

# Innovation: Improving Energy and Water Efficiency

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- Decades of Energy Emphasis: Laws; EO's; Regulations; Goals etc with dramatic increase in last 8 yrs.
- In 2009, NAVFAC SE CIBL developed a "Sustainability" evaluation factor for Design-Build projects, which makes energy efficiency part of the competitive process. Contractors responded with energy efficient systems which are far above "Code Minimums".
- CNRSE/NAVFAC buys many items not through **DB**, but through defined requirements using prescriptive specifications, "Code Minimums".
- "Code minimums" are describe in the current Tri-Service Unified Facility Criteria (UFC) and Tri-Service Unified Facility Guide Specifications (UFGS). **Slow to react to industry.**
- NAVFAC SE CIBL issued guidance to its facility designers which sets new standards that are higher than the UFCs for certain bldg envelope, mechanical, and lighting systems.

# Total Ownership Cost



## LCCA Comparison – Three Chillers (50,000 SF Building)

	<b>"Code Minimum"</b> Air-Cooled, Scroll, Multi-Compressor Chiller (12.5 yr life)	<b>"High Efficiency"</b> Air-Cooled, Constant Speed, Rotary Screw Chiller (25 yr life)	<b>"Super High Efficiency"</b> Air-Cooled, Variable Speed, Magnetically Levitated Centrifugal Chiller (25 yr life)
<b>First Cost</b>	\$62,500	\$75,000	\$125,000
<b>Maintenance &amp; Replacement Annualized Cost</b>	\$6,299	\$400	\$200
<b>Annual Energy Bill</b>	\$71,800	\$67,190	\$47,170
<b>25 yr Present Value</b>	\$1,409,094	\$1,251,945	<b>\$949,854</b>

# Opportunities



- Incorporate focused energy and water efficiency strategies that exceed code minimums in:
  - New Construction Contracts
  - Renovation/Repair Contracts
  - Facility Support Contracts
  - Tenant Specified Equipment/Systems
- Influence those who “define the requirements”
- Issue technical guidance to designers, energy managers, and tenants
- Result: Lower Facility Total Ownership Cost

# Mechanical Strategies

- HVAC Systems (new construction and change outs)
  - Developed HVAC system selection guidelines
  - Use “Super” high efficiency low maintenance chillers
  - Use NEMA premium efficiency motors
  - Use Dedicated Outdoor Air Systems w/energy recovery
  - Develop specifications for the above requirements
- Water Heaters
  - Use Air Source Vapor Compression type water heaters
  - Integrate solar & increase solar fraction of domestic hot water capacity from 30% to 50%
- Water Conservation & Solar
  - Use Low or ultra-low water-usage fixtures
  - Consider rainwater storage/distribution at isolated facilities
  - Use Evacuated Tube Solar Collectors (collects 80% of solar energy) vs flat panel (collects 20% of solar energy)

# Architectural Strategies



- **Air Barriers**

- Require air barriers in all new construction
- Include building air leakage test protocol
- Developed air barrier guide specification

- **Insulation**

- Increase insulation values in walls and roofs

- **Glazing Assemblies**

- Increase Solar Heat Gain Coefficients and U-Factors to comply with ASHRAE 90.1-2010 (vice 2007 edition)
- Require thermal breaks and low-emissivity glazing
- Require air-tightness of glazing materials to meet ASHRAE 90.1-2010 requirements (vice 2007 edition)

# Lighting Strategies

- **Interior Lighting and Controls**
  - For new construction, require Extended-Life small diameter T5 fluorescent lamps for general lighting (36K hrs vs 25K hrs greater life than standard T8 fluorescent lamps)
  - Use Induction Lamps for 24/7 lighting and hard to maintain lighting (100K hrs vs 25K hrs)
  - Use Extended-Life fluorescent lamps when relamping existing (36K hrs vs 25K hrs)
  - Use Dimming ballasts and multi-layered control system to modulate illuminance in spaces with day lighting
- **Exterior Lighting and Controls**
  - For new construction, require pole-mounted LED luminaires with multi-layered controls for area lighting and parking