools




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**WEc3- Water Efficient Landscaping** 

- Strategies
  - Landscaping choices
  - Efficient irrigation policies and practices
  - Advanced and high-efficiency irrigation systems
  - Non-potable water use
  - Performance tools




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**WEc3 – Water-Efficient Landscaping** 



**Requirements**

- Option A: Step 1-Establish baseline. Step 2-Establish metered irrigation water use. Step 3- Calculate percentage reduction
- **Option B: Step 1-Create installed case. Step 2-Create baseline case. Step 3-Calculate percentage reduction in total irrigation water use AND percentage reduction of potable water use for irrigation**
- Option C: metrics from independent tools require conversion to percentage reduction

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## Landscape Factors CTG

**Table 1. Landscape Factors**

Vegetation type	Species Factor (k <sub>s</sub> )			Density Factor (k <sub>d</sub> )			Microclimate Factor (k <sub>m</sub> )		
	Low	Average	High	Low	Average	High	Low	Average	High
Trees	0.2	0.5	0.9	0.5	1.0	1.3	0.5	1.0	1.4
Shrubs	0.2	0.5	0.7	0.5	1.0	1.1	0.5	1.0	1.3
Groundcover	0.2	0.5	0.7	0.5	1.0	1.1	0.5	1.0	1.2
Mixed trees, shrubs, groundcover	0.2	0.5	0.9	0.6	1.1	1.3	0.5	1.0	1.4
Turf grass	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.6	1.0	1.0	0.8	1.0	1.2

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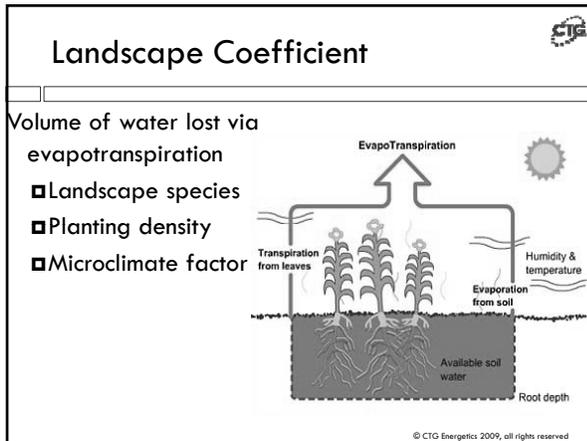
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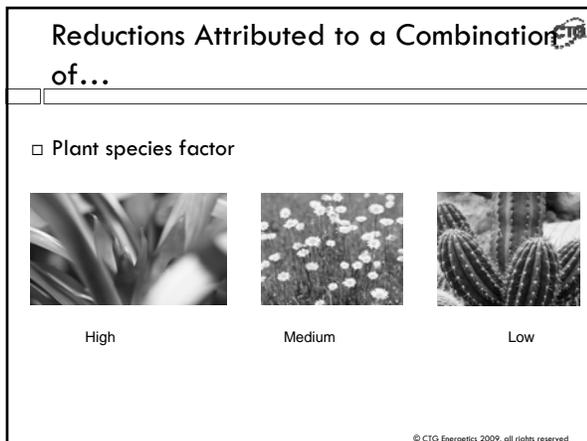
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Reductions Attributed to a Combination of....

Plant density factor



High Low

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Reductions Attributed to a Combination of....

Microclimate factor



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Reductions Attributed to a Combination of....

Irrigation efficiency



High Low

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### Reductions Attributed to a Combination of....



Captured rainwater



Recycled wastewater



Utility provided non-potable

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### Baseline Sample

Landscape Type	Area [sf]	Species Factor (k <sub>s</sub> )	Density Factor (k <sub>d</sub> )	Microclimate Factor (k <sub>m</sub> )	KL	ETL	IE	TPWA [gal]
Shrubs	1,200	Avg 0.5	Avg 1.0	High 1.3	0.7	5.28	Sprinkler	10,134
Turfgrass	4,800	Avg 0.7	Avg 1.0	High 1.2	0.8	6.82	Sprinkler	52,384
<b>Net GPWA [gal]</b>								<b>62,518</b>

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### Design Sample

Landscape Type	Area [sf]	Species Factor (k <sub>s</sub> )	Density Factor (k <sub>d</sub> )	Microclimate Factor (k <sub>m</sub> )	KL	ETL	IE	TPWA [gal]
Shrubs	1,200	Low 0.2	Avg 1.0	High 1.3	0.3	2.11	Drip	2,815
Mixed	3,900	Low 0.2	Avg 1.1	High 1.4	0.3	2.50	Drip	10,837
Turfgrass	900	Avg 0.7	Avg 1.0	High 1.2	0.8	6.82	Sprinkler	9,822
<b>Subtotal [gal]</b>								<b>23,474</b>
July Rainwater and Graywater Harvest [gal]								(4,200)
<b>Net GPWA [gal]</b>								<b>19,274</b>

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**WEc4.1 and WEc4.2**

**Cooling Tower Water Management**

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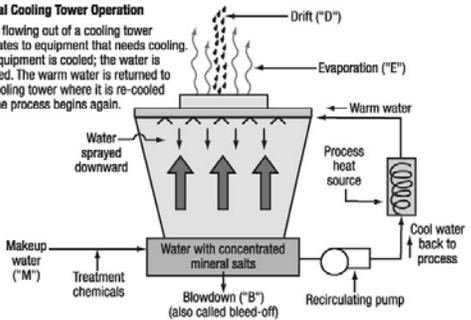
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**WEc4.1-4.2 – Cooling Tower Water Management**

**Typical Cooling Tower Operation**  
Water flowing out of a cooling tower circulates to equipment that needs cooling. The equipment is cooled; the water is warmed. The warm water is returned to the cooling tower where it is re-cooled and the process begins again.



The diagram illustrates the cooling tower cycle. At the top, water is sprayed downward. As it falls, some water evaporates (E) and some is lost as drift (D). The remaining water is collected in a basin at the bottom, which contains concentrated mineral salts. A recirculating pump moves this water to a process heat source (a coil). The water is cooled and returns to the tower. Blowdown (B), also called bleed-off, is removed from the basin. Makeup water (M) and treatment chemicals are added to the basin to maintain water levels and quality.

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**WEc4.1-4.2 – Cooling Tower Water Management**

- Use 3 /per minute / per ton of refrigeration
- Average facility uses 500 tons of cooling
- 1,500 gallons of water per minute

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**WEc4.1-4.2 – Cooling Tower Water Management** 

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**Intent**

- Reduce potable water consumption for cooling tower equipment through effective water management and/or use of non-potable/ makeup water



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**WEc4.1-4.2 – Cooling Tower Water Management** 

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**Requirements-**

- WEc4.1- Chemical Management Plan- address chemical treatment, bleed-off, biological control, staff training; and improve water efficiency

**Points-1- Exemplary Performance - NOT Eligible**

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**WEc4.1-4.2 – Cooling Tower Water Management** 

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**Requirements-**

- WEc4.2- Non potable water source use- use makeup water of at least 50% non potable water to supplement potable water; have a measurement program in place to verify makeup water

**Points- 1; Exemplary Performance Eligible (95%)**

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**WEc4.1-4.2 – Cooling Tower Water Management** 

- Develop a cooling tower plan
- Install conductivity meters
- Use make-up water that consists of non-potable water



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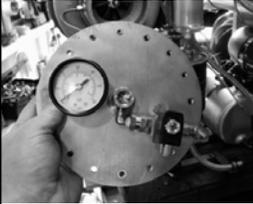
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**Sample in Massachusetts** 



- Re-adjust setpoint on bleed-off controller
- Increase concentration ration from 4 to 12
- Saving 600,000 gallons per year
- Cost savings = \$3,900/year

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**WEc4.1-4.2 – Cooling Tower Water Management** 

**Documentation Guidance-**

- **WEc4.1:** provide number of operating cooling towers; provide water management plan for all towers; provide design plan, photos, documentation for each cooling tower; provide narrative of conductivity meter, automatic controls, and set points for each cooling tower

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**WEc4.1-4.2 – Cooling Tower Water Management** 

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**Documentation Guidance-**

- **WEc4.2:** provide narrative of all non potable/makeup water, delivery system, and volume, **AND**
- Option 1: (streamlined) verify that 50% of makeup water in performance period came from non potable/non natural sources
- Option 2: provide metered data for each water supply demonstrating that 50% of makeup water used during performance period was from non potable/non natural sources

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**Reading – June 23** 

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Session Four	Topic	Required Reading
June 23, 2009 – Tuesday 8:00 – 11:00 AM	Materials - Purchasing	LEED EB O&M Reference Guide – Materials & Resources;
	Materials - Waste Management	
	Indoor Environmental Quality	LEED EB O&M Reference Guide – Indoor Environmental Quality;

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**Questions**

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