Demand Response and Strategies for Hospitals

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Hospitals Are Energy-Intensive Facilities

Challenge:

Hospitals use two to three times more energy (per sq. ft.) than office buildings
>24/7/365 occupancy
>Demands for high airflow, filtration
>Lots of energy-consuming equipment (MRIs, PET scans, etc.)



G/BA Benchmarking Survey

Year 2015 G/BA Hospital Energy and Water Benchmarking Survey For 2014 Total Energy Consumption (BTU/SF/YR)



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Year 2015 G/BA Hospital Energy and Water Benchmarking Survey For 2014 Total Energy Cost (\$/SF/YR)



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G/BA Benchmarking Survey





ASHE Benchmarking Data: Cost Breakdown of Facility Budgets

- Energy represents more than half of the healthcare facility budget, according to current benchmarking data from the American Society for Healthcare Engineering.
- That's more than staffing, materials, and service contracts **combined**.



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Opportunity:

- \$100,000 reduction in energy costs is equivalent to \$2 million in new revenues (assumes 5% ROS)
- Research by the EPA shows that hospitals that implement energy conservation measures (ECMs) outperform competing hospitals by as much as 10% in net operating income.¹

1. EPA Study, "Boosting Your Bottom Line Through Improved Energy Use," June 2005

How Can You Improve Your Performance and Reduce Costs?

Comprehensive Approach:

- Utility tracking
- Benchmarking
- Energy purchases/ supply-side management
- Operations and maintenance
- Retro-commissioning (RCx)
- Retrofit of existing building systems/equipment
- Demand response options
- Building infrastructure planning

- New buildings, major additions & renovations
- Commissioning and monitoringbased commissioning (Cx, MBCx)
- Equipment purchasing policies
- Grants and rebate opportunities
- Recognition opportunities
- Financing options

Retro-Commissioning (RCx)

- Over the past six years, G/BA has completed RCx at 24 Midwestern hospitals.
- 24 Midwestern hospitals
 - Average size: 820,228 square feet
 - Average energy use: 269 kBtu/ft²/year
 - Average energy cost: \$3.59/ft²/year
 - Average cost savings: \$111,353/year
 - Average energy cost reduction due to RCx: 6.2%
 - Average RCx payback: 5.76 months*

*Excludes RCx fees, paid by local utility





Energy Retrofits



Over the past six years, G/BA has completed ASHRAE Level 2 energy audits for 31 Midwestern hospitals.

31 Midwestern hospitals

- Average size: 757,960 square feet
- Average energy use: 240,451 Btu/ft²/year
- Average energy cost: \$2.98/ft²/year
- Average cost to achieve 5% cost reduction: \$475,000
- Average payback for 5% cost reduction: 3.4 years
- > Average cost to achieve 10% cost reduction: \$985,000
- Average payback to achieve 10% cost reduction:
 4.9 years



Energy Cost Reduction Opportunities

• Where do you typically find savings?

- Lighting
- Central heating / cooling plants
- > HVAC
- Process / equipment
- Demand response

• How much can typically be saved?

 Hospitals that implement all measures with an aggregate payback of six years

 25% to 35% savings



Demand Response History

- Load reduction
- Load shifting
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- Self-generation
 - Can also recover waste heat (CHP)

Self Generation Issues

- Economics
- Emissions
- Resiliency



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Questions?

