

Session: Why On-going Commissioning Can Lead to Better Performing Buildings

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Continuous Commissioning at Sandia National Laboratories

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Sandia's Sites

Albuquerque, New Mexico



Workforce: >12,000
Major buildings: 225
Space: 7.4 million GSF

Livermore, California



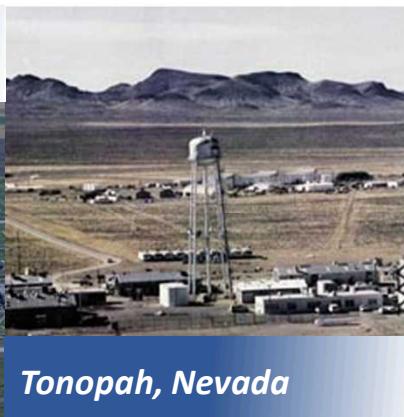
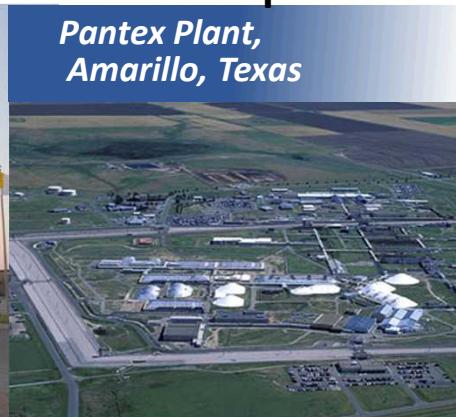
LEED Buildings: 11
Avg. Bldg. Age: 38 yrs.

Physical area :188,000 acres
Paved roads: 49 miles
Unpaved roads: 38 miles

Kauai, Hawaii



*Pantex Plant,
Amarillo, Texas*



Energy Use Breakdown

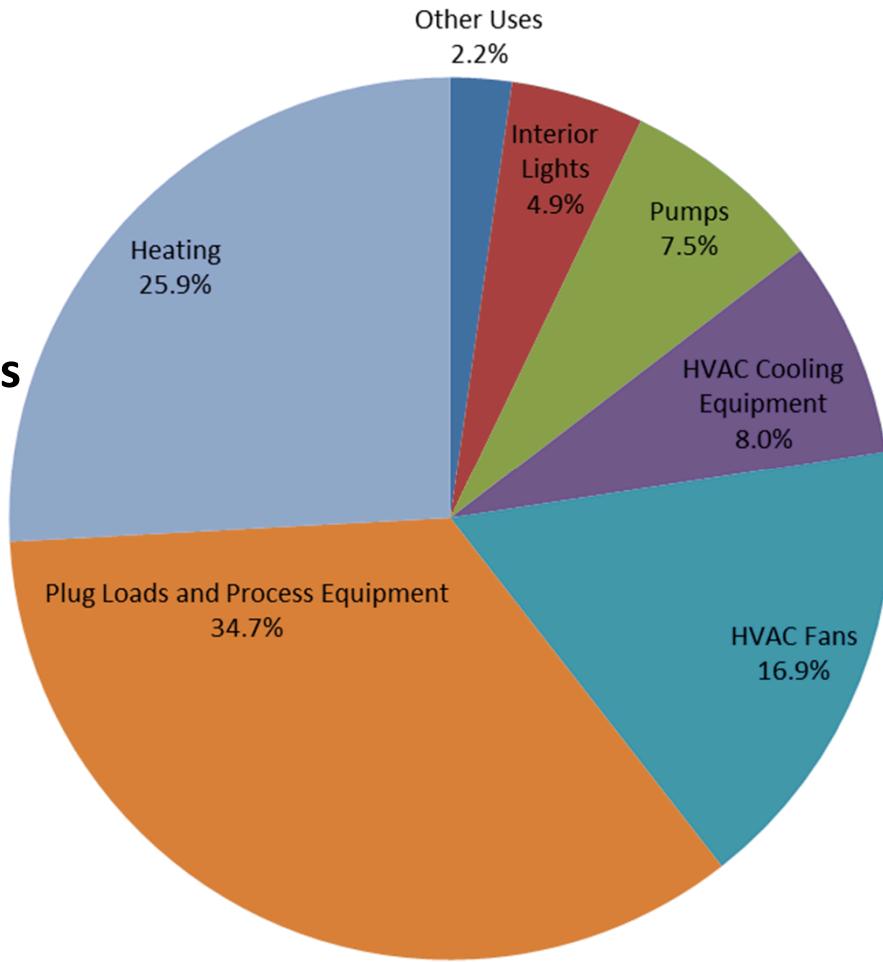
SNL Gas and Electric Energy Use by Category

Electric: 284,410,778 kWh

Natural gas: 340,278,252 SCF

Total Energy Use: 1,310,730 MBTUs

Total utility costs: over \$19M



Buildings and Space

- Building types:
 - Semi-conductor fabrication;
 - Pulsed power reactors;
 - Data centers;
 - High security;
 - Cafeteria;
 - Auditorium;
 - Warehouse;
 - Nuclear facilities
 - Explosive facilities
- Space types:
 - Offices
 - Laboratories:
 - chemistry,
 - biology,
 - electronic,
 - laser labs;
 - computer
 - Clean rooms;
 - High-bays;
 - Computer rooms

Energy Audits & Retro-commissioning

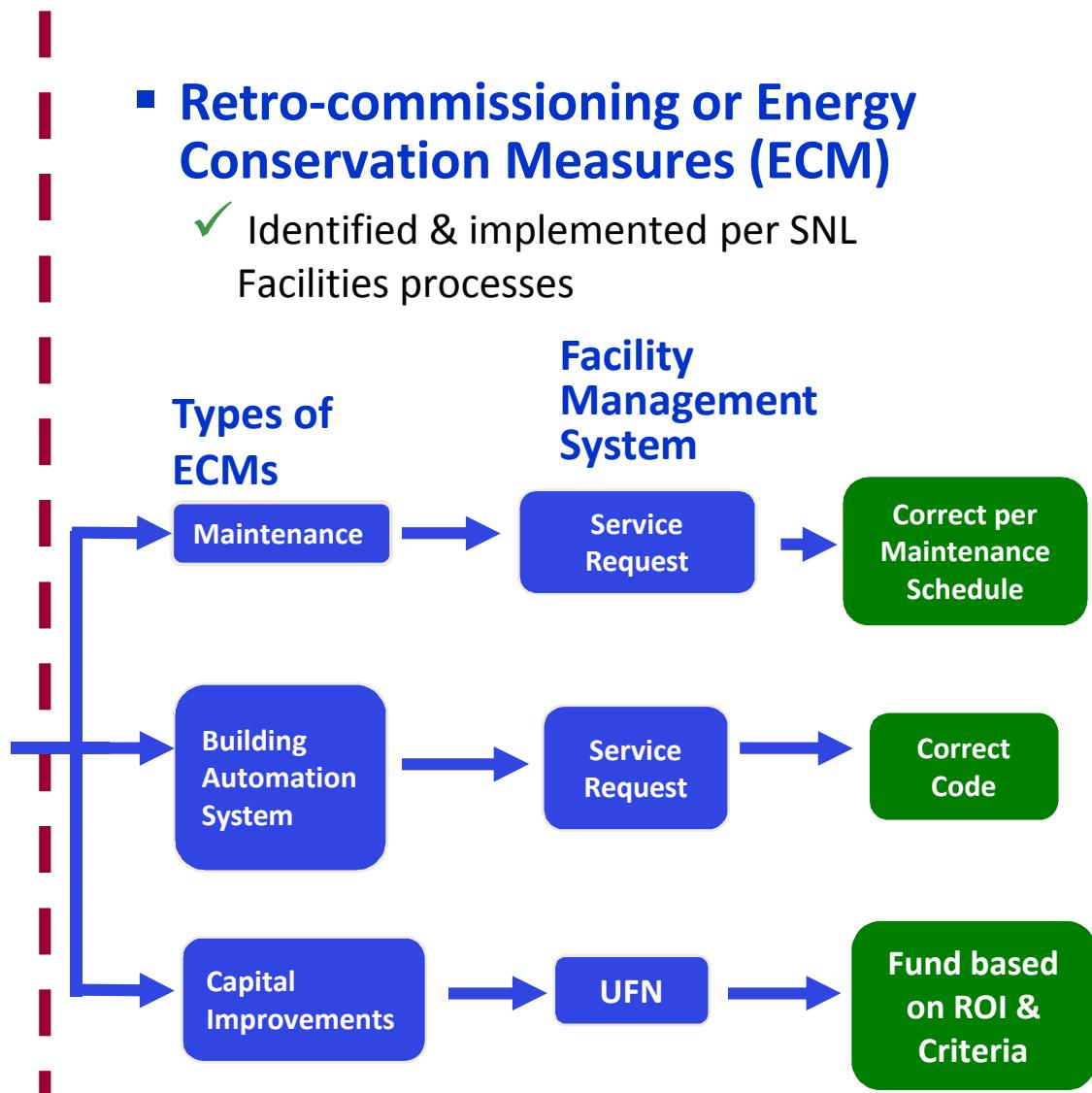
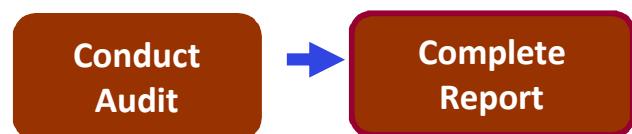
▪ Energy & Water Audits

- ✓ 4-year schedule top Energy Consumers
- ✓ Led by Operations team per process using checklist
- ✓ ASHRAE Level II

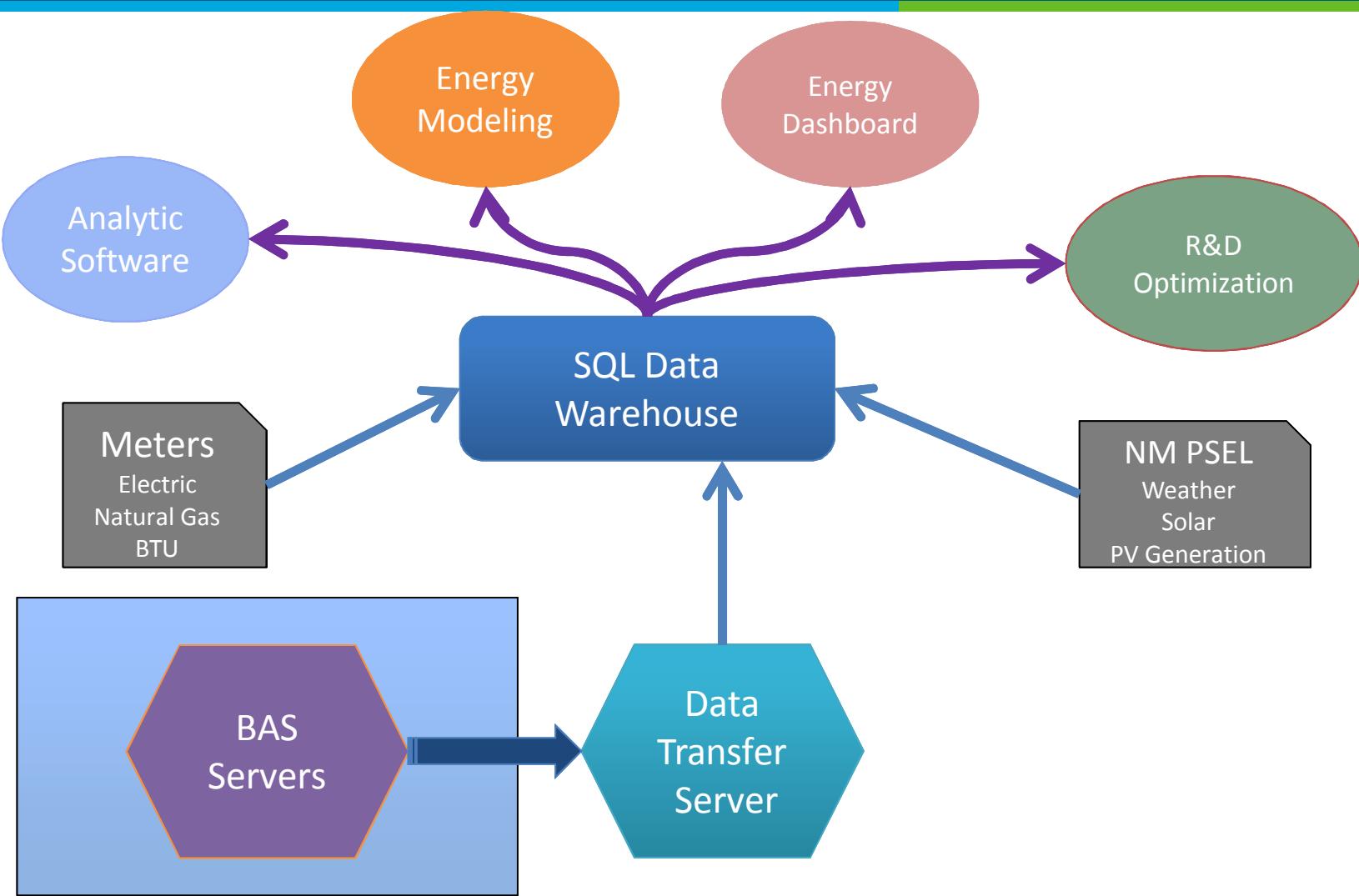
- Load Profile & Energy-Use Baseline
- Annual Load Profiles & Energy Use to verify savings
- Energy Models

▪ Retro-commissioning or Energy Conservation Measures (ECM)

- ✓ Identified & implemented per SNL Facilities processes



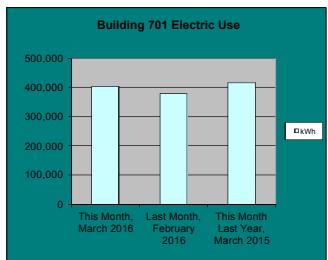
Energy Data Warehouse



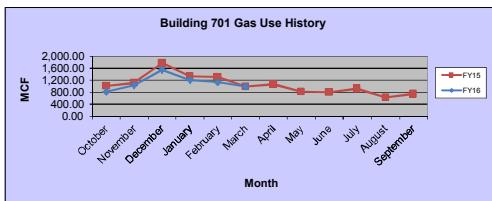
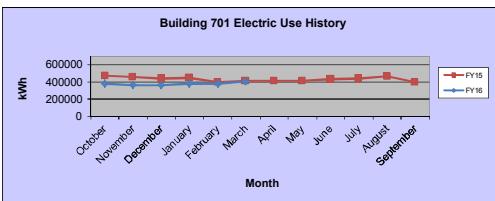
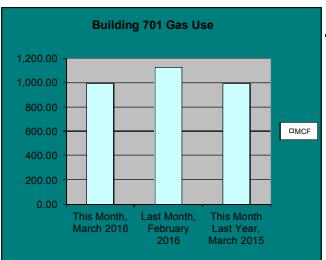
Energy Dashboard

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Dashboard

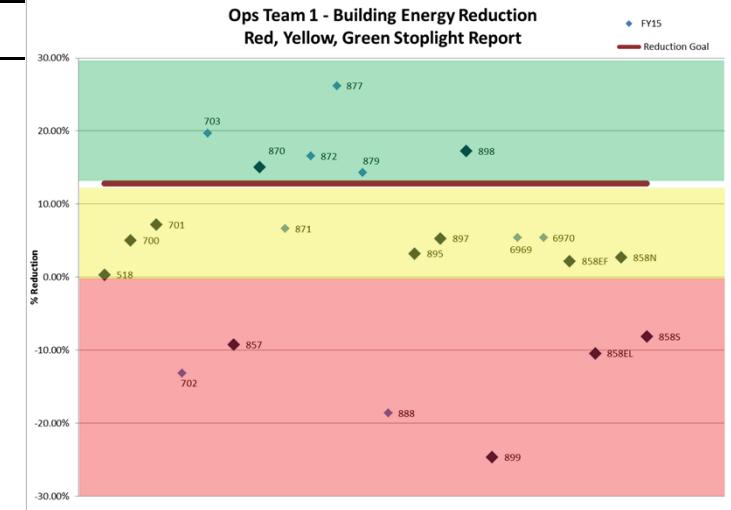
Electrical Use Awareness Bulletin



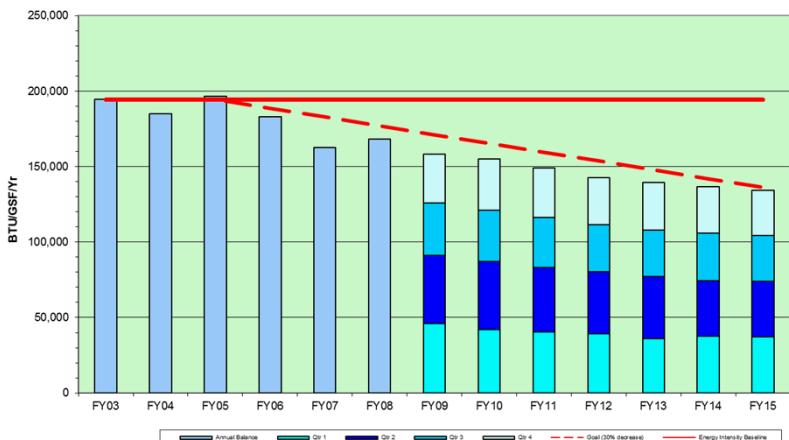
Gas Use Awareness Bulletin



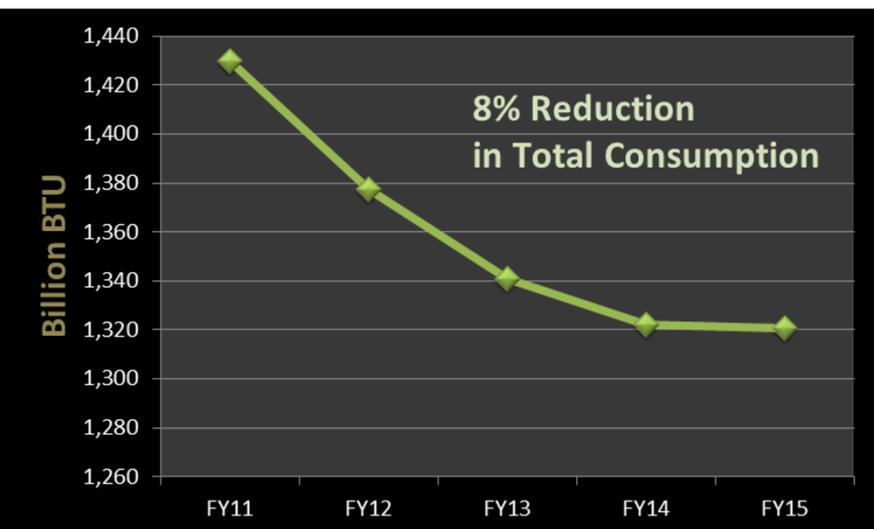
Ops Team 1 - Building Energy Reduction Red, Yellow, Green Stoplight Report



Regular Building Energy Intensity

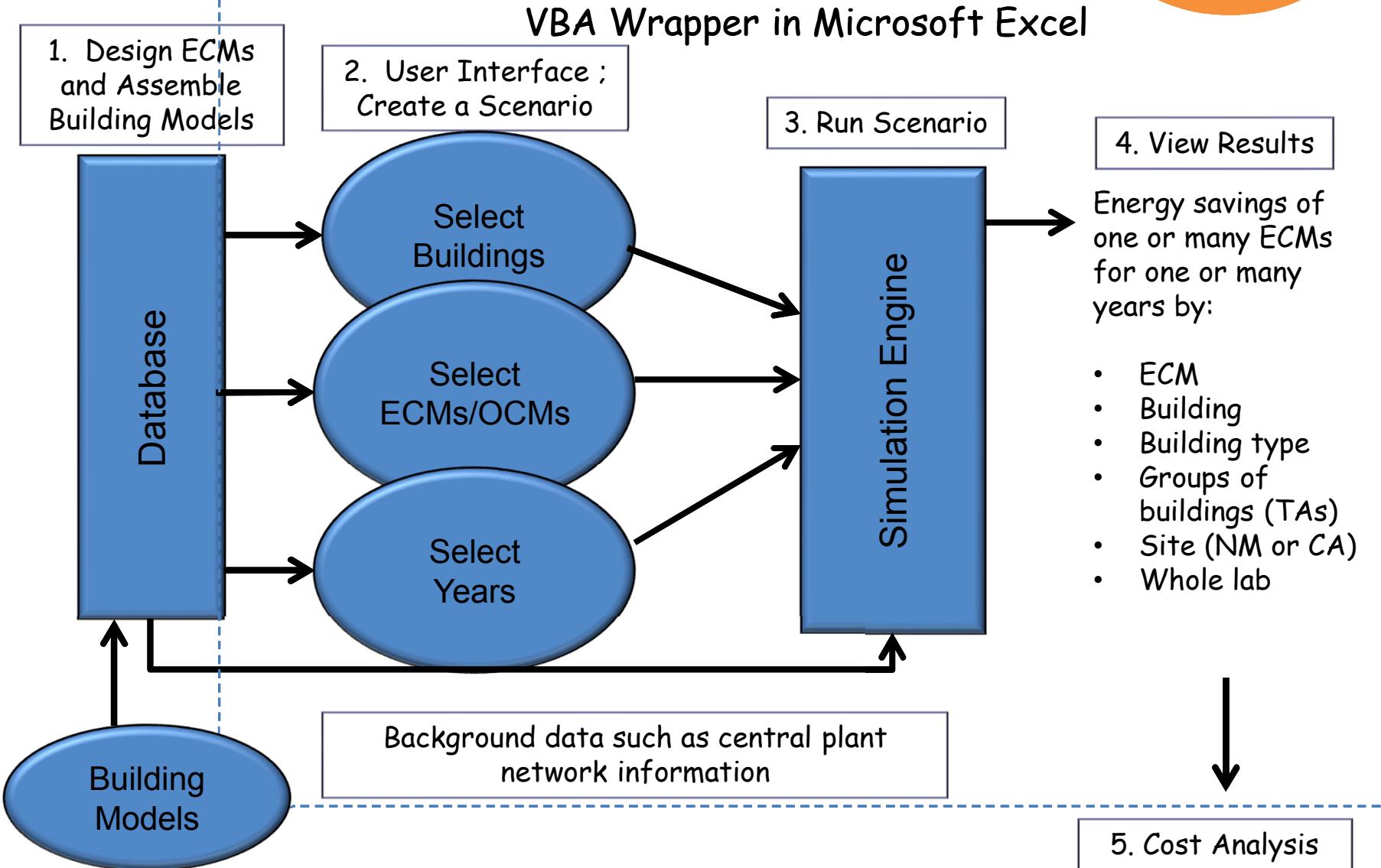


**8% Reduction
in Total Consumption**



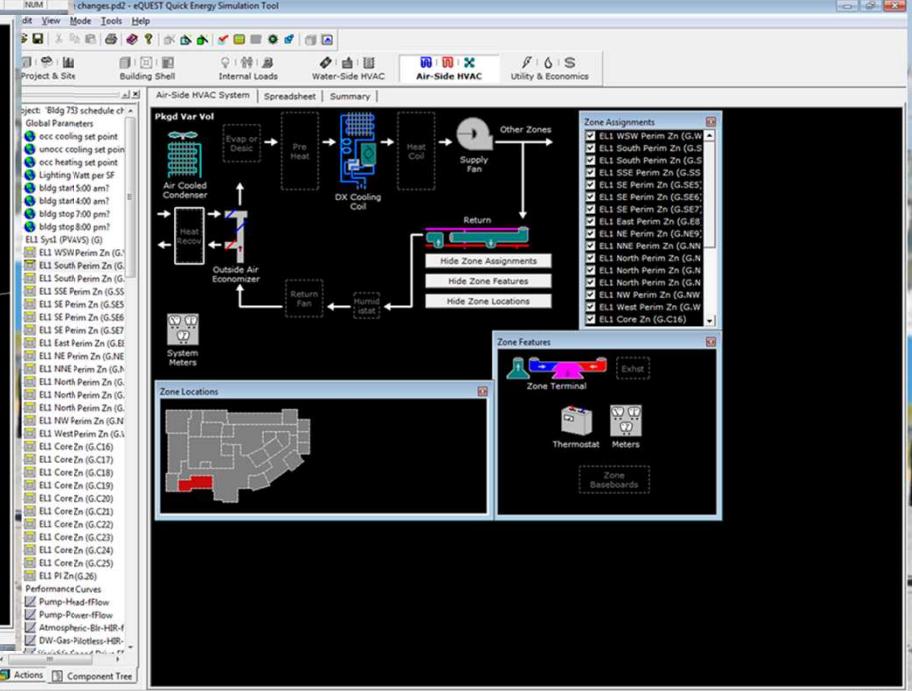
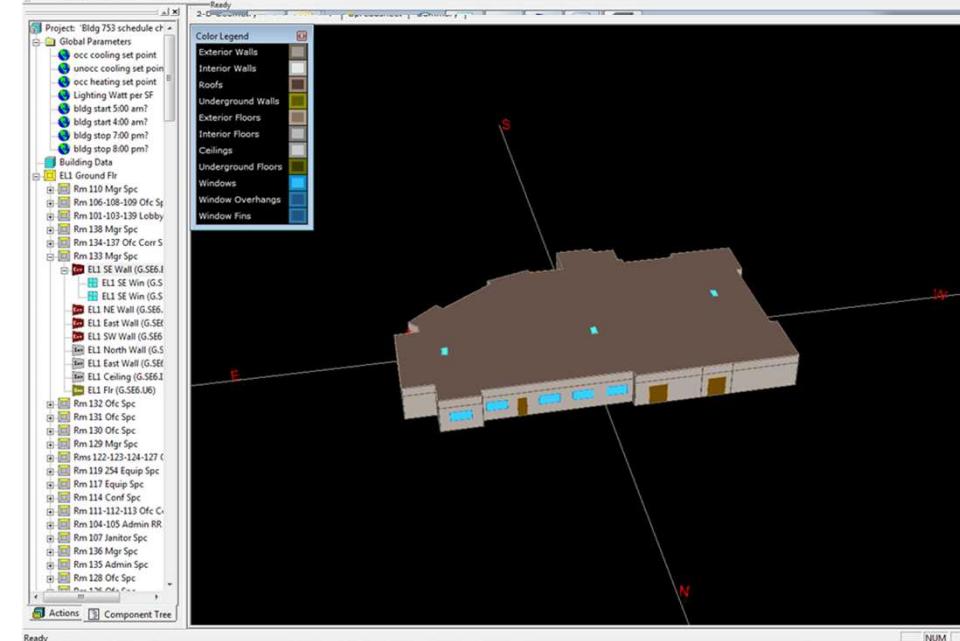
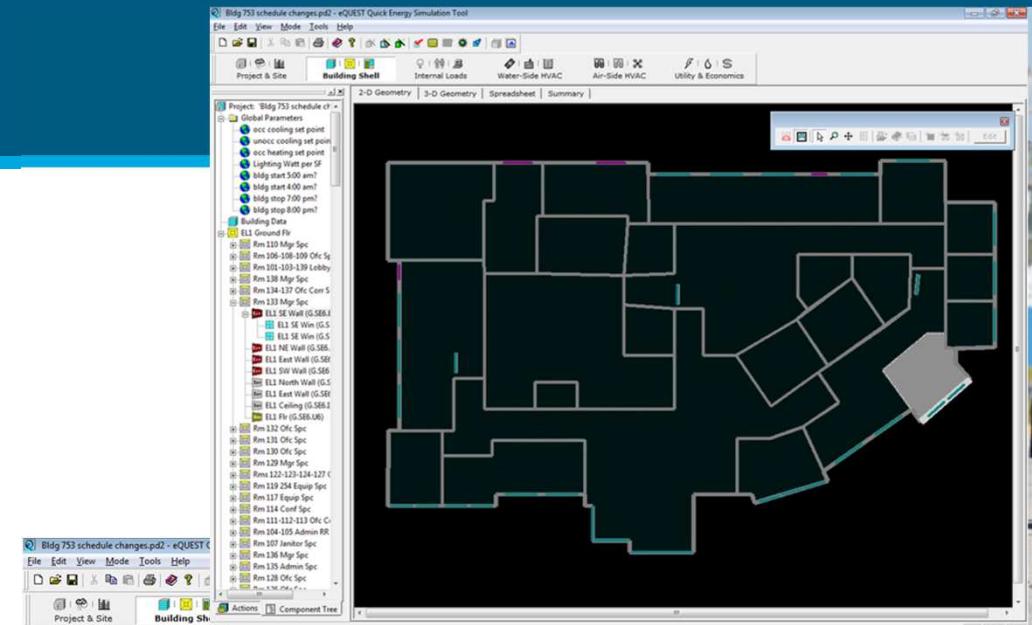
IX Building Module Architecture

Energy
Modeling



Energy Modeling

eQUEST



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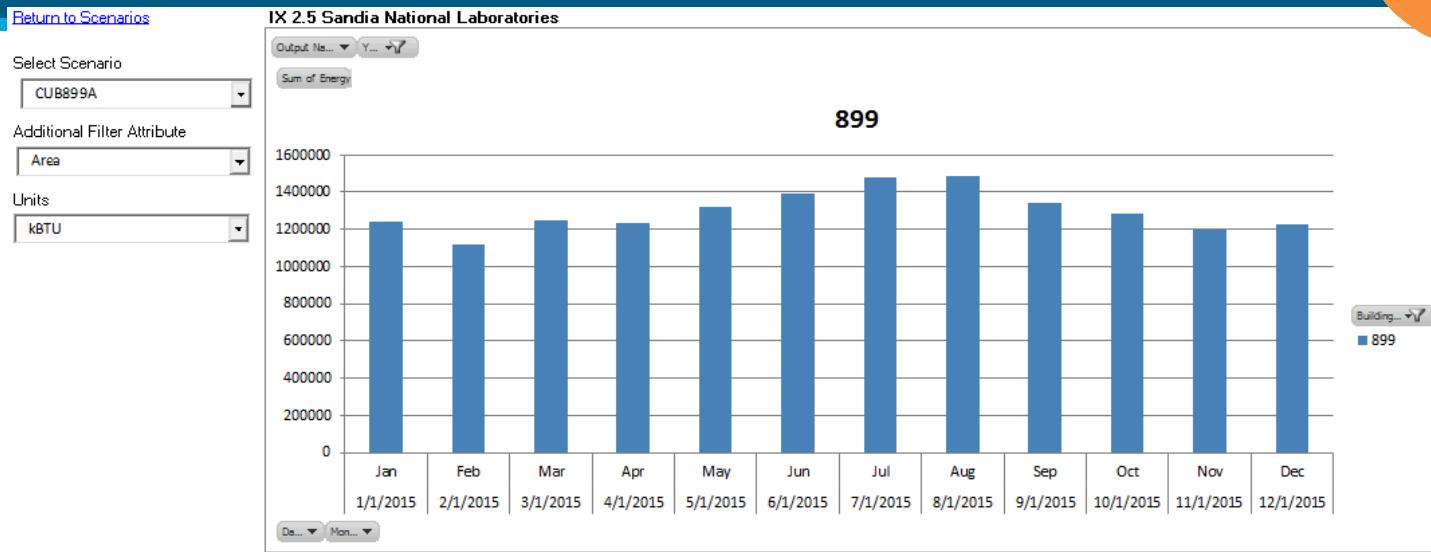
IX Institutional Transformation 2.5

The IX user interface creates energy conservation measure (ECM) and operational conservation measures (OCM) scenarios for many buildings over many years. It uses doe2.2 BDL input files which have been parameterized with ECMS/OCMs.

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Results

Energy
Modeling



Sum of Energy	Column Labels
Row Labels	899
1/1/2015	
Jan	1237878.958
2/1/2015	
Feb	1120519.157
3/1/2015	
Mar	1250657.665
4/1/2015	
Apr	1231619.184
5/1/2015	
May	1322914.739
6/1/2015	
Jun	1393051.508
7/1/2015	
Jul	1476753.31
8/1/2015	
Aug	1484082.378
9/1/2015	
Sep	1340243.365
10/1/2015	
Oct	1285415.175
11/1/2015	
Nov	1200110.234
12/1/2015	
Dec	1226640.87

IX uses a pivot table of the results database to make reducing to specific results or aggregating to site-wide results easy.

Energy Saving Opportunities

Energy
Modeling

Energy Conservation Measures

Initiative	Savings
Lighting retrofits	0.5%
Digital Control Conversions	
Free-cooling heat exchangers	
Central Plant Upgrades	6-10%
Clean Room modifications (filters and reduced air flow)	

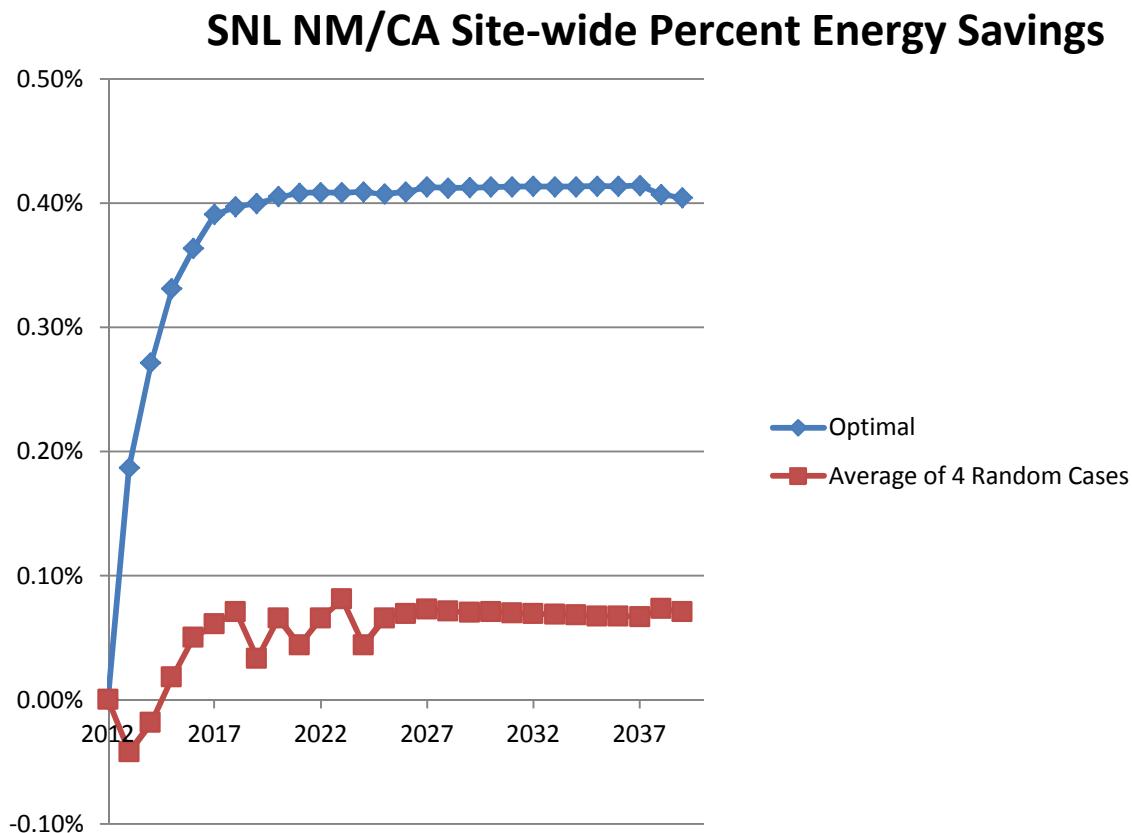
Operational Conservation Measures

Initiative	Savings
Office (T Set and Operating hours)	1-1.5%
Lab (T Set and Operating hours)	3-7%
Ventilation setback (labs)	2-3%
Eliminate 24/7 operations	2-3%
Retro-commissioning, Analytics	1-2%

Cool Roofs - Percentage Savings

Energy
Modeling

- Site-wide energy savings for this ECM is only 0.4%
- If cool roof and insulation costs are high, other ECMs may be more desirable

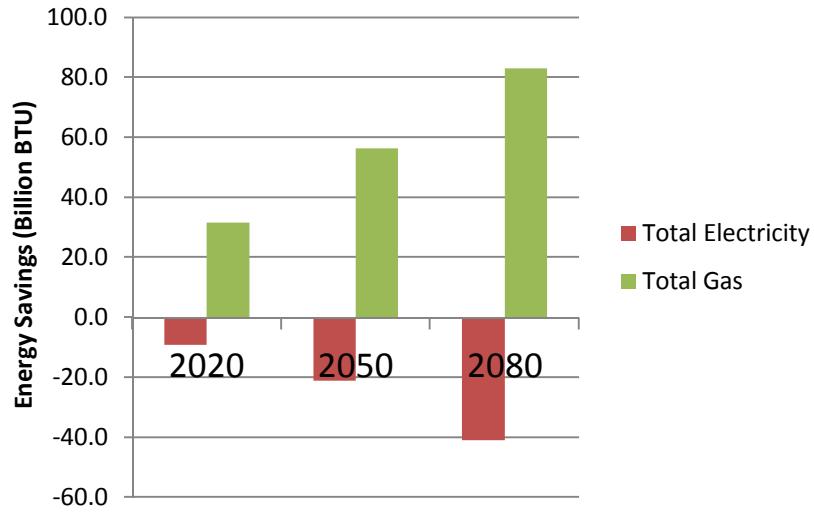


Institutional Transformation (IX)

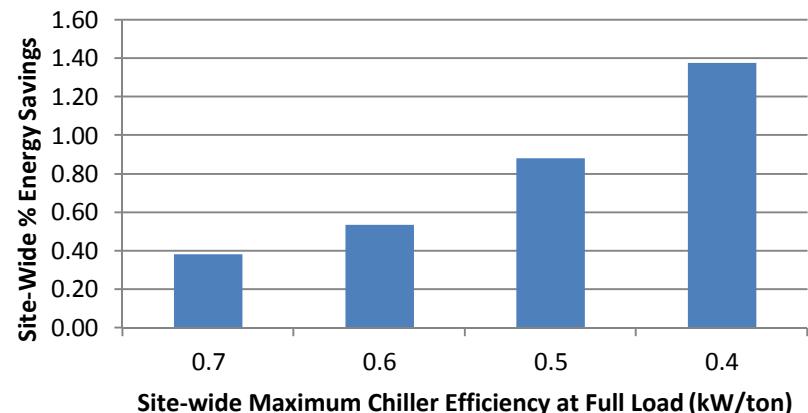
Energy
Modeling

- Parameter studies of many
 - Buildings
 - Energy conservation measures (ECM)
 - Years
- Climate
- Current version 2.5
- Future version 3.0

IX SNL CA/NM Energy Savings HAD
CM3 A2 Climate Scenarios

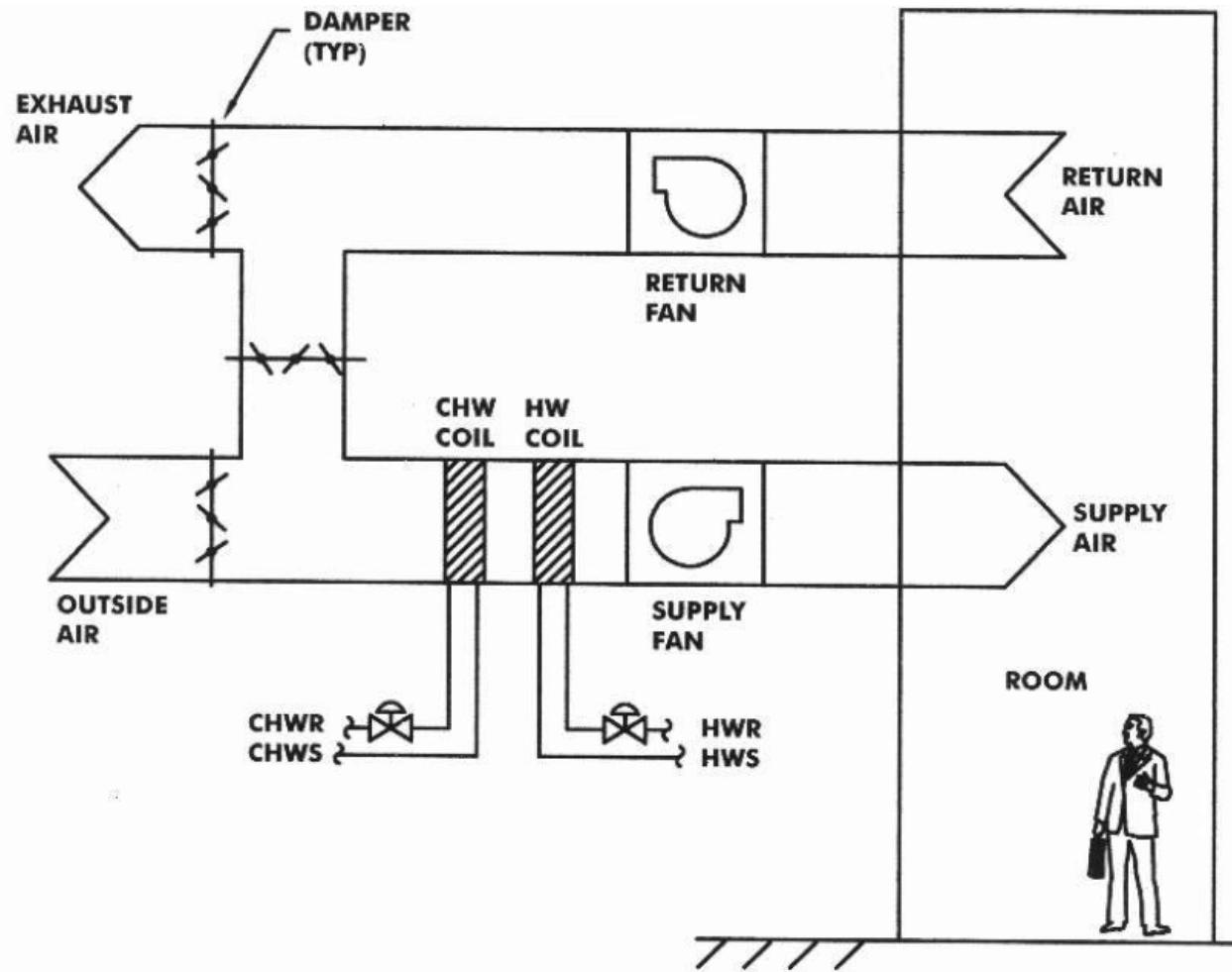


SNL Chiller Efficiency Study



Basic Central Air System

Analytic
Software

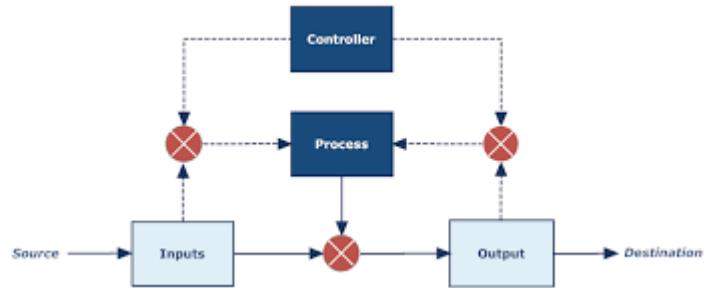


Building Operations

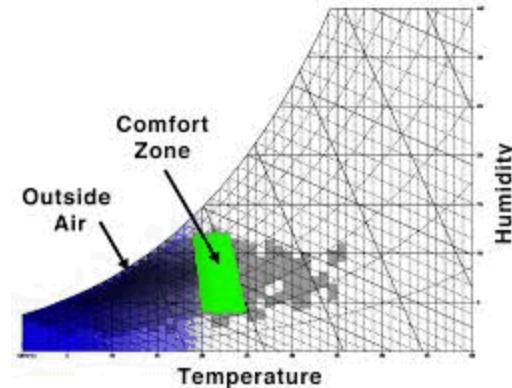
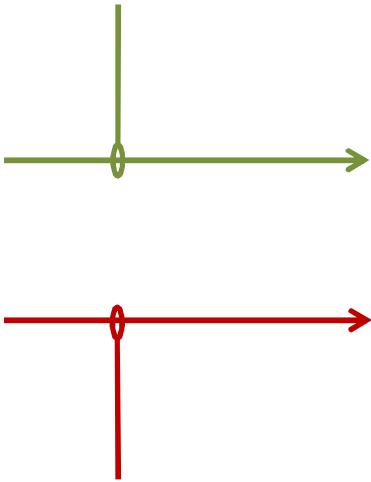
Analytic Software

Manner of delivery is as important as outcome ...

- Automatically Driven
- Stability via Tested Programming
- Optimized Sequencing
- Proven Efficiency Using Employed Metrics
- Self Diagnosing Reliability



DIGITAL CONTROL



OUTCOME [70 Degree Air]

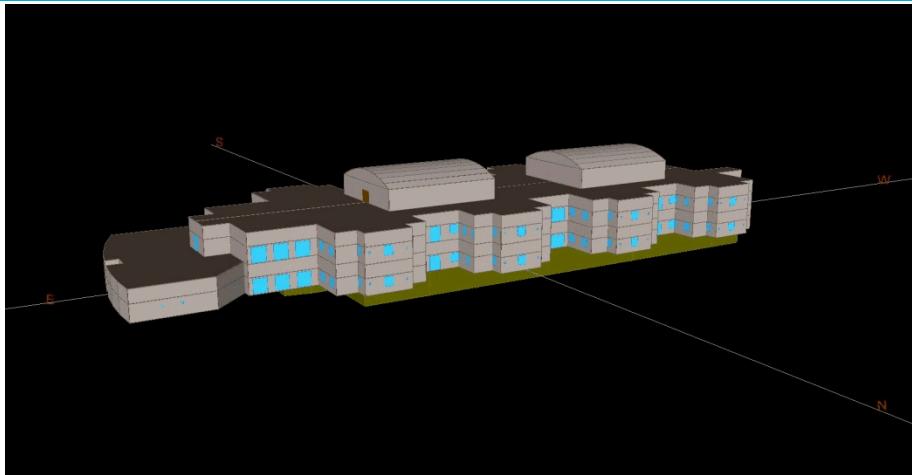
Purely End Result Oriented...

- Operator Driven
- Reliable
- Metrics: Non Existant
- Field Efficiency is Subordinated
- Unrealized Design Intent

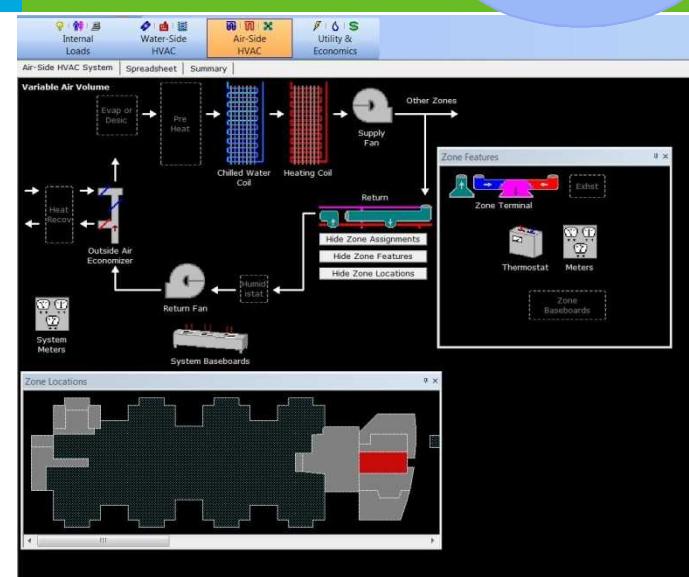
TWO METHODS: SAME OUTCOME
DIFFERING ENERGY IMPACT

Case Study – Sensor Disturbance

Analytic Software



- Office/Lab Building
- Cooling options: chiller and evaporative cooling
- Fall day
 - 75 degrees F; 15% Relative Humidity
- Building temperature is within limits and occupants are not complaining.
- Chilled water valve is open, electric chiller is running and economizer/evaporative cooling system is off.
- **WHAT WENT WRONG?**



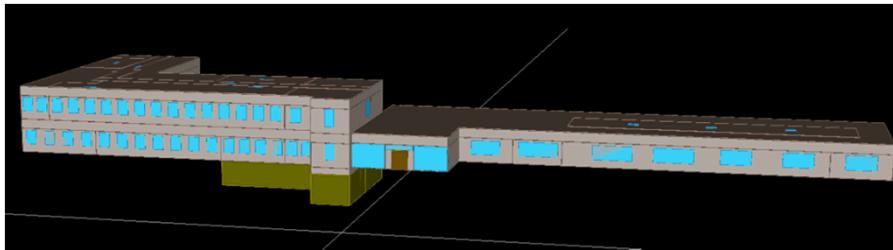
Case Study – Human Disturbance

Analytic
Software

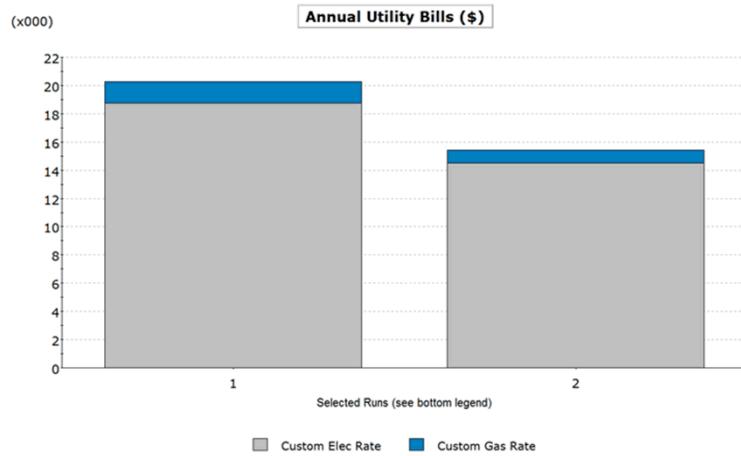
- Office Building: carpet was cleaned during the weekend.
- HVAC system was placed in 24/7 operations to remove carpet cleaning odors.
- eQuest model; encountered difficulty in calibration process.
- ***WHAT WENT WRONG?***

Analytics Pilot Project

Analytic
Software



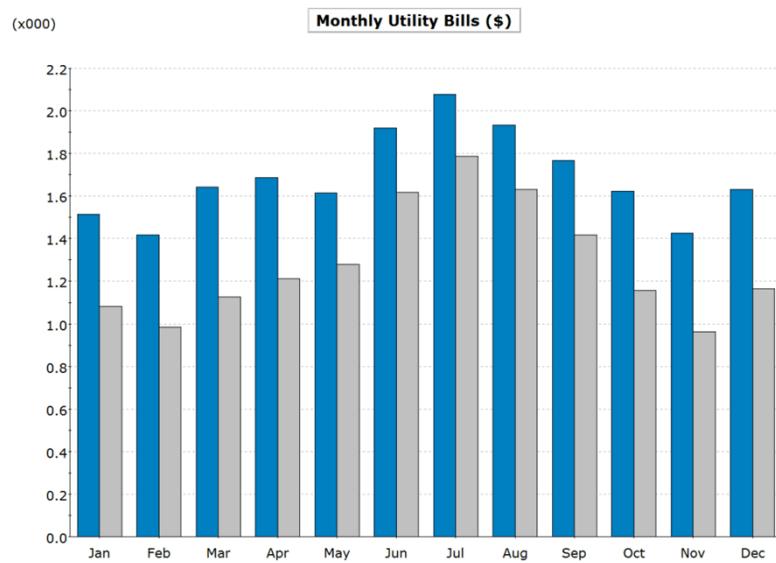
- *ONE BUILDING - ALBUQUERQUE SITE*
- *25 RULE BASED ANALYTICS*
- *USE ENERGY MODEL TO PREDICT COST AND ENERGY SAVINGS*



1. Analytics Pilot Project - Baseline Design (10/28/15 @ 17:29) (annual bill: \$ 20,258)
2. Analytics Pilot Project - Whole Build EEM (10/28/15 @ 17:30) (annual bill: \$ 15,426)

eQuest Runs Based on Findings from Pilot Project

- AHU Start Time Not Optimized (1.5 hour excess run time)
- AHU Fan Speed Fixed
- AHU Supply Air Temperature Fixed
- AHU Economizer Not Implemented
- Hot Water Supply Temperature Fixed

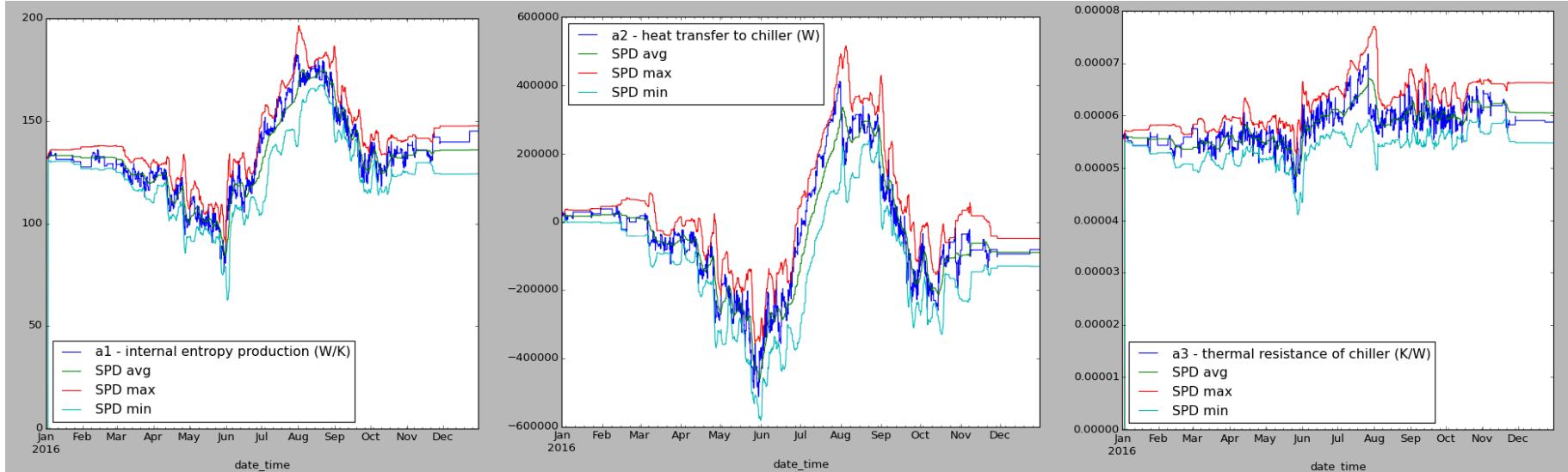


Advanced Fault Detection

R&D
Optimization

- Fault criteria which vary with time
- Rules based on gray-box model parameters
- Parameters estimated by Kalman filtering

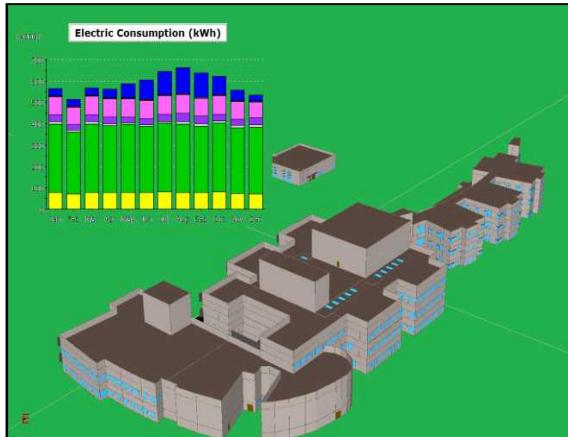
Building 899A 150 ton screw chiller fault detection



Big Modeling and Data

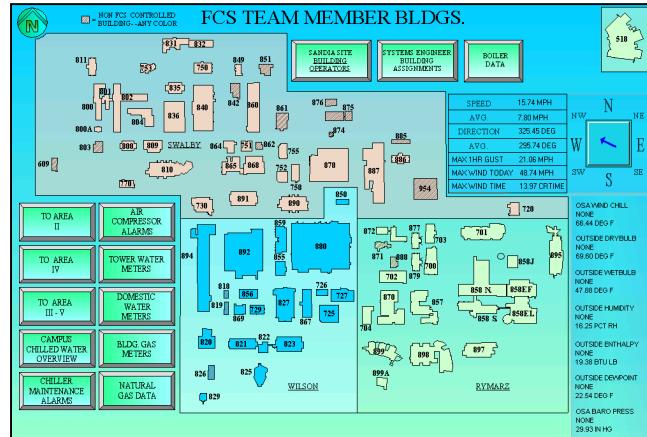
R&D Optimization

119 Doe2 Models and IX

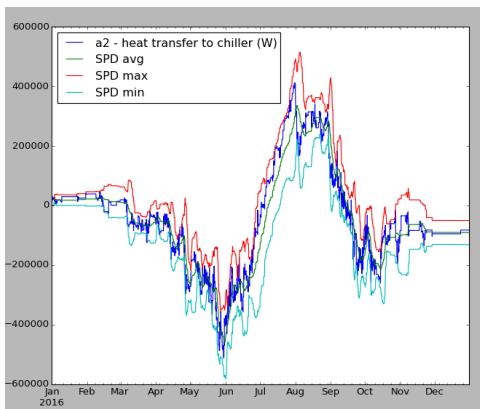


Model Parser

250,000 Data streams



Advanced Analytics



Ability to approach sustainability with an unprecedented level of detail

Robustly detect faults

THANK YOU!

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