# DECEMBER 2013 HI-R LOW-E WINDOW RETROFIT SYSTEM

### **OPPORTUNITY**

How much energy is lost through inefficient windows in commercial buildings?

# 23<sup>%</sup>ENERGY

USED TO HEAT & COOL BUILDINGS IS LOST THROUGH INEFFICIENT WINDOWS<sup>1</sup>



**PRE-MANUFACTURED** 

SIMPLIFYING INSTALLATION

LIKE STORM WINDOWS:

## TECHNOLOGY

How do Window Panel Retrofits save energy?

# IMPROVE THERMAL PERFORMANCE

WITH LOW-E WINDOW PANELS

#### M&V

Where did Measurement and Verification occur?

**LAWRENCE BERKELEY NATIONAL LABORATORY** assessed the impact of Hi-R Low-e window panel retrofits provided by Serious Energy in a Provo, Utah federal office building.

## RESULTS

How did Window Panel Retrofits perform in M&V?

# **41%** HEATING SAVINGS IN WINTER<sup>2</sup>

ESTIMATED SAVINGS FOR ENTIRE BUILDING HEATING AND COOLING: 11%<sup>3</sup> **OUICK** INSTALLATION<sup>4</sup> IMPROVED VISUAL AND THERMAL COMFORT<sup>5</sup>

# **YEARS**PAYBACK FOR TRIPLE-PANE; DOUBLE-PANE WILL BE SHORTER<sup>6</sup>

# Savings Diminish with Triple-Pane Hi-R Window Panel Retrofit

COMFEN results compared to base configuration of single pane with bronze film

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#### DEPLOYMENT

Where does M&V recommend deploying Window Panel Retrofits?

# **BUILDINGS IN COLD CLIMATES**

#### WITH SINGLE-PANE WINDOWS

Double-pane retrofits recommended, as triple-pane offers diminishing returns Site-specific evaluation is critical

<sup>1</sup>Highly Insulating Window Panel Attachment Retrofit. Charlie Curcija, Howdy Goudey, Robin Mitchell, Erin Dickerhoff (LBNL), December 2013, p.3 <sup>2</sup>Ibid, p.26 <sup>3</sup>Ibid, p.39 <sup>4</sup>Ibid, p.7 <sup>5</sup>Ibid, p.26,35 <sup>6</sup>Ibid, p.2



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