Pathways to Net Zero Outcomes

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Number of ZNE Projects-2016

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NBI Featured Project

Bullitt Foundation Cascadia

Center

Building Type(s): • Office

Project Scope:

Gross Area: 51,990 ft

Completion Date: Apr 2013

Learn more about this project



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ZNE and Ultra-Low Buildings are Possible in Many Building Types Across the US



Small-Med Commercial Offices



K-12 Schools



Large Office Facilities



Environmental Centers



Higher Education Institutions



Government Offices



40 States with ZNE Buildings





Building Size



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Ownership Туре



Existing Building Renovation





Net Zero Spec Office



Code and Policy Goals



IBEW Local 595 Training Center, CA

Aggressive Code/Performance Goals are Widely Adopted

- 2030 Challenge
- 2030 Commitment
- CA Big Bold Goals
- Carbon Neutral Cities Alliance/Urban Sustainable Directors Network
- Federal, State, and City Jurisdictions
- Paris Accord
- GSA

Standard 90.1 Stringency Trend



Technical Progress by Component



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Regulated vs. Unregulated Loads (conceptual relationship as codes evolve)



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Energy End Use by Building Type (new buildings in the Pacific Northwest)



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Weighted End Use Energy (across building types)





Pumping

- Hot Water
- Cooling
- Bad Operation
- Ventilation
- Lights
- Other
- Heating
- Equipment

Data from the Pacific Northwest

Code Progression



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OPTIMIZING project costs and PV





Increasing Efficiency

Net Zero Cost vs. Performance



OPTIMIZING project costs and PV



nbi new buildings institute Increasing Efficiency







Design vs Operation



Components of energy outcomes



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Outcome Project Examples

- Edith Green Wendell Wyatt Federal Building; Portland -SERA
- George Deukmejian Courthouse, Long Beach – AECOM/Clark
- Federal Center South; Seattle -ZGF





Building Energy Disclosure



City of Seattle: Outcome Code Pathway

Demonstrate EUI of 40 or less within 3 years of building completion

City of Vancouver, BC: Annual Thermal Energy Demand Intensity (TEDI)

Envelope/Infiltration-driven heating load limits (Similar to Passive House)



IGCC Language

• Section 612, Outcome-Based Pathway Requirements

612.1 Outcome-based requirements. Compliance for buildings and their sites to be designed on an outcome basis shall be determined by actual measurement of all energy being used once the building and the energy using elements associated with the building site are in full operation...

...Buildings and building sites complying with this section shall also comply with the IECC. Compliance shall be based on a determination of actual energy use in accordance with this section.

'Post-Occupancy Verification Permit'

Portfolio Evaluation



City Portfolio Approach

- Portfolio Benchmarking
- City Engagement
- Analysis and Prioritization
- SEMP
- Integration in City Policy
- Tool for On-Going Performance Tracking and Management
- Project Financing Plan
- Implement Upgrades



Building Life-Cycle Opportunities







Properties

FirstView[®]

An honest look at building performance





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Simple Inputs for Deep Insight

- Inputs:
 - 1 year of monthly utility bills
 - All fuels electric, gas, other
 - Basic Building Info:
 - Location
 - Building size
 - Building type

- Automatic disaggregation of end uses into:
 - Heating
 - Cooling
 - Thermal baseload (gas/steam)
 - Electric baseload



Energy Signature Diagnostics

FirstView automates diagnostics based on specific patterns in the energy signature.

| Diagnostic Category | Observation |
|---|-------------|
| Occupant Load | Low |
| Heating Impact of Shell and Ventilation | Typical |
| Cooling Efficiency | Good |
| Control Inefficiencies | Moderate |
| Reheat | None |
| Gas Baseload | High |









Portfolio Diagnostics: Prioritization

| Building # | Areas to Investigate |
|------------|---|
| XXXXX | Heating Equipment & Controls, Ventilation Rates & Schedules, Infiltration |
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| XXXXX | Domestic Hot Water Setpoint & Recirculation, Steam Reheat, Steam Traps |
| ххххх | Domestic Hot Water Setpoint & Recirculation, Gas Reheat, Gas Process Load |
| XXXXX | Plug Loads, Lighting Power Density, Lighting Controls, 24 Hour Fan Operation |



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Comparing Building Performance at the Leading Edge



Comparative Scores Milestones 100 100 CBECS 2003 Average* 90 80 75 ASHRAE 90,1-2004 72 ASHRAE 90.1-2007 70 60 58 ASHRAE 90,1-2010 54 ASHRAE 90,1-2013 52 Title 24-2013 50 51 Energy NECHPS -47 IECC-2015 Prerequisite 40 2030 Challenge (2015) 30 20 2030 Challenge (2020) 10 2030 Challenge (2025) 0 2030 Challenge (2030) nbi new buildings NET ZERO © 2015, New Buildings Institute

Some Opportunities

- Market uptake on ZNE is broadening
- Cities are leading on energy/climate policy
- Codes are moving aggressively, but are running out of scope
- Operations and occupancy are major opportunity areas for energy performance
- Building performance data is influencing performance outcomes
- Energy Performance Outcome policies (outcome-based codes) are starting to get traction conceptually



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