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## **PREFACE**

The mission of the U.S. Department of Energy's Federal Energy Management Program (FEMP) is to reduce the cost of Government by advancing energy efficiency, water conservation, and the use of solar and other renewable technologies. This is accomplished by creating partnerships, leveraging resources, transferring technology, and providing training and technical guidance and assistance to agencies. Each of these activities is directly related to achieving the requirements set forth in the Energy Policy Act of 1992 and the goals that have been established in Executive Order 13123 (June 1999), as well as supporting activities that promote sound management of Federal financial and personnel resources. The Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL) supports the FEMP mission in all activity areas.

This document provides findings and recommendations that resulted from an assessment of the Brookhaven National Laboratory by a team from Pacific Northwest National Laboratory to assess the site's potential for various alternative financing options as a means to implement energy-efficiency improvements. The assessment looked for life-cycle cost-effective energy-efficiency improvement opportunities, and through a series of staff interviews, evaluated the various methods by which these opportunities may be financed, while considering availability of funds, staff, and available financing options. This report summarizes the findings of the visit and the resulting recommendations.

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## SUMMARY

Since the establishment of energy reduction goals for Federal agencies as a result of the National Energy Conservation Policy Act of 1988, Federal sites have been actively seeking and implementing a wide variety of energy-efficiency measures in facilities across the Federal sector. The Federal Energy Management Program (FEMP) has funded the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL) to perform an assessment of facilities at Brookhaven National Laboratory (BNL) to assess the site's potential for various alternative financing options as a means to implement energy-efficiency improvements. This document provides findings and recommendations of that assessment, which looked for life-cycle cost-effective energy-efficiency improvement opportunities and evaluated the various methods by which these opportunities may be financed, while considering availability of funds, staff, and available financing options. This report summarizes the findings of the visit and the resulting recommendations.

BNL is considered a large energy user, with fiscal year 1997 energy bills totaling \$20.69 million. Recently completed building energy audits for 44 buildings identified potential energy conservation measures representing an estimated total investment of almost \$4.9 million. However, the main issue of energy efficiency implementation at Federal sites tends not to be that of identifying potential cost-effective measures, but instead tends to center around identifying suitable project financing mechanisms and selecting the funding option that best satisfies a particular site's needs. Funding options considered in this report are as follows: appropriated funds as either DOE operating expense funds or line items, energy savings performance contracts, utility financing, financing through the Bonneville Power Administration, fuel and product procurements, and replacement upon failure.

Analyses aimed at identifying a project financing strategy tend to focus on strictly economic factors such as simple payback periods, economic attractiveness to potential providers, and potential financing rates (for alternatively financed projects). However, it is the site-specific factors that define project (financing) constraints that must be identified and addressed up-front prior to establishing a final energy-efficiency procurement strategy. During its visit to BNL, the project team focused its efforts on identifying these site specific factors, the most significant of which appear to be:

- Obtaining up-front/site-incurred project funding necessary to develop, procure, and manage energy efficiency projects, and
- the Lab's willingness to enter into long-term contracts, especially beyond 10 years.

The primary conclusions reached in this report are as follows:

Conclusion 1: BNL's primary energy management strategy of controlling costs through aggressive electric procurement negotiations and site-wide load management have been tremendously successful, as demonstrated by the very low electric rates paid relative to the surrounding community. BNL rightly intends to continue with this strategy.

Conclusion 2: Significant resources must be available at the site level to identify, develop, and manage energy-efficiency projects. In the case of BNL, funding on the order of 30% of the estimated project capital investment costs are required up-front before project development efforts may begin.

Conclusion 3: There are significant cost-effective energy-efficiency improvements available to the site, as documented in the site audits as well as through the observations made during the site visit. However, the feasibility of capturing these energy-efficiency improvements is an issue that must still be addressed by the Lab. The feasibility of alternatively financed projects can be significantly impacted by factors other than the total investment potential, energy savings potential, etc. The most significant factor at BNL appears to be that of limiting the contract term to 10 years, which results in reducing the audit identified investment potential from \$4.9 million down to \$2.0 million. Note that when other site-specific factors are applied, the estimated investment potential for a project financed over 10 years is further reduced to a range of \$650 K to \$900 K which, in turn, greatly reduces the economic attractiveness to potential service providers.

What this report does not do is suggest a final energy-efficiency procurement strategy for BNL. Instead, it highlights the issues needing to be addressed by the Lab when considering all the available financing options, and makes a series of recommendations for how the Lab can develop a final energy-efficiency procurement strategy. These recommendations are summarized as follows:

- resolve the issue of staff funding to cover project development costs, as well as address the other site issues such as contract terms and coordination with the union staff
- use site funds to implement low/no cost energy conservation measures identified in the building audits
- discuss with the servicing utility the availability of energy-efficiency project financing
- consider the installation of geothermal heat pumps via the DOE technology-specific contract
- determine which, if any, of the available alternative financing methods best suit the Lab's needs
- contact Bill Klebous of the DOE Philadelphia Regional Office to obtain information on the DOE FEMP program that can support the site.

While this report focuses on a particular site, some of the conclusions presented are likely not unique to Brookhaven National Laboratory. In particular, the (in)ability of sites to finance project development activities inclusive of project identification, development of procurement documents (requests for proposals and statements of work), review of contractor submittals, construction supervision/oversight, and overall management and coordination of site support activities, needs to be understood by FEMP and its representatives. It is possible that, with a greater understanding of this issue, FEMP may wish to look into working with the agencies to help identify ways to assist the sites in identifying and obtaining funds to cover project development costs. It is also recommended to FEMP that the identification and resolution of site-specific issues such as union concerns and contract terms be addressed up-front as a part of any site assistance efforts.

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## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

Energy reduction goals for Federal agencies were first established in the National Energy Conservation Policy Act of 1988, and directed 10% reduction in facility energy use based on a 1985 baseline. Since that time, Federal sites have been actively seeking and implementing a wide variety of energy-efficiency measures in facilities across the Federal sector. In the intervening years this energy reduction goal has been progressively increased to 20% through legislation (Public Law 102-486, “The Energy Policy Act of 1992”) and a number of Executive Orders. Executive Order 13123, “Greening the Government Through Efficient Energy Management,” (signed June 3, 1999), further increased the facility energy-efficiency improvement goal from 30% in 2005 to 35% by 2010 relative to the 1985 baseline.

Since 1988, Federal agencies and their sites have been aggressively striving to achieve these various goals through a number of methods such as awareness programs, operations and maintenance programs, and to a much larger degree through capital investment in new, more efficient energy-using systems. Through fiscal year 1997, most of these capital improvement investments have been financed by Federal appropriations to the agency budgets. However, since 1997, appropriated dollars available for energy-efficiency improvements have been significantly reduced and, for some agencies, eliminated entirely. While the traditional funding source of appropriations dollars has been drying up, other energy-efficiency capital investment financing alternatives have been made available to Federal sites in the forms of energy savings performance contracts and utility energy services contracts. So where agency appropriations for energy-efficiency improvements have been reduced, sites seeking to implement a greater degree of energy-efficiency projects (which also work to improve the overall facility infrastructure) now actually have a greater number of funding options available to them. With all these alternatives to choose from, it is apparent that there is not a “one-size-fits-all” financing approach for Federal sites. Sites looking to implement projects must not only look at energy and cost savings issues; they must now also look at staffing resources for project implementation and long term contract administration, facility master plans, projected building repair budgets, workforce coordination, and a host of other issues to determine which project financing approach best fits their needs.

With this in mind, a team from the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL) visited the Brookhaven National Laboratory (BNL) on Long Island New York from May 4-7, 1999, to assess the site’s potential for various alternative financing options as a means to implement energy-efficiency improvements. This assessment was twofold in its nature. The team looked for life-cycle cost-effective energy-efficiency improvement opportunities and through a series of staff interviews, evaluated the various methods by which these opportunities may be financed, while considering availability of funds, staff, and available financing options. This report summarizes the findings of the visit and the resulting recommendations.

The PNNL team that visited BNL was composed of John Hail, Steven Parker, Greg Sullivan, and Dave Hunt (project manager). Prior to the visit to BNL, Dave Hunt worked with Mark Toscano (BNL Energy Manager) and BNL staff involved in the energy management and project decision processes to identify critical issues. Once this process was completed, the agenda for the visit was established. A copy of the visit agenda is located in Appendix B.

## 2.0 SITE CHARACTERIZATION

The Brookhaven National Laboratory is a multi-program Department of Energy National Laboratory that is operated by the Brookhaven Science Associates, a partnership arrangement between the Battelle Memorial Institute and The Research Foundation of the State University of New York (SUNY) on behalf of SUNY-Stony Brook. The Laboratory's mission is primarily that of basic and applied scientific research with programs in the areas of high energy particle and nuclear physics, advanced accelerator concepts, advanced scientific computing and systems analysis, molecular biology and biotechnology, and chemical, environmental, medical, and material sciences. For more information on the Laboratory, including its on the mission, organization, and facilities, visit the Lab's home page at [www.bnl.gov](http://www.bnl.gov).

Brookhaven National Laboratory is located on 5,320 acres approximately in the center of the eastern half of Long Island, New York, in Suffolk County. The Laboratory reports having a total building area of approximately 4.2 million square feet contained in 402 buildings and 379 portable structures, and includes process facilities.<sup>a</sup> A site map is located in Appendix C. The predominate building end uses in order of total square footage are research and development, office space, service buildings, and housing.<sup>b</sup>

The Laboratory also reports having spent \$20.69 million on various energy sources in fiscal year 1997.<sup>c</sup> In addition, the Laboratory reports having reduced its building energy use by 22.2% when compared to the 1985 building energy use baseline (see footnote c). Thus, the site has already achieved the fiscal year 2000 energy-efficiency improvement goal of 20% for buildings, as established in the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (Public Law 102-486). It appears that the site is well on the way to meeting the fiscal year 2005 efficiency improvement goal of 30% and the fiscal year 2010 efficiency improvement goal of 35% recently established in Executive Order 13123. (Note that the energy improvement goals established in EPAct and the Executive Orders are at the agency, not site, level. However, many agencies have delegated these goals to the site level through agency policy and guidance.) According to site staff, these efficiency improvements were realized largely as a result of energy-efficiency projects funded by the Department of Energy's In-House Management Program (IHEM). Over the period covering fiscal years 1985 through 1995, IHEM authorized energy-efficiency project funding at BNL totaled \$31.3 million (see footnote c). However, the IHEM Program has since been disbanded at the direction of Congress, and the Department of Energy (DOE) has not received dedicated appropriations for energy-efficiency improvement projects since fiscal year 1996.

The metered process energy load at the Lab accounts for approximately 37% of the annual site energy use. This energy use is reported as being exclusively electric. Relative to a base year of 1985, the metered process energy use at the Lab has increased 37.6 % on a Btu per square foot basis (see footnote c). Section 203 of Executive Order 13123 established a new goal for energy efficiency in industrial and laboratory facilities as "a reduction in energy consumption per square foot, per unit of production, or per other unit as applicable by 20% by 2005 and 25% by 2010 relative to 1990. No facilities will be exempt from these goals unless they meet new criteria for exemptions, as issued by DOE." It is not possible to compare the Lab's progress toward attaining

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<sup>a</sup> John DiNicola, Brookhaven Science Associates – Sites and Facilities Master Planner, May 5, 1999, presentation.

<sup>b</sup> Data obtained from U.S. Department of Energy database, FEMPTracks.

<sup>c</sup> Brookhaven National Laboratory Energy Management Group, "FY1997 In-House Energy Management Factbook"

this particular goal for a number of reasons. The metered process data are relative to a 1985 baseline. In addition, the new goal allows for the establishment of a measure based on unit of production or other unit. And lastly, the new criteria for exemptions have not been issued by DOE.

Table 2.1 summarizes the energy use by type at the Laboratory for fiscal year 1997 (see footnote c, page 3).

**TABLE 2.1.** Fiscal Year 1997 Energy Consumption and Cost Summary

<b>Energy Type</b>	<b>FY 1997 Consumption</b>	<b>FY 1997 Cost (\$)</b>	<b>FY 1997 Energy Unit Cost</b>
Electric	256,499.7 MWh	17,759,485	\$0.069/kWh = \$20.23/MMBtu
Natural Gas	34,135 Mcf	106,515	\$3.12/MMBtu
Residual Oil			
- No. 6	3,744,466 gallons	NA	
- Alternate liquid fuels (ALF)	549 gallons	NA	
Total (#6 + ALF)		2,220,496	\$4.27/MMBtu
Distillate Oil	177,381 gallons	130,433	\$3.13/MMBtu
Liquid Propane Gas (LPG)	53,161 gallons	NA	NA

Electricity is purchased from the New York Power Authority (NYPA) at a rate significantly below the going rate provided by the Long Island Power Authority, the local franchised electric utility. NYPA makes low cost electricity available to several groups of customers throughout the state of New York. Electricity is delivered to the site at 69 kV and distributed underground throughout the site at 13.8 kV and 2.4 kV. The site has a very active load management program and in fiscal year 1997 maintained an electric load factor in the range of 69 to 85%.<sup>a</sup> (page 6-11 of Factbook – see footnote a)

The primary source of building heat is steam generated at the Central Steam Facility, which distributes steam to more than 60 buildings with a total area of over 2.8 million square feet (page 7-1 of Factbook – see footnote a). There are more than 12,000 tons of cooling capacity throughout the site with a 4,830-ton central chilled water facility (CCWF) providing chilled water, as well as compressed air, to nine of the Lab’s buildings (footnote a, page 8-1). In an effort to manage cooling electric demand loads, a 3.2-million-gallon chilled water storage tank was constructed at the CCWF.

A summary of the Lab’s physical plant data is in Appendix D.

<sup>a</sup> Brookhaven National Laboratory Energy Management Group, “FY1997 In-House Energy Management Factbook”

### **3.0 PROJECT FUNDING AND PROCUREMENT ALTERNATIVES**

There are a number of energy-efficiency financing and procurement alternatives available to BNL as follows:

- 3.1 Appropriated Funds
- 3.2 Energy Savings Performance Contracts (ESPC)
- 3.3 Utility Financed Projects
- 3.4 Bonneville Power Administration (BPA)
- 3.5 Fuel and Product Procurement Alternatives
- 3.6 Replacement upon Failure.

This section presents a brief summary of these alternatives. Many of these options will be considered later in this report as possible components of a site-wide energy-efficiency strategy.

#### **3.1 APPROPRIATED FUNDS**

The primary source of most funds for BNL and all energy projects to date are Congressional appropriations that flow to BNL either as DOE operating expense funds or as Line Items. Operating funds flow through DOE programs at HQ and the Chicago Regional Office (CRO) to BNL for a wide variety of specific activities for R&D and for limited facility management activities including energy efficiency.

General Plant Projects (GPPs) and Miscellaneous Capital Work Orders (MCWOs) are currently funded by DOE operating funds rather than Line Item funds. GPPs cover facility and equipment projects between \$500K and \$5M and MCWOs cover project bundles that are less than \$500K. These funds flow to BNL from several sources including the Office of Field Integration (FI, formerly the Office of Facility Management (FM)) and the Office of Science (SC, formerly the Office of Energy Research (ER)). FI typically funds projects for general purpose facilities and the major R&D offices, such as SC, fund projects for facilities dedicated to them.

Line Items fund capital projects that are larger than \$5M for R&D or facilities. Line Items have not been used for energy-efficiency projects, although that remains an option.

As noted in Section 2, the HQ office of In House Energy Management (IHEM) funded \$31M of projects at BNL from 1985 through 1995. It is not clear what kind of appropriation originated the IHEM funds, but the funds were non-lapsing and under the direct management of IHEM staff at HQ and the Field Offices. Nationwide, IHEM's unspent funds were typically returned to IHEM to fund additional projects. In the mid-1990s, new appropriations ended for IHEM. In FY 1998, IHEM consolidated its remaining unspent funds from the sites and reissued the funds through a competitive proposal process. During this same time period, DOE moved the IHEM Program and five staff from Facilities Management (FM-20) to the Federal Energy Management Program (FEMP) and renamed it the Departmental Energy Management Team (DEMT). DEMT is seeking to re-establish \$5M of Congressional appropriations for FY 2001<sup>a</sup>

Most of BNL's facility management activities – except for design/construction services - draw on appropriated operations/expense funds indirectly by charging the R&D programs that receive the appropriations. The charge methods are primarily 1) a space charge-back (rent), 2) a utility

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<sup>a</sup> Email message, Vic Petrolati, Briefing to Deputy Secretary on Energy Management, of Friday, July 30, 1999 4:57 a.m.

charge-back for electricity and chilled water, and 3) percent-fees overhead adders on labor and materials provided to BNL organizations. The design/construction services are charged direct to the appropriated funds during the pre-design, design, and construction phases of each project.

Significant interaction occurs between HQ, CRO, and BNL to prioritize potential projects regardless of being Line Items, GPPs, or MCWOs. BNL maintains a Project Planning, Prioritization, Budgeting Process (3PBP) to call for project proposals, prioritize the projects, and assign projects to the appropriate or possible funding source(s) including BNL internal funds. The 3PBP involves BNL senior management (Level 1) and several Planning Teams that each focus on a technical system, such as chilled water or steam. BNL ranks each project using the Risk Prioritization Matrix (RPM) and Capital Asset Management Process (CAMP) that are in use by other DOE laboratories. Each project also receives a Management Score (a bin or grouping scheme). (For additional information, see EP-MGMT-900, Planning Teams at [http://epweb.pe.bnl.gov/Ep\\_Procedures/management.htm](http://epweb.pe.bnl.gov/Ep_Procedures/management.htm) ).

Although energy efficiency and/or economic paybacks earn points in the RPM and CAMP system, energy savings alone has not driven a project above the funding cutoffs. Energy-efficiency projects must compete for funding against site infrastructure needs that are high-priority for personnel safety, environmental protection, and R&D support. In the RPM system, a payback of 3 years scores 100 points, but the projects currently in Bin 1 have scores of 500 to 600 points. Given the lack of FEMP DEMAIS funds and the stiff competition for other appropriated funds at BNL, funds for energy projects seem very unlikely. DOE and laboratory staff nationwide commonly accept this situation.

The primary advantages of using appropriated funds are:

- All achieved energy and operations and maintenance (O&M) related savings remain at BNL rather than being shared with an ESPC contractor or the US Treasury.
- Site staff are familiar with the procurement methods used with operating and Line Item appropriations.
- The project cycle is much shorter because funding typically ends with the completion of the construction phase, and the turn-over of the project to O&M programs.

The primary disadvantages of using appropriated funds are:

- Energy-efficiency projects must compete for funding against other high-priority site infrastructure needs for personnel safety, environmental protection, and R&D support.
- Programming of funds for larger projects may take several years, resulting in lost opportunity cost savings resulting from energy-efficiency measures.

### **3.2 ENERGY SAVINGS PERFORMANCE CONTRACTS (ESPC)**

ESPCs are a form of alternative project financing whereby a Federal site enters into a contract with an energy services company, which in turn provides all the up-front project capital funding (materials and installation). These costs can include identification of building energy requirements and efficiency opportunities, and the design, acquisition, installation, operation and maintenance of the new energy-efficient equipment. In exchange, the contractor receives a share of the cost savings resulting from these improvements for the duration of the contract

period, which may be up to 25 years. Key to the ESPC is that the resulting cost savings to the site must exceed the payments made to the contractor for each contract year, and that the energy (and cost) savings must be verified annually for the entire contract period.<sup>a</sup> 42 USC 8287 establishes authority for Federal sites to enter into EPSCs.

There are several ESPC vehicles available to BNL:

- Site-Specific ESPC: This is the ESPC method whereby the site develops, awards, and manages the ESPC contract in its entirety.
- DOE FEMP Regional Super-ESPCs: To simplify the ESPC process, Super-ESPCs have been developed and awarded by DOE FEMP. In short, a Super-ESPC is an Indefinite Delivery-Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) contract that has been competitively awarded by DOE to several energy services companies for specified geographic areas. Federal sites are able to negotiate and award ESPCs (i.e., place delivery orders against the IDIQ) with the pre-selected energy services contractors (ESCOs) without having to start the contracting process from scratch (Carroll 1999). Note that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers also makes available to Federal sites a similar IDIQ contract.
- DOE FEMP Technology-Specific Super-ESPCs: Technology-specific Super-ESPCs are similar to the regional Super-ESPCs in that they are IDIQ contracts that have been competitively awarded by DOE to selected contractors. Technology-specific Super-ESPCs differ from the regional contracts in that each contract is effective nationwide. Also, while a full range of efficiency measures may be implemented under a technology-specific delivery order, a minimum portion of the capital investment costs, typically 30%, must be for the purchase and installation of the IDIQ's subject technology.

The primary advantages of ESPCs are:

- The site obtains a significant amount of capital funding that is not likely from traditional funding sources. However, the site must repay the capital and financing costs to the contractor over the contract period.
- The energy and cost savings are guaranteed by the energy services company (ESCO) who must provide a minimum level of annual measurement and verification. Note that measurement and verification is to be accomplished by the application of agreed upon procedures as established in "Measurement and Verification (M&V) Guideline for Federal Energy Projects" (DOE/GO-10096-248, February, 1996). The site and the ESCO must still agree on M&V strategies deemed appropriate for installed conservation measures taking into account factors such as cost and level of accuracy required.
- The contractor typically performs operation and maintenance of installed equipment to ensure energy savings are realized.
- Contractors usually have the specialized expertise.

The primary disadvantages of ESPCs are:

- Significant site technical and contracting resources are required to implement ESPCs.

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<sup>a</sup> FEMP Program Overview, "Energy Savings Performance Contracting." August 1997.

- Achieved savings must be dedicated to paying capital and financing cost.
- The contract must be managed for the duration of the term up to 25 years because of the annual measurement and verification requirements.
- Over the contract term it may be necessary to renegotiate terms because of changes in site/building missions, building use patterns, and even utility rates. ESPCs are “long-term” contracts, sometimes as long as 25 years. It is highly likely that significant changes in energy use patterns and energy costs may result in the need to renegotiation of the contract savings and payments.

More information on ESPCs and Super-ESPCs is available from the FEMP home page at [www.eren.doe.gov/femp](http://www.eren.doe.gov/femp)

### **3.3 UTILITY FINANCED PROJECTS**

Under the authority provided in 42 USC 8256, Federal agencies are encouraged to participate in utility incentive programs including those offering energy project financing. Utility financed efficiency projects are similar to ESPCs in many ways, most importantly in that the capital to purchase and install new energy- efficient equipment is provided by a private sector entity (the utility) and repaid, along with financing expenses, over the term of the agreement. Utility financed energy-efficiency projects:

- are limited to 10-year terms
- make use of an existing relationship with a servicing utility
- do not require a performance guarantee, but this provision may be negotiated into the final agreement
- may have provisions for operations and maintenance negotiated into the final agreement.

The primary advantages of utility financing of energy-efficiency projects are:

- No up-front capital material and labor costs. However, the site must repay the capital costs and financing costs to the contractor over the contract period.
- Many utilities are eager to work with current customers in an effort to promote customer loyalty in preparation for the deregulated electric market.
- These may be sole-source agreements with the servicing utility.
- The site has control over design and construction award.
- Long-standing relationships between the site and the utility may facilitate project identification and negotiation.

The primary disadvantages of utility financing of energy-efficiency projects are:

- Not all utilities offer financing for energy-efficiency projects.

- Savings are not guaranteed unless this provision is negotiated into the agreement. However, sites not interested in savings guarantees and the corresponding annual measurement and verification requirements will find this beneficial because total costs will be reduced.

A recent memorandum (June 22, 1999) from Mr. Mark S. Schwartz (DOE Deputy General Council for Energy Policy) to Ms. Shelley N. Fidler (Acting Director - Federal Energy Management Program) concluded that DOE sites may enter into energy and water conservation efficiency contracts with contract terms of up to 10 years and an exemption from the Anti-Deficiency Act. The memorandum went on to further define the “requirements for ‘qualified’ DSM (demand side management) and ECM (energy conservation measure) contracts” as follows:

- (1) That the primary purpose of an ECM or DSM contract under section 152(f) must be to reduce the cost or use of energy and water and achieving greater energy efficiency [for example, DOE could not construct an entire new building to achieve or facilitate a programmatic objective under the guise of an ECM or DSM contract under section 152(f)]
- (2) That the general construction, training courses, and the purchase of supplies or equipment not directly related to an ECM or DSM is not permissible under section 152(f) of EPCACT
- (3) That energy or water savings must be sufficient to pay all costs under a DSM or ECM contract
- (4) That ECMs or DSMs will not normally be used unless the new overall energy or water cost reduction can be demonstrated and verified.”<sup>a</sup>

For the year or so preceding the issuance of this finding, there was a moratorium in place across DOE prohibiting sites from entering into these types of agreements. With this moratorium now lifted, BNL is now again able to pursue such services with NYPA and/or Long Island Power Authority (LIPA). A copy of this memorandum is in Appendix E.

### **3.4 BONNEVILLE POWER ADMINISTRATION (BPA)**

The BPA is a DOE organization that is best known for selling low-cost electric power primarily in the pacific northwestern region of the United States. It is also a part of BPA’s mission to promote the efficient use of energy, and it is under this charter that the BPA makes project financing and project management and technical services available to Federal sites. The typical steps involved in a BPA financed energy-efficiency project at a Federal site are summarized below:<sup>b</sup>

1. Federal agency orders BPA to obtain market information from prospective financiers

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<sup>a</sup> Memorandum from Mr. Mark S. Schwartz (DOE Deputy General Council for Energy Policy) to Ms. Shelley N. Fidler (Acting Director - Federal Energy Management Program), June 22, 1999.

<sup>b</sup> Briefing slides by Tim Scanlon, BPA, used in March 10, 1999, “Using BPA to Facilitate Private Source Project Financing”

2. BPA requests information on rates, terms, expenses, and contract provisions from prospective financiers
3. BPA compares financing proposals and identifies the most responsive proposal(s) to the agency
4. Agency orders BPA to obtain binding proposal from preferred financier
5. BPA secures binding commitment and negotiates funding agreement with the financier
6. Agency orders BPA to execute funding agreement and provide funds on a specific date
7. BPA executes funding agreement with financier; BPA and agency sign assignment of payments document
8. On closing date, BPA receives funds and satisfies agency's obligations to contractors and vendors.

The primary benefits of BPA financing are:

- Financing can be obtained at rates competitive with utility financed projects.
- Financial terms are flexible and can be structured to suit site's needs.
- Site retains all resulting energy cost savings.
- Site is free to select project management and technical services (no obligation).
- Site is free to structure efficiency projects in a manner that best suits them.

The primary disadvantages of BPA financing are:

- Site must provide all project technical, contracting, management, and construction support and oversight unless these services are purchased from BPA.
- Contract terms are typically limited to a maximum of 10 to 12 years.
- While there is no minimum project cost, financiers are generally interested in projects of around \$500,000 or more. Note that BPA can aggregate projects from multiple sites to offer more attractive packages to prospective financiers.
- BPA will not be involved in any shared savings arrangements.
- Site is responsible for measurement and verification (if so desired).

Contact Mr. Frank Brown at (206) 216-4231 or [febrown@bpa.gov](mailto:febrown@bpa.gov) for additional information on energy-efficiency services available through BPA.

### **3.5 FUEL AND PRODUCT PROCUREMENT ALTERNATIVES**

Through the normal course of site operations, there are a many procurement activities taking place that impact energy use and energy costs. Two areas of procurement were discussed with the BNL staff in some length: electric utilities procurement and window (room) air conditioning units. These procurement activities will be discussed in greater detail below, but note that the window air conditioner procurement is discussed under the broader issue of buying energy-efficient products.

#### **3.5.1 Electric Utility Procurement**

As noted in Section 2, the total cost paid by BNL for electricity in fiscal year 1997 was \$17.8 million out of a total site energy cost of \$20.7 million. Clearly the impact of electric rate increases and decreases will have a tremendous effect on the overall energy bill paid by BNL. Staff at BNL are keenly aware of this relationship and have been very successful in their procurement of relatively low cost electricity, as well as also establishing a site-wide electric load management program: in tandem these actions represent a tremendous success story.

BNL is located in the middle of Long Island, New York, where the servicing utility is the LIPA. However, as noted in Section 2, BNL purchases its electricity from the New York Power Authority. For the last few years BNL has had a blended average rate of \$0.065 to \$0.070 per kWh. The Lab recently renegotiated this contract and now uses a figure of \$0.060 per kWh, which includes transmission charges over other utilities' systems. While representatives of LIPA were not contacted during the course of this study to inquire about industrial customer rate schedules, it is our understanding that the LIPA rates are significantly above those currently being paid by the Lab (possibly up to twice as much).

The primary advantage of negotiating lower utility rates is lower electric rates translate into tangible operations costs savings that can be reapplied to support other site activities.

The primary "disadvantage" of negotiating lower utility rates is that lower electric rates reduce the cost effectiveness of potential energy conservation measures. As a result, many of these efficiency measures will not be implemented and site energy savings will not be realized. However, the issue to be considered is that of net benefit to the site. In the case of BNL these lower electric rates allow for increased electric use in direct support of core mission activities, with this increased usage being offset by the lower per unit rates.

#### **3.5.2 Buying Energy-Efficient Products**

Section 403(b)(1) of Executive Order 13123 states: "Agencies shall select, where life-cycle cost-effective, ENERGY STAR® and other energy-efficient products when acquiring energy-using products. For product groups where ENERGY STAR® labels are not yet available, agencies shall select products that are in the upper 25 % of energy efficiency as designated by FEMP." The FEMP Federal Procurement Challenge assists Federal agencies in purchasing energy-efficient products by making available product energy-efficiency recommendations. These recommendations identify product efficiency/performance levels that satisfy the Executive Order requirements for a wide range of products including window (room) air conditioners. More information on the Federal Procurement Challenge Program can be found at [www.eren.doe.gov/femp/procurement](http://www.eren.doe.gov/femp/procurement)

The use of window air conditioning units at BNL is very noticeable while driving around the site. As noted in Section 2, the chilled water system does not currently service all the buildings on the site. While the number of window air conditioning units was not discussed, the availability of the product energy-efficiency recommendations was called to the attention of the Lab staff. There are other energy-using products across the Lab that are covered by product energy-efficiency recommendations, which should also be considered.

The advantages to using the product energy-efficiency recommendations are:

- Recommendations are easy to obtain and use.
- Minimal effort should be needed to incorporate performance levels into future procurements.
- Cost-effective energy efficiency and associated cost savings will be realized as a part of regular equipment change-outs caused by age and/or failure.

The main disadvantage of using the product energy-efficiency recommendations is that while significant energy savings can result from change-outs of products such as window air conditioners, large-scale investment is needed to realize available energy efficiency.

### **3.6 REPLACEMENT UPON FAILURE**

Under this financing method, a site waits until a piece of equipment or system fails before requesting the funds to repair by replacement. Replacement is then accomplished with appropriated funds that are identified from the agency or site budget. Energy-efficiency improvement results from general technology efficiency improvements realized since the initial equipment/system installation. Note that while this approach relies on the use of appropriated funds, it is considered separate from the appropriated funding strategy because this a reactive funding approach, as compared to the proactive approach discussed in Section 5.1.

The primary benefits of this approach are:

- Up-front project and facilities support resources required are minimal compared to other strategies.
- Government retains all realized savings.
- Total project implementation time is typically very short because projects are driven by immediate/short-term needs.

The primary disadvantages of this approach are:

- Equipment failure may put mission/site activities at risk.
- Replacement is typically accomplished on a one-for-one basis, which can lead to lost efficiency upgrades/improvements opportunities.
- Energy and cost savings associated with efficiency upgrades are not realized until equipment failure occurs.

## **4.0 TECHNOLOGY OPPORTUNITIES/POTENTIAL**

The technology opportunities presented below are from two sources. First, detailed data was collected as part of DOE-funded audits conducted by BVH Engineers, Inc. of Bloomfield, Connecticut. These SAVEnergy audits were presented in 44 building-specific volumes; each volume is specific to a BNL building. For PNNL purposes, the data in each volume were transferred to a spreadsheet that allows for the sorting of the data by technology, building number, simple payback, or any other related parameter. Note that the energy audit data had been very recently received by BNL and was still considered to be in draft form. Thus, the recommendations had not yet been validated for accuracy of the assumptions or cost estimates.

The second group of technology opportunities was derived from PNNL staff observations and notes taken during the site visit. This group of opportunities is not quantified as with the DOE-funded audit data, rather, they are described qualitatively with the recommendation to pursue in greater detail if appropriate.

### **4.1 DOE-FUNDED AUDIT OPPORTUNITIES**

Presented below are summary data of energy savings, cost savings, and payback information as collected and analyzed by BVH Engineers, Inc (BVH). PNNL staff were not able to verify all assumptions used by BVH because of the short duration of the visit. While PNNL staff have concerns over some of the assumptions (specifically, some cost hours of operation assumptions), we assume that the data collected and assumptions used are largely accurate; this assumption was validated by BNL staff.

These data were extracted from 44 individual building reports and transferred to a spreadsheet. Once in the spreadsheet, the data were separated by technology and sorted by ascending simple payback. Detailed spreadsheet printouts are presented in Appendix F. The full electronic spreadsheet is available from the PNNL project manager.

It was noted by the BNL Energy Manager (Mark Toscano) that the cost estimate data addresses only construction labor and material costs and does not include project start-up and support costs such as engineering and design, project management, internal administrative costs, and contingency funds. When these start-up and support costs are added to the estimated construction cost, the total project increases significantly. In addition, the calculated simple payback of the identified energy conservation measures increases accordingly. The various cost elements comprising the project start-up and support costs, along with their impacts on project economics, are identified and discussed in Section 5.

#### **4.1.1 Lighting Technologies**

The general category of lighting technology includes the following measures:

- changing lighting schedules
- installing occupancy sensors
- installing photocells
- replacing incandescent lamps with compact fluorescent lamps
- replacing inefficient exit signs with efficient signs
- replace inefficient fluorescent fixtures with T8 lamp and electronic ballast fixtures.

The identified projects range in cost from \$25 to \$212,000. The annual cost savings per project varies from under \$10 to \$26,000. The simple payback calculations result in values ranging from 0.3 years to 15 years. Table 4.1 below presents the aggregated Lighting Technologies findings. Data specific to the individual lighting technology projects are located in Appendix F.

**TABLE 4.1 Aggregated Lighting Technology Audit Findings**

<b>Installed Cost (\$)</b>	<b>Annual Energy Savings (kWh)</b>	<b>Annual Demand Savings (kW)</b>	<b>Annual Energy Cost Savings (\$)<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Annual O&amp;M Cost Savings (\$)</b>	<b>Total Annual Cost Savings (\$)</b>	<b>Simple Payback (years)</b>
\$1,301,539	2,168,799	403.1	\$184,406	\$5,647	\$190,053	6.8
<sup>1</sup> Annual energy cost savings does not take credit for demand reduction						

#### **4.1.2 Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) Equipment**

The general category of HVAC equipment includes the following measures:

- testing/replacing faulty steam traps
- installation of ceiling fans
- install variable frequency drives (VFDs)
- installation of energy-efficient oil burner
- convert from constant volume to variable air volume (VAV)
- replacement of low efficiency HVAC equipment
- install VAV diffusers
- install high efficiency filters.

The identified projects range in cost from \$500 to \$114,500. The annual energy savings per project varies from \$97 to \$26,571. The simple payback calculations result in values ranging from 0.0 years to 25.8 years. Table 4.2 below presents the aggregated HVAC Equipment findings. Data specific to the individual HVAC equipment projects are located in Appendix F.

**TABLE 4.2 Aggregated HVAC Equipment Audit Findings**

<b>Installed Cost (\$)</b>	<b>Annual Energy Savings (MMBtu)<sup>1,2</sup></b>	<b>Annual Demand Savings (kW)</b>	<b>Annual Energy Cost Savings (\$)<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>Annual O&amp;M Cost Savings (\$)</b>	<b>Total Annual Cost Savings (\$)</b>	<b>Simple Payback (years)</b>
\$363,670	3,600	17.5	\$71,922	\$0	\$71,922	5.0
<sup>1</sup> MMBtu refers to million Btu <sup>2</sup> Savings include kWh, fuel oil, steam, and chilled water <sup>3</sup> Annual energy cost savings calculation does not take credit for demand reduction						

**4.1.3 HVAC Controls**

The general category of HVAC controls includes the following measures:

- changing HVAC setpoint temperatures
- installation of programmable thermostats
- reduction in supply air flow rates
- installation of steam cycle control systems
- installation of two-speed direct digital controls (DDC) control switching
- installation of boiler hot water reset control.

The identified projects range in cost from \$5 to \$421,000. The annual energy savings per project varies from \$118 to \$71,709. The simple payback calculations result in values ranging from almost immediate (changing setpoint temperatures) to 7.9 years. Table 4.3 below presents the aggregated HVAC Controls findings. Data specific to the individual HVAC controls projects are located in Appendix F.

**TABLE 4.3 Aggregated HVAC Controls Audit Findings**

<b>Installed Cost (\$)</b>	<b>Annual Energy Savings (MMBtu)<sup>1,2</sup></b>	<b>Annual Demand Savings (kW)</b>	<b>Annual Energy Cost Savings (\$)<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>Annual O&amp;M Cost Savings (\$)</b>	<b>Total Annual Cost Savings (\$)</b>	<b>Simple Payback (years)</b>
\$509,428	13,434	26.3	\$118,381	\$0	\$118,381	4.3
<sup>1</sup> MMBtu refers to million Btu <sup>2</sup> Savings include kWh, fuel oil, steam, and chilled water <sup>3</sup> Annual energy cost savings calculation does not take credit for demand reduction						

#### 4.1.4 Water Heating Technologies

The general category of water heating technologies includes the following measures:

- reduction in hot water setpoint temperatures
- installation of low-flow faucet aerators
- installation of low-flow showerheads
- installation of hot water tank insulation
- installation of solar hot water heating system.

The identified projects range in cost from \$5 to \$17,626. The annual energy savings per project varies from \$3 to \$1,064. The simple payback calculations result in values ranging from almost immediate (changing setpoint temperatures) to 20.3 years (solar hot water heating system). Table 4.4 below presents the aggregated water heating technology findings. Data specific to the individual Water Heating Technology projects are located in Appendix F.

**TABLE 4.4 Aggregated Water Heating Technology Audit Findings**

<b>Installed Cost (\$)</b>	<b>Annual Energy Savings (MMBtu)<sup>1,2</sup></b>	<b>Annual Demand Savings (kW)</b>	<b>Annual Energy Cost Savings (\$)</b>	<b>Annual O&amp;M Cost Savings (\$)</b>	<b>Total Annual Cost Savings (\$)</b>	<b>Simple Payback (years)</b>
\$75,047	1,793	0	\$9,537	\$40	\$9,577	7.8
<sup>1</sup> MMBtu refers to million Btu <sup>2</sup> Savings include kWh, fuel oil, and steam						

#### 4.1.5 Electric Motor Technologies

The general category of electric motor technologies includes the following measure:

- installation of high-efficiency electric motors

The identified projects range in cost from \$515 to \$16,310. The annual energy savings per project varies from \$46 to over \$5,100. The simple payback calculations result in values ranging from 0.7 years to 13.5 years. Table 4.5 below presents the aggregated electric motor technology findings. Data specific to the individual electric motor technology projects are located in Appendix F.

**TABLE 4.5 Aggregated Electric Motor Technology Audit Findings**

<b>Installed Cost (\$)</b>	<b>Annual Energy Savings (kWh)</b>	<b>Annual Demand Savings (kW)</b>	<b>Annual Energy Cost Savings (\$)<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Annual O&amp;M Cost Savings (\$)</b>	<b>Total Annual Cost Savings (\$)</b>	<b>Simple Payback (years)</b>
\$56,299	192,965	11.1	\$15,013	\$0	\$15,013	3.8
<sup>1</sup> Annual energy cost savings does not take credit for demand reduction						

#### 4.1.6 Chiller Technologies

The general category of chiller technologies includes the following measures:

- removing existing chiller and adding building to central chiller plant (Bldg. 815)
- installation of new high-efficiency absorption chiller (Bldg. 815)
- installation of new high-efficiency centrifugal chiller.

The identified projects range in cost from \$206,000 to \$450,000; note that the first two projects (adding building to central chiller plant and new absorption chiller) are for the same building and therefore are mutually exclusive. The annual energy savings per project varies from \$10,000 to over \$23,471. The simple payback calculations result in values ranging from 19.2 years to 20.6 years. Table 4.6 below presents the aggregated chiller technology findings; the mutually exclusive project with the lower payback was included. Data specific to the individual chiller technology projects are located in Appendix F.

**TABLE 4.6 Chiller Technology Audit Findings**

<b>Installed Cost (\$)</b>	<b>Annual Energy Savings (MMBtu)<sup>1,2</sup></b>	<b>Annual Demand Savings (kW)</b>	<b>Annual Energy Cost Savings (\$)</b>	<b>Annual O&amp;M Cost Savings (\$)</b>	<b>Total Annual Cost Savings (\$)</b>	<b>Simple Payback (years)</b>
\$656,000	4,769	0	\$33,471	\$0	\$33,471	19.6
<sup>1</sup> MMBtu refers to million Btu						
<sup>2</sup> Savings include kWh and steam						

#### 4.1.7 Other Technologies

The general category of “other technologies” includes the following measures:

- cleaning of air conditioner (AC) evaporator and condenser coils
- caulk leaky through-the-wall heat pump piping
- rebalance fume hood air flow
- reduction in fume-hood air flow
- weatherstrip windows
- installation of floor insulation
- installation of attic floor insulation
- installation of automatic pool cover system
- installation of attic roof insulation
- installation of wall insulation
- installation of vinyl strip door on loading dock.

The identified projects range in cost from \$100 to \$223,000. The annual energy savings per project varies from \$160 to \$82,000. The simple payback calculations result in values ranging from 0.6 years to 10.9 years. Table 4.7 below presents the aggregated other technology findings. Data specific to the individual other technology projects are located in Appendix F.

**TABLE 4.7 Other Technology Audit Findings**

<b>Installed Cost (\$)</b>	<b>Annual Energy Savings (MMBtu)<sup>1,2</sup></b>	<b>Annual Demand Savings (kW)</b>	<b>Annual Energy Cost Savings (\$)</b>	<b>Annual O&amp;M Cost Savings (\$)</b>	<b>Total Annual Cost Savings (\$)</b>	<b>Simple Payback (years)</b>
\$447,693	11,840	0	\$133,384	\$0	\$133,384	3.4
<sup>1</sup> MMBtu refers to million Btu <sup>2</sup> Savings include kWh and steam						

#### 4.2 PNNL SITE-VISIT OPPORTUNITIES

During the site visit to BNL, PNNL staff visited a sample of buildings with the goal of walking through a representative sample of BNL facilities. The buildings visited included the following:

- Central boiler plant facility
- Central chilled water facility
- Building 555
- Building 463
- Building 490
- Building 815.

In addition, BNL staff provided a site-wide tour highlighting the diversity of the site, identifying mission-critical buildings, and identifying past and current energy-related projects. The resulting notes and observations of the site-wide tour and building walk-throughs were collected and are summarized below. This group of opportunities is not quantified as with the DOE-funded energy

audits; rather, they are described qualitatively with the recommendation to be pursued in greater detail, if appropriate.

#### **4.2.1 Window Films**

During the site visit, a number of buildings were noted either to have window films, to have window films in need of replacement, or not have to window films at all. Additionally, during the site tour, BNL staff indicated that there is interest by the site in further penetration of this technology. By applying reflective window films, buildings can reduce solar heat gain and thus reduce the building's cooling load. However, because window films also block out solar radiation in the winter, the building winter heating load will be increased.

#### **Analysis Considerations**

- adequate existing shading of windows by trees or other buildings needs to be addressed
- reflective window films increase heating load in the winter months
- cost of fuel, installed cost of window films.

#### **4.2.2 Recover Waste Heat from Boiler Blowdown**

Boiler blowdown contains significant amounts of heat that can be captured by installing a boiler blowdown heat recovery system. Typically, these systems consist of a heat exchanger and/or a heat exchanger and flash tank to capture as much of the blowdown energy as possible. Potential uses for this captured energy include preheating boiler makeup water or feedwater, supplementing the necessary energy for deaeration operations, or to preheat other low-temperature process applications.

#### **Analysis Considerations**

- verify continuous blowdown operation
- verify makeup water needs, systems with makeup water needs in excess of 5 to 10% are usually good candidates
- cost of fuel, steam, and recovery equipment.

#### **4.2.3 Ground-Source Heat Pump Systems**

Ground-source heat pumps (GHP) offer many advantages over conventional space heating/cooling systems – including air-source heat pumps. A GHP system operates at a higher level of efficiency than central heating systems; in the heating mode the efficiency may be 2 to 3 times higher than conventional combustion or direct resistance heating technologies. In the cooling mode, the GHP efficiency is usually higher than air-source technologies because of the lower heat sink (the ground) temperature.

The location of BNL is advantageous for this kind of technology because of its relatively moderate climate, yet still reporting significant heating and cooling needs. Additionally, the relatively high water table over which the site is located adds to GHP attractiveness.

One current mechanism for funding GHP systems is to take advantage of the Geothermal Technology-Specific ESPC. An installation of this technology may also take advantage of the other organizations including the Geothermal Heat Pump Consortium and the International

Ground Source Heat Pump Association, which may offer technical assistance including design review and consultation.

#### **Analysis Considerations**

- availability of land to install vertical ground loop
- existing HVAC system efficiency and system configurations
- weather conditions
- soil conditions
- operations and maintenance impacts
- cost of fuel and equipment.

More information on the Geothermal Technology-Specific ESPC can be obtained either by contacting Mr. Doug Culbreth of the DOE Atlanta Regional Office at (919) 782-5238, or on the World Wide Web at <http://www.eren.doe.gov/femp/financing/tecspect.html#ghp>

#### **4.2.4 Electric Motors**

Electric motors generally offer two main categories of savings opportunities. The first and usually most attractive is motor sizing; making sure the motor is properly sized for the load. Oversized motors not only waste energy, but they can also fail prematurely.

The second opportunity is to replace a standard efficiency motor with a high efficiency motor. While the cost justification of an “early replacement” scenario may not report very low paybacks, (paybacks will vary with hours of operation and electricity cost), the economics of the “replace-on-failure” scenario are usually very attractive.

In addition to replacement of failed electric motors, motor rewind is an option. In theory, rewinding a failed or near-failed electric motor should return the motor to its design efficiency (i.e., new efficiency), however, in practice this is not usually the case. One study (Montgomery 1984) indicated that electric motor efficiency is often compromised by standard motor rewind practices, thus making the initial low cost of motor rewinding a potentially poor investment. The performance degradation is linked to the process and temperatures used in “softening” the existing windings for removal. If not done properly, this process damages the stator resulting in increased core losses of the rewound motor. Depending on motor use, the purchase of an energy-efficient motor replacement is usually more economic than rewinding an existing motor.

A very useful software package distributed as part of the Motor Challenge Program can help in identifying and quantifying electric motor savings opportunities. The software is called Motor Master and it is free to Federal agencies. An example of a savings and life-cycle cost analysis developed using the Motor Master software for a specific application at BNL is included in Appendix G. This example looks at replacing an existing (~20 year old) 20-hp air-handler motor (24-hour operation) with a new efficient motor. As this example demonstrates (simple payback of 3.1 years), replacing an old motor can result in significant cost-effective energy savings. (Note that estimated costs do not include site service and overhead fees.) Additional applications across BNL should be identified and analyzed.

#### **Analysis Considerations**

- existing equipment age and efficiency

- annual hours of operation
- cost of fuel and equipment.

More information on the Motor Challenge Program and the Motor Master software can be found at <http://www.motor.doe.gov/mainmc.shtml>

#### **4.2.5 Central Compressed Air System**

As of 1997, the central compressed air facility had a rated capacity of 1,500 scfm with an estimated power use of 75,600 kWh/month<sup>a</sup>. During the site visit, PNNL staff noted that the air intake for the compressor equipment was located inside the compressor housing. While convenient, this location allows for radiant energy to preheat the intake air and thus the compressor must work harder. By relocating the air inlet to an outside location (preferably on the north side of the building), a savings in energy use of about 2% can be achieved for a 10°F temperature reduction (ESI 1992).

#### **Analysis Considerations**

- existing equipment age and efficiency
- access to outside air
- cost of fuel and ducting.

#### **4.2.6 Wall/Window AC Equipment**

During the site visit, a very high penetration of wall/window AC equipment was noted. While these units are effective at space cooling, their efficiencies can vary widely, particularly for pre-1994 equipment.

For future purchase of this equipment, BNL energy and procurement staff should take advantage of one or both of the following efficient procurement identification programs:

#### **ENERGY STAR® Program**

ENERGY STAR® Room Air Conditioners feature high-efficiency compressors, fan motors, and heat transfer surfaces. In an air conditioner, the air is cooled when it passes over the refrigerant coils, which have fins, similar to an automobile radiator. The compressor sends the cooled refrigerant through the coils, and cools the air as it is forced over the coils. By using advanced heat transfer technologies, more of the heat from the air is transferred into the coils than in conventional models, saving energy required to compress the refrigerant. ENERGY STAR® Room Air Conditioners must exceed minimum Federal standards for energy consumption by at least 15%.

More information on ENERGY STAR® room air conditioners can be found at <http://www.energystar.gov/products/roomair/index.html>

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<sup>a</sup> Brookhaven National Laboratory Energy Management Group, "FY 1997 In-House Energy Management Factbook.

## **Federal Procurement Challenge**

FEMP issues a series of Product Energy-Efficiency Recommendations, as called for in EPA Act, that identify "recommended" efficiency levels for energy-using products — i.e., levels that meet the criteria of the Executive Order and the FAR (Federal Acquisition Regulations). The recommendations also:

- Identify Federal supply sources that offer efficient products
- Suggest ways for buyers to identify efficient products when buying from commercial sources
- Present a cost-effectiveness example to help buyers judge whether a price premium is really "worth it"
- Offer tips to help buyers and users save energy without sacrificing comfort or performance
- Provide leads to other useful sources of information on product energy efficiency, such as the DOE/EPA program, the American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy (ACEEE), Home Energy magazine, and many more.

More information on the Federal Procurement Challenge room air conditioners can be found at <http://www.eren.doe.gov/femp/procurement/rac.html>

### **4.2.7 Chillers**

Chiller efficiency has increased significantly over the passed 20 years even after taking into account the switch from CFC to non-CFC refrigerants. Currently available chillers may be as much as twice as efficient as the chillers they are replacing, and these efficiencies are still improving.

On December 10, 1998 Secretary Richardson signed a memorandum to DOE program and field offices establishing a Departmental goal to retrofit or replace by 2005 all DOE chillers using Class I ozone-depleting refrigerants having 150 tons or greater of cooling capacity that were manufactured prior to 1984. Among others, this directive is designed to accomplish the following goals:

- reduce Class I ozone-depleting substance emissions
- help accomplish DOE energy conservation goals
- implement the President's directive to maximize the use of energy savings performance contracting.

While this directive specifically identifies 150-ton chillers or greater, it also states that facilities should plan to eventually phase out all chillers using Class I refrigerants.

This memorandum can be found at <http://www.eh.doe.gov/oepa/guidance/ozone>

Clearly, chiller replacement projects can be difficult to economically justify based solely on the efficiency improvement. However, if a project is "bundled" with other measures (lighting, etc), as well as the retrofit designed to take advantage of proper chiller sizing and/or load reductions

(resulting from the “other measures”), often the economics can be very attractive for consideration in a variety of alternative financing scenarios.

BNL has over 12,000 tons of space/process cooling refrigeration, including a 4,830-ton central chilled water facility (BNL 1997). Table 4.8 below presents the chiller tonnage (connected and used) by major refrigerant type at BNL– additional tonnage exists but is either backup or was replaced with connection to the central chilled water plant.

**TABLE 4.8 BNL Connected Chiller Loads (tons) and Refrigerant Types**

<b>Refrigerant</b>	<b>R-11</b>	<b>R-22</b>	<b>R-134A</b>	<b>Lithium Bromide</b>	<b>Various</b>
<b>Connected Tons</b>	7,510	825	270	1,874	300
<b>Percent of Total</b>	69.8%	7.6%	2.5%	17.4%	2.8%

## 5.0 PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION PROCESS/SYSTEMS

This section summarizes management and procedural conditions at BNL that may affect the development of alternatively financed energy projects including the following:

1. Project players and services
2. Project cost burdens
3. Energy costs and allocations.

### 5.1 PROJECT SERVICE PROVIDERS AND STAKEHOLDERS

Several organizations internal and external to BNL provide project development services or are stakeholders in the project implementation process. The key internal organizations and potential external organizations are discussed in this section.

#### 5.1.1 BNL Project Service Providers and Stakeholders

The facilities management organization and processes are typical of academic and private industry: an enterprise-wide Facilities & Operations directorate (F&O) integrates planners, architects/engineers, energy management, operators, and maintenance staff under one chain-of-command. The organization of the major F&O departments related to alternatively financed energy projects are as follows:

- Facilities & Operations (F&O) (Michael Bebon, Assistant Laboratory Director)
  - Plant Engineering Division (PED) (Edward Murphy, Manager)
    - Energy Management (Mark Toscano, Manager)
    - Engineering & Construction Services (Michael Schaeffer, Manager) provides project management, design, and construction inspection
    - Operations & Maintenance (Alanson Warren, Manager).

Facilities & Operations staff perform most facility services. Major efforts, such as the construction of a new building, wing, or system, are typically subcontracted. The design of major efforts may also be subcontracted. A PED organizational chart is shown in Figure 5.1 and is also shown at <http://epweb.pe.bnl.gov/manager.htm>. Other BNL departments provide support for contracting/procurement, finance, and environment/safety/health.

Facilities & Operations is one of the dozen top-level divisions that include six support divisions, such as finance and safety divisions. DOE manages BNL through the Brookhaven Group of the DOE Chicago Regional Office.

#### 5.1.2 Potential External Project Service Providers

Although BNL staff provide most of the facility services, many service providers exist near-by because of BNL's location near metropolitan areas. Such services include comprehensive energy program/project management and specialty areas in architecture/engineering, construction, and maintenance & operations.

LIPA, BNL's electrical provider (see <http://www.lipa.state.ny.us/>)] provides limited services for industrial/government customers (<http://www.lipa.state.ny.us/conservation.html#nightlight>):

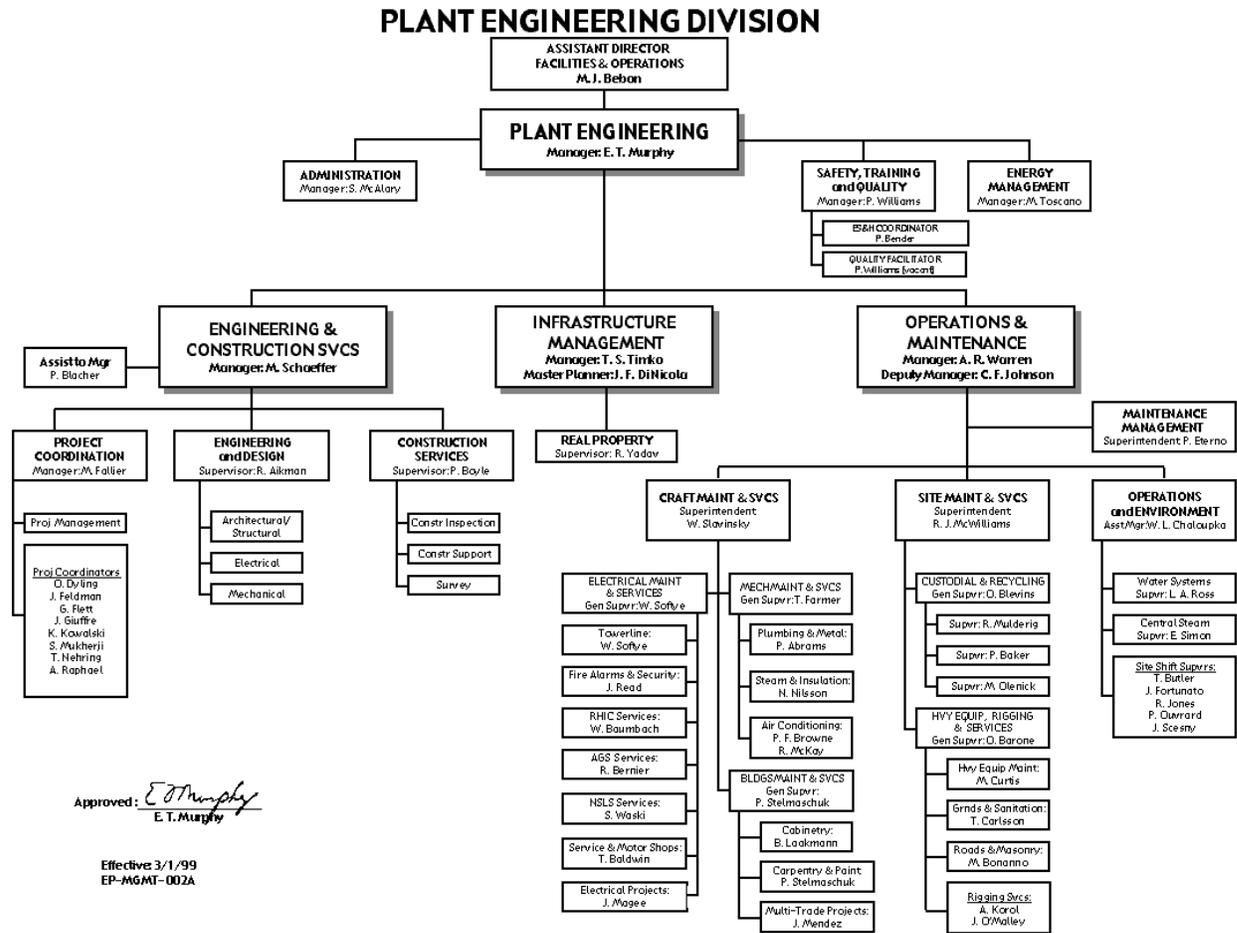


FIGURE 5.1. PED Organization Chart

- energy audits
- rebates for installing geothermal systems
- lower-cost light bulbs (e.g., compact fluorescents) and fixtures
- design, installation, and maintenance of night lighting for a monthly charge.

LIPA also performs or funds other development activities that may support an alternatively financed energy project. LIPA funds grants to a wide variety of organizations – including BNL - for R&D or pilot projects on emerging technologies including photovoltaics and electric vehicles. In particular, DOE, LIPA, BNL and the New York state energy office (NYSERDA – see below) partnered in 1999 to install a 7-kW fuel cell at BNL see [http://www.lipa.state.ny.us/rdapril24\\_99.htm](http://www.lipa.state.ny.us/rdapril24_99.htm)).

LIPA also partners with Keyspan Energy on R&D to provide Keyspan’s wide range of services to Long Island including auditing, design, operations, and financing. Keyspan is a major regional producer and supplier of electricity and supplier of natural gas (<http://keyspanenergy.com/about/>).

The state of New York maintains a very active state energy office [NY State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA), <http://www.nysesda.org/>], which provides a wide range of services including the following:

- Technical assistance including audits and technology-specific evaluations through NYSEDA's FlexTech Program
- ESPC implementation based on experience gained through the following actions:
  - Procured \$65 M of project financing capability through its tax-exempt Master Lease Alternative Financing Agreement with GE Capital Finance for the State EnVest Program
  - Prequalified 23 ESCOs
  - Maintenance of a database of 100 financiers for energy projects.

In addition, NYSEDA has experience with Federal agencies gained through a FEMP state grant to develop ESPCs for the local National Guard.

Table 5.1 summarizes the project phases and roles for traditional facility projects at BNL and illustrates how alternatively financed energy projects might be implemented.

## **5.2 PROJECT COST BURDENS**

Like most organizations, BNL incurs internal services, management, and overhead costs that must be allocated to its products and services. In reference to facility projects, BNL allocates those overheads by charging a percentage-rate against the dollar value of each contract<sup>a</sup> under a project. The rates can change during a fiscal year and often do.

### **5.2.1 Project Management and Design**

BNL places all of the architect/engineer design services, construction administration and inspection, and project management efforts under a single category entitled Engineering, Design, Inspection, and Administration (EDIA). The Plant Engineering Department (PED) has set the EDIA budget rate at 14% of the construction estimate. Although PED staff usually provide all the EDIA services, sometimes they procure outside services. In this situation, PED may allocate between 8 and 10% of the 14% budget for outside services, but would retain the balance of between 4 and 6% for PED project management and support.

If the funding is a traditional congressional appropriation for a Line Item or General Program Project, the appropriation also provides funding beyond the EDIA 14%. This additional funding covers PED's early project development work such as predesign scope, time, and money estimates.

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<sup>a</sup> For traditional or alternative-financed construction projects, the contract amount includes all construction labor and materials, and the overhead and profit factors for the general contractor and any subcontractors. In design-build and ESPC contracts, the architecture/engineering service is also included in the contract amount.

**TABLE 5.1 Project Development Process at BNL**

Phases/Activities	Project Service Providers and Stakeholders		
	Traditional Appropriation Projects	Alternative Financed Projects	
		ESPC	Utility or State Funding Program
Project Funding	HQ or BNL internal \$	ESCO <sup>1</sup>	Utility/State
Capital Planning	F&O Infrastructure Mgmt	F&O Infrastructure Mgmt	F&O Infrastructure Mgmt
Project Development/Implementation			
Project management	F&O Proj Coord	ESCO <sup>1</sup>	Traditional options
Predesign scope and cost estimates	F&O Eng & Design	BNL or ESCO <sup>1</sup>	↓
Programming (project definition)	F&O Eng & Design	ESCO <sup>1</sup>	↓
DOE review/approval	Varies	DOE Brookhaven Group	DOE Brookhaven Group
Design	F&O Eng & Design or A/E subcontract	ESCO <sup>1</sup>	Traditional options
Contract documents - design	F&O Eng & Design or A/E subcontract	ESCO <sup>1</sup>	↓
Contract documents - procurement/bidding	Contracts	ESCO <sup>1</sup>	↓
Construction	Contractor	ESCO <sup>1</sup>	↓
Construction - BNL oversight & inspection	F&O Eng & Design or A/E	ESCO <sup>1</sup>	↓
Operations	F&O O&M	ESCO <sup>1</sup>	↓
Notes			
1. BNL departments and staff noted in the Traditional column need to specify the level of control or input they require over the ESPC and Energy Services Contractor (ESCO).			

**5.2.2 Overheads**

A wide variety of BNL overheads are combined into the following adders:

- Material burden of 7.75%, applied to the first \$600 K of a contract
- Traditional lab-wide general and administrative (G&A) adder of 12% applied to the first \$600 K of a contract

- Site support general and administrative (G&A) of 25% applied against the material burden and lab-wide G&A.

Note that the material burden and G&A adders apply only to the first \$600 K of the procurement or contract amount. This means a \$10 M contract incurs the same dollar-burden as a \$600 K contract. Consequently, significant savings can be realized by packaging smaller projects into a single, large contract. Similarly, savings can be achieved by having design services included in the contract scope of a design/build project or an alternatively financed energy project.

The sequencing of which adder is applied to the contract first can have an impact on the bottom line project cost. The sequencing depends on how a project is implemented within BNL's organizations. The following project scenario and implementation options are provided to help understand the bottom-line dollar impact. The scenario used herein is a moderately large \$1 M construction project with the standard 14% EDIA cost, for a total project cost of \$1.14 M. The implementation options are as follows<sup>a</sup>:

- Option 1 is the traditional construction project, wherein PED provides the EDIA and a general contractor builds the project.
- In Option 2, PED purchases the majority of the construction materials (e.g., lighting, motors, controls) and a contractor installs the materials.
- In Option 3, PED procures and installs the materials.
- Option 4 is similar to Option 1 except that the design services are provided by the ESCO instead of PED.

The bottom-line cost impact of the implementation options and their adders is shown in Table 5.2 (see Appendix H for indirect overhead calculations).

As shown in the table, the adders can increase the project cost by between 14% and 36%. The difference between the lowest (#4) and the highest cost option (#3) is an increase of \$250K (19%). This cost difference is significant not only for the additional dollars, but also because the additional cost extends the payback by the same 19%. For example, if an underlying design/construction project has a 10-year payback, then the more costly implementations option would extend the payback to almost 12 years.

The higher costs of Options 2 and 3 result solely from the breakup of the project into smaller contracts or procurements that are less than the \$600 K breakpoint for the Material Burden and G&A adders noted above. Conversely, the lower cost of Option 1 is from combining activities into a single alternatively financed energy project contract. Finally, the lowest cost (Option 4) is because one last activity – the project design services – is moved to the alternatively financed energy project contract.

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<sup>a</sup> BNL contracts specialist Ed Byrne, August 11, 1999. Byrnes provided an Excel spreadsheet that defined the concepts and calculations with Mark Toscano's input for Options 1 through 3. This report defined Option 4 for the purpose of exploring other options. The calculations for all options are presented in greater detail in Appendix H.

**TABLE 5.2. Burdens on a \$1 M Project**

Implementation Option	Project Cost w/ 14% EDIA	Indirect Burdens	Effectv %	Total Project
1. Traditional construction contract	1,140,000	187,505	16.4%	1,327,505
2. BNL buys materials, contractor installs	1,140,000	327,975	28.8%	1,467,975
3. BNL buys and installs materials	1,140,000	414,270	36.3%	1,554,270
4. Alternative financed contract	1,144,800 <sup>1</sup>	159,681	13.9%	1,304,481
Variance (difference between maximum and minimum costs)				249,789
% Variance (Variance/Minimum)				19%

1. Project cost is slightly higher under Option 4 because some (\$80K) of the EDIA fee is included in the construction cost and that results in a slightly higher fee (\$4.8K).

BNL procurement staff note that if Option 2 or 3 were to be used to implement a large project, then a special arrangement would be attempted to make the net burden similar to Option 1.<sup>a</sup> Careful consideration should be given to implementation options to minimize overhead costs.

### 5.3 ENERGY COSTS AND ALLOCATIONS

Energy costs and the allocation method for those costs can significantly influence the feasibility or cost-effectiveness of an alternatively financed project. Those key elements are outlined in this section.

#### 5.3.1 Energy Costs

The Energy Management Group of the Plant Engineering Division routinely negotiates its rates for electricity, natural gas, and oil/LPG. The effective, blended electricity rate is currently about 6 cents/kWh and BNL expects it will decrease to about 5.5 cents. The daily effective rates can range from 5 to 8 cents/kWh depending on the time of day. The underlying supplier's rate is 2.3 cents (soon to be 2.1 cents) from the New York Power Authority, plus kW charges from three power wheelers. In FY97, BNL used 257,000 MWh of electricity, of which most was for R&D loads (see Table 5.3). Additional details are posted on BNL's web site at <http://www.emg.bnl.gov/enstats.htm> FY99 loads were similar, but BNL expects loads to significantly increase when a very large R&D relativistic ion collider comes on-line.

**TABLE 5.3. Distribution of Energy Use in FY97**

End-Use	MWh	
Process, mostly R&D equipment	167,943	65.3%
Buildings	77,641	30.2%
Central chiller plant	10,567	4.1%
Central steam plant	1,147	0.4%
	<u>257,298</u>	100.0%

<sup>a</sup> Telecon with Mark Toscano, November 22, 1999

In FY97, BNL's natural gas rate was \$3.12 a decatherm (DT), and #6 fuel oil rate was 43 cents/gallon for a centralized steam plant. The FY98 gas consumption was 628,000 DT, and fuel oil was 330,006 gallons to produce 505,249,000 million pounds of steam.

### **5.3.2 Energy Cost Allocations**

PED maintains an electricity metering and reporting system that covers all major buildings and R&D equipment. The reporting is online and available to BNL staff. PED pools the electricity cost with the metering program staff support cost. Then, PED allocates the cost directly to the end-use programs, including the R&D programs. Consequently, R&D staff track BNL's online hourly-load data to avoid incurring the high demand charges incurred when exceeding BNL's peak demand limit.

PED also maintains metering for steam, and issues mock bills to the end-use programs. BNL includes the actual steam costs in the space charge rate at this time. Other utility costs, such as O&M for the central chilled water plant, are also sent through the BNL space chargeback system.

## **6.0 SITE-SPECIFIC PROJECT CONSIDERATIONS**

In developing project recommendations, it is important to consider key issues and concerns specific to this site. These issues and concerns were raised during the interview process and demonstrate the need to discuss potential projects with all staff involved in the project development, approval, and implementation process.

### **6.1 CONTRACT TERMS**

One key feature of the alternative financing methods summarized in Section 3 is that contract terms extend beyond the completion of construction and may extend out to 25 years in the case of ESPCs. These multi-year contract terms are necessary to create the cash flow (repayment) stream necessary to cover the investment and financing costs. But while Federal sites are now able to enter into multi-year contracts to implement energy efficiency, the question of what contract term is acceptable must be addressed by each site considering such financing arrangements.

During interviews with the site staff, many were asked about how they thought the site's decision-makers (those individuals with authority to approve/disapprove a proposed project) would react to projects funded over multiple years. This issue has not yet been raised at BNL, especially in conjunction with a specific project. No one felt that a 20 to 25 year term would be viewed favorably at the site, while several felt that terms in the neighborhood of up to 10 years might be considered feasible. The reasoning behind the 10-year term was that the Lab currently engages in some lease contracting with terms of up to 10 years, as well as the term of the Lab's current management and operations contract is a 5-year contract with a 5-year renewal option. Thus, an alternative financing arrangement within this established time span would not require precedent and may be open for consideration.

*If the site is interested in pursuing alternative financing, a decision on the maximum contract term needs to be made up-front because this decision will impact the degree of investment available.* If the site determines that 10 years is the maximum contract term, an ESPC project would likely need to have a bundled simple payback period in the neighborhood of 5 years to allow repayment of initial investment plus finance charges. Note that this "limitation" is also virtually in place with regards to utility financed projects per the recent finding from the DOE Deputy General Counsel (Section 3.3 and Appendix E). Limiting projects to a simple payback of 5 years or less probably eliminates the possibility of completing any chiller replacements, which is a site infrastructure need, via ESPC and utility financing.

### **6.2 UP-FRONT/SITE INCURRED PROJECT COSTS**

BNL staff recognize that alternatively financed projects do require up-front capital to cover site technical and contracting staff efforts. However, these costs incurred in-house are not covered by the private sector financier and must be provided for internally. (Note that when projects were financed by IHEM funding, site technical and contracting costs were included as a part of the overall IHEM project funding amount.) In the case of BNL, these costs appear as hourly charges for the staff time in the project's identification, development, and implementation stages. Additional to the staff hourly rates is the cost burdening, which is necessary to finance the operation of the Lab's Plant Engineering Division (see Section 5.2). While overhead structures and rates vary from site-to-site, this type of organizational and overhead structure is in place at many large Federal sites. Staff at BNL are very keen to the up-front site costs associated with alternatively financed projects and feels that this issue needs to be more directly addressed in the FEMP information products. The issue of funding site technical and contracting staff in the

identification, development, and implementation must be identified in the earliest stages of the project development process. *Some options the site may wish to consider include: requesting site and/or program funding to cover these efforts; requesting the waiving or exempting of some or all of the overhead fees; requesting funding from DOE headquarters.* In the event that overhead fees are waived or exempted, those costs incurred by the site in the placement of an alternatively financed project will have to be absorbed elsewhere on the site. In addition, the site may desire to track these costs as an overall assessment of the cost effectiveness of an ESPC project that compares the sum of investment and support costs to the energy cost savings realized.

### **6.3 UNION CONSIDERATIONS**

A key component of ESPCs is the energy/cost savings performance guarantee. It is this provision that not only necessitates annual measurement and verification of energy savings, but also strongly encourages the energy savings performance contractor to perform regular equipment maintenance and even operate equipment to ensure efficient operation and the realization of the guaranteed savings. Thus, performance based contracts involving complex energy-using equipment/systems such as chillers and utility plants are likely to include the assigning of contractor staff to provide services that are already performed by site staff. In the case of BNL, site staff that are represented by a union perform operations and maintenance services. Thus, a performance based contract involving contractor staff performing equipment/systems operations and maintenance is an issue that needs to be addressed between the site and the union prior to developing such a contract.

It is not possible to recommend a position at this time because such a project has not been scoped out. In general, there are a limited number of ways in which such an issue can be addressed. Depending on the project scope, the union and the Lab may agree that having contractor employees on site is not an issue and the project may proceed as planned. However, if the union does not agree with the placement of contractor employees on site to complete the operations and maintenance of systems installed under a performance based contract, the site may also consider having these operations and maintenance services performed by the site staff. In this case, the site would wind up accepting the performance risk associated with the contract. This means that if energy savings (felt to be) contingent upon the performance of certain operations and maintenance are not realized, the contractor may shift the burden to the government while still collecting full payment.

The discussion above oversimplifies the realm of issues faced and potential solutions available to the Lab in dealing with site staffing issues. However, this simplification is intended because development of a performance-based contract is a complex process that requires time to execute. Decisions such as the use of site operations and maintenance staff on site need to be made up-front, before a significant effort has been invested in the project development only to run into a potentially major obstacle. *As an initial step, the site should make sure that the union officials are brought into discussions concerning consideration of any performance based contracts and kept apprised of any subsequent project development activities.*

### **6.4 INCENTIVES TO SAVE ENERGY**

Two key points regarding incentives to save energy were made during the interviews. First, building comfort (HVAC) is a part of the tenants' space charge. Reductions in the energy use associated building comfort such as hours of operation and modified temperature settings might not even produce a noticeable change in the space charge out rates, thereby offering no tangible benefit. Second, the true incentive for the programs to save energy is that cost savings associated

with more efficient use can be rolled back into mission related work. Thus energy efficiency is sold to the programs on the basis of program benefits and benefits to science. These “incentives” only reinforce the outstanding work done by the site staff in meeting the 2000 energy reduction goal of 20%. However, the meeting of energy reduction goals is not necessarily an incentive to the Lab’s energy users.

## **6.5 UNIQUE ELECTRIC UTILITY ARRANGEMENT**

As covered in Sections 2 and 5.3.1, the Lab purchases its electricity from NYPA although it is located in the LIPA service territory. In addition to being one of the three electric power wheelers to the site, LIPA also provides electric power over the negotiated purchase amount between the Lab and NYPA. In the past, NYPA has worked with the Lab to help finance some energy-efficiency measures and was, in fact, discussing the possibility of funding a free cooling retrofit when the DOE moratorium on financing from utilities took effect. *It is hoped that discussions on this free cooling project will resume now that DOE sites are again able to accept utility financing.* While it is unclear what type of business relationship the site has with LIPA and if LIPA would be interested in offering financing for energy-efficiency projects, *this option should be further explored with LIPA.*

## **6.6 EXEMPT FACILITIES UNDER EXECUTIVE ORDER 13123**

Since the passage of the Federal Energy Management Improvement Act of 1988 (Public Law 100-615), Federal agencies have been tasked with achieving reductions in building energy use relative to the baseline year of 1985. The initial energy reduction goal established was 10% by FY 1995, however subsequent legislation and executive orders, the most recent being Executive Order 13123 (Greening the Government Through Efficient Energy Management), have gradually increased this goal to a 35 % reduction by fiscal year 2010. However, as part of these facility energy reduction goals, agencies have been permitted to exempt and separately report energy used in buildings that house energy intensive activities, for which a separate efficiency goal was established. In an effort to more strongly encourage the capture of available cost-effective energy savings in these exempt buildings, section 203 of Executive Order 13123 established a 20% by 2005 and 25% by 2010 relative to 1990 reduction goal for industrial and laboratory and facilities. The Executive Order went on to state “No facilities will be exempt from these goals unless they meet new criteria for exemptions as issued by DOE.” The significance of this relative to the identification of potential projects and financing methods is that the goal attainment status of the site might be impacted, and this might create a new impetus for the site to focus on buildings currently reported as exempt. While this issue does not impact any of the project recommendations made in Section 8, *it is recommended that Lab staff work with the program counterparts in the FEMP office to stay informed of any developments on this front.*

## **7.0 PROJECT ALTERNATIVES**

Up to this point this report has reviewed the energy-efficiency financing alternatives available to the site, summarized potential energy conservation measures, and looked at the organizational structure responsible for implementing energy efficiency in terms of roles and resource allocation. This section identifies several potential project scenarios that will be discussed in terms of the information presented in the earlier sections of this report. Project alternatives will be presented for appropriated funding and each alternative financing method discussed in Section 3.

In general, the list of potential measures as identified by the recent energy audits, along with the potential measures identified by PNNL staff during their visit, indicates that there are a significant number of cost-effective actions available for the site to consider. A more detailed review of the energy identified measures is presented in Section 7.1 below. In addition, the site also has an infrastructure need to replace or retrofit several chillers in accordance with the DOE departmental goal for phasing out of Class I ozone-depleting substances.

### **7.1 SUMMARY OF ENERGY AUDIT RECOMMENDATIONS**

Before considering the various project financing alternatives, it is useful to look at the data available regarding identified ECMs. The energy audits were completed for 44 buildings, which represent 55% of the on-site building space. The ECMs and their associated costs, savings, and paybacks are summarized in Appendix F.

The simple payback periods for the ECMs identified in the audits range from 0 years (immediate) to 25.8 years. There are numerous ECMs with simple payback periods of 1 year or less and include changing setpoints for HVAC and domestic hot water systems, installing programmable thermostats, faucet aerators, occupancy sensors, and low-flow showerheads, cleaning coils, and changing a lighting operating schedule. The estimated total cost to implement these measures is \$23,263 with a resulting estimated annual energy savings of \$64,589. The bundled simple payback period of these measures is 0.4 years. Note that the cost estimates found in the audits do not include site staff support costs and overheads. Clearly these are measures that the site must consider completing outside any sort of alternative financing arrangement.

ECMs with simple payback periods in the range of 1.1 to 2.0 years require significantly more capital. The total estimated implementation cost for all ECMs in this payback range is \$72,922 with estimated annual savings of \$52,032 resulting in a bundled simple payback period of 1.4 years. ECMs in this group include many of the measures identified above along with installing compact fluorescent lamps, T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts, and new exit signs; testing and replacing faulty steam traps; reducing fume hood air flow; and reducing supply air flow. It should be noted that a site-wide project to replace the exit signs has already been funded. Also, consideration to reduce fume hood air flow has previously been considered by the Lab. In short, there are unresolved concerns regarding the safety of modified fume hood operation as well as the total costs required to retrofit the systems in compliance with appropriate codes.

Most of the ECMs in the simple payback range of 2.1 to 6.0 years cover interior lighting, lighting controls and HVAC controls. The total estimated cost for all ECMs in this range is \$1,097,135 with estimated annual savings of \$257,315 resulting in a bundled simple payback of 4.3 years. The single largest ECM identified in this group is the installation of two-speed DDC fan control switches in Building 555, but this system is scheduled for retrofit using DOE funds. Projects with simple paybacks in the range of 6.1 to 10.0 years cover lighting, lighting controls, HVAC

equipment and controls, motors, insulation, and an automatic pool cover. The total estimated cost for all ECMs in this range is \$1,049,841, with estimated annual savings of \$130,089 resulting in a bundled simple payback of 8.1 years. There are eight projects with simple paybacks in the range of 10.1 to 15.0 years. ECMs in this range cover lighting, insulation, and motors. There are a number of notable projects with estimated simple payback periods greater than 15 years. First are the three chiller projects identified in the audit. Simple payback periods in this range are not uncommon for chiller retrofits. Also identified are five solar domestic hot water systems. Table 7.1 is a summary of the potential investments and savings for each of these bundled ECM groupings for all measures identified in the energy audits, as summarized in Appendix F.

**TABLE 7.1** Summary of Audit Identified Potential Investments and Savings for ECMs Bundled by Simple Payback Period

<b>ECM Simple Payback Range in Years</b>	<b>Total Estimated Investment Potential</b>	<b>Total Estimated Annual Cost Savings</b>	<b>Bundled Simple Payback Period in Years</b>
0.0 to 1.0	\$23,263	\$64,589	0.4
1.1 to 2.0	\$72,922	\$52,032	1.4
2.1 to 6.0	\$1,097,135	\$257,315	4.3
6.1 to 10.0	\$1,049,841	\$130,089	8.1
10.1 to 15.0	\$274,955	\$22,741	12.1
Greater than 15.0	\$1,227,800	\$62,115	19.8

It should be noted that for the purposes of the discussion presented in this section, it was assumed that the assumptions and calculations contained in the audits are accurate and correct. While several of the assumptions and calculations used were questioned, it is felt that the listing of the energy conservation measures identified provides a reasonable starting point when estimating investment potential. On the other hand, as noted in Section 4, the BNL staff feel that the construction costs at the Lab tend to run significantly higher than estimated costs. One possible way to account for this difference is to apply a location factor as recommended by the 2000 Means Cost Data (R.S. Means 1999) manuals, which for locations on Long Island were in the neighborhood of 130% (or 1.3 times the estimated cost). When this location factor is applied to the estimated costs of the Appendix F measures, the distribution of ECMs identified in Table 7.1 is significantly impacted, as demonstrated in Table 7.2.

**TABLE 7.2** Summary of Audit Identified Potential Investments and Savings for ECMs Bundled by Simple Payback Period Adjusted with Location Factor of 1.3

<b>ECM Simple Payback Range in Years</b>	<b>Total Estimated Investment Potential</b>	<b>Total Estimated Annual Cost Savings</b>	<b>Bundled Simple Payback Period in Years</b>
0.0 to 1.0	\$27,743	\$62,523	0.4
1.1 to 2.0	\$87,299	\$49,903	1.7
2.1 to 6.0	\$560,434	\$141,580	4.0
6.1 to 10.0	\$1,191,962	\$155,700	7.7
10.1 to 15.0	\$1,098,157	\$97,865	11.2
Greater than 15.0	\$1,904,096	\$81,250	23.4

A comparison of Tables 7.1 and 7.2 reveals the impact resulting from adjusting the cost estimates upward to reflect local cost factors. In short, the investment potential in ECMs with simple payback periods of 6.0 or less years falls from \$1,193,319 in Table 7.1 to \$675,476 in Table 7.2. This is significant because ECMs with fast simple payback periods are needed if ECMs with longer simple payback periods are to be bundled into alternatively financed projects.

Again it must be pointed out that

- estimated investment values in Tables 7.1 and 7.2 do not take into account the costs to cover Lab staff time and overhead
- additional opportunities beyond those included in the building energy audits were identified by PNNL staff during the site visit but are not taken into account in Tables 7.1 and 7.2
- potential opportunities in buildings not covered in the audits are not taken into account in these summary tables
- staff at the Lab feel the location factor may be significantly higher than 1.3 (130%).

## **7.2 APPROPRIATED FUNDS**

The availability of appropriated funds for energy-efficiency projects is considered scarce because DOE no longer funds projects through appropriations. However, the Lab is still able to appropriate funds to projects that result in energy savings based on overall infrastructure priorities. Funding for these types of projects is awarded on a primarily competitive basis where projects are prioritized.

There are several scenarios for the using appropriated funds to implement energy-efficiency projects.

- Scenario 1: The site can fund the purchase and installation of ECMs under a strictly competitive process – this is the status quo. Included in the funding amount are funds to cover site staff and overhead charges. Because of the competitive nature of these funding awards, projects must demonstrate a high degree of need/benefit to the Lab.
- Scenario 2: The site can establish priority to provide funding to implement low/no cost measures with simple paybacks up to a certain simple payback threshold. ECMs falling outside the established threshold would still compete for project funding under the system currently in place.
- Scenario 3: Funding to cover staff time to identify and implement alternatively financed project(s) could be requested and awarded. It will in fact be necessary for the site to identify and set aside funds to cover project staff time if any of the alternative financing methods are pursued. In addition, the site is still able to pursue to implementation approaches identified under Scenario 2 in combination with Scenario 3.

## **7.3 ENERGY SAVINGS PERFORMANCE CONTRACTS**

There are several issues that need to be addressed when evaluating the ESPC project potential at BNL, the first of which is the investment potential. In addition to the ECMs identified, the

investment potential is also affected by the maximum contract term the Lab may be willing to accept. The rule-of-thumb is the contract term for an ESPC is twice the project's simple payback period. If the Lab were to place a contract term limit of 10 years (see Section 6.1), a package of ECMs would then be bundled to construct a project package with a composite simple payback of around 5 years. The resulting investment potential based on the ECMs identified in Appendix F with a composite simple payback of 5 years would then be \$2,198,486 for the audit cost estimates, and \$1,966,982 for the location adjusted cost estimates.

However, per discussions with laboratory staff, it is expected that many, if not most, of the measures with simple payback periods of less than 1 year will be completed using site staff and resources. The impact of removing these ECMs from the potential project portfolio is the reduction of the investment potential down to \$1,836,964 when using the audit cost estimates and \$1,331,151 when using the location-adjusted cost estimates. But this range of investment potential still assumes that all ECMs identified in the audits will be implemented by the site if given the choice, and that all the savings and cost estimates are correct. Experience dictates that all identified measures will not be implemented for a number of reasons including the following:

- further analysis will result in reduced energy savings potential and/or higher installation costs
- certain ECMs may not be acceptable for their proposed (laboratory) environments
- some identified measures may be mutually exclusive
- some measures may already be included as a part of other planned facilities projects.

The degree of decrease in investment potential resulting from these factors cannot be reasonably estimated at this time. However, it would not appear to be unreasonable to suggest a reduction in investment potential resulting from these factors of about 50% bringing the investment potential down to the \$650 K to \$900 K range, which is still large enough investment potential to generate the interest of the regional ESCOs under the DOE Northeast regional IDIQ (Super-ESPC). In addition, as noted in Section 4.2.3, the local conditions may be favorable to using the DOE technology-specific Super-ESPC for geothermal heat pumps. It is recommended that the Lab further refine this investment potential range by more closely examining the location cost factor and the individual audit recommendations.

There are several options available to the site in terms of packaging ECMs into a Super-ESPC delivery order. Additional factors affecting how a project (delivery order) might be packaged include the following:

- The level of appropriated funds required by the site to support the implementation of ESPC projects. It is believed that staff project support costs will increase with increasing overall project capital investment, but estimates that take into consideration overall project scope will need to be developed for individual project packages.
- Site decision to fund completion of ECMs based on site need.
- Site decision to complete low/no cost ECMs using appropriated funds. If the site were to complete these measures using appropriated funds, the bundled simple payback of the remaining ECMs would be driven higher.
- Complexity of measures and the corresponding level of measurement and verification required to annually administer the contract over the contract term. Measures such as lighting replacements, thermostat replacements, and constant load motor replacements can

have annual savings estimated by using agreed upon engineering calculations, while measures such as chiller replacement require a much more rigorous annual review. On the other side, measures such as the changing of setpoints are extremely easy and are likely to be much easier to complete with in-house staff as opposed to contract employees.

- Union issues, especially those involving the maintenance of equipment by contractor staff.
- Operational control issues such as who controls equipment setpoints and penalties if controls are by-passed by Lab staff.

#### **7.4 UTILITY FINANCED PROJECTS**

In light of the recently issued opinion regarding DOE sites participating in financing programs, BNL is also a candidate site for utility project financing. In particular, there are many ECMs with simple paybacks that will allow for contract terms of less than 10 years with sufficient savings to pay all costs. These requirements are virtually the same as for ESPCs except that the contract term is limited to 10 years and this would impact how the ECMs would be bundled. One significant difference between ESPCs and utility financed projects is that utilities may have much lower investment thresholds allowing the site to package much smaller retrofits. The availability of utility financing and its terms must be verified with the utility.

It should also be noted that some utilities still offer financing through demand side management programs that help defray the actual purchase and installation costs. These programs were much more popular in the early 1990s, and it is understood that at the time of this evaluation this type of financing was not available to the Lab from LIPA. However, the Lab is encouraged to continue to check back with the utility in the event that such offerings do become available again. If this becomes the case, the Lab should immediately look to see if the eligible ECMs are cost effective and then consider them within the larger picture of site-wide opportunities. Again, the Lab will have to check with the utility to determine if this type of funding is available and under what conditions.

#### **7.5 BONNEVILLE POWER ADMINISTRATION**

Funding from BPA is an option. This funding can be packaged to cover a full range of ECMs, or it can be used to target certain strategic options. The best example of a strategic option would be the use of BPA arranged financing to cover the purchase and installation of new chillers in an effort to meet the DOE Class I ozone depleting substances phase-out goal. As the audit estimates help demonstrate, chiller replacements on the basis of a 10-year simple payback are not likely. However, since the chillers would result in an energy-efficiency improvement, such a project would be eligible for BPA funding. Because the BPA financing option is flexible, the Lab can mix appropriated funds into the overall project financing plans. Whichever way the financing package is structured, the Lab would need to identify the financing repayment stream because the resulting energy savings would probably not be sufficient to cover the repayment costs.

## **8.0 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ENERGY-EFFICIENCY PROCUREMENT STRATEGY**

The project team feels there are two basic conclusions that can be drawn from the information gathered on energy management at the Lab. First, the site has been very successful in its energy management efforts to date. The current focus on utilities procurement is very well directed, and future energy management efforts should include continued emphasis on utilities procurement, more specifically that of electricity. Second, as demonstrated by the recently completed audits and observations during the site tours, there are significant cost-effective retrofit opportunities available to the Lab, even at the “low” electric price of 6 cents per kWh blended. Further, many of these efficiency measures may be good candidates for alternative financing when bundled together, although it is recognized that funding is required to develop and manage alternatively financed projects. With that in mind, the following recommendations are made.

**RECOMMENDATION 1:** Resolve the issues identified in Section 6 and any other alternative financing project related issues identified by the Lab. If these issues are not addressed up-front, they will linger on as stumbling blocks for all alternative finance project proposals. The issue most frequently mentioned during the site visit was that of obtaining the funds necessary to cover the project development and management costs (Sections 5.2 and 6.2). While these costs will most likely have to be covered by overhead funding, there does appear to be some flexibility on the part of the Lab in determining the hourly rate charges and funding sources. Table 5.2 provides an estimate of the site funding required to develop and manage an energy-efficiency project with a capital investment of \$1.0M under the overhead financing and charging system in place at the time of the visit. With this in mind, the Lab can evaluate the various financing alternatives to deal with the project development and management financing issue. For example, delegate as much of the design/build process as possible to the ESPC contractor. Likewise, issues such as O&M contractors and project terms must also be addressed because these can be critical components in an alternative financing strategy.

**RECOMMENDATION 2:** Implement the low/no cost ECMs using site funds, identified in the audits, as soon as possible. A significant number of ECMs with simple paybacks of less than 1 year were identified with at an estimated cost of \$23,263 (unburdened) and resulting annual savings of \$64,589, per the energy audits. ECMs with simple paybacks of less than 2 years have a total estimated cost of \$96,185 (unburdened) and a resulting annual savings of \$116,621, per the energy audits. These types of savings need to be captured by the Lab at the earliest possible opportunity regardless to what project financing strategy is eventually selected because lack of action results in tremendous lost opportunity costs. In the event that a performance-based contract is eventually put in place, low/no cost ECMs such as these are purely giveaways to the ESCOs.

**RECOMMENDATION 3:** Re-establish discussions with servicing utility(ies) regarding potential utility investment in energy-efficient equipment and systems. Based on discussions with Lab staff, it appears that the utility financing method may offer the path of least resistance as far as alternatively financed projects are concerned. However, there must be an interest on the part of the utility before this option may be considered. If a utility is interested in such an investment, the site should review potential projects to ensure the criteria established in the June 22, 1999 DOE general counsel memorandum (Section 3.3) can be satisfied. In addition, the utility may perform the design/build activities for BNL.

**RECOMMENDATION 4:** Consider the installation of GHPs via the DOE ground-source GHP technology-specific Super-ESPC. As noted in Section 4.2.3, the weather patterns and the water

table at the Lab are particularly advantageous for the application of GHPs. In addition to offering increased operational efficiencies (and, thus, reduced operating costs), this type of application may offer an alternative option to the Lab in terms of its stated desire to expand the chilled water distribution system to service additional buildings. The point of contact for this contract is Mr. Doug Culbreth of the DOE Atlanta Regional Office at (919) 782-5238. Once contacted, Mr. Culbreth can work with the site to recommend a method to assess the GHP ESPC project potential.

**RECOMMENDATION 5:** After the Section 6 issues have been resolved (recommendation 1 above) and after the potential alternative financing mechanisms have been evaluated (recommendations 3 and 4 above), the Lab should determine which, if any, of the alternative financing methods available best suit their needs. One way to go about this decision process is to use the document “Financing Energy Projects at Federal Facilities: A Screening Tool for Decision Making” (see Appendix I). This screening tool walks the reader through a seven-step decision process that allows the reader to incorporate issues and concerns particular to their site. The seven steps outlined below are presented in the guidance document:

1. Define the objectives: Identify goals to ensure objectives are met. In the case of BNL, these goals have been generally identified but require further resolution. More importantly, these objectives do not appear to have been consolidated between the many organizations involved.
2. Define criteria that influence the selection of the funding source: Why is the project/measure being considered? Mission requirements? Code compliance? Safety/health? Energy goals? Operations budgets? In some cases project funding via appropriations is easily justified on the basis of these criteria, making it inappropriate to consider as an energy-efficiency project. However, in the case of energy-efficiency projects, many of these criteria may be satisfied in addition to saving energy and money.
3. Determine the potential for energy savings: Much of this has already been done through the already completed audits. More detailed studies are not needed at this time. In the event the Lab does decide to pursue alternative financing, more detailed studies may be needed in the future, but that determination will need to be made once a procurement strategy has been established.
4. Define potential funding scenarios: Section 3 of this report outlines the funding scenarios to be considered.
5. Identify the site resources required to execute the various options: At this point, issues such as up-front funding to cover project development and contract management costs (Section 6.2) can be addressed.
6. Define the risks and benefits of the various scenarios: One example would be to assess the risks and benefits associated with various contract terms (Section 6.1). Union considerations (Section 6.3) should be addressed in the context of allowing contractor staff to perform O&M and to what degree. Overall site incentives (Section 6.4) and benefits need to be weighed against tenant satisfaction and willingness to support. Conclusions drawn from these individual assessments may shape the Lab’s willingness to use certain financing methods, as well as influence which measures the Lab is willing to install. Note that recommendation 1 advises that these issues be resolved as soon as possible and preferably prior to entering this decision methodology. It is expected that

additional issues will be identified throughout the course of the project decision methodology process and these issues should be addressed as a part of the decision process.

7. Select an energy project financing method: In drawing together the conclusions developed in the preceding steps, the Lab will be able to justify its energy-efficiency procurement strategy. Once this decision is made, the Lab should proceed with project development and implementation.

**RECOMMENDATION 6:** As part of the on-going site operations process, the Lab should select life-cycle cost-effective energy-efficiency products when acquiring energy-using products. This can be accomplished by shopping for items with the ENERGY STAR ® label, as well as through the FEMP Procurement Challenge Program (see Section 3.5 for additional information).

**RECOMMENDATION 7:** Contact Mr. Bill Klebous of the DOE Philadelphia Regional Office (stationed in New York City) at (212) 264-0691. Mr. Klebous can assist the Lab in its decision process by answering questions regarding alternative financing and the application of, or participation in, other FEMP programs, such as the Procurement Challenge.

There are a number of potential paths available to the Lab that will achieve cost-effective energy-efficiency improvements, as well as highly desired site infrastructure improvements. It is up to the Lab to assess these opportunities in terms of overall site operations inclusive of mission and infrastructure needs and priorities, organizational structures and interactions, funding availability and flexibility, and staff capabilities. Below are some examples of how the Lab might be able to package its energy-efficiency procurement strategy:

- Example Package 1: Obtain site funds to implement all ECMs with simple payback periods of less than, say, 1.5 years identified in the building energy audits; continue emphasis on utility procurement; implement process for site procurement of energy-using technologies by purchasing items with the ENERGY STAR ® label and per the specifications developed by the FEMP Procurement Challenge; and financing ECMs via utility project financing.
- Example Package 2: All measures listed in example package plus the installation of GHPs via the FEMP GHP technology-specific Super-ESPC. Note that care must always be exercised when considering more than one performance-based contract at a time on a single site because one project may affect the baseline or performance of equipment installed under another performance-based contract.
- Example Package 3: Obtain site funds to implement all ECMs with simple payback periods of less than, say, 1.5 years identified in the building energy audits; continue emphasis on utility procurement; implement process for site procurement of energy-using technologies by purchasing items with the ENERGY STAR ® label and per the specifications developed by the FEMP Procurement Challenge; and financing of ECMs via FEMP regional Super-ESPC.
- Example Package 4: Obtain site funds to implement all ECMs with simple payback periods of less than, say, 1.5 years identified in the building energy audits; continued emphasis on utility procurement; implement process for site procurement of energy-using technologies by purchasing items with the ENERGY STAR ® label and per the specifications developed by the FEMP Procurement Challenge; and financing of ECMs via the FEMP GHP technology-specific Super ESPC.

- Example Package 5: Obtain site funds to implement all ECMs with simple payback periods of less than, say, 1.5 years identified in the building energy audits; continue emphasis on utility procurement; implement process for site procurement of energy using technologies by purchasing items with the ENERGY STAR ® label and per the specifications developed by the FEMP Procurement Challenge; and financing of ECMs via financing from the BPA.

There are a number of other potential “packages” that can be developed by using combinations of the various alternative financing methods, as shown in example package 2. Prior to developing a portfolio of actions, the Lab must first determine the availability of these methods, as noted in the recommendations above. Regardless of which procurement strategy is ultimately selected, including that of not seeking investment through alternative financing, the Lab should immediately implement a strategy to address the low/no cost ECMs identified in the audits per recommendation 2 above. The Lab should also initiate a site-wide program directed at the purchase of products with the ENERGY STAR ® label and per the specifications developed by the FEMP Procurement Challenge Program.

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## APPENDIX A - ACRONYMS

3PBP	Project Planning, Prioritization, Budgeting Process
A/E	Architect/engineering
AC	Air conditioner
ACEEE	American Council for Energy-Efficient Economy
ALF	Alternate liquid fuels
BNL	Brookhaven National Laboratory
BPA	Bonneville Power Administration
Btu	British thermal unit
CAMP	Capital Asset Management Process
CCWF	Central chilled water facility
CRO	Department of Energy, Chicago Regional Office
DDC	Direct digital controls
DEMT	Departmental Energy Management Team
DOE	Department of Energy
DSM	Demand side management
DT	Decatherm
ECM	Energy conservation measure
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
ER	Department of Energy, Office of Energy Research
ESCO	Energy services contractor
ESPC	Energy savings performance contract
F&O	Facilities and Operations
FEMP	Federal Energy Management Program
FI	Department of Energy, Office of Field Integration
FM	Department of Energy, Office of Facility Management
FY	Fiscal year
GHP	Ground-source heat pump
GPP	General plant projects
HQ	Department of Energy headquarters
HVAC	Heating, ventilation, and air conditioning
IDIQ	Indefinite Delivery, Indefinite Quantity contract
IHEM	In-House Energy Management
kW	Kilowatt
kWh	Kilowatt•hour
LIPA	Long Island Power Authority
LPG	Liquid propane gas
MBtu	Thousand British thermal units
Mcf	Million cubic feet
MCWO	Miscellaneous capital work order
MMBtu	Million British thermal units
MWh	Megawatt hour
NYPA	New York Power Authority
NYSERDA	New York State Energy Research and Development Authority
O&M	Operations and maintenance
PED	Plant Engineering Division
PNNL	Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
R&D	Research and development
SC	Department of Energy, Office of Science
scfm	Standard cubic feet per minute

SUNY	State University of New York
USC	United States Code
VAV	Variable air volume
VFD	Variable frequency drive

**APPENDIX B**  
**AGENDA FOR SITE VISIT**

## Meeting Agenda

### Discussion of ESPC Application At Brookhaven National Laboratory

May 4 – 7, 1999

#### May 4<sup>th</sup>

13:00 – 15:30 Building 134C – Conference Room

- ◆ **Overview of BNL** (M. Toscano)
  - Overview of Site
  - Utility Contracts
  - Energy Management Efforts to Date
  - Local Issues – Energy, Operations, Environmental
  - Open Discussion

15:45 – 17:00 Site Tour

- ◆ **General Site Tour**

#### May 5<sup>th</sup>

08:30 – 09:30 Building 134C – Room ?

- ◆ **Site Master Planning** (J. DiNicola – Master Planner)

10:00 – 11:30 Building 134C – A. Warren's Office

- ◆ **Operations and Maintenance** (A. Warren – Manager, O&M)

12:00 – 13:00 Lunch

13:00 – 15:00 Building 134C – Conference Room

- ◆ **Utility Contracts and Rate Structures – Detailed Discussion** (M. Toscano)
- ◆ **Energy Management at BNL**

15:30 – 17:00 Building 134C – Conference Room

- ◆ **ESPC Application @ BNL – Open Discussion** (EMG)

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Discussion of ESPC Application at BNL

**May 6<sup>th</sup>**

08:30 – 10:00 Building 134C – Conference Room

- ◆ **DOE Site Representation** (J. Eng: DOE- BHG)

10:15 – 12:00 Building 134C – Conference Room

- ◆ **Site Facilities** (E. Murphy – Manager, Plant Engineering)

12:00 – 13:00 Lunch

13:00 – 16:00 Site Visits

- ◆ **Central Steam Facility**
- ◆ **Central Chilled Water Facility**
- ◆ **Selected Buildings** (B. Pierce)

16:00 – 17:00 Building 134C – Conference Room

- ◆ **Recent Site Energy Surveys** (M. Toscano/B. Pierce)

**May 7<sup>th</sup>**

09:00 – 09:30 Building 134C – Conference Room

- ◆ **Contract and Procurement Office** (T. Salvo)

09:30 – 10:30 Building 134C – M. Schaeffer's Office

- ◆ **Contract and Procurement Office** (M. Schaeffer)

10:30 – 11:30 Building 134C – Conference Room

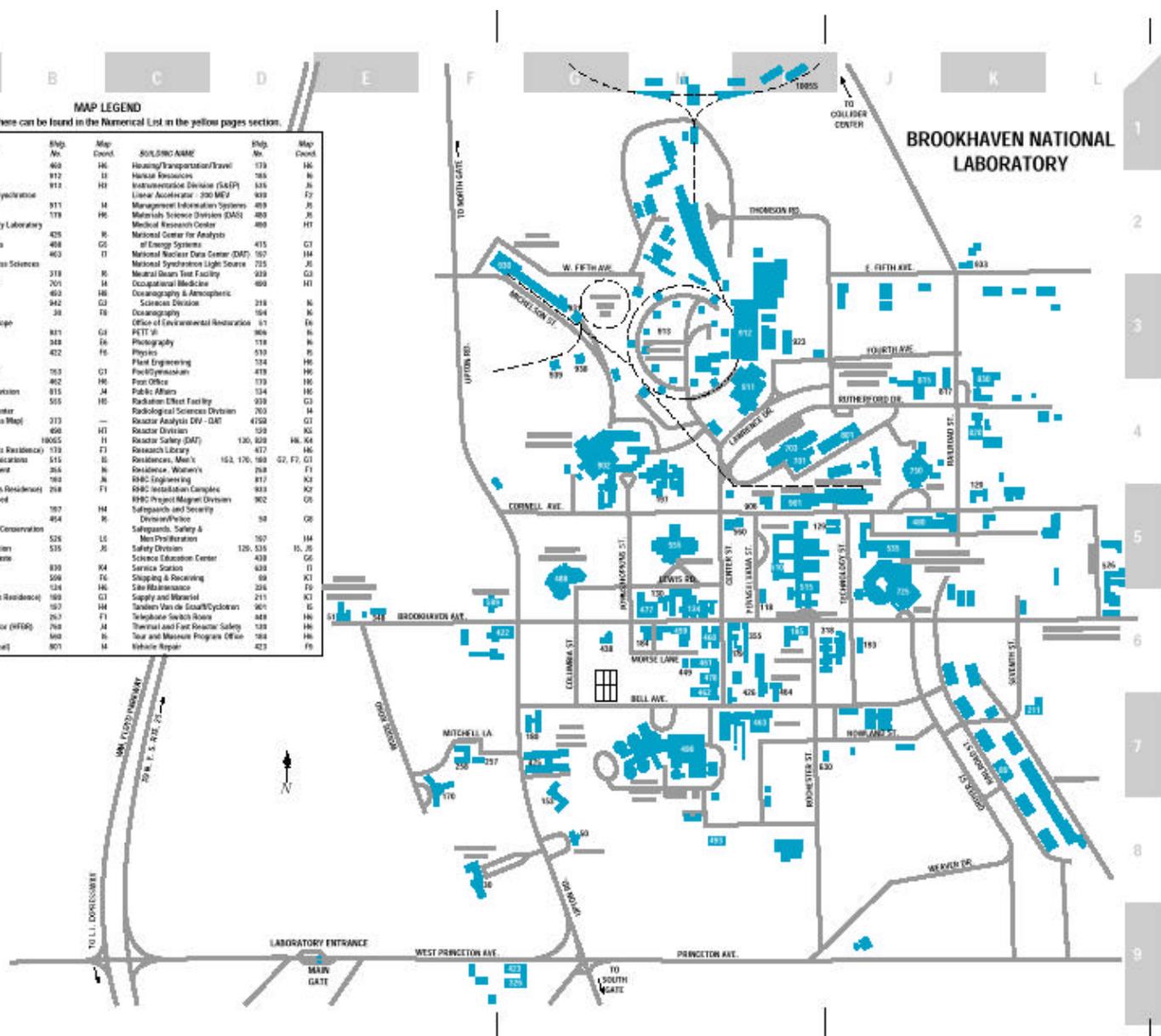
- ◆ **Close-Out Discussion**

**APPENDIX C**

**BROOKHAVEN NATIONAL LABORATORY SITE MAP**  
(<http://www.bnl.gov/bnlweb/maps.html>)

**MAP LEGEND**  
Buildings not listed here can be found in the Numerical List in the yellow pages section.

BUILDING NAME	Map No.	Map Cont.	BUILDING NAME	Map No.	Map Cont.
Administration	403	H6	Housing/Transportation/Travel	179	H6
AGS Exp. Area	912	I1	Human Resources	786	H6
AGS Ring	913	H1	Instrumentation Division (I&EP)	525	J6
Altering Gradient Synchrotron			Linear Accelerator - 300 MEV	939	F7
AGS Department	911	M	Management Information Systems	489	J8
Applied Sciences	179	H6	Materials Science Division (DAS)	480	J8
Atmospheric Chemistry Laboratory (DAS)	425	H6	Medical Research Center	480	H1
Barker Hall/Cafeteria	404	G5	Office of Energy Systems	415	G1
Biology	403	I1	National Nuclear Data Center (DAS)	107	H4
Biopolymers and Process Sciences Division	218	H6	National Synchrotron Light Source	725	J5
BNL Science Museum	701	M	Neutron Beams Test Facility	939	G3
BNL Video	450	H6	Occupational Medicine	490	H1
Breeder (AGS)	942	G3	Oceanography & Atmospheric Sciences Division	218	H6
Brookhaven Center	38	F8	Oceanography	154	H6
Brookhaven's Isaac Isidorz Professor (DAS)	811	G3	Office of Environmental Restoration	57	H6
Calibration	348	F6	PET in	804	H6
Carpeting/Signs	422	F6	Photography	118	H6
Convection House (Men's Residence)	103	G1	Physics	519	H6
Central Shops	402	H6	Plant Engineering	732	H6
Chemical Sciences Division	915	J4	Facility/Personnel	478	H6
Chemistry	555	H6	Post Office	179	H6
Chem Development Center (See Apartment Area Map)	213	—	Public Affairs	134	H6
Clinic/Hospital	406	H1	Radiation Effect Facility	939	G3
Collider Center	10005	F1	Radiological Sciences Division	703	J4
Compton House (Men's Residence)	119	F7	Reactor Analysis Div - DAS	4199	G1
Computing & Communications	515	H6	Reactor Division	129	H6
Contracts & Procurement	268	H6	Reactor Safety (DAS)	130, 929	H6, K4
Cord Unit/Unit	182	J6	Research Library	417	H6
Curie House (Women's Residence)	218	F7	Residences, Men's	103, 176, 189	G1, F7, G1
Department of Advanced Technology	107	H4	Residences, Women's	704	F1
DOE - BNC	454	H6	R&D Engineering	917	K2
Energy Efficiency and Conservation Division	524	L5	R&D Installation Complex	933	K2
Environmental Protection	535	J5	R&D Project Magnet Division	902	G5
Environmental and Waste Technology Center	830	K4	Safeguards and Security Division/Police	59	G8
Fire Department	596	F5	Safeguards, Safety & Non-Proliferation	107	H4
Fiscal	124	H6	Safety Division	129, 535	H5, J5
Fleming House (Men's Residence)	180	G1	Science Education Center	439	G6
Graphic Arts	107	H4	Service Station	439	F1
Guest House	267	F1	Shipping & Receiving	69	K1
High Flux Beam Reactor (HFBR)	769	J4	Site Maintenance	234	F9
High Field MRI	400	H6	Supply and Material	211	K1
Hot Laboratory (Medical)	901	M	Tandem Van de Graaff/Cyclotron	901	H2
			Telescope/Spectroscopy	449	H6
			Thermal and Fast Reactor Safety	139	H6
			Tour and Museum Program Office	184	H6
			Vehicle Repair	423	F9



**APPENDIX D**

**BROOKHAVEN NATIONAL LABORATORY  
1997 PHYSICAL PLANT DATA SHEET**

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1997 PHYSICAL PLANT DATA SHEET**

**ORIGIN**

Former Camp Upton - WWI & WWII  
BNL started January 1, 1947  
Operated by Associated Universities, Inc.

**POPULATION**

Staff - 3,200  
Other - 320  
Total Average - 3,520

**WEATHER**

	<u>Degrees F</u>	<u>Degrees C</u>
Winter Average -	30.6	-0.8
Summer Average -	69.0	20.6
		Clearwell -

**SITE**

Total -	5,321 acre	2,153 ha
Built-up area -	900 acre	364 ha
Large machines -	400 acre	162 ha
Farm, housing, sewage plant, etc.	200 acre	81 ha
Difference in elevations -	80 ft	24 m
Max ht. above sea level -	120 ft	37 m
Bounded by:	Wes - William Floyd Parkway South - Long Island Expressway East - County Parks North - Private Land	

**BUILDINGS**

Buildings - 380	4,199,187 sf	390,117 m2
Trailers - 350	116,617 sf	10,834 m2
Other Structures - 27		

**ROADS & WALKS**

Roads - paved	29 miles	47 km
- unpaved	14 miles	23 km
Sidewalks -	11 miles	18 km
Firebreaks -	46 miles	74 km
Parking Slots -	3,956 slots	
Paved Areas -	83 acre	34 ha

**RAILROAD**

Tracks -	1.7 miles	2.7 km
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**FENCES**

Various Types -	14 miles	23 km
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**ELECTRIC UTILITY**

LILCO Feeders, 2 @ - 69 kV ea.  
Main Substations, @ - 603 60,000 kVA  
Main Substation, @ 631 / 63 80,000 kVA  
Dedicated Booster Transf, 20,000 kVA  
Distribution Underground - 13.8kV and 2.4kV  
Demand, Max - to date 54 MW (73 MVA)  
Use - 257,298,402 kWh/yr

**STEAM UTILITY**

Boiler 1A	45,000 lbs/h	6 kg/s
Boiler 5	180,000 lbs/h	23 kg/s
Boiler 6	125,000 lbs/h	16 kg/s
Boiler 7	125,000 lbs/h	16 kg/s

Fuel - #2 oil, #6 oil, and natural gas		
Feed stocks - oil storage	2,345,000 gal	8,887,550 L
Use -	600,000,000 lbs/yr	272,155,464 kg/yr
- peak	175,000 lbs/h	22 kg/s

**STEAM UTILITY (CONT'D)**

Distribution - supply plus condensate return	11 miles	18 km
Pressure -	125 psi	862 kPa

**WATER UTILITY**

Treatment Plant Capacity -	6 mgd	263 L/s
Wells, 6 @ -	1,200 gpm e	76 L/s
Storage Tanks, 2 @ -	350,000 gal	1,326,500 L
	1,000,000 gal	3,790,000 L
Carbon Filters (Wells 10, 11 & 12)-		3
Air Stripping - Water Flow	2,400 gpm e	151 L/s
(2 Packed Tower) Air Flow	11,250 scfm e	5,309 L/s
	250,000 gal	947,500 L
Distribution System -	45 miles	72 km
Pressure -	55 to 70 psi	379 to 483 kPa

**SANITARY UTILITY**

Waste Water Treatment Facility		
Capacity -	2.3 to 3.0 mgd	101 to 131 L/s
Use - summer	1.2 mgd	52.6 L/s
- normal	1.0 mgd	43.8 L/s
- expansion	0.8 mgd	35.1 L/s
- emergency storage I @ -	2.8 mgd	122.7 L/s
- emergency storage I @ -	4.0 mgd	175.3 L/s
Collection System Piping -	19.7 miles	32 km

**CHILLED WATER UTILITY**

Centrifugal chillers, 3 @ -	1,250 tons e	4,400 kW
Steam absorbtion chiller -	1,040 tons	3,661 kW
Three cell cooling tower -	15,000 gpm	947 L/s
Distribution System - supply plus return pipe	1.6 miles	2.6 km
Buildings served -	11	
C.W. - storage	3,000,000 gal	

**COMPRESSED AIR UTILITY**

Compressors, 2 @ -	750 scfm e	354 L/s
Pressure -	125 psi	862 kPa
Distribution System -	1.6 miles	2.6 km

**TELECOMMUNICATIONS UTILITY**

Switch capacity -	7,025 lines
Service - lines	5,986 lines
- instruments	6,500 approx.
- jacks	8,000 approx.

**STORM WATER SYSTEM**

Recharged to ground	
SPDES Discharge Points -	7 points
Collection System -	9 miles 14 km

**FIRE ALARM SYSTEM**

Propriety System NFPA72 Style 7	
Capacity -	20,000 points
- in service	4,700

**SECURITY ALARM SYSTEM**

Classified

**WASTE DISPOSAL**

Putrescibles & Solid Waste - Hazardous -	Town Landfill On-site management & collection for off-site disposal Paper, Cardboard, Bottles & Cans
Recycled -	

**APPENDIX E**

**DOE GENERAL COUNSEL MEMORANDUM ON THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE ANTI-DEFICIENCY  
ACT TO MULTI-YEAR CONTRACTS UNDER THE UTILITY INCENTIVE PROGRAM  
AUTHORIZED UNDER SECTION 152(F) OF EPACT**



## Department of Energy

Washington, DC 20585

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MEMORANDUM FOR Shelley N. Fidler  
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SUBJECT: Relationship of the Anti-Deficiency Act to Multi-year Contracts  
Under the Utility Incentive Program Authorized Under Section  
152(f) of EPACT

### I. BACKGROUND

The Department of Energy's (Department) Federal Energy Management Program (FEMP) is assisting federal agencies in improving energy and water efficiency to meet the goals of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (EPACT), Pub. L. No. 102-486 (1992) (codified as amended in scattered sections of Title 42 of the U.S. Code) and Executive Order 13123. Because of the inability of Federal agencies to obtain appropriated funding for Federal building energy-efficiency and water conservation projects, one of the primary goals of FEMP is the implementation of the demand side management (DSM) and energy and water conservation and efficiency projects through utility services contracts and energy savings performance contracts. FEMP has requested our views as to whether and to what extent the authority provided to Federal agencies under section 152(f) of EPACT, which amends section 546 of the National Energy Conservation Policy Act, 42 U.S.C. 8256(c)(1997), is constrained by the Anti-Deficiency Act, 31 U.S.C. §1341 (1998) and whether contracts under section 152(f) also qualify as "public utility services" contracts under section 201 of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, as amended (Federal Property Act), 40 U.S.C. §481(a)(3) (1997), which are eligible for a ten-year term.

FEMP's inquiry is directed to whether Federal agencies are required to obligate the entire contract amount, or amounts for termination costs, under DSM and energy and water conservation and efficiency contracts. This sort of obligational requirement would in FEMP's view negate the purpose of section 152(f),<sup>1</sup> which is to make utility incentives available to federal

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<sup>1</sup> Contracts under section 152(f) of EPACT are contracts with utilities under utility incentive programs (UIPs) offered by utilities. Each agency may accept any financial incentives,



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agencies on the same basis as they are available to other customers. The up to ten-year contract term available for “contracts for public utility services” under section 201 of the Federal Property Act is needed to make these projects economically viable.

## II. QUESTION

You have requested our views on whether DSM and energy and water conservation and efficiency contracts entered into with utilities under section 152(f) of EPACT are “contracts for public utility services” under section 201 of the Federal Property Act, and thus can have both a ten-year contract term and an exemption from the full funding requirements of the Anti-Deficiency Act, 31 U.S.C. §1341 (1998).

## III. CONCLUSION

DSM and energy and water conservation and efficiency contracts authorized by section 152(f) of EPACT can qualify as “contracts for public utility services” under section 201 of the Federal Property Act, if the services and goods provided meet the requirements for “utility services.” As public utility service contracts they are not subject to the requirement that funds must be obligated for expenses (including potential termination costs) beyond the first year, and the contracts can have up to a ten-year term. In order to facilitate your implementation of this conclusion, we have prepared model agreements that reflect the kinds of energy conservation measures that we conclude are properly categorized as “public utility services.”

## IV. DISCUSSION

Section 201(a)(3) of the Federal Property Act authorizes the General Services Administration (GSA) to enter into contracts for public utility services for periods not exceeding 10 years. It was enacted to effect economies in the procurement of such services.<sup>2</sup> Use of section 201 presupposes the availability of a fiscal year appropriation for the first year and that the services to be rendered are merely incidental to the conduct of authorized government business.

Section 201(a) of the Federal Property Act provides, in part, as follows:

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goods, or services “generally available to customers of such utility.” *Id.* An agency, therefore, must satisfy “the criteria which generally apply to other customers” under a UIP. Finally, an amount equal to fifty percent of the agency’s savings may be retained by the agency for additional energy efficiency measures. *Id.*

<sup>2</sup> GSA has delegated to DOE certain authority to enter into contracts for utility services for periods not to exceed ten-years. Delegation of Authority to the Secretary of Energy, signed by Brian K. Polly, Assistant Commissioner, Office of Procurement, Public Buildings Service, General Services Administration, dated February 12, 1987. *See* FAR §41.103(a)(3), 48 C.F.R. §41.103(b)(1998) (referencing the delegation).

The Administrator shall .... (3) procure and supply personal property and nonpersonal services for the use of executive agencies in the proper discharge of their responsibilities, and perform functions related to procurement and supply such as those mentioned above in subparagraph (1) of this subsection: Provided, That contracts for public utility services may be made for periods not exceeding ten years...

Federal Property Act, §201(a)(3) (emphasis added).

A. What are “public utility services”?

DSM and energy and water conservation and efficiency services are measures implemented or accomplished through specific projects intended and designed to achieve savings in the cost of energy and water, reduce demand for energy and water, and achieve energy efficiency improvements and water conservation. These measures are called Energy Conservation Measures (ECMs). The construction or installation of ECMs and other energy savings measures in government, commercial, industrial or residential dwellings is an important and integral part of planning and predicting power capacity needs in the future. While these contracts often involve the installation of equipment or refurbishing existing equipment, with a strong service component, these ECMs and similar efforts are extremely important to the modern utility as a valuable means of reducing or slowing the growth of demand for water, gas and electric services. These measures affect how much new capacity must be constructed or acquired and ultimately the cost of utility services to the rate payer. State public utility commissions have been encouraging utilities to reduce demand through energy conservation in order to reduce the cost involved in the construction or acquisition of new power capacity.<sup>3</sup>

The Federal Property Act does not provide a definition of “public utility services.” The phrase is used in various states’ laws, in the context of comprehensive regulation of the provision of public utility services. However, the term does not have a common definitive meaning:

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<sup>3</sup> States, through statutes, regulations, and the actions of their public utility commissions, have been encouraging utilities to reduce demand through energy conservation in order to reduce the cost involved in the construction or acquisition of new power capacity. E.g., Indiana Admin. Code, Title 170. Indiana Utility Regulatory Comm., Art. 4, Rule 7, 6(b) (describing demand side management as a new source of utility supply); Texas Admin. Code, Title 16. Part II, chap. 23, subchapter D. §23.31(a)(5) (requiring electric utilities to attempt to reduce total demand before applying for a certificate for a new generating unit). EPACT included amendments to the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act to ensure that utilities could regard investments in demand side management and energy conservation as equally profitable with investments in increased generating capacity. EPACT §111(a), amending 16 U.S.C. §2621; EPACT §115, amending 15 U.S.C. §§3202-03. These developments both demonstrate that engaging in energy conservation and demand management have become viewed as a means of providing utility services to the public.

“A ‘public utility’ has been described as a business organization which regularly supplies the public with some commodity or service, such as electricity, gas, water, transportation, or telephone or telegraph service. While the term has not been exactly defined, and as has been said, it would be difficult to construct a definition that would fit every conceivable case, the distinguishing characteristic of a public utility is the devotion of private property by the owner or person in control thereof to such a use that the public generally, or that part of the public which has been served and has accepted the service, has the right to demand that the use or services, as long as it is continued, shall be conducted with reasonable efficiency and under proper charges.”

73B C.J.S. Public Utilities §2 (1997); see also 64 AM. Jur. 2<sup>nd</sup> Public Utilities §1 (1997).

The General Accounting Office (GAO) has had few occasions to address the parameters of this phrase in the context of the Federal Property Act. GAO has declined to limit the definition of public utility to that used by a particular state:

The status of the Pipeline Company as a public utility under Title 42 of the Alaska Statutes is, in our opinion, doubtful. We are of this view because the company is not subject to regulatory control and because it has not served the public generally with natural gas. But the Congress has authorized long-term contracting in the case of services having public utility aspects. In doing so the Congress did not require that these public utility services be procured only from those firms which clearly come within the strict legal definition of a public utility. Perhaps in recognition of the legal imponderable involved in the application and enforcement of State laws regulating public utilities, and in view of the diversity of opinions between various jurisdictions respecting the legal character of public utilities, the Congress in its judgment determined to categorize the service rather than the contractor....

45 Comp Gen. 59, 64 (1965). “Thus, it is the nature of the product or service provided and not the nature of the provider of the product or services that may determine what are “public utility services.” Moreover, GAO has indicated its view that the phrase “public utility services” should be interpreted broadly: “[T]he concept of what product or service constitutes a public utility service is not static for the purpose of statutory construction, but instead is flexible and adaptive, permitting statutes to be construed in light of the changes in technologies and methodologies for providing the product or service.” 62 Comp. Gen. 569, 575 (1983).

We have concluded that the fact that ECM and DSM services involve transferring title to equipment does not defeat their character as “public utility services.” 62 Comp. Gen. 569, 574 (1983). Where a contract was for the procurement of telephone equipment as well as telephone services, the Comptroller General decided that it was a contract for public utility services under section 201 of the Federal Property Act. The Comptroller General stated the following views on what are “public utility services”:

Further, while public utilities are generally described as providing services, we think that the concept of utility services can include the sale of a product or equipment as well as providing services in the literal sense.

Id. The Comptroller General concluded as follows:

On the basis of these fundamental premises, we think that the sale of telephone equipment or facilities with related services is a public utility type service just as much as leasing the equipment to the Government at a rental designed to recover the cost of the contractor's investment in facilities and equipment over the life of the rental agreement would be. The only difference between the two is that in the former case the Government acquires title to the system while in the latter, title remains with the utility. Thus the nature of service is virtually identical, and in any case, the difference is not so fundamental as to warrant its exclusion from the scope of transactions to which the authority of [section 201] applies.

Id. Even, however, if it is concluded that "qualified" DSM and ECM contracts entered into under section 152(f) of EPACT, standing alone, are not contracts to provide public utility services, these contracts would be contracts incidental to "contracts for public utility services." For instance, it has consistently been GSA's view that equipment provided with telephone services is incidental to those services:

It has been the position of GSA that the contracts which we enter into for telephone services are public utility services contracts regardless of whether the successful offeror was a tariffed carrier or an interconnect company. GSA has viewed the equipment involved in telecommunications procurement as incidental to the services. ....

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GSA has historically regarded the equipment provided with telephone services as an incidental but necessary element of the services. Thus, we have always considered the acquisition of equipment as falling within the meaning of contracts for public utility services.

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Whether the service is provided by utility-owned equipment or Government-owned equipment does not change the nature of the services.

62 Comp. Gen. 569, 573-74 (1983).

Similarly, the equipment or products installed in federal buildings as DSMs or ECMs are necessary to reduce energy and water consumption, reduce the cost of energy and water and

insure the adequate delivery of electric, gas, or water services and is incident to those services. The ability to plan, measure and reduce electric, gas and water consumption in the future is an important part of providing utility services. Moreover, reducing the long term cost of energy to the federal government was the specific reason why Congress included section 201 in the Federal Property Act. Therefore, so long as the dominant or primary purpose of the project is to reduce energy and water use or demand, and there is a direct connection between any equipment (or services) to be provided and achievement of the dominant or primary purpose, it should not matter whether the ECM or DSM activities include the provision of equipment, title to which passes to the government.

In summary, contracts entered into under section 152(f) of EPACT may also be "contracts for public utility services" under section 201(a)(3) of the Federal Property Act.

B. GSA's Views

While the Secretary of Energy has the authority to develop guidelines to implement section 152(f) of EPACT,<sup>4</sup> it is significant that GSA, the agency with primary responsibility and authority under section 201 of the Federal Property Act, has concluded in an opinion dated July 29, 1994 ("Exhibit A"), that certain DSM and ECM contracts entered into under section 152(f) of EPACT are contracts for "public utility services:"

In addition, GSA has authority under the Act to receive the goods and services contemplated under the proposed agreement with [the utility], including but not limited to, energy related equipment, its installation, and personnel training. 42 U.S.C. §8256(c)(2)-(4); 40 U.S.C. §490(f)(7)(B).

The expenditure of the funds as contemplated by the proposed agreement with {the utility} is necessary for and incidental to compliance with the energy conservation requirements of the Act, 42 U.S.C. §8253. Therefore, this constitutes a necessary and proper expense for utility services. ...

Likewise, in accordance with 42 U.S.C. §8256(c)[Section 152(f) of EPACT], Congress specifically has authorized agencies to participate in utility incentive programs conducted by utilities and generally available to customers of such utilities. Participation in such programs will provide one of the means for GSA to satisfy the energy performance requirements for Federal buildings mandated by Congress in 42 U.S.C. §8253. As explained above, the broad authority may be funded by GSA's Real Property Operations (BA-61) appropriations as necessary and proper expenses for utility services. ...

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<sup>4</sup> Section 152(c) of EPACT provides the Secretary of Energy with the authority to develop "guidelines for the implementation" of the "Federal Energy Management" provisions of EPACT. 42 U.S.C. §8253(d) (1998).

GSA Op. Off. Real Property Division, 3-4, July 29, 1994 (emphasis added).

Finally, GSA has negotiated and entered into a series of “areawide” contracts with utilities to provide electric, gas and gas transportation services to Federal agencies.<sup>5</sup> In order to use an areawide contract any Federal agency in the defined geographic area simply has to execute an “authorization” agreement with the utility. The “areawide” contracts are entered into pursuant to GSA’s “utility services” authority provided under section 201(a)(3) of the Federal Property Act. GSA now includes some DSM and ECM services under the areawide umbrella contracts. This is further evidence of GSA’s view that DSM and ECM services may be “utility services” under section 201(a)(3).

C. What are the funding requirements for contracts for public utility services under section 201 of the Federal Property Act?

The Anti-Deficiency Act provides, in part, as follows:

An officer or employee of the United States Government or of the District of Columbia government may not-

- (A) make or authorize an expenditure or obligation exceeding an amount available in an appropriation or fund for the expenditure or obligation;
- (B) involve either government in a contract or obligation for the payment of money before an appropriation is made unless authorized by law....

31 U.S.C. §1341 (emphasis added). The Anti-Deficiency Act prohibits an executive agency from making expenditures or incurring obligations in excess of available appropriations, and from making a contract or obligation for the payment of money in advance of appropriations. Thus, as a general rule, the cost of a contract must be fully funded at the time the Government enters into the contract. The Anti-Deficiency Act, however, provides that Congress can authorize Federal agencies to “contractually” obligate the Government without the availability of an existing appropriation. “Contract authority” is statutory authority specifically authorizing “an agency to enter into a contract in excess of, or prior to, enactment of the applicable appropriation.” See, G.A.O., Principles of Federal Appropriations Law, Vol. II, Ch. 6-51 (1992).

Section 201(a)(3) of the Federal Property Act has been interpreted to provide “contract authority.” This provision has been interpreted as providing authority to enter into contracts for a term of ten-years without obligating funds for the total cost of the contract at the time the contract is entered into:

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<sup>5</sup> See, e.g., Areawide Public Utility Contract for Electric, Natural Gas, Gas Transportation and Energy Management Services, Contract No. GS-00P-95-BSD-0008, between the United States of American and Public Service Company of New Mexico, August 23, 1995.

The purpose of the proviso authorizing contracts for public utility services to be made for up to 10 years is to permit GSA to take advantage of discounts offered under long term contracts. If this provision is applicable, GSA need not have available to it budget authority to obligate the total estimated cost of the Centel contract but only sufficient budget authority to obligate its annual costs under the agreement.

As we have indicated above, GSA need not obligate the total estimated cost of the contract against the Fund, but only amounts necessary to cover it annual costs under the contract.

62 Comp. Gen. 569, 576 (1983) (emphasis added). Section 152(f) does not expressly provide authority to enter into ten-year contracts nor does it expressly provide an exception to the full funding requirements of the Anti-Deficiency Act. However, §152(f) contracts to the extent that they also constitute contracts for public utility services (under §201(a)(3) of the Federal Property Act) only require obligation of the annual costs under the contract during each year the contract is in effect.

#### D. Qualified DSM Contracts

Concerns have been raised that entering into DSMs, ECMs or other energy savings contracts with utilities of the type contemplated by §152(f) of EPACT may in some cases result in providing goods and services that are not “utility services” under section 201 of the Federal Property Act. In order to alleviate these concerns and provide protections against misuse of the authority provided in section 152(f), we have concluded that only “qualified” DSM and ECM contracts will be designated “contracts for public utility services” under section 201 of the Federal Property Act. These qualifications will insure that the primary purpose of a DSM or ECM contract for “public utility services” will be to reduce energy and water cost and use.

These requirements or qualifications are reflected in the attached GSA Areawide Agreement (Exhibit B) and the draft Civilian Model Utility Agreement (Exhibit C). Included in the requirements for “qualified” DSM or ECM contracts are the following requirements:

- (1) That the primary purpose of an ECM or DSM contract under section 152(f) must be to reduce the cost or use of energy and water and achieving greater energy efficiency [for example, DOE could not construct an entire new building to achieve or facilitate a programmatic objective under the guise of an ECM or DSM contract under section 152(f)];
- (2) That general construction, training courses, and the purchase of supplies or equipment not directly related to an ECM or DSM is not permissible under section 152(f) of EPACT;

- (3) That energy or water savings must be sufficient to pay all costs under a DSM or ECM contract; and
- (4) That ECMs or DSMs will not normally be used unless the net overall energy or water cost reduction can be demonstrated and verified.

Other restrictions and limitations on the use of ECM and DSM contracts are reflected in the attached model GSA Areawide contract and the Civilian Model Utility Agreement, which provide the necessary requirements and protections to "qualify" an ECM or DSM contract as a "contract for public utility services" under section 201 of the Federal Property Act. Proposed ECM or DSM contracts which contain terms or conditions that are materially different from those provided in Exhibits C and D create circumstances which require legal review by the Office of General Counsel.

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**APPENDIX F**

**AUDIT IDENTIFIED ENERGY-EFFICIENCY PROJECT LIST**

**Brookhaven National Laboratory Energy Efficiency Project List** Technology ALL

Building Number	Measure Category	Measure	Cost: materials	Cost labor (includes disposal costs)	Total Cost	Total Annual Energy Savings: (MMBtu/yr)	Annual Cost Savings: Energy	Annual Cost Savings: O&M	Total Annual Cost Savings	Simple Payback
30	HVAC Control	Change HVAC setpoint temps.	\$0	\$10	\$10	116.30	\$632	\$0	\$632	0.0
30	HVAC Control	Install programmable thermostats	\$450	\$270	\$720	115.31	\$467	\$0	\$467	1.5
30	Water Heating	Reduce DHW temp. setpoint	\$0	\$5	\$5	0.15	\$3	\$0	\$3	1.7
30	Lighting	IR sensors in bathrooms	\$150	\$90	\$240	6.22	\$142	\$0	\$142	1.7
30	Lighting	Replace incandescent w/ CFL	\$900	\$162	\$1,062	10.05	\$229	\$73	\$302	3.5
30	Other Recommendations	Install insulation under roof	\$4,202		\$4,202	164.78	\$650	\$0	\$650	6.5
30	HVAC Control	Install steam cycle control system	\$4,000		\$4,000	148.12	\$584	\$0	\$584	6.8
30	Lighting	Use higher efficiency lamps	\$42	\$50	\$92	0.59	\$13	\$0	\$13	7.1
30	HVAC Equipment	Install energy efficient oil burner	\$4,553	\$603	\$5,156	179.62	\$708	\$0	\$708	7.3
30	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$1,898	\$619	\$2,517	12.99	\$296	\$0	\$296	8.5
51	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$5,602	\$1,958	\$7,560	46.36	\$1,057	\$0	\$1,057	7.2
51	HVAC Control	Install hot water reset controls on heating boiler	\$840	\$90	\$930	29.96	\$118	\$0	\$118	7.9
51	Water Heating	Insulate DHW tank	\$26	\$90	\$116	0.62	\$14	\$0	\$14	8.3
120	Lighting	Install occupancy sensors	\$75	\$45	\$120	1.97	\$45	\$0	\$45	2.7
120	Other Recommendations	Weatherstrip windows	\$228	\$1,767	\$1,995	18.69	\$426	\$0	\$426	4.7
120	Water Heating	Insulate DHW tank	\$17	\$50	\$67	0.35	\$8	\$0	\$8	8.4
120	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$7,017	\$2,290	\$9,307	46.31	\$1,056	\$0	\$1,056	8.8
129	HVAC Control	Change HVAC setpoint temps.	\$0	\$127	\$127	47.24	\$1,077	\$0	\$1,077	0.1
129	Water Heating	Install low flow faucet aerators	\$10	\$45	\$55	5.08	\$116	\$0	\$116	0.5
129	Water Heating	Insulate DHW tank	\$17	\$50	\$67	0.81	\$19	\$0	\$19	3.5
129	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$11,337	\$4,467	\$15,804	73.57	\$1,677	\$0	\$1,677	9.4

Building Number	Measure Category	Measure	Cost: materials	Cost labor (includes disposal costs)	Total Cost	Total Annual Energy Savings: (MMBtu/yr)	Annual Cost Savings: Energy	Annual Cost Savings: O&M	Total Annual Cost Savings	Simple Payback
130	Other Recommendations	Caulk leaky through-the-wall heat pump sleeves	\$432		\$432	7.73	\$176	\$0	\$176	2.5
130	Other Recommendations	Install insulation under floor	\$8,584	\$0	\$8,584	41.22	\$940	\$0	\$940	9.1
130	Lighting	IR sensors in bathrooms	\$150	\$90	\$240	1.06	\$24	\$0	\$24	10.0
130	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$10,238	\$3,341	\$13,579	39.75	\$906	\$0	\$906	15.0
134	Other Recommendations	Clean A/C evaporator and condenser coils	\$0	\$90	\$90	4.08	\$93	\$0	\$93	1.0
134	HVAC Equipment	Test for and replace faulty steam traps	\$2,400	\$1,125	\$3,525	0.57	\$2,806	\$0	\$2,806	1.3
134	Lighting	Install occupancy sensors	\$689	\$495	\$1,184	7.45	\$170	\$0	\$170	7.0
134	Motors	Install motor controls	\$3,526	\$720	\$4,246	26.02	\$593	\$0	\$593	7.2
134	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$11,089	\$5,445	\$16,534	77.10	\$1,758	\$0	\$1,758	9.4
153	Water Heating	Rreduce DHW temp. setpoint	\$0	\$20	\$20	103.46	\$534	\$0	\$534	0.0
153	Water Heating	Install low flow showerheads	\$240	\$270	\$510	171.36	\$885	\$0	\$885	0.6
153	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$3,975	\$1,346	\$5,321	103.51	\$2,359	\$0	\$2,359	2.3
153	Lighting	Replace incandescent w/ CFL	\$5,100	\$918	\$6,018	40.30	\$919	\$729	\$1,648	3.7
153	Lighting	IR sensors in kitchen	\$600	\$360	\$960	8.83	\$201	\$0	\$201	4.8
153	Other Recommendations	Install insulation under floor	\$11,934		\$11,934	83.17	\$1,896	\$0	\$1,896	6.3
153	Other Recommendations	Install insulation in attic floor	\$9,180		\$9,180	58.49	\$1,333	\$0	\$1,333	6.9
153	Water Heating	Install solar DHW system	\$12,626	\$5,000	\$17,626	206.08	\$1,064	\$40	\$1,104	16.0

Building Number	Measure Category	Measure	Cost: materials	Cost labor (includes disposal costs)	Total Cost	Total Annual Energy Savings: (MMBtu/yr)	Annual Cost Savings: Energy	Annual Cost Savings: O&M	Total Annual Cost Savings	Simple Payback
170	Water Heating	Reduce DHW temp. setpoint	\$0	\$5	\$5	78.96	\$407	\$0	\$407	0.0
170	Water Heating	Install low flow showerheads	\$500		\$500	128.10	\$661	\$0	\$661	0.8
170	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$684	\$252	\$936	22.12	\$504	\$0	\$504	1.9
170	Lighting	Replace incandescent w/ CFL	\$2,671	\$508	\$3,179	31.50	\$718	\$580	\$1,298	2.4
170	Lighting	Install occupancy sensors	\$300	\$180	\$480	6.28	\$143	\$0	\$143	3.4
170	Other Recommendations	Install insulation under floor	\$12,943		\$12,943	56.09	\$1,279	\$0	\$1,279	10.1
170	Water Heating	Install solar DHW system	\$6,980	\$9,380	\$16,360	189.42	\$978	\$0	\$978	16.7
180	Water Heating	Reduce DHW temp. setpoint	\$0	\$14	\$14	107.10	\$553	\$0	\$553	0.0
180	Water Heating	Install low flow showerheads	\$650		\$650	100.66	\$519	\$0	\$519	1.3
180	Lighting	Replace incandescent w/ CFL	\$3,270	\$589	\$3,859	35.41	\$808	\$640	\$1,448	2.7
180	Other Recommendations	Install insulation under roof	\$2,886	\$2,886	\$5,772	32.11	\$732	\$0	\$732	7.9
180	Water Heating	Install solar DHW system	\$17,454		\$17,454	257.88	\$981	\$0	\$981	17.8
185	HVAC Control	Change HVAC setpoint temp.	\$0	\$70	\$70	13.15	\$446	\$0	\$446	0.2
185	Water Heating	Install low flow faucet aerators	\$12	\$27	\$39	2.28	\$52	\$0	\$52	0.8
185	Water Heating	Reduce DHW temp. setpoint	\$0	\$5	\$5	0.18	\$4	\$0	\$4	1.3
185	Lighting	Install occupancy sensors	\$75	\$45	\$120	1.23	\$28	\$0	\$28	4.3
185	Water Heating	Insulate DHW tank	\$40	\$100	\$140	0.75	\$17	\$0	\$17	8.2
185	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$6,925	\$2,390	\$9,315	49.00	\$1,117	\$0	\$1,117	8.3
193	Lighting	Install occupancy sensors	\$225	\$135	\$360	2.47	\$56	\$0	\$56	6.4
193	Water Heating	Insulate DHW tank	\$17	\$50	\$67	0.35	\$8	\$0	\$8	8.4
193	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$2,471	\$806	\$3,277	16.31	\$372	\$0	\$372	8.8

Building Number	Measure Category	Measure	Cost: materials	Cost labor (includes disposal costs)	Total Cost	Total Annual Energy Savings: (MMBtu/yr)	Annual Cost Savings: Energy	Annual Cost Savings: O&M	Total Annual Cost Savings	Simple Payback
194	Water Heating	Reduce DHW temp. setpoint	\$0	\$9	\$9	1.75	\$40	\$0	\$40	0.2
194	Lighting	Replace incandescent w/ CFL	\$20	\$5	\$25	0.29	\$7	\$7	\$14	1.8
194	Water Heating	Insulate DHW tank	\$40	\$100	\$140	1.48	\$34	\$0	\$34	4.1
194	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$1,869	\$749	\$2,618	20.74	\$473	\$0	\$473	5.5
194	Other Recommendations	Install insulation in walls	\$17,600		\$17,600	21.07	\$1,907	\$0	\$1,907	9.2
244	Water Heating	Reduce DHW temp. setpoint	\$0	\$5	\$5	1.18	\$27	\$0	\$27	0.2
244	HVAC Control	Install programmable thermostats	\$975	\$585	\$1,560	364.59	\$1,696	\$0	\$1,696	0.9
244	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps, electronic ballasts and controls	\$371	\$162	\$533	5.54	\$126	\$0	\$126	4.2
244	HVAC Control	Install steam cycle control system	\$4,000		\$4,000	145.60	\$574	\$0	\$574	7.0
244	HVAC Equipment	Install energy efficient oil burner	\$4,267	\$565	\$4,832	142.24	\$561	\$0	\$561	8.6
244	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$5,472	\$1,786	\$7,258	24.52	\$559	\$0	\$559	13.0
257	Water Heating	Reduce DHW temp. setpoint	\$0	\$5	\$5	54.32	\$281	\$0	\$281	0.0
257	Lighting	Replace incandescent w/ CFL	\$1,230	\$221	\$1,451	17.21	\$482	\$392	\$874	1.7
257	Water Heating	Install low flow showerheads	\$650		\$650	58.66	\$303	\$0	\$303	2.1
257	Lighting	Replace with 13 - 28 W Comp Fluor / Modular	\$396	\$70	\$466	7.41	\$169	\$32	\$201	2.3
257	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$108	\$56	\$164	1.32	\$30	\$0	\$30	5.5
257	Other Recommendations	Install insulation under floor	\$3,852		\$3,852	29.51	\$673	\$0	\$673	5.7
257	Water Heating	Install solar DHW system	\$8,930		\$8,930	93.52	\$483	\$0	\$483	18.5

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258	Water Heating	Reduce DHW temp. setpoint	\$0	\$9	\$9	48.16	\$249	\$0	\$249	0.0
258	Water Heating	Install low flow showerheads	\$600		\$600	62.16	\$321	\$0	\$321	1.9
258	Lighting	Replace incandescent w/ CFL	\$2,640	\$475	\$3,115	40.76	\$929	\$668	\$1,597	2.0
258	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$215	\$70	\$285	4.07	\$93	\$0	\$93	3.1
258	Other Recommendations	Install insulation under floor	\$8,970		\$8,970	70.85	\$1,615	\$0	\$1,615	5.6
258	Lighting	Replace with 6 - 35 watt high pressure sodium	\$720	\$338	\$1,058	4.14	\$94	\$87	\$181	5.8
258	Lighting	Install occupancy sensors	\$300	\$180	\$480	3.44	\$79	\$0	\$79	6.1
258	Water Heating	Install solar DHW system	\$10,430		\$10,430	99.54	\$514	\$0	\$514	20.3
326	HVAC Control	Change HVAC setpoint temps.	\$0	\$150	\$150	6.02	\$1,128	\$0	\$1,128	0.1
326	Water Heating	Install low flow faucet aerators	\$8	\$50	\$58	4.98	\$114	\$0	\$114	0.5
326	Water Heating	Install low flow showerheads	\$30	\$84	\$114	5.38	\$123	\$0	\$123	0.9
326	Lighting	Replace incandescent w/ CFL	\$59	\$25	\$84	0.87	\$20	\$22	\$42	2.0
326	Other Recommendations	Install insulation under roof	\$9,591	\$0	\$9,591	20.10	\$1,542	\$0	\$1,542	6.2
326	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$44	\$17	\$61	0.29	\$7	\$0	\$7	8.7
326	Water Heating	Insulate DHW tank	\$23	\$90	\$113	0.54	\$12	\$0	\$12	9.4
355	HVAC Control	Change HVAC setpoint temps.	\$0	\$100	\$100	38.99	\$918	\$0	\$918	0.1
355	Water Heating	Reduce DHW temp. setpoint	\$0	\$5	\$5	0.36	\$8	\$0	\$8	0.6
355	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps, electronic ballasts and controls	\$119	\$59	\$178	1.57	\$36	\$0	\$36	4.9
355	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$11,069	\$3,571	\$14,640	72.23	\$1,647	\$0	\$1,647	8.9

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423	HVAC Control	Install programmable thermostats	\$600	\$360	\$960	936.10	\$3,696	\$0	\$3,696	0.3
423	Water Heating	Reduce DHW temp.	\$0	\$5	\$5	0.15	\$3	\$0	\$3	1.7
423	HVAC Control	Install steam cycle control system	\$4,000		\$4,000	256.90	\$1,012	\$0	\$1,012	4.0
423	HVAC Equipment	Install energy efficient oil burner	\$8,537	\$1,130	\$9,667	268.38	\$1,058	\$0	\$1,058	9.1
423	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$3,053	\$994	\$4,047	19.32	\$440	\$0	\$440	9.2
423	Other Recommendations	Install insulation under roof	\$16,970		\$16,970	393.74	\$1,563	\$0	\$1,563	10.9
426	Water Heating	Reduce DHW temp.	\$0	\$5	\$5	0.76	\$17	\$0	\$17	0.3
426	Lighting	Install occupancy sensors	\$75	\$45	\$120	0.99	\$22	\$0	\$22	5.5
426	HVAC Equipment	Install down draft ceiling fans	\$400	\$400	\$800	-3.80	\$97	\$0	\$97	8.2
426	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$6,014	\$2,164	\$8,178	42.95	\$979	\$0	\$979	8.4
452	Lighting	Reduced output lamps, ballasts and reflectors	\$541	\$86	\$627	7.92	\$180	\$0	\$180	3.5
452	Other Recommendations	Install vinyl strip door in stock room	\$650	\$550	\$1,200	0.06	\$299	\$0	\$299	4.0
452	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$13,451	\$4,788	\$18,239	118.36	\$2,698	\$0	\$2,698	6.8
452	Other Recommendations	Install insulation under roof	\$22,232	\$0	\$22,232	0.57	\$2,780	\$0	\$2,780	8.0
459	Lighting	Install occupancy sensors	\$150	\$90	\$240	7.21	\$164	\$0	\$164	1.5
459	Motors	Install high efficiency motors	\$1,614	\$608	\$2,222	19.82	\$452	\$0	\$452	4.9
459	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$11,918	\$4,313	\$16,231	114.28	\$2,605	\$0	\$2,605	6.2
459	Water Heating	Insulate DHW tank	\$17	\$77	\$94	0.49	\$11	\$0	\$11	8.5
460	HVAC Control	Change HVAC setpoint temp.	\$0	\$9	\$9	14.17	\$382	\$0	\$382	0.0
460	Lighting	Install occupancy sensors	\$150	\$90	\$240	3.04	\$69	\$0	\$69	3.5
460	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$11,348	\$4,313	\$15,661	103.91	\$2,369	\$0	\$2,369	6.6

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461	Water Heating	Reduce DHW temp. setpoint	\$0	\$5	\$5	0.01	\$34	\$0	\$34	0.1
461	Lighting	Replace incandescent w/ CFL	\$30	\$5	\$35	0.66	\$15	\$12	\$27	1.3
461	Lighting	Install more efficient exit signs	\$140	\$90	\$230	3.47	\$79	\$49	\$128	1.8
461	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$1,682	\$659	\$2,341	20.54	\$468	\$0	\$468	5.0
462	HVAC Equipment	Install ceiling fans	\$800		\$800	-3.45	\$314	\$0	\$314	2.5
462	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$6,292	\$2,549	\$8,841	76.07	\$1,734	\$0	\$1,734	5.1
462	Motors	Install high efficiency motors	\$313	\$202	\$515	2.52	\$57	\$0	\$57	9.0
463	Other Recommendations	Reduce fume hood air flow			\$31,000	1,077.03	\$23,000		\$23,000	1.3
463	HVAC Control	Reduce supply air flow			\$44,000	511.93	\$9,319		\$9,319	4.7
463	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts			\$141,000	563.15	\$17,000		\$17,000	8.3
463	HVAC Equipment	Install VFD on supply fan SF-1			\$42,000	254.55	\$5,000		\$5,000	8.4
463	HVAC Equipment	Convert office area from constant vol to VAV			\$41,000	198.20	\$2,531		\$2,531	16.2
464	Lighting	Install occupancy sensors	\$75	\$45	\$120	9.77	\$223	\$0	\$223	0.5
464	Other Recommendations	Clean A/C evaporator and condenser coils	\$0	\$100	\$100	7.02	\$160	\$0	\$160	0.6
464	HVAC Control	Install programmable thermostats	\$150	\$90	\$240	4.73	\$108	\$0	\$108	2.2
464	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$7,142	\$2,606	\$9,748	58.94	\$1,343	\$0	\$1,343	7.3
475	Water Heating	Reduce DHW temp. setpoint	\$0	\$5	\$5	0.19	\$4	\$0	\$4	1.3
475	Lighting	Install occupancy sensors	\$300	\$180	\$480	5.33	\$121	\$0	\$121	4.0
475	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$12,268	\$4,003	\$16,271	80.97	\$1,846	\$0	\$1,846	8.8
475	Other Recommendations	Weatherstrip windows	\$1,080	\$8,370	\$9,450	44.88	\$1,023	\$0	\$1,023	9.2

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477	HVAC Control	Change HVAC setpoint temps.	\$0	\$9	\$9	15.46	\$757	\$0	\$757	0.0
477	Water Heating	Reduce DHW temp. setpoint	\$0	\$5	\$5	0.22	\$5	\$0	\$5	1.0
477	Lighting	Install occupancy sensors	\$225	\$135	\$360	7.59	\$173	\$0	\$173	2.1
477	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$15,534	\$5,069	\$20,603	175.19	\$3,994	\$0	\$3,994	5.2
477	Motors	Install high efficiency motors	\$420	\$202	\$622	2.00	\$46	\$0	\$46	13.5
478	HVAC Control	Change HVAC setpoint temps.	\$0	\$5	\$5	0.11	\$536	\$0	\$536	0.0
478	Water Heating	Reduce DHW temp. setpoint	\$0	\$5	\$5	0.01	\$31	\$0	\$31	0.2
478	Lighting	Replace incandescent w/ CFL	\$60	\$11	\$71	1.61	\$37	\$29	\$66	1.1
478	Other Recommendations	Install automatic pool cover system	\$25,000	\$0	\$25,000	0.70	\$3,438	\$0	\$3,438	7.3
478	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$662	\$216	\$878	4.89	\$112	\$0	\$112	7.8
479	HVAC Control	Install programmable thermostats	\$900	\$540	\$1,440	0.52	\$2,558	\$0	\$2,558	0.6
479	HVAC Equipment	Test for and replace faulty steam traps	\$900	\$868	\$1,768	0.25	\$1,203	\$0	\$1,203	1.5
479	Lighting	Reduced output lamps, ballasts and rreflectors	\$6,488	\$1,339	\$7,827	142.48	\$3,248	\$0	\$3,248	2.4
479	HVAC Equipment	Install ceiling fans in high bay areas	\$3,200		\$3,200	0.25	\$814	\$0	\$814	3.9
479	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$4,320	\$1,620	\$5,940	64.77	\$1,476	\$0	\$1,476	4.0
480	HVAC Control	Change HVAC setpoint temp.	\$0	\$81	\$81	46.28	\$1,253	\$0	\$1,253	0.1
480	HVAC Equipment	Install down draft ceiling fans in high bay areas	\$400	\$400	\$800	-3.77	\$296	\$0	\$296	2.7
480	Lighting	Replace incandescent w/ CFL	\$368	\$59	\$427	4.74	\$107	\$38	\$145	2.9
480	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$21,387	\$7,236	\$28,623	184.10	\$4,197	\$0	\$4,197	6.8

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488	HVAC Control	Change HVAC setpoint temp.	\$0	\$147	\$147	37.26	\$1,309	\$0	\$1,309	0.1
488	Water Heating	Reduce DHW temp. setpoint	\$0	\$5	\$5	0.20	\$4	\$0	\$4	1.3
488	Lighting	Replace incandescent w/ CFL	\$5,275	\$945	\$6,220	96.17	\$2,192	\$722	\$2,914	2.1
488	Other Recommendations	Install high efficiency evaporator fans	\$205	\$272	\$477	5.23	\$119	\$0	\$119	4.0
488	Motors	Install high efficiency motors	\$1,299	\$810	\$2,109	18.98	\$433	\$0	\$433	4.9
488	Other Recommendations	Install vinyl strip door on loading dock	\$325	\$375	\$700	0.03	\$142	\$0	\$142	4.9
488	Motors	Install motor controls	\$5,026	\$911	\$5,937	48.72	\$1,111	\$0	\$1,111	5.3
488	Water Heating	Insulate DHW tank	\$29	\$107	\$136	0.82	\$19	\$0	\$19	7.2
488	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$6,072	\$2,081	\$8,153	33.51	\$764	\$0	\$764	10.7
490	Water Heating	Reduce DHW temp. setpoint	\$0	\$5	\$5	5.18	\$26	\$0	\$26	0.2
490	HVAC Equipment	Replace HEPA filters with low resistance filters	\$850		\$850	93.03	\$2,120	\$0	\$2,120	0.4
490	Motors	Remove CW/Glycol exchanger in ITF	\$3,500	\$0	\$3,500	226.97	\$5,174	\$0	\$5,174	0.7
490	Lighting	Change lighting operating schedule	\$5,500		\$11,000	655.94	\$14,952	\$0	\$14,952	0.7
490	Lighting	Install more efficient lighting system	\$94	\$59	\$153	0.49	\$11	\$138	\$149	1.0
490	HVAC Equipment	Replace HVAC equipment	\$2,000		\$2,000	101.61	\$1,837	\$0	\$1,837	1.1
490	Lighting	Replace incandescent w/ CFL	\$703	\$275	\$978	17.66	\$402	\$436	\$838	1.2
490	Other Recommendations	Install high efficiency evaporator fans	\$289	\$130	\$419	6.99	\$159	\$0	\$159	2.6
490	HVAC Equipment	Install down draft ceiling fan in seminar room	\$500		\$500	-1.35	\$167	\$0	\$167	3.0
490	Motors	Install high efficiency motors	\$1,836	\$456	\$2,292	27.04	\$616	\$0	\$616	3.7
490	Other Recommendations	Shut down sub-zero boxes	\$12,000		\$12,000	105.93	\$2,439	\$0	\$2,439	4.9
490	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$80,056	\$30,024	\$110,080	873.42	\$19,910	\$0	\$19,910	5.5

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510	HVAC Equipment	Reduce AHU operating hours	\$500	\$0	\$500	662.86	\$16,466	\$0	\$16,466	0.0
510	HVAC Equipment	Install down draft ceiling fan in High Bay Area	\$450	\$550	\$1,000	-3.71	\$567	\$0	\$567	1.8
510	Lighting	Install more efficient exit signs	\$960	\$270	\$1,230	5.74	\$131	\$122	\$253	4.9
510	Motors	Install high efficiency motors	\$4,600	\$4,050	\$8,650	57.01	\$1,299	\$0	\$1,299	6.7
510	Lighting	Install occupancy sensors	\$18,750	\$11,250	\$30,000	189.67	\$4,323	\$0	\$4,323	6.9
510	HVAC Equipment	Install down draft ceiling fan in seminar room	\$550	\$650	\$1,200	-4.46	\$144	\$0	\$144	8.3
510	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$148,283	\$49,939	\$198,222	722.77	\$16,476	\$0	\$16,476	12.0
515	Motors	Install motor controls	\$7,052	\$1,440	\$8,492	114.13	\$2,601	\$0	\$2,601	3.3
515	Lighting	Install occupancy sensors	\$485	\$495	\$980	8.88	\$202	\$0	\$202	4.9
515	Lighting	Install more efficient exit signs	\$960	\$270	\$1,230	5.74	\$131	\$122	\$253	4.9
515	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$50,617	\$16,704	\$67,321	347.12	\$7,913	\$0	\$7,913	8.5
528	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$3,575	\$1,166	\$4,741	21.23	\$484	\$0	\$484	9.8
528	HVAC Equipment	Replace with high efficiency HVAC equipment	\$34,000		\$34,000	75.03	\$1,710	\$0	\$1,710	19.9
555	Other Recommendations	Rebalance fume hoods			\$223,000	9,465.24	\$82,000		\$82,000	2.7
555	HVAC Control	Individual lab two-speed DDC fan control switch			\$421,000	8,785.87	\$71,709		\$71,709	5.9
555	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts			\$212,000	844.72	\$26,000		\$26,000	8.2

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599	HVAC Control	Change HVAC setpoint temps.	\$0	\$50	\$50	11.27	\$1,291	\$0	\$1,291	0.0
599	Water Heating	Reduce DHW temp. setpoint	\$0	\$9	\$9	0.01	\$51	\$0	\$51	0.2
599	Lighting	Change lighting operating schedule	\$120		\$120	19.06	\$434	\$0	\$434	0.3
599	Lighting	Install outdoor photocell	\$140	\$90	\$230	18.57	\$423	\$0	\$423	0.5
599	Lighting	Replace incandescent w/ CFL	\$27	\$11	\$38	0.38	\$9	\$9	\$18	2.1
599	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$5,734	\$2,268	\$8,002	52.76	\$1,203	\$0	\$1,203	6.7
599	Motors	Install high efficiency motors	\$1,404	\$0	\$1,404	8.10	\$185	\$0	\$185	7.6
703	Lighting	Replace incandescent w/ CFL	\$828	\$302	\$1,130	20.03	\$457	\$470	\$927	1.2
703	HVAC Equipment	Test for and replace faulty steam traps	\$1,500	\$1,272	\$2,772	0.37	\$1,804	\$0	\$1,804	1.5
703	Lighting	Install IR sensors	\$150	\$90	\$240	3.79	\$86	\$0	\$86	2.8
703	HVAC Equipment	Install VFDs and reduce air flow during unoccupied hrs.	\$114,500		\$114,500	1,330.29	\$26,572	\$0	\$26,572	4.3
703	Motors	Install high efficiency motors	\$8,818	\$7,492	\$16,310	107.30	\$2,446	\$0	\$2,446	6.7
703	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$12,974	\$4,234	\$17,208	50.37	\$1,148	\$0	\$1,148	15.0
815	HVAC Control	Reduce supply air flow			\$18,000	1,696.74	\$12,463		\$12,463	1.4
815	Other Recommendations	Reduce fume hood air flow			\$10,000	125.41	\$3,000		\$3,000	3.3
815	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts			\$50,000	168.94	\$6,000		\$6,000	8.3
815	Chiller	Replace existing chiller with central plant chiller water			\$450,000	4,516.78	\$23,471		\$23,471	19.2
815	Chiller	Replace existing chiller with double effect chiller			\$336,000	2,213.85	\$16,607		\$16,607	20.2
815	HVAC Equipment	Install VAV diffusers			\$64,000	232.41	\$2,730		\$2,730	23.4

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835	Lighting	Replace incandescent w/ CFL	\$207	\$43	\$250	4.77	\$109	\$82	\$191	1.3
835	HVAC Control	Install programmable thermostats	\$825	\$495	\$1,320	1.89	\$1,006	\$0	\$1,006	1.3
835	Lighting	Install more efficient lighting systems	\$136	\$90	\$226	3.26	\$74	\$9	\$83	2.7
835	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$1,296	\$540	\$1,836	16.70	\$381	\$0	\$381	4.8
835	Lighting	Energy efficient lamps and electronic ballasts	\$1,435	\$547	\$1,982	12.05	\$275	\$0	\$275	7.2
901	HVAC Control	Reduce supply air			\$6,000	85.76	\$2,000		\$2,000	3.0
901	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts			\$106,000	371.68	\$11,000		\$11,000	9.6
901	Chiller	Replace chiller			\$206,000	252.01	\$10,000		\$10,000	20.6
901	HVAC Equipment	Install VAV diffusers			\$26,000	54.99	\$1,006		\$1,006	25.8
1005S	HVAC Equipment	Install high efficiency filters	\$0	\$0	\$0	36.35	\$829	\$331	\$1,160	0.0
1005S	HVAC Control	Change HVAC setpoint temp.	\$500		\$500	4.42	\$1,342	\$0	\$1,342	0.4
1005S	Lighting	Install more efficient exit signs	\$275	\$248	\$523	9.54	\$217	\$135	\$352	1.5
1005S	Lighting	Replace incandescent w/ CFL	\$202	\$32	\$234	4.89	\$111	\$44	\$155	1.5
1005S	Lighting	Install occupancy sensors	\$225	\$135	\$360	5.17	\$118	\$0	\$118	3.1
1005S	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts and reflectors	\$657	\$194	\$851	7.86	\$179	\$0	\$179	4.8
1005S	Lighting	Install T-8 lamps and electronic ballasts	\$12,837	\$5,011	\$17,848	144.53	\$3,294	\$0	\$3,294	5.4
1005S	HVAC Equipment	Install down draft ceiling fans in high bay areas	\$600	\$600	\$1,200	-4.48	\$175	\$0	\$175	6.9
526 & 527	Lighting	Install wall switch to control lighting	\$40	\$135	\$175	2.08	\$47	\$0	\$47	3.7
526 & 527	HVAC Equipment	Install down draft ceiling fans in high bay areas	\$1,000	\$600	\$1,600	-5.52	\$407	\$0	\$407	3.9
526 & 527	Lighting	Install occupancy sensors	\$225	\$135	\$360	1.91	\$44	\$0	\$44	8.2
<b>Summary Data</b>					<b>\$3,745,556</b>					

**APPENDIX G**

**EXAMPLE CALCULATIONS FROM MOTOR MASTER**



# LifeCycle Analysis

MotorMaster+ 3.0  
from US DOE

For: BNL  
By: RT Dahowski

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## INPUTS

### COSTS (corporate analysis)

Capital costs:	\$1046
Installation costs:	\$113
Interest during construction:	\$0
Capital escalation rate(%):	5.0
Annual O&M cost:	\$0
O&M escalation rate(%):	5.0
Annual fuel cost:	\$0
Fuel cost escalation rate(%):	5.0

### FINANCING

Date of loan (yr):	1999
Loan life:	0
Loan interest rate(%):	0.0
Discount rate(%):	3.1
Property tax rate(%):	0.0
Corporate tax rate(%):	0.0
State tax rate(%):	0.0

### PROJECT LIFE

Base year:	1999
First year of operation:	1999
Life expectancy:	15
Depreciation life:	0
Salvage value:	\$0
Depreciation method:	Straight line

### ELECTRICITY USE AND COST

Project annual energy savings:	6169 kWh
Average energy cost:	\$0.060000 \$/kWh
Electric cost escalation rate(%):	5.0%
Project demand reduction:	0.7 kW
Average demand cost:	\$0.00 \$/kW-mo
Demand charge escalation rate(%):	5.0%
Peak demand months:	12 months

## RESULTS

Loan Amount:	\$1159
Capital recovery factor:	1.00
Annual loan payment:	\$1159
After tax net present value:	\$5170

After tax return on investment:	54.0%
Benefit-to-cost ratio (before tax):	5.46
Benefit-to-cost ratio (after tax):	5.46
Levelized cost of conserved energy:	15.9

Year	Project Revenues (Nominal \$)	Loan Pmt + Op Costs (Nominal \$)	After Tax Depreciation (Nominal \$)	After Tax Benefits (Nominal \$)	Annual Benefits (Base Year \$)	Cumulative Benefits (Base Year \$)	Energy Cost (Nominal \$)
1999	370	1159	0	-789	-789	-789	188
2000	389	0	0	389	377	-412	0
2001	408	0	0	408	384	-28	0
2002	428	0	0	428	391	363	0
2003	450	0	0	450	398	761	0
2004	472	0	0	472	406	1167	0
2005	496	0	0	496	413	1580	0
2006	521	0	0	521	421	2000	0
2007	547	0	0	547	428	2429	0
2008	574	0	0	574	436	2865	0
2009	603	0	0	603	444	3309	0
2010	633	0	0	633	452	3762	0
2011	665	0	0	665	461	4223	0
2012	698	0	0	698	469	4692	0
2013	733	0	0	733	478	5170	0



# Comparison Savings (Replace Existing)

MotorMaster+ 3.0  
from US DOE

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Facility: Brookhaven National Laboratory  
Utility: LIPA  
(Avg.)

Energy Price: \$0.060000/kWh  
Demand charge: \$0.00/kW

### Existing Motor

### Energy Efficient Motor

## COMPARISON DATA

Standard Motor:	BNL Fan Motor	E Series, Prem. Eff.	
Manufacturer:		Sterling	
Size:	20 Hp		20 Hp
Speed:	1800 RPM		1800 RPM
Enclosure:	ODP		ODP
Voltage:	440 Volts		440 Volts
Definite Purpose:			
Hours use/yr:	8760		8760
Load:	75.0 %		75.9 %
Efficiency:	87.4 %		93.6 %
Full Load RPM:	1740 RPM		1750 RPM
Centrifugal Load:	Yes		
Old Motor Eff. Loss:			
Dealer Discount:			25 %
Purchase Price:			\$1046
Installation Cost:			\$113
Motor Rebate:			
Peak Months:	12		12

## SAVINGS

Motor Premium:	\$1159		
Energy Use:	112187 kWh	106018 kWh	
Energy Cost:	\$6731	\$6361	
Demand Charge:			
Energy Savings:		6169 kWh	\$370
Demand Savings:		0.7 kW	
Total Savings:			\$370
Simple Payback:			3.1 Yrs

**APPENDIX H**  
**CONTRACTED SERVICES PER E. BYRN**

**Contracted Services:** Assume a construction or service contract for \$1,000,000  
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	Procurement? <sup>1</sup>	Direct Costs	Material Burden @ 7.75% on 1st \$600K	Traditional G&A (Procurements >\$600K, only on 1st \$600K)	Site Support G&A (not app. on singular procurements > \$25K)	Total
<b>Implementation Options</b>				12%	25%	

**Option 1: traditional construction contract**

A lump sum contract of \$1,000,000	p	1,000,000		72,000	-	1,072,000
Material Burden on Procurement			46,500	5,580	11,625	63,705
Engineering (In-house), % of contact cost 14%		140,000		16,800	35,000	191,800
		1,140,000	46,500	94,380	46,625	<b>1,327,505</b>
Total burdens/overhead						187,505

**Option 2: BNL buys materials, contractor installs**

A contract for installation	p	600,000		72,000	-	672,000
Material Burden on Procurement			46,500	5,580	11,625	63,705
PO to purchase materials	p	200,000		24,000	-	224,000
Material Burden on Procurement			15,500	1,860	3,875	21,235
POs to purchase materials <\$25K		200,000		24,000	50,000	274,000
Material Burden on Procurement			15,500	1,860	3,875	21,235
Engineering (In-house), % of contact cost 14%		140,000		16,800	35,000	191,800
		1,140,000	77,500	146,100	104,375	<b>1,467,975</b>
Total burdens/overhead						327,975

**Option 3: BNL buys and installs materials**

Labor		600,000		72,000	150,000	822,000
PO to purchase materials	p	200,000		24,000	-	224,000
Material Burden on Procurement			15,500	1,860	3,875	21,235
POs to purchase materials <\$25K		200,000		24,000	50,000	274,000
Material Burden on Procurement			15,500	1,860	3,875	21,235
Engineering (In-house), % of contact cost 14%		140,000		16,800	35,000	191,800
		1,140,000	31,000	140,520	242,750	<b>1,554,270</b>
Total burdens/overhead						414,270

**Option 4: Strawman: ESPC as a Design/Build project**

A lump sum contract of \$1,000,000		1,000,000				
A/E design service moved to ESCO 8%		80,000				
A lump sum contract of \$1,000,000	p	1,080,000		72,000	-	1,152,000
Material Burden on Procurement			46,500	5,580	11,625	63,705
Engineering (In-house), % of contact cost 6%		64,800		7,776	16,200	88,776
		1,144,800	46,500	85,356	27,825	<b>1,304,481</b>
Total burdens/overhead						159,681

Note 1: If Procurement is single item > \$25K, enter "p"

**APPENDIX I**

**“FINANCING ENERGY PROJECTS AT FEDERAL FACILITIES: A SCREENING  
TOOL FOR DECISION MAKING” (Carroll 1999 – PNNL-SA-30924)**

## Background

Federal sites are faced with many challenges in managing their energy efficiency and utilities management programs, one of the greatest being limited funding. Upgrades to energy and utility systems may be required to:

- Reduce energy consumption to meet energy-efficiency goals.
- Reduce energy costs to meet resource restrictions such as budget cuts.
- Meet regulatory requirements such as the chlorofluorocarbon (CFC) phaseout.
- Support new mission demands such as an electrical capacity upgrade required for a new flight simulator.
- Improve the quality of life for the building tenants.
- Reduce the repair costs required to keep a utility system operational beyond its normal functional life.

There are many financing options/alternatives available to Federal sites for energy-efficiency projects including Energy Service Performance Contracts, various Utility Energy Service Contracts, utility rebates, and, to an increasingly limited degree, internally funded project execution programs. As internal funds become even more constrained, it is critical for the installation-level energy manager to consider alternative financing sources for energy-efficiency projects.

The types of energy systems included in typical energy-efficiency programs include the following:

- Building envelope
- Building automation systems/energy management and control systems
- Boilers
- Chillers
- Heating, ventilating, and air conditioning (HVAC), including pumps, fans, and rooftop units
- Variable air volume retrofit
- Refrigeration
- Lighting
- Thermal distribution systems (chilled water, hot water, and steam)
- Steam traps
- Piping insulation
- Electric motors and drives
- Electric distribution systems
- Cogeneration systems
- Renewable energy systems.

## Purpose

It is important to understand the various project financing options currently available and how to evaluate them, at

least to a degree that will allow the wise selection of the most appropriate option that meets general and site specific criteria. This paper describes a seven-step process to determine which options are most advantageous to your site. The discussion that follows leads to an options matrix designed to assist in documenting your decision process for selection of a financing option. Additional background information regarding aspects of the selection process can be obtained from various World Wide Web sites identified later in this document.

In applying alternative financing, Federal energy managers and their contracting officers find themselves on the cutting edge of Federal acquisition reform. The use of alternative financing offers Federal agencies the opportunity to apply “best value” business practices to achieve significant energy and cost savings, replace aging and inefficient energy using equipment, and rehabilitate and renovate facilities using appropriate private sector resources.

The use of any of the innovative, privately financed energy efficiency contracting methods requires that the Federal agency evaluate all available options and select the option that provides the best value to the government for the specific application under consideration. Recognizing that the needs, opportunities and constraints at each Federal site are unique, the selection must take into consideration all of the specific issues of significance at the individual site.

**Important Note :** During the course of completing the selection process, a project acquisition team will need to be assembled from all of the organizational groups that will be affected by the project, including engineering, contracting, legal, operations and maintenance, environmental, the comptroller, and site upper management. The team will be responsible for identifying the facility specific constraints, which may include mission support concerns, environmental issues, personnel constraints, core capabilities, infrastructure needs, and contract length. The acquisition team should develop a consensus on the relative priority of issues to be addressed in the option analysis. All relevant issues must be considered by the acquisition team in making the “best value” determination for the particular and unique facility.

### Step 1. Define the objectives

The first step is to clearly understand your specific objectives. You must identify your goals so that you can ensure that the option(s) you select meets those goals and supports your mission.

Examples of goals and objectives that your energy project may focus on include:

- Save energy
- Reduce costs

- Respond to changing mission requirements
- Meet other mandates such as the CFC phaseout
- Infrastructure improvements

Do not overlook the potential to achieve energy savings coincident with other projects. Replacement of a chiller to phase out CFCs also presents an opportunity to analyze the chiller plant for energy-efficiency opportunities through proper sizing of the equipment, and installation of a high-efficiency chiller. Lighting retrofit projects originally designed to save energy can also significantly improve the quality of the lighting in a building, and thereby the work environment for the building occupants.

A project can consist of a single energy conservation measure (ECMs), or a group of ECMs. Typically, it is best to group measures into a project that provides the best overall value. In addition, there are natural combinations that should always be considered such as lighting and heating and cooling measures.

A complete understanding of the project objectives will allow you to determine if the decision to proceed with the project (the “go/no go” decision) is based on the economics of the project, or if it is a mandatory project. In either case, you will need to determine how to finance the project.

Ensure that you have an accurate baseline of energy consumption and costs before beginning the project cycle. This provides both invaluable technical information for identifying energy projects that are cost-effective and financial information to demonstrate the true impact of your energy-efficiency program.

It is important to ensure that both the local on-site and the agency management staff understand the importance of the project. This is a good time to brief them about the project and get their support. More detailed information regarding this activity is provided in Step 5.

If you anticipate using either the Department of Energy (DOE) regional or technology Super Energy Savings Performance Contracts (ESPC), then a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) must be established between your agency and DOE. In addition, a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) may be required between various offices within your agency before a contract for the energy project can be awarded. These requirements should be identified and steps taken to put them in place early to avoid delays in the project execution cycle.

## **Step 2. Define criteria that influence the selection of funding source**

Some criteria may outweigh the economic or energy impacts of a project. Examples include code compliance (such as building ventilation requirements), inspection by outside agencies (including environmental and safety), and programmatic desires of your agency. You can ensure the project meets these criteria by considering the following:

- Programmatic focus
- Mission requirements
- Safety/health
- Projected life of the buildings in question (consult your site master plan)
- Support to provide the resources to implement the project
- Existing agreements with on-site tenants
- Current level of on-site support capabilities
- Retention of existing service capabilities
- Contractual arrangement with service providers
- Innovative technology requirements.

Existing site operations and maintenance (O&M) subcontracts that might be impacted by the energy projects must also be identified and considered. Some energy projects might require elimination of service contract work elements or modification of those elements. The energy project involving existing O&M staff should include training for your maintenance staff or facilities services contractors, or coordination with construction contracts ongoing at your site.

Environmental requirements and impacts must be considered in planning any project. A relighting project that replaces existing fluorescent lamps may require that the old lamps be disposed of as hazardous waste because they contain mercury. Other environmental concerns routinely encountered include disposal of transformers and ballasts containing polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), CFC refrigerants, asbestos insulation, and lead-based paints.

## **Step 3. Estimating the potential for energy savings**

The next step is to determine what your potential for energy savings is, and therefore which financing options are most attractive. Let’s assume that the potential cost reduction is 15%, purely for purpose of demonstrating the impact of project size on financing options. The net savings available to a small site with an annual utility bill of \$50,000 would be \$7,500 per year, while the savings available to a site with an annual utility bill of \$4,000,000 would be \$600,000 per year. These two sites will attract very different financing alternatives.

In addition to knowing your total energy bill for comparison of options, you should also calculate your unit energy cost (dollars per square foot) by dividing your total

energy bill by your gross square footage. The cost of executing site-wide energy-efficiency projects will be related to the facility size. Sites, even large ones, that have low-cost energy may not be able to generate the savings required to amortize the capital investment required by the energy projects. Similarly, small sites with high cost energy may not be able to generate enough savings to cover the overhead costs associated with establishing an on-site energy management contract, and will be better serviced by demand-side management programs through their local utility company.

As demonstrated below, if your site is paying \$1.50 per square foot per year in energy costs, has 222,222 square feet of building space in the project and is able to reduce total building energy use by 15%, the project will generate \$50,000 per year in savings. This will allow you to estimate whether the cost savings will pay for the needed upgrades to get a 15% energy savings.

$$\text{Potential dollar savings} = \text{Square footage} \times \frac{\text{Annual energy cost}}{\text{Square foot}} \times \text{Potential percent reduction in energy costs}$$

$$\text{Potential savings} = 222,222 \text{ SF} \times \frac{\$1.50}{\text{SF}} \times 15\% = \$50,000$$

An investment of \$250,000 with potential savings of \$50,000 per year will generate a 5-year simple payback. Because the contract term for an alternatively financed project typically equals about twice the simple payback, a 5-year simple payback results in a 10-year contract term

$$\text{Contract term} = 2 \times \frac{\text{Capital investment}}{\text{Annual savings}} = 2 \times \frac{\$250,000}{\$50,000 \text{ per year}} = 10 \text{ years}$$

It should be noted that other savings streams may occur as result of a proposed project. These include avoided one-time equipment repair cost, equipment upgrade cost, programmatic savings from avoided downtime, and reduction in O&M cost. The applicability of these savings will depend on a variety of factors that must be considered on a site-by-site basis.

Now that we have a feel for the potential scope of the project, we can identify funding sources.

#### Step 4. Define potential funding scenarios

Funding sources include:

- Agency funding using appropriated funds from (depending on the amount being sought):
  - ❖ The Command's/site's budget for O&M projects and minor construction
  - ❖ Appropriated funding from the chain of command
  - ❖ Energy Conservation Investment Program (ECIP) funding for military construction (MILCON) level projects (Department of Defense)
  - ❖ Other agency line-item funding authorization/appropriation.
- Utility Energy Service Contracts (UESC) may include a wide range of services from auditing to installation and commissioning, including financing the entire project. These were referred to as Utility Incentive Programs in the Energy Policy Act. These could be structured as:
  - ❖ Customized site energy service agreements
  - ❖ Customized agency energy service agreements
  - ❖ Service programs under a General Services Agency (GSA) area-wide contract
  - ❖ Basic Ordering Agreements
  - ❖ Demand-side management programs or rebates.
- Energy Savings Performance Contracting (ESPC), including:
  - ❖ The DOE Super ESPC contracts
  - ❖ A site-specific ESPC
  - ❖ U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Huntsville) region-wide ESPC
  - ❖ Technology-specific ESPCs
  - ❖ Other agency-specific ESPCs.

A crucial question that must be answered early in the process is which funding mechanisms are available? The lack of a funding mechanism may be a "show stopper" for that option, although the fact that it is not available today does not mean that it cannot be made available. It will, however, require longer project development lead time and higher development costs.

The range of projects packaged together will be affected by the funding mechanism selected. The site must carefully compare the funding or project options and determine their criteria for selecting the range of projects to be packaged – those individual projects with the shortest payback, or the collection of projects with the lowest life-cycle cost.

## Appropriated Funds

Direct appropriations allow the agency to retain all of the savings from energy projects. In addition, given the uncertainty of deregulation and its impact on the cost of energy, appropriated funds provide greater flexibility to deal with those short term changes.

With the current emphasis on reducing the Federal Government's appropriations, however, energy and facility-related projects not directly related to the agency's mission may not be fully funded or may be delayed.

The disadvantages of appropriated funding are that the Government must provide the up-front capital funding to execute the project, and assume the risk of ensuring proper execution, operation, and maintenance. The source of the capital funding will depend on the scope of the project, and may range from the site's budget for minor construction, to a special project funded by the agency, to the Energy Conservation Investment Program (ECIP) for the Department of Defense, or other line-item funding programs. The funding cycle for appropriated funds is typically 1 to 5 years or longer from project submission to project funding.

Alternative financing methods were made available for the purpose of displacing appropriations to finance energy efficiency.

### Strengths:

- Project development costs tend to be lower using agency funding for small to medium projects.
- The agency retains all savings.
- Appropriated funds are most appropriate for "common" technologies (i.e., lighting and motors), where there is a high probability of successful energy savings.
- The agency has control over design and construction award, giving the agency greater responsiveness for urgent projects.
- The agency has no contractual obligation beyond the construction contract and has complete operational flexibility.
- This option is appropriate for low-cost projects where the agency does not delay the project while seeking Congressional approval.

### Weaknesses:

- Up-front capital costs are higher because the agency provides all funding (note that over the life of the project, the agency avoids financing costs by providing up-front funding).
- There is a very low priority in all agencies for energy conservation projects in the current budget environment.
- For lengthy funding and project execution cycles, the agency loses the potential energy savings during this period.
- The agency is responsible for all aspects of successful project execution to ensure energy and cost savings. For technically challenging projects (i.e., controls or cogeneration), the agency may have difficulty in ensuring adequate project execution.
- Commissioning is not required and often not performed and equipment performance is rarely verified.

## Utility Energy Service Contracts

The Energy Policy Act of 1992 (EPAct) authorizes and encourages Federal agencies to participate in utility programs. These programs range from rebates on a piece of equipment all the way to delivering a complete turnkey project. Services provided for a project can range anywhere from auditing to installation and commissioning, including financing the entire project.

Utility rebate programs allow the Government to retain 100% of the rebate through credits to the routine billing. This can be used in conjunction with financed projects to reduce the up-front capital investment required. However, few utility rebate programs actually exist today. Instead, the direction is to provide energy management services to their customers that include audits, feasibility studies, engineering design, construction, and operations and maintenance services.

Utility Energy Service Contracts that are offered by the site's servicing utility typically involve any activity that reduces the peak demand for, or usage of, electricity, natural gas, and/or water. Utility companies that offer these programs typically provide financial assistance. In the current era of electric utility deregulation, these utility programs are being offered to meet customer needs.

Program actions usually fall into the following categories:

- Those that change the timing of energy usage so that utility supply-side (production and distribution) facilities have adequate capacity to meet peak demand at reasonable cost. These actions also result in reduced cost to customers through favorable tariff rates or energy storage technologies.

- Those that improve the efficiency with which customers use the energy/service so that usage is permanently reduced.

Utility Energy Service Contracts that are available typically include incentives such as:

- Free or low-cost energy audits
- Rebates to reduce the capital cost of energy efficient technologies
- Special tariff rates for reducing demand upon request by the utility
- Full financing of efficiency projects; or pre-qualification of energy service contractors who would enter into contracts for turnkey project implementation.

Utility Energy Service Contracts can be negotiated to include operations and maintenance, guaranteed energy savings, and performance measurement and verification.

Project financing typically includes contracting with the energy service contractor for project execution. This allows the Government agency to execute projects without making the up-front capital investment, and to repay the financing through their utility service payments. The availability of this option is very site specific and dependent on service programs offered by your utility.

### Strengths:

- • Zero up-front capital costs if the utility finances the entire project. Project development costs are low, but may include modification of the site's utility contract or existing GSA Area-Wide with the Utility.
- If rebates are available, the agency retains all savings. If the utility provides financing, then the agency will have to repay the cost of the project to the utility. These must be factored into the economics of the project.
- The agency, working with the utility, has control over design and construction award, giving the agency greater responsiveness for urgent projects.
- Financing and rebates, if available, are generally not dependent on the size of the project.

### Weaknesses:

- The agency is normally responsible for all aspects of successful project execution to ensure energy and cost

savings. These elements may be written into a performance contract with the utility, but at an added cost to the agency.

- For technically challenging projects (i.e., controls or cogeneration), the agency may want to pay the utility to be responsible for ensuring adequate design, construction, commissioning, operations and maintenance.
- If an agency incurs a financial obligation as part of the Utility Energy Service Contract, it may create obligations that impact flexibility, such as changing mission or increase the work force.
- Deregulation may impact the availability of utility programs over time.
- The utility may only be able to fund a portion of the project due to restrictions regarding length of payback (10 years).

### Energy Savings Performance Contracts

In April 1986, Congress passed Public Law 99-272, which gave Federal agencies the authority to enter into long-term (up to 25-year) contracts for shared energy savings services. This law, codified as 10 USC 2865 for DoD and 42 USC 8287 for civilian agencies, allows the Government to acquire energy-efficiency projects financed by private capital, where the contractor return-on-investment is recouped through a share of the savings directly resulting from the contractor's energy savings measures.

The National Energy Policy Act of 1992 renamed this class of procurement Energy Savings Performance Contracting, but the basic concepts remained the same. The contractor must guarantee a minimum performance level, to be verified by annual energy savings audit, and may be required to operate and maintain all equipment installed under the contract. The contractor is also responsible for all aspects of project performance, and does not get paid unless energy savings guaranteed by the contractor, typically referred to as an energy services company (ESCO), are realized. The savings must be guaranteed by the ESCO in the delivery order that they are awarded.

The risk for guaranteed energy savings that the ESCO assumes is negotiable, and may vary from ESCO assumption of all of the risk to the Government sharing the risk. The Government may choose to assume the risk to change the project cash/payment flow (i.e., to reduce the delivery order term). ESPC contracts are attractive when the Government cannot fund a project, and where the contractor can offer special expertise and innovative technologies that might not otherwise be available.

To make it easier for agencies to use ESPC, the Department of Energy's (DOE) Federal Energy Management Program (FEMP) has developed Super ESPCs based on the Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity provision of the Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR). Super ESPCs are broad regional area contracts that allow Federal sites to negotiate site-specific ESPCs (i.e., place a delivery order) with an ESCO who has been competitively selected and approved by DOE without having to start the contracting process from scratch. In this way, agencies can effectively "piggy back" their ESPC projects onto a broader "Super ESPC", saving time as well as energy and money.

Elements included in an ESPC delivery order request for proposals (RFP) include site-specific terms and conditions, a technical description of the projects desired, and may include a site data package. The site data package (SDP), if required, contains data on the buildings included in the delivery order, historical energy consumption and cost data, building operational data, and a description of the energy-using equipment (i.e., lighting or air conditioning). Both the RFP and SDP are developed by the site/agency. The DOE FEMP Internet home page, listed later in this paper, contains delivery order guidelines and sample delivery order RFPs and SDPs.

The cost for establishing a DOE Super ESPC delivery order varies depending on the amount of support required. The basic user-fee for a delivery order is \$10,000, if the agency provides all technical and contracting support. If the agency requires assistance with engineering, contracting, and legal support, the fee is \$50,000 for Government-identified projects, and \$30,000 for ESCO-identified projects. These services are available through the FEMP Service Network.

The annual fee for engineering, contracting, and legal support for a delivery order under the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (COE) (Huntsville) region-wide ESPC is 1% of the total energy bill (electricity and natural gas). This fee is negotiable, but 1% is a good starting point for estimating support costs.

A rule-of-thumb to determine the economic viability of an ESPC project is that the annual dollar savings potential should be greater than \$25,000. The Super ESPC contract specifies a minimum delivery order value of \$150,000, but it is not realistic to specify delivery orders that result in payments to the ESCO of less than \$25,000 per year. This is the basis for the advice on minimum delivery orders given above.

Many ESCOs look for sites with annual energy cost of at least \$500,000, which at \$1.50 per square foot per year would require a facility of around 333,333 square feet.

## Strengths:

- Zero up-front capital costs because the ESCO finances the project. Contract term can be up to 25 years. Available utility rebates can be utilized to reduce overall capital costs.
- The ESCO is typically responsible for proper operations and maintenance to ensure continued energy savings over the life of the installed equipment.
- The ESCO is responsible for guaranteed energy savings to be verified annually. Measurement and verification must be included, however, in the project cost.
- The ESCO must provide a minimum level of service reliability as agreed to in the delivery order.
- The ESCO is responsible for energy savings and has specialized expertise to ensure successful project execution and operation.
- The agency performs a design review of the ESCO's proposal as opposed to the project design.

## Weaknesses:

- Project development costs include a user-fee to DOE/DoD. Maximum savings does not occur until the ESCO recoups the capital investment.
- Changes in operations that impact the ESCO's ability to retain energy savings (in repayment for the capital investment) may create a contractual obligation that will require contract renegotiations.
- Utility rates are typically specified in the delivery order and are constant during the period of performance. If deregulation is expected in the short term, the agency should determine the expected impact on utility prices.
- Although energy financiers will work at smaller sites, we can't ignore the fact that facility size does matter to the project's potential payback, and therefore to their interest in establishing projects. Smaller sites, unless they have unusually high energy usage intensities or high energy rates, may be better serviced by a Utility Energy Service Contract or a small and disadvantaged 8(a) ESCO if they cannot provide in-house project financing.
- ESPCs require long-term management throughout the contract term because energy savings must be verified annually.

## Step 5. Identify the site resources required to execute the various options

No matter which option is selected, the site will be required to dedicate resources (both funding and manpower) to execute the project. The resources required for project execution will vary depending on the funding scenario selected. For example, although an ESPC delivery order will not require the development of plans and specifications that would be required for an agency-funded project, it may require the development of an RFP and SDP.

Specific resources required prior to project execution include:

- Project identification and analysis
- Engineering design or design contract management
- Construction management and inspection
- Commissioning or performance verification to ensure that the design performance is realized
- Measurement and verification of actual savings to be performed annually.

Contracting skills are needed to:

- Select the appropriate contracting mechanism
- Make award
- Perform contract management.

If on-site support resources are not available, they can be procured through the FEMP Service Network – See Step 4.

**Important Note:** The *FEMP Measurement and Verification (M&V) Guideline* provides procedures and guidelines for quantifying the savings resulting from the installation of energy conservation measures (ECMs). Normally required for use in ESPC contracting and utility program projects, the guideline provides the methodology for establishing energy cost savings.

The objective of measurement and verification is to verify savings with minimum cost and to the satisfaction of all parties. The FEMP protocol was developed in parallel with the *International Performance Measurement and Verification Protocol*, assuring consistency for companies doing business with both Federal agencies and private companies.

The FEMP guideline is based on three general approaches to assessing savings. The approaches, called Options A, B, and C, are designed to cover the spectrum of project complexity. For many projects, savings may be verified with a minimum of measurement and at a minimum cost. Other projects call for a more rigorous approach to measurement and verification. In general, the more

rigorous the verification requirements, the more expensive the verification process will be.

Any efforts to perform annual M&V will introduce additional costs that must be paid from resultant savings. A rule-of-thumb for estimating the cost of measurement and verification is that it will cost 3 to 10% of the project cost. Factors that affect measurement and verification costs include:

- Magnitude of savings
- Complexity of energy conservation measures
- Number of interactive energy conservation measures
- Risk allocation issues.

In those specific instances in which the savings are not significantly impacted by proper ongoing operations and maintenance, and for which savings can be accurately predicted (i.e., for lighting retrofits), detailed M&V may not add any significant value to the project. If the agency has concerns, however, that the technical measures to be accomplished are complex and/or are subject to degradation in future performance, this should be taken into account when determining overall project savings and whether annual M&V should be included in the project.

The *FEMP M&V Guideline* is available at the FEMP web site listed later in this document.

## Step 6. Define the risks and benefits of the various scenarios

The risks and benefits of the various options ultimately affect their costs. Every option carries with it risks and benefits. Examples of risks and benefits include:

- The agency realizes the benefits of improved reliability inherent in new equipment, assuming proper project execution.
- What is the risk associated with the technology performance? Interior lighting is an example of a low-risk project – there is minimal maintenance required other than ensuring that high-efficiency ballasts and bulbs are used during routine maintenance. Medium-risk projects would include HVAC upgrades because their performance is dependent on weather conditions and is more difficult to measure and verify. High-risk projects would include systems that are maintenance intensive (i.e., cogeneration) or technologies whose performance is not well proven.
- If the site is responsible for maintenance, will on-site mechanics maintain the new energy systems to retain the energy savings over the long-term? In a performance-based contract, if the site agrees to do maintenance, it is assuming part of the performance

risk. In those cases, it is essential for the ESCO to provide training for Government personnel. The ESCO is also expected to monitor project performance to the extent necessary to identify performance shortfalls promptly.

- If using an ESPC, will the site be able to accurately measure and verify the contractor's energy savings to ensure that the ESCO is paid for actual energy savings? The benefit of accurate measurement and verification is that the site is certain that the systems are operating as planned and projected savings are being achieved.
- Alternative financing programs may allow you to execute projects without waiting for the budget process to allocate funds. This results in more timely project execution, with the associated savings being accrued to the Government.

The key to a successful project is to mitigate the risks while optimizing the benefits. If manpower or technical skills limit your ability to assimilate new technologies, then using an ESPC or Energy Services Agreement and having the ESCO or utility responsible for equipment O&M may be the answer. If, on the other hand, you have adequate staffing and wish to retain responsibility for O&M in-house, then the installing contractor (whichever financing option is selected) should provide training for your maintenance staff.

Project execution schedules may need to be customized to fit the needs of the tenants who occupy the buildings in which work is being performed. This is much easier to accommodate early in the project process than when the contractor is on-site and unable to start work because of scheduling conflicts.

In no case should a privately provided energy conservation services contract (either ESPC or UESC) include a power purchase component or restrictions or requirements on the provider of future sources of energy supply unless the acquisition team carefully studies the issue in detail and determines that such a decision is in the best interest of the government.

## **Step 7. Select an energy project financing method**

Every day that a site delays a decision that will implement an energy savings project, the facility loses another day of energy cost savings. These lost savings are a reality, countable expense that will be paid from the site's utility or operations budget. The acquisition team at the site must be mindful of this continuing expense as they proceed toward a decision of project financing. Excessive deliberation over the preferred financing option and conditions can

consume all of the cost savings that a site might hope to achieve through a very refined decision process. Acquisition teams should proceed quickly toward a decision on the preferred financing option.

The following pages outline an options matrix at a glance designed to assist you in determining which funding mechanisms are good options for energy projects at your site. Although scores have been assigned to many of the decision points (excellent, fair, or poor), each point should be evaluated for your individual site and those scores changed if necessary, or even eliminated as appropriate. Other topics can only be evaluated on a site-by-site basis, such as the availability of contracting mechanisms.

### **Instructions for use of options matrix:**

1. Identify appropriate analysis factors for your site.
2. Add additional criteria as appropriate, or delete criteria that are not relevant to your site.
3. Assign site-specific weighting (excellent/average/poor) to those criteria factors. The weightings shown above are suggested values only, based on the rationale shown in the attached sheets. These values may need to be modified given your site-specific conditions.
4. Identify the availability of the various funding mechanisms to your site.
5. Identify the degree of on-site support available. If on-site resources are not available, identify availability and cost of outside assistance.

Add the number of criteria in each category –excellent, average, and poor. This should only be done after you have assigned a weighting factor for each criteria being evaluated. With this information, you will be able to identify options appropriate for your site, and compare those options.

## **Conclusion**

There are multiple ways available to any site to analyze financing options; this paper outlines a single method. It is important when using any method that the site understands their project objectives and each financing option. Each financing option brings with it strengths and weaknesses that must be evaluated on a site-by-site basis. This is not a prescriptive procedure, and is intended to assist a site in identifying strengths and weaknesses of the various financing options.

## **For Additional Information**

A great deal of up-to-date information about energy programs, technical support, and financing is available via the World Wide Web. A few of these sites are listed below:

*Department of Energy – Federal Energy Management Program*

[www.eren.doe.gov/femp](http://www.eren.doe.gov/femp)

The Utility Incentives home page is at:

[www.eren.doe.gov/femp/financing/utillincentives](http://www.eren.doe.gov/femp/financing/utillincentives)

The ESPC home page is at:

[www.eren.doe.gov/femp/financing/espc.html](http://www.eren.doe.gov/femp/financing/espc.html)

Measurement and verification guidelines are available at:

<http://eande.lbl.gov/CBS/femp/MVdoc>

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*General Services Administration – Energy Center of Expertise*

[www.gsa.gov/pbs/centers/energy](http://www.gsa.gov/pbs/centers/energy)

A listing of GSA area-wide utility service contracts is available at:

[www.gsa.gov/pbs/xu/contracts1](http://www.gsa.gov/pbs/xu/contracts1)

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*Department of Energy -- Energy Information Administration*

[www.eiainfo.eia.doe.gov](http://www.eiainfo.eia.doe.gov)

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*Edison Electric Institute*

[www.eei.org](http://www.eei.org)

Provides a generic utility/government agreement for energy efficiency services and a listing of utility contacts.

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## Options Matrix: AT A GLANCE

Excellent      Average      Poor  
 A                  C                  F

	Agency	UESC	ESPC
Objectives			
Meet energy-efficiency goals			
Reduce energy costs			
Reduce maintenance costs			
Improve reliability			
Allow future changes in building use			
Project development costs			
Capital costs			
Operations and maintenance			
Post-project energy costs			
Guaranteed energy and cost savings are desired			
For the following elements, select only the line that applies to your site			
Project urgency (select one)			
Low (3 or more years)			
Medium (>1 year and <3 years)			
High (<1 year)			
Technology range of energy-efficiency measure opportunities (select one)			
1-2 "common" technologies (e.g., lighting and small motors)			
2 or more state-of-the-shelf technologies (controls, variable speed drives [VSD], boilers, chillers, renewables, inclusive of "standard" lighting retrofits)			
Specialized technologies			
Electric utility deregulation status (select one)			
Within 3 years			
>3 years			

	Agency	UESC	ESPC
Average electric rate (select one)			
Low (less than 4 ¢ per kWh)			
Medium (between 4 ¢ and 7 ¢ per kWh)			
High (greater than 7 ¢ per kWh)			
Aggregate facility size (select one)			
<250,000 SF			
>250,000 SF and <500,000 SF			
>500,000 SF			
Potential level of investment (select one)			
<\$150,000			
>\$150,000 and within agency line item authority			
>agency line item authority			
Remaining building life expected (select one)			
<10 years			
>10 and <25 years			
>25 years			
For the following questions:      ✓ = Yes      ✗ = No			
Are these scenarios readily available for your site?			
Do you have the resources to execute the project? (Proceed only for those options marked ✓ above)			
Technical (project development, design, management, and performance monitoring)			
Contracting assistance and award authority			
Funding for project development and management			
Additional site specific criteria to be evaluated			
a.			
b.			
Total count by category			
Excellent			
Average			
Poor			

<b>Options Summary</b>			
	<b>Agency</b>	<b>UESC</b>	<b>ESPC</b>
<b>Authority</b>		EPAAct, 42 USC 8256, 10 USC 2865, 48 CFR 41, 48 CFR 16	EPAAct, 42 USC 8287, 10 CFR 436
<b>Project development requirements</b>	Project development and engineering study  Architect/engineer design fees	Project development and engineering study  Architect/engineer design fees  Negotiate utility contract modification when applying utility project financing. In some cases, whether financing is required or not, requires only a simple delivery order to be executed under the existing utility contract.	DOE Super ESPC - \$10,000 if no DOE support required; \$50,000 for Government-identified projects; \$30,000 for ESCO-identified projects where DOE support is required  Corps of Engineers ESPC – 1% of annual energy bill (negotiable)  Memorandum of Understanding between agency and DOE or Army COE
<b>Capital cost (installed equipment cost)</b>	Government pays 100% minus any utility rebates	Government and utility may cost-share (rebate), or utility may provide financing to be repaid by Government through utility bills	Energy services contractor (ESCO) pays 100%
<b>Contracting mechanism</b>	Open bid, or through existing facility support contract	Through the utility and assisted by site's utility contracting officer. Contact site's utility representative	Open bid for site-specific, or  Existing Department of Energy Super ESPC, or  Existing Army Corps of Engineers-Huntsville ESPC
<b>Contract term</b>	Period of performance of the construction contract as specified in the project	Up to 10 years	Up to 25 years
<b>Payment schedule</b>	Progress payments	Included in utility bill	Monthly with annual adjustment based on performance verification
<b>Savings guarantee</b>	None	Not required, but may be negotiated into the agreement	Required by law. Savings must be verified annually

	<b>Agency</b>	<b>UESC</b>	<b>ESPC</b>
<b>Post-award resource requirements</b>	Contract management, inspection, payments, and commissioning	Contract management, inspection, payments, and commissioning. Annual measurement & verification is not specifically required, but may be negotiated. However, the net overall energy or water cost reduction should be demonstrated and verified.	Contract management, inspection, payments, and commissioning Measurement and verification of actual savings
<b>Operations and maintenance</b> Routine operations, Recurring preventive maintenance, Non-recurring corrective maintenance	Government	Government Utility may share (negotiable)	ESCO (Government may assume responsibility for maintenance by including provision in the delivery order)
<b>Post-project energy cost</b> Energy, Demand, Reactive power, Meter charge, and Standby fees	Baseline minus project savings (Government retains all savings)	Baseline minus project savings, but may need to add loan payments to utility	Baseline energy cost minus guaranteed energy savings plus payments to ESCO (ESCO retains savings during period of performance to recoup the capital and operations costs)
<b>Net impact to the site</b>	Government finances total project cost, keeps total savings, and is responsible for operations and maintenance  Performance is dependent on proper design, construction, commissioning, operations and maintenance	Utility cost-shares or finances project capital cost  Government keeps savings, but may need to repay loan to utility  Government is typically responsible for O&M  Performance is dependent on proper design, construction, commissioning, and O&M	ESCO finances total project cost, retains portion of energy savings over the period of the contract to recoup the investment.  Having the ESCO responsible for operations and maintenance may impact the Government's staffing or service contracts.  Performance is guaranteed (ESCO responsibility to verify savings annually)

## Appendix: Federal Site Example

The following is a **hypothetical** example to illustrate the use of the options matrix. Modifications should be made to the matrix to apply it to a specific site and potential project. These modifications may include, new categories, a different weighting of the categories, and/or a more suitable scoring system (the example uses A-F).

**Site Example:** A military base located in the Northeast provides housing for military and civilians. An energy audit was performed on the entire facility, identifying numerous energy saving opportunities. The base was interested in reducing the large electricity bill paid each month. Consequently, two opportunities in lighting and one in peak shaving were bundled to reduce the energy and demand charges respectively. The peak shaving opportunity was added to improve the economics. Without peak shaving, the initial investment was approximately \$3.64 million, yielding a \$705,000 saving, and a 5-year payback. But with peak shaving, an investment of \$3.93 million yields a \$1.27 million saving, and a 3-year payback. Thus, the project included the following:

1. Upgrade fluorescent lighting
2. Change to high-pressure sodium (HPS) exterior lighting
3. Modify existing on-site generators for peak shaving

To determine the best method of funding for this project, the options matrix will be utilized and each criterion analyzed for this specific site.

Objectives	Agency	UESC	ESPC
Meet energy-efficiency goals	A	A	A
Reduce energy costs	A	B	C
Reduce maintenance costs	C	C	C
Improve reliability	B	B	B
Allow future changes in building use	A	B	C

### *Meet energy-efficiency goals:*

- Agency = UESC = ESPC = “excellent” - All funding sources allow this objective to be met.

### *Reduce energy costs:*

- Agency = “excellent” - Government funding means the base will be immediately realize 100% of the savings.
- UESC = “good” - The utility offered to fund a significant portion of the engineering design costs that does not have to be paid back. The capital cost is financed, and must be repaid over the term of the contract, which is short than proposed under the ESPC.
- ESPC = ”average” - The contract stipulates that 100% of all funds must be paid back commencing as soon as the savings are realized. The base does not get significant savings until after the contract has expired. If the ESCO is able to secure services from the utility through engineering services the grade would be higher.

*Reduce maintenance costs:*

- Agency = UESC = ESPC= "good" - The longer lamp lives, and parts standardization will save some labor and administration costs. However, the existing generators that were for back up only, will now operate during peak demand times, and are expected to require additional maintenance.

*Improve reliability:*

- Agency = UESC = ESPC = "good" - The new equipment is expected to improve reliability. Moreover, the modified generators provide a power source that can feed the electrical distribution system in an emergency, enhancing the overall dependability of the base power infrastructure.

*Allow future changes in building use:*

- Agency = "excellent" - Government funding means that no resources are tied up in long term contracts.
- UESC = "good" - The utility is sharing a portion of the engineering design costs.
- ESPC = "average" - The ESPC will pay 100% of all up front costs. Therefore, the base will be obligated to pay back the loan for the life of the contract.

<b>Project Development Costs</b>	<b>Agency</b>	<b>UESC</b>	<b>ESPC</b>
	C	B	D

- Agency = "average" - The initial energy audit provided most of the engineering design work for the project, which facilitates keeping the project development costs down. In addition, the lighting portion of the project involves common technology. However, the peak shaving portion of the project is not straightforward and will require design modifications to the generators and a control system. The agency would have to contract most of this work out.
- UESC = "good" - The utility, being familiar with the site, could provide some services at moderate costs to the project.
- ESPC = "poor" – Activities may require a limited competition among qualified ESPC contractors. Their personnel are unfamiliar with the base. Thus, their support involves a learning curve and adds considerable costs to the project. Services provided through the FEMP Service Network would cost \$30,000. Services provided by the COE, would be a negotiable fee based on the size of the project.

<b>Capital Costs</b>	<b>Agency</b>	<b>UESC</b>	<b>ESPC</b>
	F	B	A

- Agency = "poor" - The government would have to pay 100% of the project funding.
- UESC = "good" - The utility has offered to pay a portion of the engineering design costs. The agency will be required to perform some services.

- ESPC = “excellent” - The ESPC will pay 100% of all up-front capital costs.

	Agency	UESC	ESPC
<b>Operation and Maintenance costs</b>	F	B	B

- Agency = “poor” - Lighting is common technology, however, the strategy and implementation of demand peak shaving with generators is more complicated. The base would have to contract it out, at high cost.
- UESC = ESPC = “good” - Utilities and ESCOs have expertise in peak shaving systems. They would be able to include in the contract at a moderate cost, the O&M of the equipment, reducing the risk to the base.

	Agency	UESC	ESPC
<b>Post-project costs</b>	A	B	C

- Agency = “excellent” - The base will realize 100% of the energy savings from the project immediately. The base will not perform a measurement and verification (M&V) activity, thus no additional costs.
- UESC = “good” – No measurement and verification (M&V) activity was requested, but capital cost of the installed equipment must be repaid.
- ESPC = “average” - The savings measurement and verification (M&V) activities are part of the post project activities and have been included as part of the overall project cost.

	Agency	UESC	ESPC
<b>Guaranteed energy and cost savings desired</b>	F	F	A

- Agency = “poor” - The base, or any contractor hired by the base, will not guarantee the savings.
- UESC = “poor” – The utility will not guarantee the savings.
- ESPC = “excellent” - The ESPC requires a guaranteed energy savings.

<b>Project Urgency</b>	<b>Agency</b>	<b>UESC</b>	<b>ESPC</b>
Low (3 or more years)	C	A	A
Medium (>1 year and <3 years)			
High (<1 year)			

- Agency = “good” - Lighting and the generators are existing and operational. The primary objective of the project is to save energy, not to meet a more critical need, such as safety, or equipment failure. Therefore, the project will be prioritized and funded, based on the return on investment.
- UESC = ESPC = “excellent” - Utility and the ESPC programs are structured to fund energy saving projects in this time frame.

<b>Technology range of energy-efficiency measure opportunities</b>	<b>Agency</b>	<b>UESC</b>	<b>ESPC</b>
1-2 “common” technologies (e.g., lighting and small motors)	A	A	A
2 or more state-of-the-shelf technologies (controls, variable speed drives [VSD], boilers, chillers, renewables, inclusive of “standard” lighting retrofits)			
Specialized technologies	F	A	A

*Technology- Common technology (lighting):*

- Agency = UESC = ESPC = “excellent” - Lighting is fairly easy to install and a proven technology that ensures expected results.

*Technology- Specialized technology (generators):*

- Agency = “poor” - Peak shaving systems are complicated and difficult for the base to execute properly.
- UESC = ESPC = “excellent” - The Utility and the ESCO have the expertise to efficiently implement a complicated project involving peak shaving controls and generator modifications.

<b>Electric utility deregulation status</b>	<b>Agency</b>	<b>UESC</b>	<b>ESPC</b>
Within 3 years	A	B	C
>3 years			

- Agency = “excellent” - Government funding enables the base to avoid volatile contractual environments.
- UESC = “Good” – The utility is paying a portion of the cost and is willing to reduce their payments based on the current price rate to avoid a volatile contractual environments.

- ESPC = “average” - Electrical rates may drop within the next couple of years. Thus, if the base does get into a 6-year contract<sup>a</sup>, they would still be requires to reimburse the ESCO at the rates established in the contract.

Average electric rate	Agency	UESC	ESPC
Low (less than 4 ¢ per kWh)			
Medium (between 4 ¢ and 7 ¢ per kWh)	B	B	B
High (greater than 7 ¢ per kWh)			

*Average electric rate:*

- Agency = UESC= ESPC= “good” - The average electric rate of \$0.05/kWh is in the medium range. This unit cost coupled with a substantial kWh load, results in a high annual energy cost.<sup>b</sup> The high cost of energy makes the project life-cycle cost effective.

Aggregate facility size	Agency	UESC	ESPC
<250,000 SF			
>250,000 SF and <500,000 SF			
>500,000 SF	A	A	A

- Agency = UESC = ESPC = “excellent” – This project involves numerous buildings with over 6,400,000 square feet of space to illuminate. The average electric rate of \$0.05/kWh combined with this significant electrical demand generates sufficient potential savings that is attractive to all the funding sources.

Potential level of investment	Agency	UESC	ESPC
<\$150,000			
>\$150,000 and within agency line item authority			
>agency discretionary authority	C	A	A

- Agency = “ good” - Although the project generates a good return, the investment level is above the “agency line item authority” which would delay the approval process.
- UESC = ESPC = “excellent” - The project has a good payback and represents approximately 16% energy savings. <sup>c</sup> A good project to be funded by a UESC or an ESPC.

<sup>a</sup> Contract term = 2 \* Capital investment /annual savings = 2\* (\$3,930,000/ \$1,270,000) =6 years

<sup>b</sup> Annual energy cost = \$50/Mwh\*90,392 mWh/year =\$4,519,600 /year  
16%

Remaining building life expected	Agency	UESC	ESPC
<10 years			
>10 and <25 years			
>25 years	A	A	A

- Agency = UESC = ESPC= "excellent" - Most of the building involved in the project are fairly new and are expected to remain in service for at least 10 years. The longest contract is expected to be 6 years; thus, any of the funding sources would suit the project.

Are these scenarios readily available for your site?	Agency	UESC	ESPC
	✓	✓	✓

- Agency = "Yes" - The site has funding available
- UESC = "Yes" - The utility has a design assistance program and/or is willing to participate in 3<sup>rd</sup> party financing
- ESPC = "Yes" - There is an ESPC available in this region.

Do you have the resources to execute the project?	Agency	UESC	ESPC
Technical (project development, design, management, and performance monitoring)	✓	✓	✓
Contracting assistance and award authority	✓	✓	✓
Funding for project development and management	✓	✓	✓

*Technical:*

- Agency = "Yes" - The base has engineering staff available to revise and/or review layout and design drawings as necessary, specify and procure equipment, provide scope and estimates, schedule contractors and monitor their performance and manage the overall project for the base.
- UESC = "Yes" -The base has engineering staff available to work with the utility on specifying and procuring equipment, revise and/or review layout and design drawings as necessary, provide scope and estimates, schedule contractors and monitor their performance and manage the overall project for the base.
- ESPC = "Yes" - The base has engineering staff available to review drawings, specifications, procurement and scheduling plans. In addition, the base can provide personnel to manage the progress of the ESCO for the base.

*Contracting assistance:*

- Agency = "Yes" - The base has a contracting officer that has the authority to sign contracts.

- UESC = "Yes" – The base has a qualified contracting officer that can administer utility contracts. Moreover, the base representative has the authority to sign contracts.
- ESPC = "Yes" - The base has a qualified contracting officer that has experience with and can administer performance contracts. Moreover, the officer has the authority to sign contracts.

*Funding:*

- Agency = "Yes" - The base has the funds to support the engineering, procurement and management tasks associated with the project, including any outside engineering design work that needs to be done on the peak shaving portion of the project.
- UESC = ESPC = "Yes" - The funding to develop the project can be included in the UESC and ESPC.

Total count of categories:	Agency	UESC	ESPC
Excellent A	0	8	9
Good B			
Average C	5	10	4
Poor D	4	0	5

**Total count of categories:**

By counting up the criteria, the funding alternative that is appropriate for this project, at this base, can be determined. In this case each criterion was equally weighted. However, because of the unique circumstances, the energy manager may not want the criteria equally weighted. In addition, because the answers given above such as "No agency funding is available for energy conservation projects at this time", one or more of the options may be ruled out, and the funding decision would have to be reevaluated to find another solution.

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