#### Efficiency Options for Existing Facilities

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# Types of Measures

#### Energy

- Lighting
- Heating/cooling
- Hot water
- Envelope (e.g., windows, insulation)
- Controls
- Appliances
- Renewable technologies

#### ► Water

- Indoor (e.g., toilets)
- Outdoor (e.g., irrigation)
- Laundry
- Reclaimed water
- Gray water
- Rain water harvesting

# Types of Measures

#### Site Sustainability

- Reduced heat islands
- Storm water management
- Erosion control

#### Indoor Environment

- Ventilation effectiveness
- Insect management
- Cleaning supply use and management

- Resource Efficiency
  - Recycled content
  - Rapidly renewable materials
  - Recycling programs
- Transportation
  - Hybrids
  - Biofuels
  - Teleconferences
  - Flexible work options

Seek to reduce climate change through energy efficiency, operations, and maintenance improvements

- High efficiency heating / cooling equipment and systems
  - Condensing furnaces and boilers
  - High SEER air conditioners
  - Improved controls
  - Improved ventilation designs
  - Improved duct and distribution system designs

#### Hot water systems

- Reduced hot water usage through equipment, fixtures, and controls
- Higher efficiency equipment
  - Condensing hot water heaters
  - Combined heat and hot water
  - Cogeneration
  - Tankless or demand systems
  - Geothermal preheating systems
- Improved controls

#### Envelope systems

Increased insulation levels – walls, ceilings, roofs, foundations (crawlspaces, basements)

- Improved windows and selective coatings
  - Also, passive solar and day lighting designs
- Improved air and duct sealing
- Cool roofing (low emissivity) and vegitative (green) roof options
- Radiant barriers for attics

Lighting and appliances

High efficacy lighting, controls, and sensors

CFL, induction, LED

Occupancy and daylight controls and timers

#### Refrigerators, dish washers, ceiling fans, exhaust fans

Laundry equipment – high efficiency vertical axis and horizontal axis machines

Renewable systems
 Photovoltaic panels
 Solar hot water systems
 Wind energy systems
 Cogeneration systems with absorption cooling and hot water
 Geothermal systems

#### Benchmarking

Track and compare usage across buildings

#### Building commissioning

- Verify retrofits are designed, installed, functionally tested, operated and maintained to meet an established design intent
- Measurement & Verification
  - Verify performance of installed retrofits

## Water Efficiency

Reduce potable water usage, reducing the energy & environmental impact for pumping and treatment

High efficiency products

Low flow commodes and urinals

Low flow shower heads and aerators

Laundry equipment

- Central versus individual systems
- High efficiency front and top load equipment

## Water Efficiency

- Exterior Water Use Reductions
  - Water efficient landscaping
    - Efficient designs, better plant selection, limited or efficient irrigation and controls
  - Reuse systems
    - Rain and storm water recovery systems
    - Gray water recovery systems
    - Treated waste water

## Site Sustainability

Seek to reduce the environmental impact of development

#### Redevelopment of existing sites

- Reduce erosion through Low Impact development practices
- Reduce heat islands
- Improve land use practices

### Materials & Resource Efficiency

Reduced environmental impact through selection of engineered, long lived, rapidly renewable materials

- Reuse of materials
- Locally & regionally manufactured, harvested, or assembled products
- Engineered materials and optimum value engineering
- Recycled content materials
- Long lived materials
- Rapidly renewable and certified materials

### Improved Indoor Environment

Reducing the environmental impact on the local or micro environment

- Low emitting materials, adhesives, and paints
- Improved and more effective ventilation systems

 Meet minimum code requirements, ASHRAE 55, and ASHRAE 62 indoor air standards; improve control
 Healthy design practices

### Fleets / Transportation / Purchasing

#### Fuel options

- Hybrid vehicles
- Natural gas vehicles
- Electric vehicles
- Bio fuels

Refueling stations
 Natural gas, electric
 Solar charging

### **Operations & Maintenance**

Landscape maintenance
Equipment practices
Office operations
Building operation
Flexible work options
Home offices
Teleconferences

### **Evaluating Efficiency Options**

Inspect / analyze representative properties
 Identify sustainability upgrade options

 Energy / renewable technologies
 Water efficient technologies
 Site opportunities
 Material alternatives
 Indoor environment improvements

### Develop a Energy/Sustainability Plan

Develop a top level planning document that directs policy downward
 Assess buildings on a sampling basis
 Set goals, strategies and actions
 Cascade to policies
 Light green / dark green

### Planning

- Options depends on the age, condition, and use of buildings
  - Substantial rehabilitation More options since often gutted to the frame
  - Light rehab Interior finishes and certain mechanical systems at the end of life
  - Operations/Maintenance Replacement parts and systems

### Assessments

#### Three grades of audit

- Walkthrough
  - Performed quickly to get a quick list of measures and range of savings and costs
- Engineering audit
  - A more detailed analysis of all measures supported with utility bill analysis. Utilizes capital plans and needs
- Calibrated or Investment grade audit
  - A rigorous analysis of specific measures, costs, and savings supported with measured data

#### Assessments

- What audits offer
  - Benchmark and trend performance across buildings
  - Identify retrofits that generate significant utility savings

 Develop recommendation for operation, maintenance, and control of building systems
 Calculate anticipated savings

#### Comments/Questions:

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