## Buildings Are Energy Hogs: How Energy Efficient Technologies Can Bring Home the Bacon

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## Agenda

Energy efficient emerging technologies I will present

- Lighting
  - LED Lighting
  - Advanced lighting controls
  - Organic LEDs
- HVAC
  - Fault detection & diagnostics
  - Rooftop unit retrofit
- Ultrasonic leak detectors
- New age simple building analytics
- Direct Contact Water Heaters



## **Current Status of LEDs**

- High cost; wide variation in performance and quality
- Good applications today: outdoor, recessed cans, refrigerated cases, warehouses, task lighting, troffers
- Tough applications where thermal management a challenge especially in tight spaces
- New emerging issue with power quality, PF, & THD
- Lots of pressure and misleading information from manufacturers and sales reps
- Expect the unexpected



## The Power of Color

- Color temperature (Kelvin)
- LEDs provide more options
- Helps set circadian rhythms
- Lighting control options can improve mood
- More blue in light suppresses melatonin, increases feel good hormones like dopamine, serotonin, cortisol
- By installing 8,000K in an office or factory:
  - Less need for eye glasses
  - Have more personal energy; easier to work longer hours
  - Sleep better at night



## **Direct Solar Daylighting**







Courtesy: Sundolier



Courtesy Sunflower Corp.



Courtesy: Solatube





## **Advanced Lighting Control System**

- A new approach to wireless lighting control
- Easy installation and calibration
- Flexible and autonomous
- Options for individual control
- Lighting savings ranging from 50-70% with a short simple payback



Courtesy: Wikimedia Commons



## How does it work?



## What types of sensors are used?

- Occupancy
- Daylight
- Thermometer
- Power meter





## **Sensor data mapping**







## **Dashboard: Savings Tracking**

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## **Economics**

Retrofit Building 25K sq ft	California	Massachusetts	New York	Oregon
Electricity Rate (cents/kWh)	12.98	18.01	14.99	7.95
Annual Lighting Electricity Cost	\$22,000	\$31,000	\$25,000	\$14,000
enLighted Lighting Energy Savings (71%)	\$15,513	\$21,859	\$17,628	\$9,872
enLighted Annual Operational Savings (Bulb life + HVAC effects)	\$4,989	\$5,954	\$5,375	\$4,025
Total Annual enLighted Savings	\$20,502	\$27,813	\$23,003	\$13,896
Total Solution Cost (includes ballast and labor)	\$36,630	\$36,630	\$36,630	\$36,630
Federal Tax deductions for lighting controls	\$5,250	\$5,250	\$5,250	\$5,250
ROI (months) (includes utility rebates)	13 months	10 months	12 months	19 months
ROI w/o rebates/incentives (months)	18 months	13 months	16 months	27 months



## **Additional benefits**

- Demand response
  - Enables participation in demand response programs (either automatic or manual)
  - Intelligent dimming of lights
- Possible BAS integration
  - HVAC
  - Security
  - Fire

- LEED compliant
  - Adds ~6-10 points in a typical open-plan commercial lighting space with T8 fixtures

- Averts integration headaches
  - To get a comparable system, you need to combine multiple different systems and create a brand new control box



## Advanced Lighting Controls Systems Many Qualified Products

- Adura Technologies
- CAN2GO
- Daintree Networks
- Delta Controls
- Digital Lumens
- Encelium
- enlighted

- Lumenergi
- Lutron Electronics Co, Inc.
- nLight (SensorSwitch, Acuity)
- Philips OccuSwitch Wireless Controls
- Synergy Lighting Controls (Acuity)

## Good Application for Industrial Facilities

- Many 250W to 400W HID systems
- Long operating hours (6,000 to 8,760 hrs/year)
- Few have occupancy sensors or daylight harvesting due to re-strike requirements associated with HIDs
- Individual fixture control easier to justify
- Original lighting system often does not align with current facility usage patterns







## **High Bay LED with Wireless Control**

#### LEDs: More lighting, less Costly

Parameter	HID	Fluorescent	LED
Power, kW	455	230	~180
initial lumens	43,000	20,000	15,000
EOL lumens	27950	18000	10,500
Fixture efficiency	0.7	0.92	0.95
EOL Im/W	43	72	58
Controllability	poor	good	best
Lamp life, hrs	20,000	24,000-40,000+	50,000
Fixture cost, \$	\$135	\$150	~\$1080

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## **Improved LED High Bay Products**

- Aimable light bars
- Thermal Design for longevity, performance
- Built-in intelligence



- Able to participate in AutoDR
- Up to 45 ft with sensors; 80 ft without
- Temperature range: -40 F to 100 F
- QPL-listed (Qualified Products List)





## **Putting Light Where It's Needed**



Courtesy: Digital LUmens

### LEDs: The Light That Came into the Cold

- Leading application: Cold storage warehouse
  - Fluorescent output decreases in the cold
  - Fewer lamp changes with LEDs
  - HVAC savings, too!
- Maine Paper and Food Service
  - One-for-one w/400W HPS
  - Lighting energy use cut by 87%



Courtesy: Digital Lumens



## **LED Troffers Are Coming of Age**

- Troffers are the most common fluorescent fixture
- LEDs in troffer form: edge lit, light bars, blocks, etc.



Source: Lithonia



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## LED T8 Replacements Aren't Ready Yet

## LED T8s:

- Still expensive
- Inadequate light distribution and light levels
- Similar life
- Could compromise UL



Source: Ledtronics



## OLEDs: The "Other" Solid-State Lighting

#### What is an organic light-emitting diode?

- A sandwich of organic molecules layered on a glass substrate that emits light from its surface when voltage is applied.
- Is OLED lighting coming of age?
  - Efficacy: 60 lumens/watt (lm/W); 80 lm/W by the end of 2012
  - 15,000-hour life; expected to be at 25,000 hours
  - Color temperature of 3,500 kelvin (K)
  - CRI > 80
  - Diffuse, even lighting
  - Unique forms

# Canvis: OLED Product Introduced at LightFair 2012





Source: Acuity

To see a cool video http://vimeo.com/41590155



## OLEDs: The "Other" Solid-State Lighting (cont'd)

Costly, but potential for prices to fall

DOE study: now \$1,700+/klm

Lamp type	Cost (\$/klm)
Halogen	2.5
CFL	2
Fluorescent T8	4
LED (60W A19)	30
OLED luminaire	1,700

Source: E Source, data from DOE

# If the Fan Belt Breaks on the Rooftop, Does Anyone Hear It?

## The Importance of Fault Detection and Diagnostics



## How Much do you Trust your HVAC Technician?

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Air filter													
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Biological contamination (mold)													
Refrigerant charge													
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Air filter	0	0	0		0		0	0	0		0	0	
Temperature split across coil	0	0				0		0		0		0	
Furnace	0		0	0	0							0	
Electrical	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0		
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Biological contamination (mold)		0	0	0	0		0		0				
Refrigerant charge	0	0			0	0	0						
Evaporator coil													

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## **But Minimal Success**

• Task done correctly • Task attempted, but not done correctly

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Temperature split across coil						0		0		0		0	
Furnace			0		0							0	
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Motor amps	0			0	0	0	0	0			0		
Biological contamination (mold)		0	0	0	0		0		0				
Refrigerant charge	0	0			0	0	0						
Evaporator coil													

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## **This is What They Missed**

Task done correctly
 Task attempted, but not done correctly

Did not attempt

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## Polarized Refrigerant Oil Additives BEWARE

- Allegedly boosts heat transfer by displacing oil film
- Vendors claim 5-30% energy savings
- Theoretically possible savings only approach 2%, unsubstantiated in reality
- At typical costs (\$50-100/ton cooling), a 2% payback is <u>not</u> costeffective

By the way, general maintenance of a RTU alone can save 11% to 42%



## Fault Detection & Diagnostics (FDD) for HVAC

## Low cost minimalist diagnostics that work





## **Minimalist Approach: Using Sound**

Virtjoule

- Monitors sound for faults and degradation
- Savings: 5 to 8 percent kW and 15 to 20 percent kWh (vendor-reported)
- \$150 to \$300 installed





## **Minimalist Approach: Using Power**

- SMDS (Smart Monitoring and Diagnostic System)
  - Northwrite/Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
  - True power meter + outdoor air temperature => finds faults, estimates waste
  - Less than \$200 installed
  - Release: end of 2012 or early 2013







Source: Extech Instruments, Open Clip Art Library; Courtesy: Northwrite



## **Fault-Finding Made Easy**

- Runtime outside business hours
- Economizer opportunities
- Short cycling
- Condenser fan failure
- Compressor failure
- Refrigerant leaks
- High head-pressure faults





Courtesy: Virtjoule

## **Best Applications**

- Performance monitoring for HVAC equipment with limited or antiquated energy management systems
- Attractive option for monitoring tenant HVAC
- Critical-system monitoring for large HVAC, server rooms, and refrigeration



## **RTU Retrofit with Big Savings**





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## **RTU VFDs and Controllers**

Catalyst

Transformative Wave Technologies

Enerfit
 <u>Enerfit LLC</u>







Unnamed controller (available late 2012)
 Optimum Energy

Sources: Transformative Wave Technologies, Enerfit, and DTL Controls



## Variable-Frequency Drives (VFDs)

Product	Evaporator fan	Condenser fan	Compressor
Catalyst	$\checkmark$		
Enerfit	$\checkmark$		
Digi-RTU	$\checkmark$		✓
Optimum's controller	✓	$\checkmark$	✓

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## **Built-in Controls**

Product	DCV	Economizer controls	Web interface	FDD
Catalyst	$\checkmark$	✓	Optional	Some
Enerfit	$\checkmark$	✓ (V2)	Optional	Some
Digi-RTU	IP	IP	Optional	IP
Optimum's controller	IP	IP	Standard	Some

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Notes: DCV = demand-controlled ventilation; FDD = fault detection and diagnosis; IP = in progress; V = version.



## **Manufacturer's Claims**

Product	Annual HVAC Energy Savings (%)	Simple Payback Period (years)	Cost (\$)
Catalyst	25-40%	2	\$4,000 (15 ton)
Enerfit	50-70%	1-3	\$4,700 (20 ton)
Digi-RTU	45-64%	1-4	\$3-10,000 (<20 ton) \$5-20,000 (>20 ton)
Optimum's	25-45%	NA	NA

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#### Plus:

- Better humidity control
- Reduced maintenance

## What We Knew from Last Year

Testing organization	Product	Savings/payback	Sample size
Omaha Public Power District (OPPD)	Digi-RTU	41% kW, 52% kWh 20–60% range	24 RTUs, 2010 +6 RTUs, 2011
Snohomish County PUD	Catalyst	48% kWh	1 facility
TES Engineering	Enerfit	2.0- to 3.5-year payback: → Not cost-effective: →	9 of 11 buildings 2 of 11 buildings

Notes: kW = kilowatts; kWh = kilowatt-hours.

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## **Latest Results**

Testing organization	Product	Savings	Sample size
Snohomish County PUD	Catalyst	17–18% kW, ~20% kWh	2 Drugstores
Southern California Edison	Catalyst	12–35% fan electricity savings	3 RTUs
National Renewable Energy Lab	simulation	29–75% annual fan electricity savings	16 U.S. cities, big-box retail
Pacific Northwest National Lab	simulation	14–56% annual HVAC energy savings	16 U.S. cities, 4 building types

Notes: kW = kilowatts; kWh = kilowatt-hours.

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## Catalyst Fault Detection & Diagnostics Dashboard



Equipment Performance Summary

Unit Summary

Unit	Serves	Overall	Fan	Cool Stage 1	Cool Stage 2	Economizer
Unit01	N.W. Hygene	0	0	0	0	0
Unit02	Northwest	0	٥	۲	٥	0
Unit03	Southwest	0	0	0	0	0
Unit04	S.W. Corner	٥	٥	0	0	0
Unit05	S.E. Corner	0	0	0	0	0
Unit06	Southeast	0	۲	0	0	0
Unit07	Northeast	0	0	0	0	0
Unit08	N.E. Corner	٥	0	٩	0	0

Legend: Off / Not Evaluated Operating Correctly Warning Needs Attention

Courtesy: Transformative Wave Technologies



## **Catalyst FDD: Details**

#### Cumulative faults for this site from 9/23 thru 9/30

Filter current faults by rule >			Reset Filter
Current Faults	Unit	Duration	Definition
MixedTempConstant	Unit 2	21:57	If MaTemp does not change for 1 hour
FanStatusFailure DriveLock	Unit 4	17:03	If FanStatusFailrue = true
InsufficientRiseOnHeatStage1	Unit 3	19:00	If DaTemp does not change by 5 Deg after Heat1 Call
InsufficientRiseOnHeatStage2	Unit 3	23:21	If DaTemp does not change by 5 Deg after Heat2 Call
DischargeTempBelowLimit	Unit 1	3:48	If DaTemp < 40

#### Fault Detection Rules applied to this Site

Rule Name	Definition	
CO2 Constant	CO2 Value Does not Change for more than 2 hours	
CO2HighDamperNotOpen	If CO2 > 1000 PPM, and OSA Volume < 20%	
CO2HighAirVolumeLow	If CO2 > 1000 PPM, and OSA Volume < 20%	
CO2OverLimit	If CO2 > 1500 PPM	
CO2UnderLimit	If CO2 < 300 PPM	
ControllerDown	If ControllerDown = True, enabled even when the fan is off	
CoolCallDurationExceeded	If CoolCall is True > 45 Min	

Courtesy: Transformative Wave Technologies

## **Ultrasonic Leak Detectors**

- Compressed air system leaks waste 20% to 30% energy
- Use acoustic sensors to detect sounds in the ultrasonic frequency range and can identify and locate leaks



- Portable and easy to use
- Cost \$1,000 to over \$15,000
- Payback typically measured in weeks

	Annual energy savings	Annual dollar	Simple payback	
Facility	(kilowatt-hours)	savings (\$)	(years)	
Rochelle Foods	308,602	22,951	0.40	
Chrysler Transmission Plant	227,483	17,737	0.60	
Southern Clay Products	170,745	11,952	0.80	
Superior Graphite	155,804	7,728	0.97	

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## New Age Simple Building Analytics Turning Data into Easy Savings



Source: Xcel Energy

Source: 123RF.com



## **How It Works**



## **The Energy Signature**



Source: New Buildings Institute

### **Electric Base Load Looms Large**



Source: New Buildings Institute



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## Looks Like AC Is a Problem



Source: New Buildings Institute

## **A Product From Retroficiency**





Courtesy: Retroficiency



## Maybe Lighting Is a Good Place to Start



## Who's Leaving the Lights On?



**Lighting Controls** 

This building appears to have above average energy consumption associated with lighting during unoccupied hours. The annual average power density of this building for indoor lights during unoccupied hours is approximately 0.76 W/ft<sup>2</sup>. A detailed Lighting specific controls audit, daylighting study, and/or retrocommissioning study is recommended. This suggests energy savings are associated with this indicator.

#### **Ventilation Equipment**

Based on the interval data and our relativity database of similar buildings, this building appears to have considerable energy consumption associated with the ventilation equipment during occupied hours. The annual average power density of this building for ventilation during occupied hours is approximately 0.29 W/ft<sup>2</sup>. We recommend a detailed HVAC equipment audit, including variable flow air side measures. This suggests significant potential for energy savings associated with this indicator.



## **Bird's-Eye View**



Courtesy: FirstFuel

## **End-Use Benchmarking**



Courtesy: FirstFuel

## **Candidate for a Midnight Audit?**

Recommendations						
OPERATIONAL						
Recommendation	Description	Savings	Utility Program			
Evaluate actual occupancy patterns in the late afternoon and evening, and reschedule the final shutdown of equipment between 8PM and 10PM f possible.	Some percentage of equipment is being operated between 8PM and 10PM however the flatness of the load indicates that there is little occupancy at that time. If possible, reschedule equipment operation such that equipment stops at 8PM. If occupants periodically require after-hours HVAC, consider adding software to allow them to schedule days for extended occupancy. Created by iblogic	95,000 kWh <ul></ul>	Retro Commissioning			
The chart indicates that during the we consumption does not settle down to	ek, building systems begin operation at approximately 5:30AM. Syste unoccupied levels until well after midnight.	ms shut down at 7:15PM	. Electrical			
Reduce consumption during unoccupied periods from currently high levels.	The mean demand during unoccupied hours is somewhat high at 0.93 W/sqft. Office buildings typically can achieve levels of 0.5 W/sqft. This is indicative of equipment and lights being left on during the unoccupied hours. Reducing off hours consumption lowers costs and generally does not impact operations. The savings shown are possible if a twenty percent reduction can be made to achieve 0.75 which is still 50% greater than normal.	<ul> <li>♀</li> <li>45,000 kWh</li> <li>▲</li> <li>▲</li> <li>\$ 5,850</li> <li>↓</li> <li>♀</li> <li>≫</li> <li>86 tonnes</li> </ul>	Retro Commissioning			



## **The Model Versus Reality**



Courtesy: FirstFuel

## Caution



Source: CKSinfo.com

- Lack of independent cost and savings information
- Confusion about quality
- Savings depend on motivation and skill
- Savings depend on building characteristics

## **Direct Contact Water Heaters**



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## **How Efficient is Your Water Heater?**



Courtesy Sir Iwan

If you're using conventional equipment, you may be missing out on large cost-effective energy savings.



## What is a Direct Contact Water Heater?

- No heat exchanger
  - Water comes into physical contact with combustion gases
- Hot water produced as needed
  - Minimal standby loss
- Up to 99.7% efficient!
  - Can yield energy savings of up to 60% in the right applications



Courtesy Ludell Manufacturing



## How it works



## **Minimal maintenance requirements**

- No heat exchanger
- Available in all stainless steel construction
- Little calcination/scale buildup
- Long life expectancy



Courtesy Department of Agriculture



## **Some Important Differences...**

- Incomplete combustion can hurt water quality
  - However, a number of models do meet bottled water and food ingredient water standards for direct use without additional filtration.
- Capacities of up to 54 MMBTU per hour
  - Can produce lots of hot water very quickly



- Low-temperature exhaust
- Hot water is unpressurized
  - Differs from a standard boiler or tank heater
  - Requires pumping to the end use

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## What are some good applications?

- Boiler make-up water
- Washing/flushing
  - Equipment "clean-down" and sanitizing
  - Continuous washing operations
  - Flushing process piping and batch equipment (particularly for operations using the same process lines/equipment to produce slightly varying products)

- Heating jackets for vessels/operations
- Space heating
- Hot water used as a solvent
  - Raw material preparation
  - Leaching
  - Separations/extractions
  - Emission control operations



## **Some Industries That Could Benefit**

- Pharmaceuticals
- Textiles
- Laundry
- Greenhouses
- Warehouses



Courtesy NVO

- Materials production
  - Metals
  - Molded plastics
  - Synthetic rubber
  - Synthetic fibers
  - Concrete
- Food processing
  - Meat
  - Dairy
  - Beverages
  - Sugar refining
  - Raw food



## Case Study: Cambridge Towel Corp

- Background
  - Located in Ontario, Canada
  - Makes terry cloth towels
  - Operates four days a week, employing over 200 people.
- Retrofit details
  - Replaced an inefficient steam water heating system with a direct contact water heater.
  - Cost for the water heater: ~\$150,000

#### Results

- Went from a thermal efficiency of 60% up to 99.7%
- Savings of \$8,400 per month (\$100,800 annually)
- Simple payback period of 1.5 years
- Resulted in the shutdown of one of the plant's two boilers.



## Who makes them?

- Armstrong International
- Heatec
- Kemco Systems
- Ludell
- QuikWater
- Sofame Technologies
- <u>Thermal Engineering of</u>
   <u>Arizona</u>



Courtesy Ludell Manufacturing





Courtesy: Eneron, Inc

- Affixes heat transfer fins to standard commercial cooking pots.
- Fins guide flames into channels, create turbulent flow
- Increases heating surface area and heat transfer efficiency
- Can boost energy efficiency 50% 60%

## Performance

### **Cooks faster using less energy**

- Turbo Pot consumed 28% less energy than the standard pot
- Boosts a 35% efficient gas range to nearly 60% efficiency
- And, it boils water faster!



## **Thank You!**

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EXCESSIVE ENERGY CONSUMPTION. This Energy Hog was last seen lurking in homes without enough insulation and homes with older heating and air-conditioning systems. He's responsible for causing high energy bills in homes across the U.S. To protect your home, install a programmable thermostat to save as much as 10% a year on heating and cooling bills. Adding insulation is the best protection from this fugitive.

If you have any information on this case, or would like to learn more about a Federal Tax Credit as a reward, go to www.energyhog.org



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