## **EMPIRE STATE BUILDING CASE STUDY**

Cost-Effective Greenhouse Gas Reductions via Whole-Building Retrofits: *Process, Outcomes, and What is Needed Next* 













## **OVERARCHING MESSAGE**

There is a compelling need as well as an economic case for reducing greenhouse gas emissions in existing buildings. The Empire State Building case study provides an example of how this can be done. However, significant challenges remain that must be addressed in order to quickly and cost-effectively capture the full greenhouse gas reduction opportunity for building retrofits on a widespread basis.

## PRESENTATION OVERVIEW

- **Motivation**: The retrofit of the Empire State Building was motivated by the owners desire to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, to demonstrate how to retrofit large commercial buildings cost effectively, and to demonstrate that such work makes good business sense.
- **II.** Project Development Process: Using ESB as a convening point, a collaborative team was formed to develop the optimal retrofit solution through an iterative process that involved experience, energy and financial modeling, ratings, metrics, and robust debate.
- **III. Key Findings**: At current energy costs, ESB can cost-effectively reduce energy use by 38% and save (a minimum of) 105,000 metric tons of CO2 over the next 15 years.
- **IV.** <u>Implementation</u>: Three different stakeholders will implement the 8 savings measures over a 5-year period using various implementation mechanisms.
- V. <u>Key Lessons</u>: Key lessons relate to strategies to maximize cost-effective savings, balancing CO2 savings with economics, and streamlining the project development process.
- VI. <u>Industry Needs</u>: Challenges in each stage of the retrofit process are hindering the achievement of long-term goals.

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- 2) Create a replicable model for whole-building retrofits.
- 3) Reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

1) Prove or disprove the economic viability of whole-building energy efficiency retrofits.

Prior to 2008, the Empire State Building's performance was average compared to most U.S. office buildings.



#### Annual utility costs:

• \$11 million (\$4/sq. ft.)

#### Annual CO2 emissions:

25,000 metric tons (22 lbs/sq. ft.)

#### Annual energy use:

88 kBtu/sq. ft.

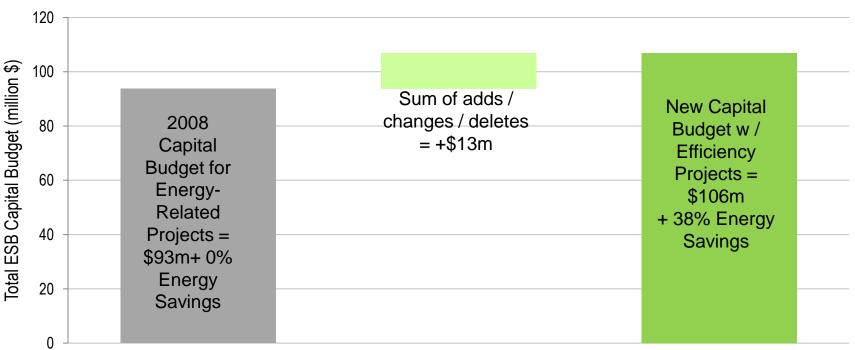
#### Peak electric demand:

• 9.5 MW (3.8 W/sq. ft. inc. HVAC)

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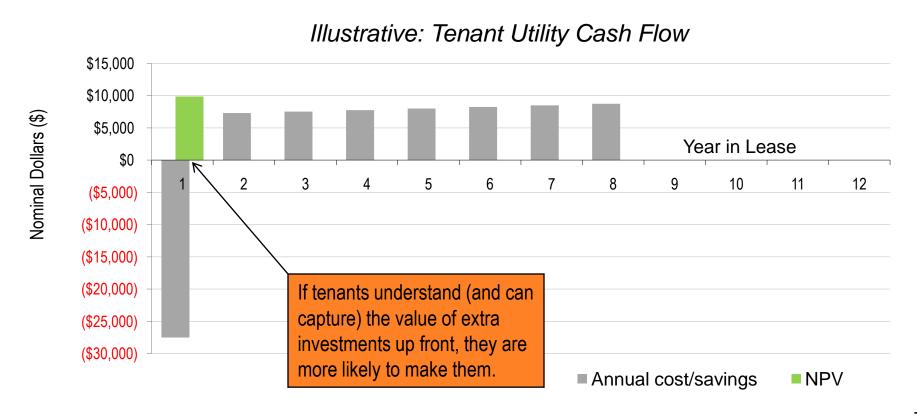
With a \$500 million capital improvement program underway, ownership decided to re-evaluate certain projects with cost-effective energy efficiency and sustainability opportunities in mind.





1) Prove or disprove the economic viability of whole-building energy efficiency retrofits.

Energy efficiency and sustainability provide amenities (lower energy costs, easier carbon reporting, daylighting, etc.) that set the building apart from surrounding tenant space.



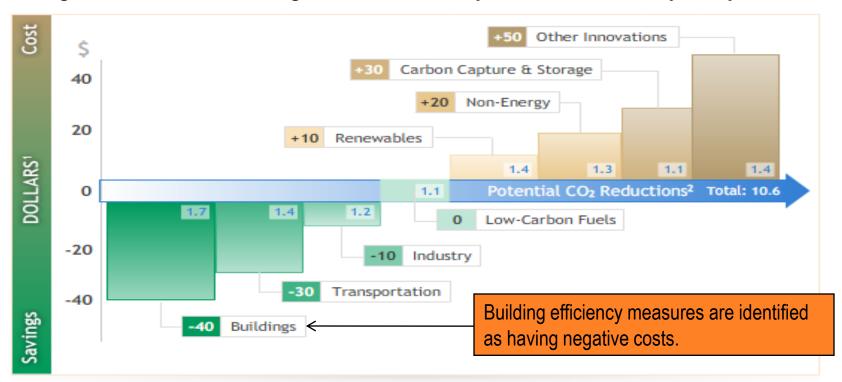
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### 2) Create a replicable model for whole-building retrofits.

There are known opportunities to cost-effectively reduce greenhouse gas emissions, yet few owners are pursuing them.

Cutting U.S. Global Warming Pollution 80% by 2050: Cost & Payoff by Sector



## 2) Create a replicable model for whole-building retrofits.

ESB ownership wants to demonstrate how to cost-effectively retrofit a large multi-tenant office building to inspire others to embark on whole-building retrofits.

## Identify opportunities

- 60+ energy efficiency ideas were narrowed to 8 implementable projects
- Team estimated theoretical minimum energy use
- Developed eQUEST energy model

## Evaluate measures

- · Net present value
- Greenhouse gas savings
- Dollar to metric ton of carbon reduced
- · Calculated for each measure

# Create packages

- · Maximize net present value
- Balance net present value and CO<sub>2</sub> savings
- Maximize CO<sub>2</sub> savings for a zero net present value
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## Model iteratively

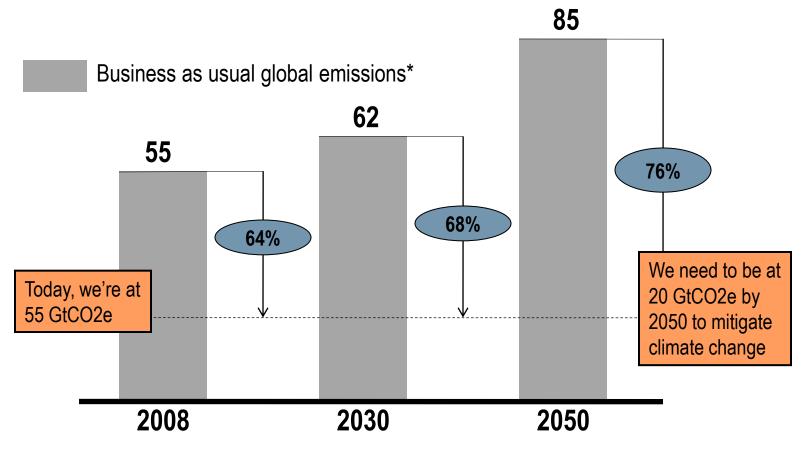
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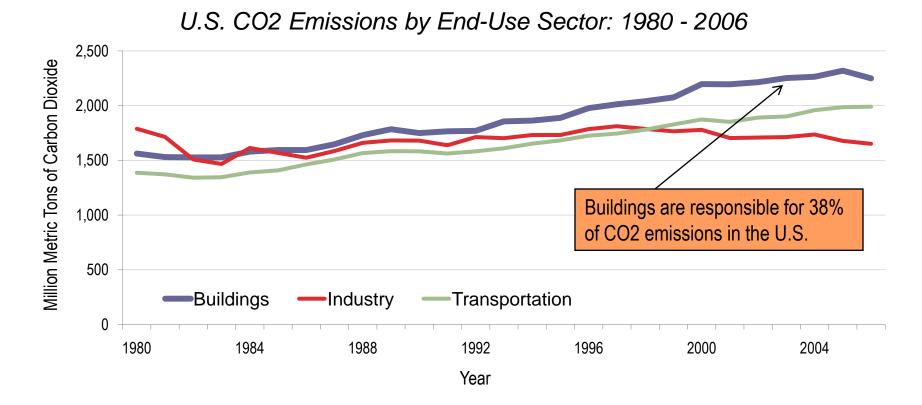
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We need to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 75% by 2050 to stabilize the climate.



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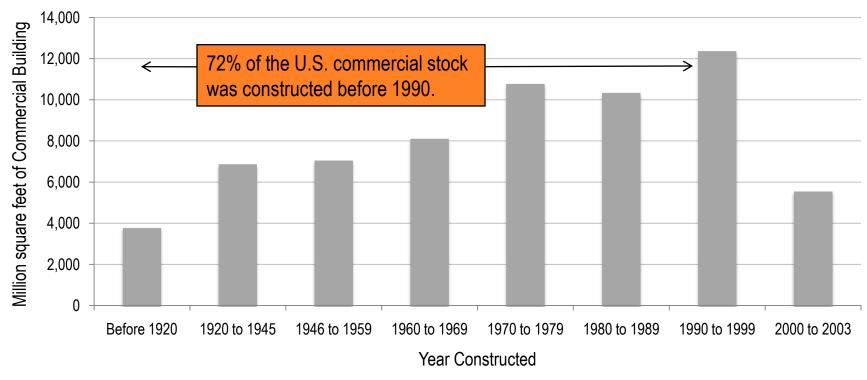
The building sector must be a large part of the solution as it is the largest contributor to U.S. greenhouse gas emissions.



### 3) Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions

Nearly 75% of U.S. commercial buildings are over 20 years old (and thus ready for retrofit). Retrofitting existing buildings must be part of the solution.

U.S. Commercial Building Space by Age



Source: EIA data - Table 12.2: http://www.eia.doe.gov/emeu/aer/envir.html

"The goal with ESB has been to define intelligent choices which will either save money, spend the same money more efficiently, or spend additional sums for which there is reasonable payback through savings. Addressing these investments correctly will create a competitive advantage for ownership through lower costs and better work environment for tenants. Succeeding in these efforts will make a replicable model for others to follow."

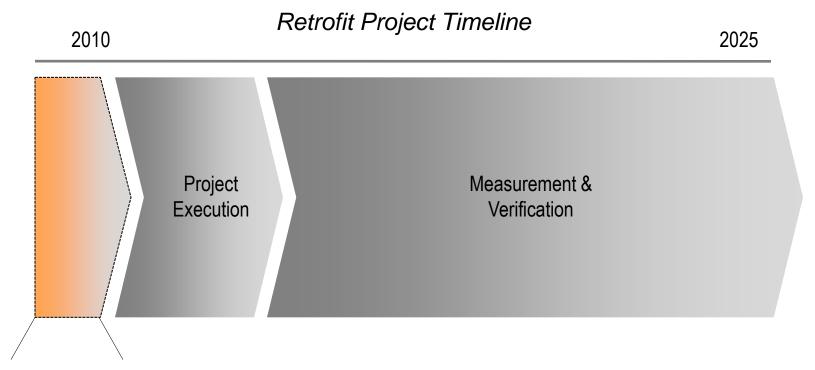
- Anthony E. Malkin

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The project development process, which the team focused on, is the first step towards executing and verifying the success of a retrofit.



Project development is focused on understanding current performance, analyzing opportunities, and determining which projects to implement.

1) Five key groups and contributors used a collaborative and iterative approach.

Core team members for the project development process included the Clinton Climate Initiative (CCI), Johnson Controls Inc. (JCI), Jones Lang LaSalle (JLL), Rocky Mountain Institute (RMI), and the Empire State Building (ESB).

#### Team Organization Chart

#### **Owner**

Empire State
Building Company LLC

#### **Project Advisor**

Clinton Climate Initiative

#### **Project Manager**

Jones Lang LaSalle

#### Operations Reviewer

Empire State
Building Operations

## **Energy Service Company**

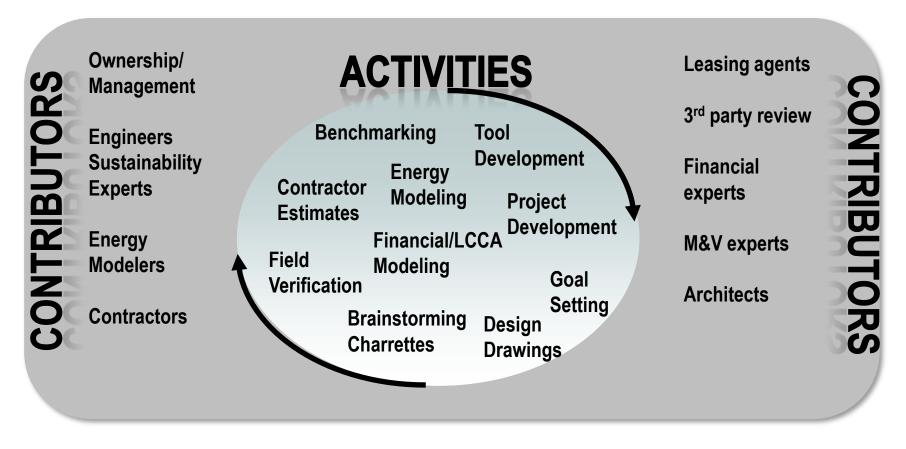
Johnson Controls Inc.

## Design Partner & Peer Reviewer

Rocky Mountain Institute

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Many other contributors, in addition to the core team, provided additional expertise to fully explore all opportunities.



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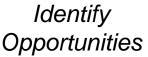
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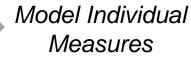
Project activities (audits, workshops, presentations, analyses, reports, etc.) were divided into 4 phases.

Phase I: Inventory & Programming		Phase II: Design Development	Phase III: Design Documentation	Phase IV: Final Documentation
Activities	<ul> <li>April 14<sup>th</sup> kick-off meeting</li> <li>May 7<sup>th</sup>/May 14<sup>th</sup> team workshops</li> <li>June 2<sup>nd</sup> Presentation to Ownership</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>June 18<sup>th</sup> Theoretical Minimum workshop</li> <li>July 2<sup>nd</sup> workshop</li> <li>July 15<sup>th</sup> Presentation to ownership</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>July 30<sup>th</sup> Tenant Focus workshop</li> <li>August 13<sup>th</sup> eQUEST workshop</li> <li>August 27<sup>th</sup> Presentation to Ownership</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> workshop</li> <li>Sept 29<sup>th</sup> Presentation to Ownership</li> <li>October 6-8<sup>th</sup> Finance workshop (Boulder)</li> <li>Nov 10<sup>th</sup> Presentation to Ownership</li> </ul>
Outputs	Baseline Capital Projects Report	• Baseline Energy Benchmark Report	<ul> <li>Tenant Initiatives (prebuilts, design guidelines, energy management) Report</li> <li>Tuned eQUEST model</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Model (eQUEST, financial, GHG) outputs</li> <li>Integrated Sustainability Master Plan Report (inc. Energy Master Plan)</li> </ul>

2) A 4-phase project development process helped guide progress.

Determining the optimal package of retrofit projects involved identifying opportunities, modeling individual measures, and modeling packages of measures.







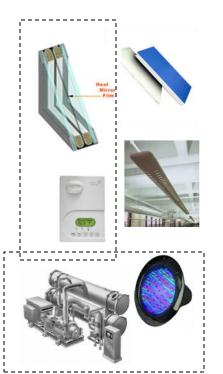
Create Packages of Measures

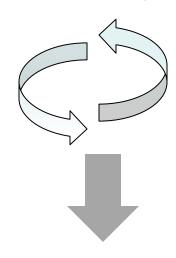


Model Iteratively

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4	Chiller-4	CW Waterside economizer for year round cooling for all zones	
5	Chiller-5	Multiple Tonnage Chiller Sizing	
6	Chiller-6	Best Practice Cooling Tower Sizing and Efficiency Pumping	
7	Chiller-7	Chilled water temperature reset	
8	CHW Pumping -1	Variable Flow CHW Pumping	
9	CW Pumping-1	VFD on CW Pumps, Flow Control	
10	CW Pumping-2	Best Possible Pumping Design - Reduced Pressure Drop and Max Pump E	
11	Heating-1	Heat Recovery from Broadcast Floors	
12	Heating-2	Run Around Glycol loop to preheat OA to observatory	
13		Basecase w/ electric reheat (space heaters)	
14	AHU-1	Install new VFD AHUs	
15	AHU-2	Best Practice AHU (Low dP, Higher Fan Eff)	
16	AHU-3	Underfloor/Displacement Air Distribution	
17	AHU-4	Install Low dP VFD AHUs	
18	AHU-5	Move to Central OA Supply	
19	AHU-6	Core Space Conditioning - Dedicated Unit	
20	AHU-7	Core Space Conditioning - Shared Unit (Cascade)	
21	AHU-8	Nighttime Purge to Precharge Thermal Mass	
22	AHU-9	Natural Ventilation.	
23	AHU-10	Eliminate local AHU and use chilled beams and radiant.	
24	Controls-1	Chiller Plant	
25	Controls-2	Controls - Chiller sequencing	
26	Controls-3	Controls - Optimized Start/Stop	
27	Controls-4	Controls - Variable Primary/Secondary control	
28	Controls-5	Radiator Control	
29	Controls-6	Radiator Control/Window Opening	
30	Controls-7	ESB Local HVAC Equip. (Air cooled chiller, CHW AHUs tied to ACC, DX AI	
	Controls-8	Old AHUs Control (S/S, OA Damper, CHW Valve, Zone Temp	
	Controls-9	New AHUs Control (S/S, OA Damper, CHW Valve, Zone Temp)	
	Controls-10	New VFD AHUs Control (SIS, OA Damper, CHW Valve, Zone Temp, VFD)	
	Controls-11	New VFD AHUs with OA Demand Control	
	Controls-12 DHW-1	Thermal Comfort Space Temperature Control (ASHRAE 55)	
		Electric Instantaneous DHW 19+/LL-18 Heat Recovery	
	Envelope-1	Install Window Film	
38	Envelope-2	Install New Window Glazing Option A	
	Envelope-3	Install New Window - Glazing Option B	
40	Envelope-4	Install Thermally Broken Frames	
	Envelope-5	Provide and install insulated sheet metal barriers behind each radiator.	
	Envelope-6	Provide furring strip insulation on Perimeter Walls	
	Envelope-7	Install Green Roof	
	Envelope-8	Install White Roof	
	Cogen-1	Steam driver back-pressure turbine/Absorption Chiller/DHW/Electric Chille	
40	Cogen-2	Install Fuel Cell/DHW Heat Recovery/Absorption Chiller	



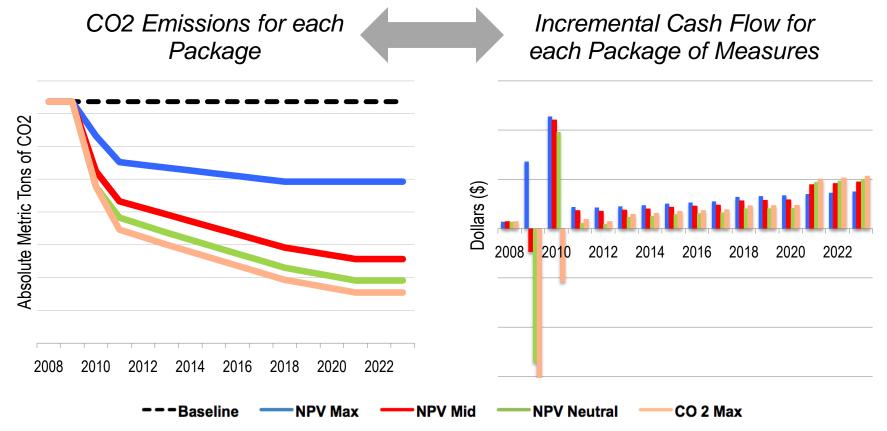




Outcome:
Package of measures with
best economic &
environmental benefits

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Significant time was spent 1) refining energy and financial model inputs to ensure outputs were accurate and 2) understanding the critical relationship between economics and CO2 reductions.



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Industry standard and newly developed design tools, decision-making tools, and rating tools helped to evaluate and benchmark existing and future performance.

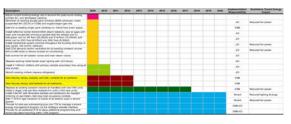




Rating Tools

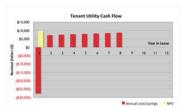












# Quantification of Sustainability Tool\*







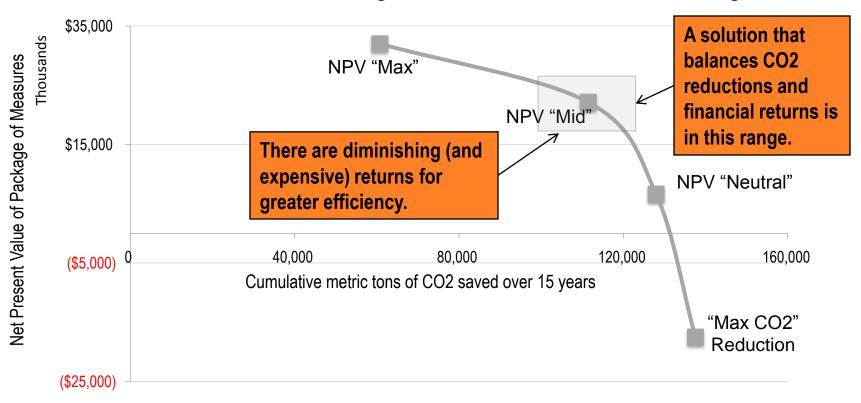
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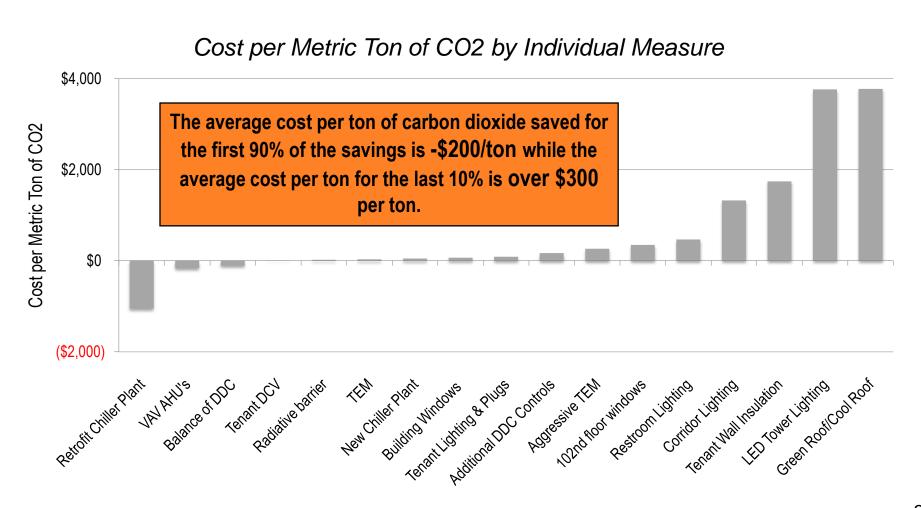
The Empire State Building can achieve a high level of energy and CO2 reduction cost-effectively.

15-Year NPV of Package versus Cumulative CO2 Savings



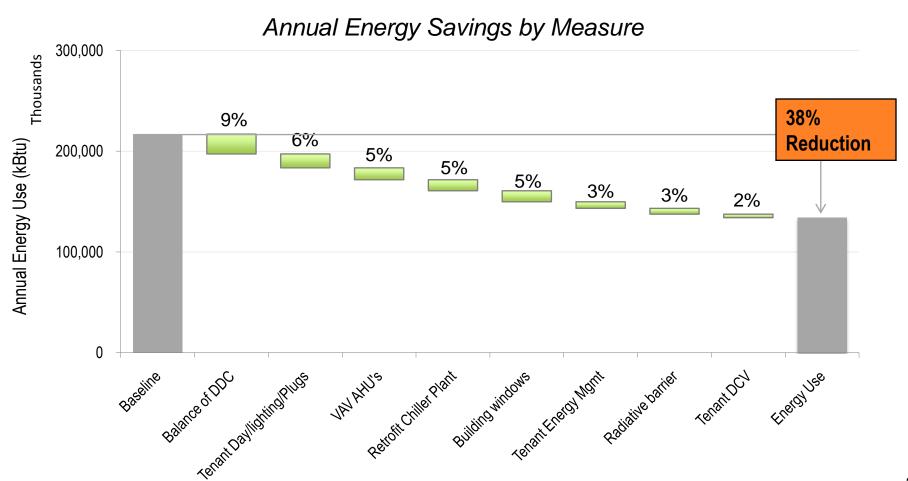
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Achieving an energy reduction greater than 38% appears to be cost-prohibitive.



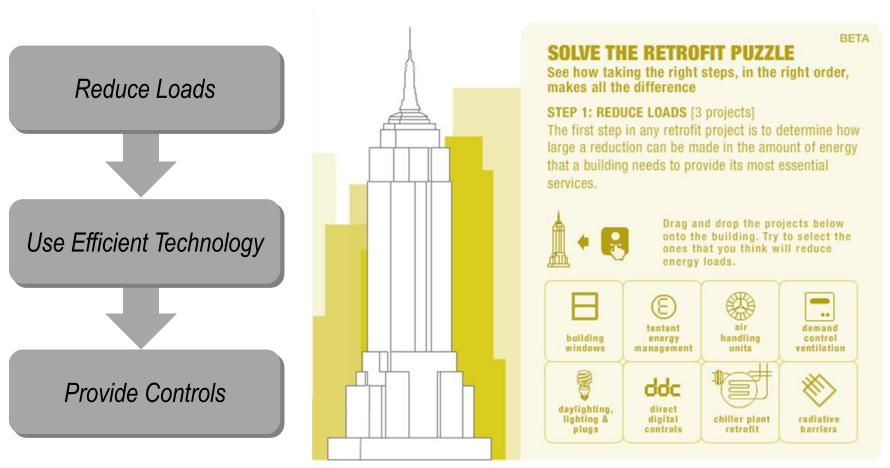
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Energy and CO2 savings in the optimal package result from 8 key projects.



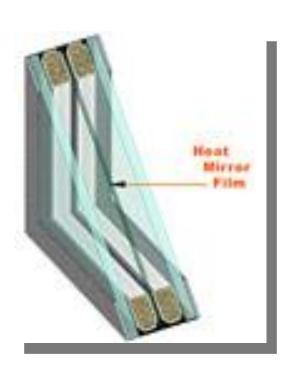
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Taking the right steps in the right order ensures loads are minimized prior to investigating expensive new equipment or controls.



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WINDOWS: Remanufacture existing insulated glass units (IGU) within the Empire State Building's approximately 6,500 double-hung windows to include suspended coated film and gas fill.





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RADIATIVE BARRIER: Install more than six-thousand insulated reflective barriers behind radiator units located on the perimeter of the building.



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TENANT DAYLIGHTING / LIGHTING / PLUGS: This measure involves reducing lighting power density in tenant spaces, installing dimmable ballasts and photosensors for perimeter spaces, and providing occupants with a plug load occupancy sensor for their personal workstation.



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CHILLER PLANT RETROFIT: The chiller plant retrofit project includes the retrofit of four industrial electric chillers in addition to upgrades to controls, variable speed drives, and primary loop bypasses.





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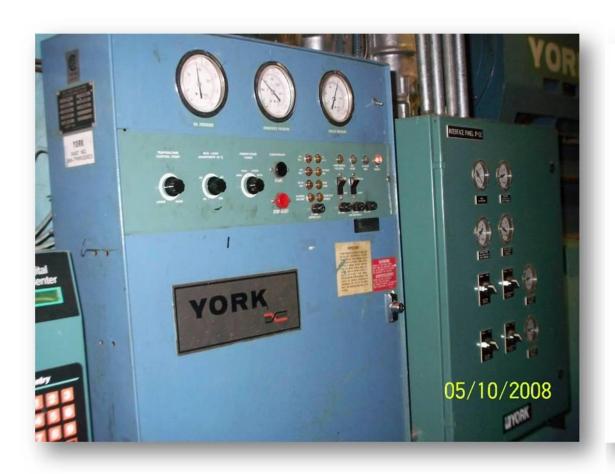
VAV AIR HANDLING UNITS: Replace existing constant volume units with variable air volume units using a new air handling layout (two floor-mounted units per floor instead of four ceiling-hung units).





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DDC CONTROLS: The measure involves upgrading the existing control systems at the Empire State Building.





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DEMAND CONTROL VENTILATION: This project involves the installation of CO2 sensors for control of outside air introduction to chiller water and DX Air Handling Units.



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TENANT ENERGY MANAGEMENT: This project will provide tenants with access to online energy and benchmarking information as well as sustainability tips and updates.



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Though it is more informative to look at financials for the package of measures, capital costs and energy savings were determined for each individual measure.

Project Description	Projected Capital Cost	2008 Capital Budget	Incremental Cost	EstimatedAnnual Energy Savings*
Windows	\$4.5m	\$455k	\$4m	\$410k
Radiative Barrier	\$2.7m	\$0	\$2.7m	\$190k
DDC Controls	\$7.6m	\$2m	\$5.6m	\$741k
Demand Control Vent	Inc. above	\$0	Inc. above	\$117k
Chiller Plant Retrofit	\$5.1m	\$22.4m	-\$17.3m	\$675k
VAV AHUs	\$47.2m	\$44.8m	\$2.4m	\$702k
Tenant Day/Lighting/Plugs	\$24.5m	\$16.1m	\$8.4m	\$941k
Tenant Energy Mgmt.	\$365k	\$0	\$365k	\$396k
Power Generation (optional)	\$15m	\$7.8m	\$7m	\$320k
TOTAL (ex. Power Gen)	\$106.9m	\$93.7m	\$13.2m	\$4.4m

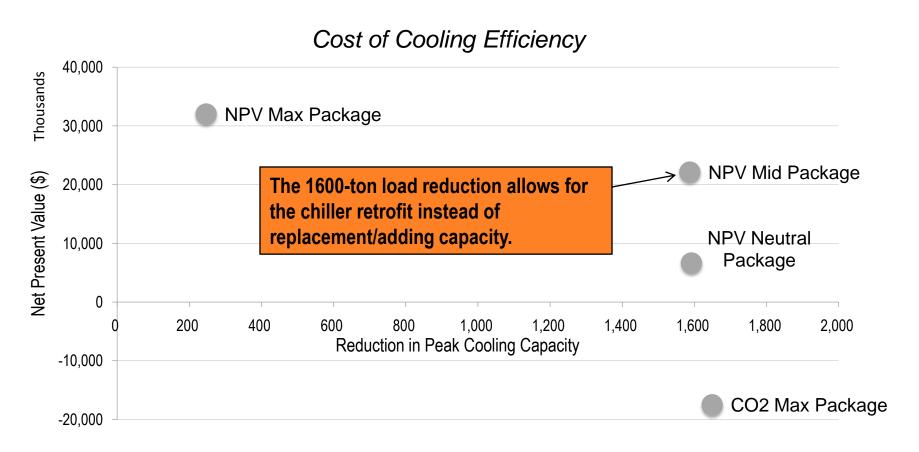
<sup>\*</sup>Note that energy savings are also incremental to the original capital budget.

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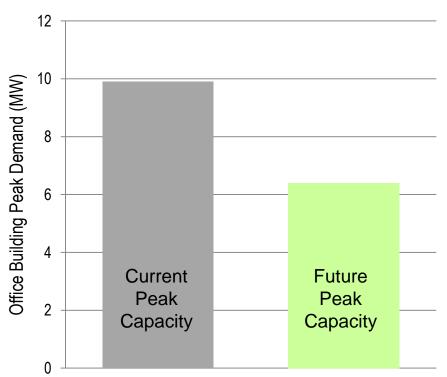
The selected package of measures reduces peak cooling requirements by 33% (1600 tons) enabling immediate and future CapEx avoidance.



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The optimal package of measures also reduces peak electrical demand by 3.5 MW, benefitting both the building and the utility.

#### Office Building Electrical Capacity



# If on-site back-up generation is desired, options include:

- Cogeneration;
- Gas-fired/bio-fuel fired generation;
- Fuel cells;
- · Renewables (PV/wind); and
- Purchasing new capacity from Con Edison

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This package of measures also results in enhanced indoor environmental quality and additional amenities for tenants:

• Better thermal comfort resulting from better windows, radiative barrier, and better controls;

Improved indoor air quality resulting from DCV; and

Better lighting conditions that coordinate

ambient and task lighting.





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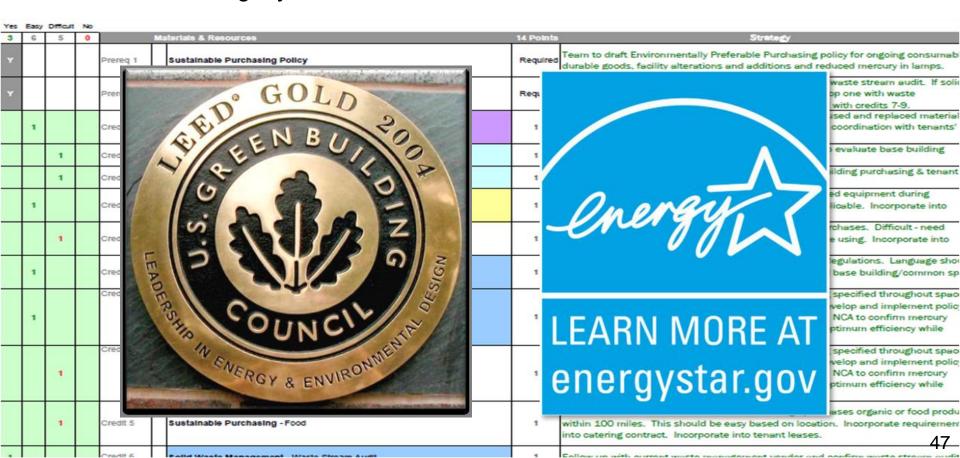
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This recommended package of measures helps to earn 12 LEED EBOM points, an Energy Star score of 90, and a 72% Green Globes score.

Package	Energy Savings*	Energy Star	LEED Points	Green Globes
NPV Max	20%	82	8	64%
NPV Mid	38%	90	12	72%
NPV Neutral	45%	91	13	76%
CO2 Max	48%	92	13	78%

4) Various green certifications can be achieved.

The Empire State Building will be pursuing the Energy Star label as well as Gold certification under the LEED for Existing Buildings: Operation & Maintenance Rating System.

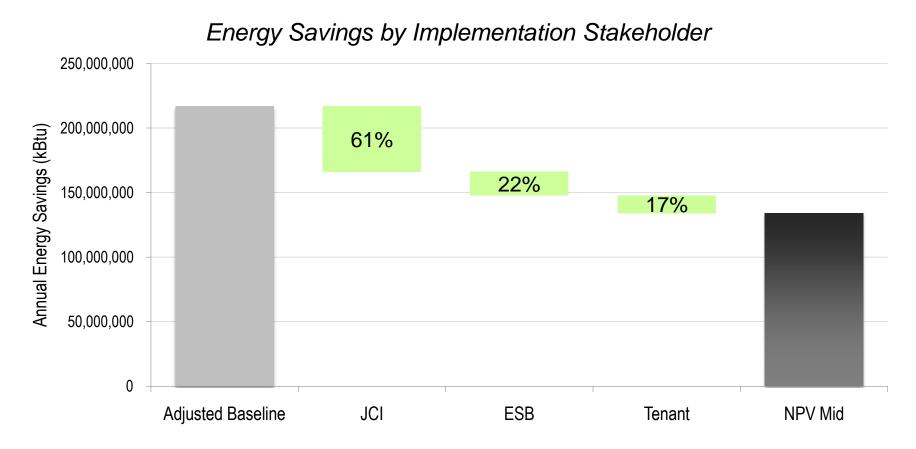


Clear energy targets and responsible parties must be determined for each of the 8 major savings measures to fully maximize the environmental and economic benefits.

- 1) Three stakeholders, with different implementation mechanisms, will deliver the savings.
- The project will be financed out of cash flow, though other financing opportunities are being investigated.
- 3) Work has already started and will be complete by 2013 (55% of the savings will be in place by December 31, 2010).

1) Three stakeholders, with different implementation mechanisms, will deliver the savings.

Johnson Controls, the Empire State Building, and Tenants are each responsible for delivering some of the total savings.



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#### Who implements each project?

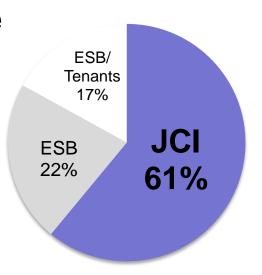
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Johnson Controls Inc will deliver 61% of the total savings using a performance contract mechanism. Five different performance contracts have a total cost of \$20 million and guaranteed savings of ~20% percent.

#### How does the Performance Contract work?

- ESB pays JCI guaranteed maximum price for capital cost of all projects
- 2. ESB accrues energy savings as a result of the retrofit projects ... if savings are too low, JCI pays ESB the difference.
- 3. Savings guarantee term is 15 years



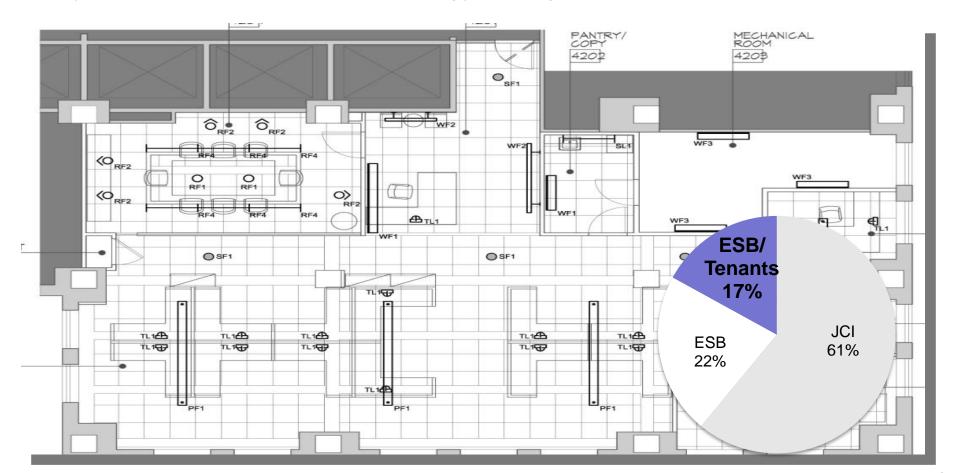
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Empire State Building will deliver 22% of the total available savings as air handling units and pre-built spaces are replaced over the next 4 years.



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ESB is responsible for helping/incentivizing tenants to pay for and achieve nearly 20% of the total available energy savings as spaces turnover.



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The team has identified 3 programs that will help to reduce and manage tenant energy use:

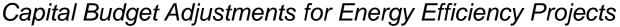
- Tenant pre-built program: The proposed green pre-built design will save \$0.70 \$0.90/sq. ft. in operating costs annually for an additional cost of \$6/sq. ft. and help ESB demonstrate design principles for all tenants to endorse.
- **Tenant design guidelines:** Design guidelines, based on the pre-built program, will provide green ESB standards. Tenants can verify the economic validity of the recommendations by accessing the eQUEST model or tenant financial tool.
- **Tenant energy management program:** ESB will begin sub-metering all tenant spaces and manage a feedback/reporting tool to inform tenants about their energy use. This program will also assist tenants with their own carbon reporting efforts.

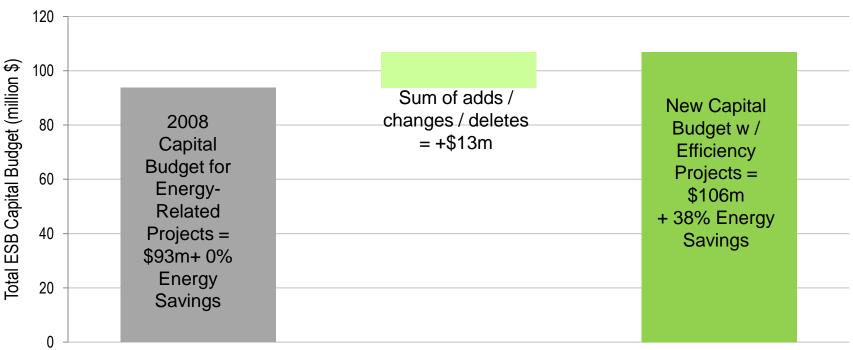
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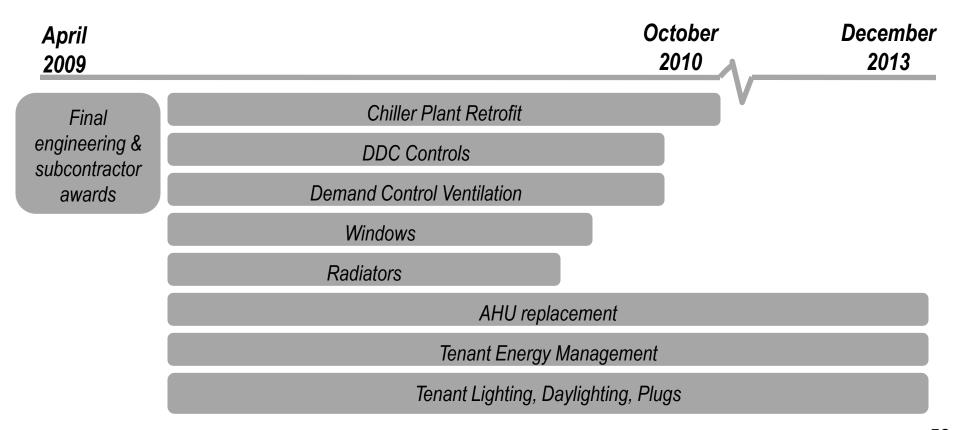


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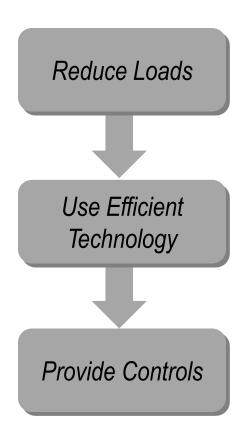


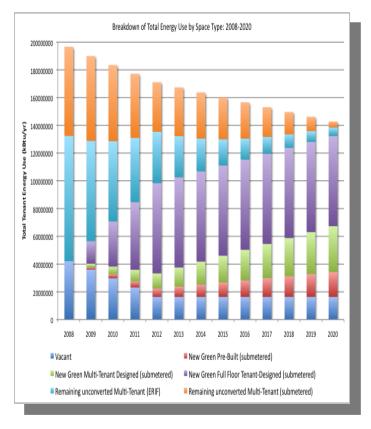
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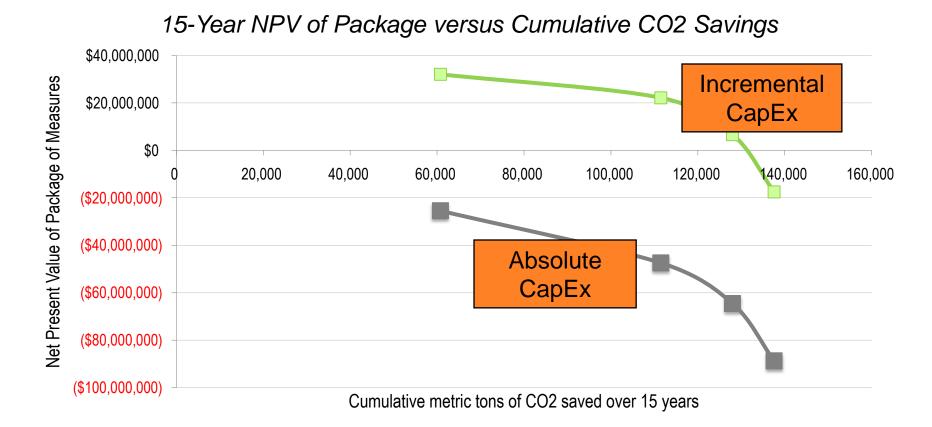
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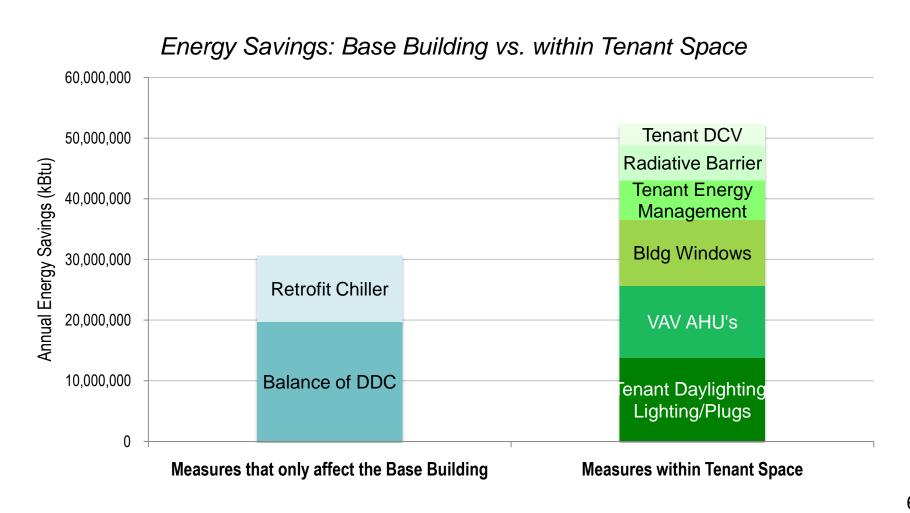




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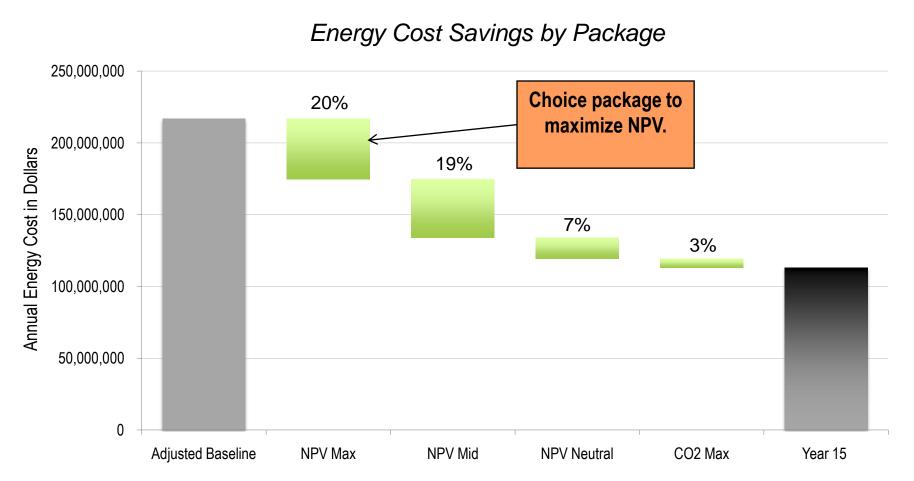


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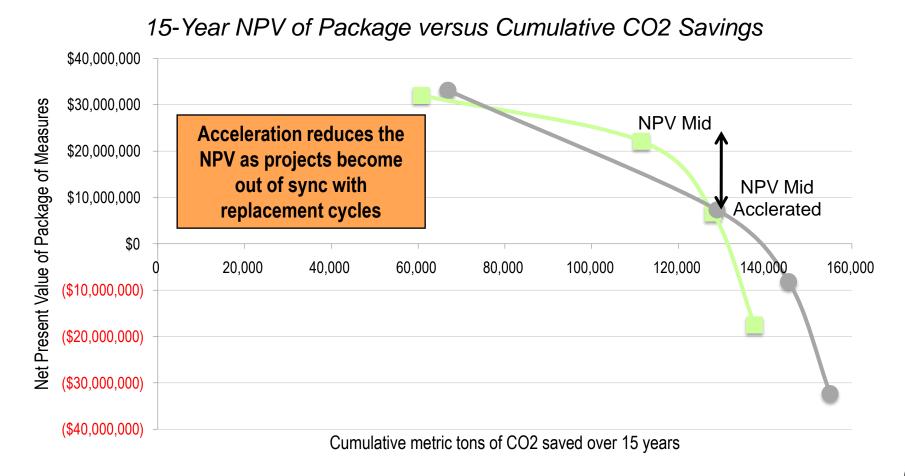
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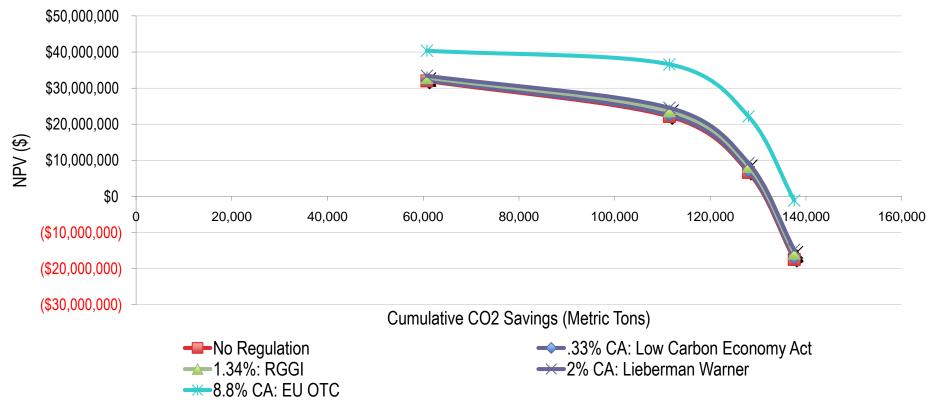
Attempting to save CO2 faster may be cost prohibitive.



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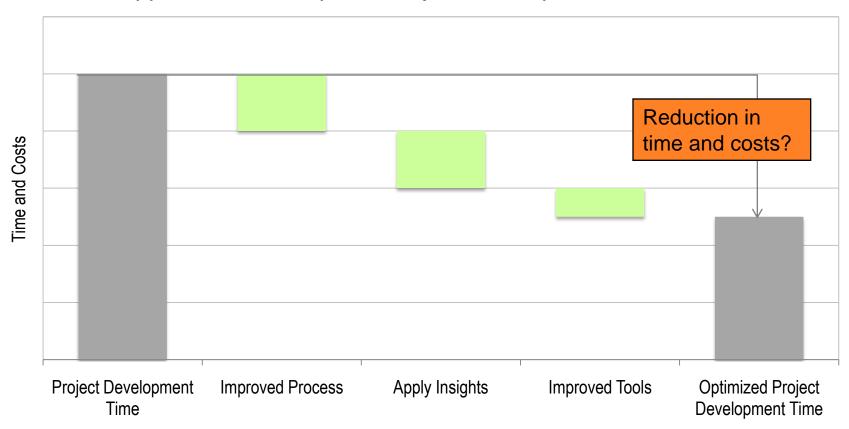
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Opportunities to Improve Project Development Process



This project was a great "test lab", but what now? If all buildings need to be retrofitted to profitably reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 75% by 2050, we have a lot of work to do in a short amount of time.

Outcome: 75% Reduction by 2050

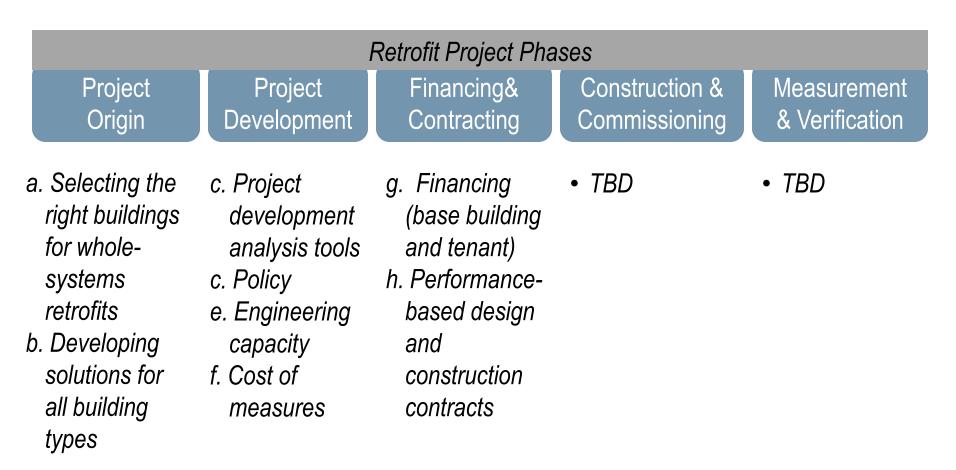
**Opportunity Areas:** Residential, Commercial, Industrial

Barriers: What is preventing us from reaching our goal?

Strategies: What is the most impactful way to overcome barriers?

Coordination: Who is working on what and what can you do?

Barriers exist in each phase of the retrofit process. Below are the major barriers this team believes are paramount to overcome in order to reach our 2050 goal.



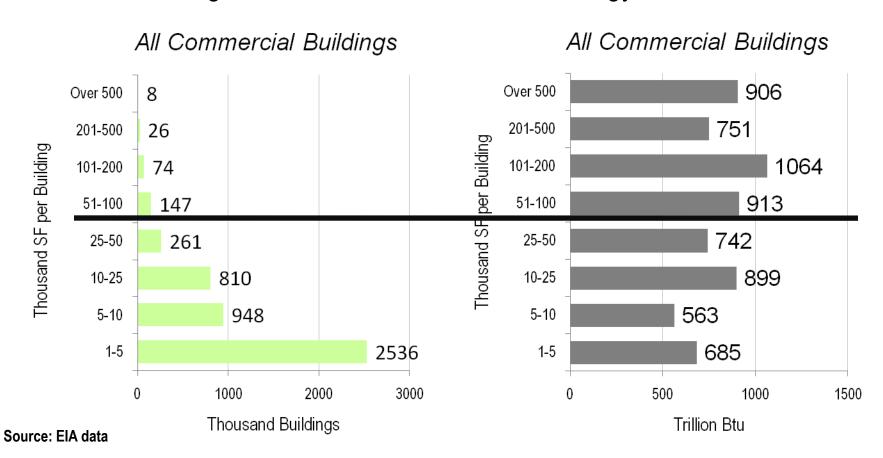
a) Select the right buildings for whole-systems retrofits

Retrofitting the right buildings in the right order can reduce the societal cost (\$/metric ton) for carbon abatement.



b) Develop solutions for small to mid-range commercial buildings.

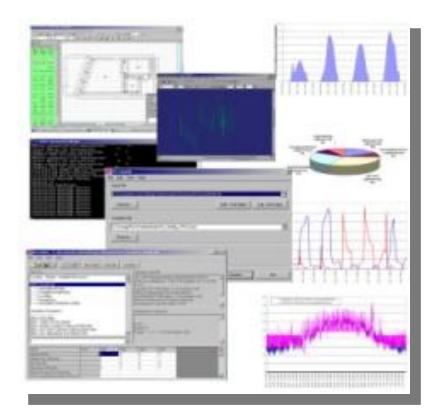
Most retrofit or energy service companies only address large commercial buildings or residential buildings. Yet 95% of the U.S. building stock is small to mid-sized buildings that consume 44% of total energy use.

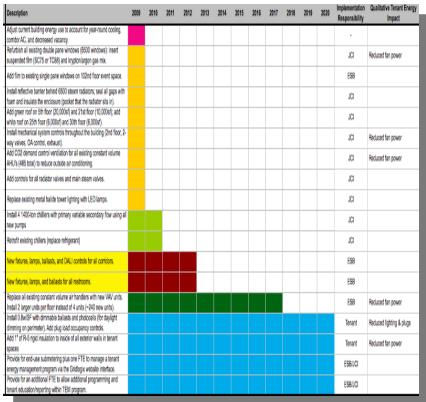


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c) Develop better project development tools.

Significant time was spent creating the energy and financial models for this building and then iterating between them. Quicker and simpler tools could help accelerate the process.





d) Use policy and regulation to incentivize deeper savings and to make the process cheaper and more transparent.

Federal stimulus money, city or state mandated retrofits, and more shared data on opportunities and performance will make retrofits faster and cheaper.



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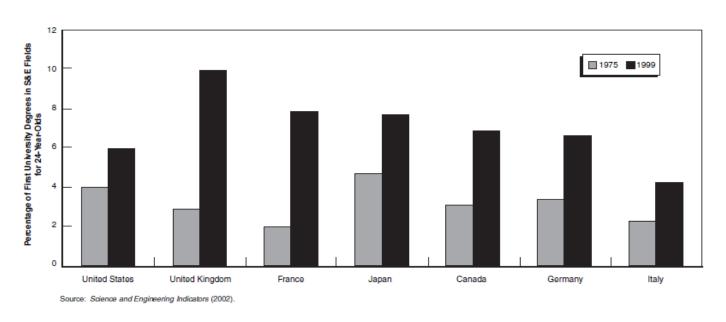
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e) Increase workforce capacity of whole-systems trained auditors, engineers, operators, and commissioning agents.

There is a lack of American engineers who are trained and ready to rebuild efficient buildings, cities, and cars.

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A YOUNG ADULT'S PROBABLITY OF GETTING AN S&E DEGREE HAS RISEN MUCH LESS IN THE UNITED STATES THAN ABROAD



"There is no negawatt university" – Amory Lovins

Engineering

f) Determine how to make efficiency measures and renewable energy technologies more cost-effective.

Value-chain analyses can help determine opportunities for cost reductions for technologies that can save significant amounts of energy.

- Additional controls;
- Easy to install methods to retrofit exterior wall systems to increase thermal resistance;
- LED lighting;
- DALI lighting controls;
- Chilled beam systems;
- Heat recovery systems;
- Green roofs;
- Rainwater collection;
- Condenser water savings;
- Dessicant systems; and
- Even higher performance windows.



g) Determine solutions for both base building and tenant financing.

Availability of capital is a major hurdle and a variety of innovative solutions that work for large, small, owner-occupied, and leased spaces is needed.

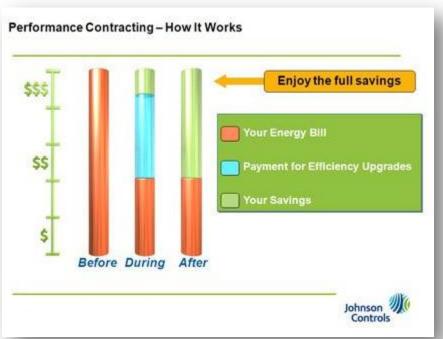


h) Standardize (and use) performance-based design and construction contracts.

Design and engineering parties are often incentivized by different outcomes, thus deterring the group from optimizing energy efficiency.

Get paid for what you save, not what you spend.





#### CONCLUSION

There is a compelling need as well as an economic case for reducing greenhouse gas emissions in existing buildings. The Empire State Building case study provides an example of how this can be done. However, significant challenges remain that must be addressed in order to quickly and cost-effectively capture the full greenhouse gas reduction opportunity for building retrofits on a widespread basis.

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