Action-Oriented Benchmarking

Using CEUS Data to Identify and Prioritize Efficiency Opportunities in California Commercial Buildings



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- Introduction to action-oriented benchmarking
- Using the CEUS database for AOB
- AOB Vignettes schools and offices
- Limits of AOB
- Outlook

Many Applications for Energy Benchmarking



Action Oriented Benchmarking



Action-oriented Benchmarking Complements Other Assessment Tools

Whole Building Energy Benchmarking

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Screen facilities for overall potential

0.5-2 day FTE

Minimal data requirements (utility bills, building features)

Action-oriented Energy Benchmarking



Identifies and prioritizes specific opportunities

2-10 day FTE

Requires sub-metered enduse data ; may require additional data logging

Highly applicable for RCx and CCx

Investment-Grade Energy Audit



Estimates savings and cost for specific opportunities

10-20 day FTE

Requires detailed data collection, cost estimation, financial analysis

Necessary for retrofits with capital investments

CEUS Database

- Commercial End Use Survey
 - Territories: PG&E, SCE, SDG&E, SMUD
- Survey of 2800 premises
 - Stratified random sampling based on utility region, climate zone, building type, size (consumption)
 - On-site survey of building characteristics, features
 - Monthly utility bill data
 - Short term data logging and/or interval metering at some sites

HVAC – Single Zone Systems

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Component ID	ShellCmpID		
Single-Zone Item Ltr	ltem	Ltr	Ltr
HVAC Schedule # from Form 10	HVACSchdNum	#	#
Activity Areas/Thermal Zones Served:			
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Capacity output (nominal tons per unit)	CoolTons	[Purchased Cool & Heat]	
Equipment manufacturer/brand:	Make	L	,
Model number for unitary or split-system outdoor unit -7	Model		
Model number for split-system coil -7	Model_Coil		
Efficiency: EER -7	CoolEER		

CEUS Calibrated Simulations

- Energy intensities derived from calibrated simulations
 - Simulation models generated from survey data
 - Calibrated with utility data, data logging, interval metering



Calibration of CEUS sites (N=2704)

CEUS End Uses

HVAC

- Space Heating
- Space Cooling
- Ventilation
- Lighting
 - Interior Lighting
 - Exterior Lighting

Other

- Water Heating
- Office Equipment
- Cooking
- Miscellaneous Equipment
- Refrigeration
- Air Compressors
- Motors (non-HVAC)
- Process Equipment

Using CEUS to Infer Actions

End-Use Benchmarking

- End-Use Intensity
- End-Use Breakout



Identify and Prioritize Systems

Building Features

- Presence/absence
- Component efficiency



Identify Potential Actions

Correlate Energy Intensities & Building Features



Estimate Potential Savings

Whole Building Energy Intensity → Overall Efficiency Potential



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Whole Building Energy Intensity→ Overall Efficiency Potential by Vintage



Whole Building Energy Intensity→ Overall Efficiency Potential by Climate



End-Use Energy Intensity → System Efficiency Potential



End-Use Breakout → System Efficiency Potential and Prioritization



End-Use Breakout → System Efficiency Potential and Prioritization



Building Features Benchmarking → Identify Potential Actions by Presence/Absence

Large Office > Multi-zone AHU > Temp Control Type Aggregated by # Systems; N=178 sites, 1676 records



Schools> Single-zone AHU > Temp Control Type Aggregated by # Systems; N=125 sites, 2395 systems



Building Features Benchmarking → Identify Potential Actions by Presence/Absence



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Building Features Benchmarking→ Identify Potential Actions by System Efficiency



Correlating Building Features and Energy Intensity → Estimate Potential Savings (sort of)

Large Office > Impact of Lighting Controls and Lighting Power on Lighting Energy Intensity



Limits of AOB

NOT "audit in a box"

- Only identifies potential actions from predefined list
- Only crude savings estimates (range)
- Effectiveness is driven by database density
 - Many gaps in CEUS survey data
- Ability to identify actions proportional to user ability to input data

AOB helps identify potential actions and prioritize areas for more detailed analysis and audits



- Continued analysis of CEUS
 - Opportunities and limits for AOB
- Development of action inference methodology
 Mapping list of actions to benchmarking metrics
- Prototype tool currently under development
 - Extensive user surveys to determine features
 - Expected April 2008

Energy	
Action-oriented energy	benchmarking for non-residential buildings

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Project Profile: Large Office, California, 100ksf, Electric+Fuel

Questions?



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