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## STRATEGIC PLANNING 2016: THE NESEA BOARD AND MEMBERSHIP GUIDE THE "WHAT;" THE STAFF DETERMINES THE "HOW"



BY JENNIFER MARRAPESE

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We are engaging in a *planning process*, rather than developing a *plan*. ypically, *BuildingEnergy* magazine would feature both a letter from the executive director and the board chair. This time, we have decided to address the NESEA community together in the spirit of our latest endeavor.

NESEA has embarked on a strategic planning process that is engaging the "three legs of the stool" that form our community – the board, staff and members (or those who would-be/should-be/ used-to-be members) by interviewing them about NESEA's strengths and weaknesses and asking them how we could serve them better. In this process, and under NESEA's governance model, the board (and by extension, the members) are responsible for the "what" – for identifying the strategic priorities of the organization. From there, the executive director and staff are responsible for the "how" – the operational plan to accomplish these priorities.

This comprehensive approach to strategic planning is unprecedented here at NESEA: Never before have we involved such a diverse group in charting our course over the long term.

This year's planning process kicked off in May during the board's annual retreat. Organizational development consultant Jeanette Millard led the board through a visioning exercise that invited each person to share with the group what passion of theirs is tapped by being on the NESEA board. A few themes surfaced from this conversation:

- Connecting people with a common goal; to share and learn from one another.
- NESEA offers a unique combination of the technical and the aspirational.
- A love for introducing fresh faces into a vibrant community.
- NESEA and its members are working toward a generative, rather than extractive, economy.
   Next, we created a shared mind map of what

we would most like to see NESEA be and/or do over the next three-to-five years, and completed an environmental scan to identify some of the external conditions, threats and opportunities that are present or emerging in the Northeast.

We recognized the need to reach out to NESEA community members to gather a broader range of feedback and to ensure that we weren't operating in an echo chamber. So we identified a list of stakeholder groups – collaborators, architects and engineers, builders, facilities/sustainability managers, developers, energy consultants, utilities, sponsors and governmental agencies – to engage in our process. NESEA board and staff members interviewed



#### ASPIRATIONS ON A MESSAGE BOARD EXERCISE. PHOTO BY JEANETTE MILLARD.

representatives from each group to learn more about our strengths and weaknesses – and about where and how we might add more value for our members.

The board itself has benefited immensely from conducting the interviews. In the words of Development Committee Chair Phil Kaplan, "It has really been energizing to hear this valuable information directly from people...After all, we are all about relationships and connections. And that's exactly what we're strengthening by making these calls. **The conversation itself is the relationship.** I'm convinced that every conversation between members makes us stronger."

Board Treasurer Paul Eldrenkamp commented, "I've been talking with representatives of state agencies. It's been great to hear what an essential resource NESEA has become for them. They want to hear a lot more from NESEA and its members – they need us. We're the organization that gives them hope by demonstrating what's possible if you have the right spirit and attitude. Our responsibility as an organization and as a board might be even bigger than we realized. It's sobering, gratifying and inspiring all at once."

Here are some of the common themes and headlines that are emerging from our stakeholder interviews:

- The RFP process for the conferences could be clearer.
- There's a perception that the planning committees for the conferences are cliquey.
- The network is stellar, but the community is a bit introverted stop preaching to the choir.
- We need to define our target audience better. It's not possible to be all things to all people. Choose to go broader or deeper, not both.

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#### THEMES FROM NESEA'S 2016 ANNUAL BOARD RETREAT

Organizational Development Consultant Jeanette Millard led the board through a visioning exercise that invited each person to share with the group what passion of theirs is tapped by being on the NESEA board. Responses to this this exercise included:

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- NESEA offers a unique combination of the technical and the aspirational
- A love for introducing fresh faces into a vibrant community
- NESEA and its members are working toward a generative, rather than extractive, economy.

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- NESEA's focus on data makes it stand out.
- People want more opportunities to gather locally at NESEA events.
- "NESEA members laugh at themselves, talk about what didn't work as well as what did – what went on behind the curtain."
- NESEA should offer more hands-on learning opportunities.
- NESEA is still associated with the BuildingEnergy Boston Conference. The two are still interchangeable in the eyes of many.

- NESEA should keep expanding the ways it reaches out to emerging professionals and students.
- NESEA should feature more cutting-edge, vetted products, particularly in the trade shows.
- Why doesn't NESEA weigh in on policy issues or educate the community on that front?
- Regional focus is a plus. Do more in NYC.
- NESEA could do more to reach out to new speakers. Don't feature the same-old every year.
- NESEA can/should fulfill three roles: education, advocacy and convenor.

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Some of this feedback confirms what the board and staff suspected; some of it points to new ways we can serve the community.

What's next? Based on the data we've gathered from the stakeholder interviews and from our own research of the market, the board and staff will work together to establish a set of strategic priorities for the next three-to-five years. We'll organize them into action items we can address immediately, and things that will take a longer time to gear up for and accomplish. This work will take place into the early fall, and will culminate with the board adopting a strategic plan in November.

From there, Executive Director Jennifer Marrapese will work with the NESEA staff to develop an operating plan – the "how."

One of the big caveats we'll need to keep in mind is this: We are engaging in a *planning process*, rather than developing a *plan*. This distinction is important; we've embarked on a journey toward a stronger, more vibrant organization that serves its community better than ever. We're mapping the course, but there are sure to be detours along the way.

We are eager to keep you updated as the process unfolds, and to involve you in whatever initiatives result. Many thanks to those of you who have provided, and continue to provide, feedback along the way!

#### **ABOUT THE AUTHORS**

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## NEW YORK CITY IS TRANSFORMING BUILDINGS FOR A LOW CARBON FUTURE HOW THE MAYOR'S OFFICE OF SUSTAINABILITY'S

BUILDING TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP TURNED BUILDING DATA INTO 80 X 50 INTERVENTIONS

#### BY LIZ HANSON AND JOHN LEE

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To lead by example, beginning in 2017, all new capital projects for city-owned properties will meet an energy performance target of 50 percent below today's median energy use.

n 2014, Mayor Bill de Blasio committed to reduce New York City's greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions by 80 percent by 2050 (80x50), becoming the largest city in the world at the time to commit to the United Nations' target for developed nations to keep global temperature rise

below two degrees Celsius. According to the city's annual *Inventory of New York City Greenhouse Gas Emissions*,<sup>1</sup> this means cutting 44.6 million metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent (MtCO2e) from 2005 levels.

Over the next year, the city conducted the most comprehensive analysis ever completed on New York City's building data, with input from more than 50 members of New York City's world-class design, engineering, affordable housing, labor and real estate communities. In April 2016, Mayor de Blasio announced a suite of new initiatives to transition the city's one million buildings to a low carbon future.<sup>2</sup>

#### THE CHALLENGE

New York City has been inventorying GHG emissions annually since 2007, and has been collecting data on building energy performance under Local Laws 84 (LL84) and 87 (LL87) since 2009. These laws require owners and managers of buildings over 50,000 square feet in floor area to benchmark their energy and water consumption annually and conduct an energy audit and retro-commissioning every 10 years. As a result, the city has one of the most robust datasets of any large city on its buildings, how they perform and their emissions at the system level. The annual GHG inventory consistently shows that the energy used in buildings contributes nearly three-quarters of citywide GHG emissions. While New York City's per capita GHGs are only one-third of the United State average, in order for the city to meet 80x50, building energy use will have to drop significantly.

In early 2015, Mayor de Blasio convened a Buildings Technical Working Group (TWG) of more than 50 experts and kicked off the study of New York City's building energy use, utilizing the data from LL84 and LL87, as well as the city's Green Buildings Law and other data sources.

TWG members helped determine the leading edge standards for new construction and substantial renovations, as well as systems-specific opportunities for existing buildings to transform the city's building stock. The group also considered the financial and regulatory structures that serve as opportunities and barriers to scaling up energy efficiency and the operations, maintenance and training needed to transform the industry.

Twenty-one building typologies, grouped by age, size and end use, emerged from the data sets, allowing the city to analyze trends and energy use at a building system level across similar building types for the first time. New York City's building stock is diverse, but distinct trends emerged that help identify replicable efficiency opportunities. For buildings in the data set, heating accounts for the largest share of energy use, followed by domestic hot water (DHW) production, electric plug loads, lighting and space cooling.

Overall, heating accounts for more than a third of energy use in large buildings and more than 40 percent of GHG emissions. For large multifamily buildings, heating and DHW production, which typically require burning fossil fuels, account for more than half of the energy use and nearly threequarters of GHG emissions. In large commercial buildings, energy use and GHG emissions are more evenly distributed.

Based on the city's LL87 building system inventory data, the city determined that more than 70 percent of large buildings use steam heating distribution. Many of these systems are decades old and not well-maintained. Under these circumstances, in addition to wasting energy, these systems can cause widely varying temperatures within a building, with uncomfortably cold or hot rooms.

The dataset also indicated that more than 90 percent of cooling systems are non-central systems. This poses additional challenges because window and through-wall unit openings allow heat to leak in the winter, exacerbating waste and discomfort.

The city's existing policies and programs created a solid foundation for reducing energy use, but they were not enough to reach 80x50. Therefore, the TWG identified the systems-specific opportunities in existing buildings that, if implemented, would place buildings on a pathway to achieving 80x50. TWG members helped develop and analyze nearly 100 low-to-medium difficulty energy conservation measures (ECMs) across all system types. If every applicable building immediately implemented every one of these cost-effective ECMs, building-based GHG emissions would be reduced by 33 percent, yielding a 21 percent citywide reduction in GHG emissions from a 2005 baseline.

The TWG also analyzed deep retrofit strategies for eight building typologies, covering roughly 60

percent of New York City's built square footage. The city created energy models of each of these typical buildings based on the most common construction methods and building systems within each typology, which were then calibrated to real buildings based on LL87. The results of this analyses show that existing technologies and strategies could potentially reduce energy use and GHG emissions by 40-to-60 percent in typical New York City buildings, with greater possible reductions given a significantly cleaner electric grid.

By 2050, the city anticipates that the growth in built square footage from new construction will increase GHG emissions from the building sector by 8.9 percent, or 3.2 MtCO<sub>2</sub>e, under today's standards. To determine how future iterations of the city's energy code might impact this new development, the city projected future GHG reductions based on historic ASHRAE 90.1 updates, using U.S. Department of Energy studies completed by the Pacific Northwest National Laboratories (PNNL).<sup>3</sup> The city correlated PNNL's energy use profiles of six prototype buildings in New York State, with permit data from the NYC Department of Buildings. Based on this analysis, the projected increase in GHG emissions from new



construction would be 2.2 MtCO<sub>2</sub>e. This reduces emissions by roughly 1 MtCO<sub>2</sub>e from business as usual, but falls short of the reductions ultimately needed. Moreover, there is some doubt that these levels of efficiencies could be achieved, as achieving efficiencies from individual pieces of equipment is reaching a point of diminishing returns.

#### WHERE WE GO FROM HERE

The city is already in the process of adopting the best practices and cost-effective ECMs identified by the TWG. In addition to reducing GHG emissions, based on city multipliers, these ECMs have the potential to yield \$2.7 billion in energy savings and create approximately 15,000 direct construction-related jobs.

The city will also require improved maintenance of heating distribution systems, including specific requirements for steam systems, in all large and mid-sized buildings. This improvement has the potential to reduce GHG emissions by 1.4 MtCO<sub>2</sub>e, or four percent from current building-based emissions – which represents one of the most significant potential impacts of the ECMs analyzed.

The city is leading by example, and has committed to retrofitting all public buildings with significant energy use by 2025. Finally, the city is developing a simple template for individual buildings that will identify deep retrofit options and will require owners of large and mid-sized buildings to report the results in their energy audits. This will allow owners and decision-makers to factor the results into capital planning cycles. The NYC Retrofit Accelerator is already incorporating these measures into the support they offer building owners and decision makers.

Improvements to the design and construction of new buildings must also be part of 80x50. To lead by example, beginning in 2017, all new capital projects for city-owned properties will meet an energy performance target of 50 percent below today's median energy use. The city will require all new privately-owned buildings to report on an

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energy performance metric by 2019 and meet an energy performance design target by 2022. This new paradigm will require a holistic approach to building design that will yield substantially better energy use performance.

The city is working with stakeholders to create a new metric to assess whole building energy performance that takes into account differences in occupancy and space use and to develop proof of concept across the city's building typologies. To achieve the full potential of GHG reductions, the city will also work to remove barriers to investing in energy efficiency and expand opportunities to encourage these investments. All buildings, including small, mid-sized, and historic buildings, will need to contribute to the city's commitment.

Both professionals and trades will need to be trained in new methods and technologies. Increased coordination between landlords and tenants on energy efficiency must become standard practice, and the City is using the Carbon Challenge program to convene leaders to develop replicable solutions to the barriers that can prevent these types of partnerships. Investments in energy efficiency should ultimately yield operational cost savings that will lower housing costs for New Yorkers, but access to financing options will need to be expanded.

Achieving 80x50 in New York City is no small task. Significant changes in the way buildings are constructed and operated will be required. New York City's combination of data, deep analysis and expert stakeholder participation has produced a comprehensive approach to building energy strategies. Pairing these strategies with the extensive support programs available to New York City building owners, including the NYC Retrofit

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This typology includes the most square footage in New York City after one- to four-family homes. These buildings typically include one-pipe steam distribution systems with limited or no controls to provide space heating. Window air conditioners provide summertime cooling and create window or wall penetrations and lead to air leakage year-round and a high air infiltration rate.





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- Air source heat pump with
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- Solar thermal for 50% of the DHW load

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## DOES ELECTRIC GRID 2.0 MEAN ENERGY DEMOCRACY?

#### **BY JOHN FARRELL**

PEER-REVIEWED BY STEPHAN WOLLENBURG

We need local grids to be operated like a commons, just like roads or the internet. hether it's smartphones in our hands or solar on our roofs, disruptive technology is rapidly transforming the way we get electricity. It's a change that should feel familiar.

Think about this: Most of today's high school students have never used a landline phone. Most of today's elementary students, like my kids, think that all phones can take pictures, play movies and send messages from anywhere. These disruptive devices have put unprecedented communication power in the hands of nearly every American.

The rise of distributed communication power, and its threat to landline phone companies, is being mirrored in the energy business. It has similar implications for the monopoly companies that control our electric grid.

For decades, these utility companies have been staid and secure. They relied on burning fossil fuels or splitting atoms to generate heat, boiled water for steam, and used steam to turn turbines and generate power. Bigger meant more efficient, so utilities invested in ever-larger power plants, with some generating enough power for hundreds of thousands of homes. The result was lower prices for electricity (and plenty of air pollution and/or radioactive waste).

The largely ignored cost was the concentration of capital and power into monopoly companies, much like the landline phone business.

A secondary cost of reliance on large power plants was slowing technological innovation. Utilities built fewer plants to serve the same demand. In recent years, demand has stagnated, further slowing even incremental improvement of existing fossil fuel or nuclear generation technology. As iteration and learning slowed, a culture of stagnation set in, reinforced by the lack of competition.

Now, new technology-from rooftop solar to smart thermostats to smartphones-is upending utility monopolies with rapid innovation.

Solar panels, for example, are mass-produced. The same panels grace home rooftops or massive utility-scale power plants. In 2014, a new solar array was installed every 150 seconds; today, it's nearly every 60 seconds. The rapid repetition in manufacturing, delivery, and installation drives innovation. Prices have fallen 80 percent in five years, and electricity from rooftop solar is now competitive (without subsidies) in over 20 states with the price home or business owners would pay for utility electricity. (See https://ilsr.org/ newsolarparitymap/.) In the next decade, solar will be cheaper than utility electricity almost everywhere.

Costs for energy storage, such as batteries, are falling fast as well, driven by electric vehicles and the widespread adoption of mobile computing and smartphones.

Alternatives aren't just cheaper, they're smarter. Just as mobile phones made landline phones passé, smartphones are putting power in the hands of electric customers. New apps allow people to change thermostat or lighting settings (or tweak sophisticated building energy management software) with a tap or a touch, creating a new expectation of control. And much like solar panels, smartphones iterate remarkably fast. Your phone may have a useful life of a few years, but it's superseded by a new model within 12 months and its apps are updated regularly, even weekly.

Already this disruptive technology is changing the energy market.

In the small town of Minster, Ohio, city leaders were blindsided by a state legislative push by monopoly utilities to reduce revenue from solar. With their proposed solar array in limbo, a developer suggested they add a battery, helping to use the solar to avoid peak energy purchases from the grid, and also to help stabilize the grid's voltage and frequency. Now, the project is delivering nearly 10 percent of the town's electricity and using the battery to deliver essential services to the wider, de-monopolized electric grid (at a profit).

In Hawaii, rooftop solar is so affordable compared to utility electric prices that more than 15 percent of households have already installed solar panels. After utilities successfully reduced compensation for customer-produced solar last year, SolarCity started offering a bundled solar



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and battery system at lower-than-grid prices. The energy policy experts at Rocky Mountain Institute predict that within 20 years—half the useful life of most utility-built power plants—utility customers in every state will be able to get cheaper electricity on their own, combining inexpensive solar energy with low-cost energy storage.

These disruptive forces mean the electric system looks less like a monopoly than at any time since Thomas Edison's partner Samuel Insull first suggested utilities accept public regulation for government protection from competition. The result is that the entire \$360 billion in annual electricity sales is up for grabs, and local communities stand to benefit.

The utility monopoly companies, however, along with the rules that govern them, are still stuck in the 20<sup>th</sup> century, and are holding the public interest captive.

Fortunately, we already know new rules can kickstart the next stage of innovation, just as they did the last. Thirty years ago, states began adopting net metering laws allowing customers to lower their bills by generating their own electricity. Renewable energy and energy efficiency standards followed in the late 1990s, and then requirements for targeted investment in distributed generation like solar. These changes have come as state legislatures realized that although utilities retained legal monopolies on power supply, they no longer had a technological one.

The 21<sup>st</sup> century electric grid rules should continue to shift us away from increasingly expensive fossil fuels and utility monopolies.

For one, we need local grids to be operated as a commons, just like roads or the Internet. The power of the network was recently displayed in New York, when monopoly incumbent Consolidated Edison was required to seek distributed resources like solar, storage and energy efficiency in lieu of a \$1 billion upgrade to an electrical substation. The outside bidders provided the same power capacity for one-quarter the price.

We also need to shift from central management to distributed and transparent

In Hawaii, rooftop solar is so affordable compared to utility electric prices that more than 15 percent of households have already installed solar panels. pricing that allows customers to offer their solar, storage or demand reduction in service of a more efficient electric grid. Hourly or "time of use" pricing has already been shown to reduce energy use at times of peak demand – and could be made more powerful if it applied not just to reducing consumption but also to increasing local energy production.

We need financing tools accessible to all, so that the \$360 billion opportunity isn't confined to those with a prime credit score. Many cooperative utilities have already solved this problem, offering their customers "on-bill repayment" for investments in insulation, efficient furnaces and water heaters, and even on-site solar. These programs use on-time bill payment history rather than credit scoring, giving the vast majority of electric customers access to reduce and manage their energy consumption.

Without these changes, we risk having many (wealthier) utility customers cut the cord through solar panels and storage even when they could benefit (for reliability and economic reasons) from a grid connection, leaving behind a less valuable network and a more costly system.

So how do the rules change?

About one-quarter of Americans already control their electric company as either a publiclyowned municipal or member-owned cooperative. Some of these municipal and cooperative utilities already use distributed technology and tap their customers' interest in participating. Farmers Electric Cooperative in Iowa is one of the top utilities in the country in solar installed per customer, much of it owned by customers. The Georgetown, Texas municipal utility contracted for 100 percent wind and solar power beginning in 2017. Customers of these utilities can vote in city or board elections and pick leaders who will enable local renewable energy generation.

For the remaining 75 percent of customers served by investor-owned utilities, the path to taking back power is less straightforward. These companies increasingly abuse their publiclygranted monopoly to oppose the public interest in having more renewable energy and local control. Incumbent monopoly NV Energy, for example, lobbied to end fair "net metering" compensation for solar producers in Nevada. APS and Tucson Electric Power in Arizona have similarly tried to protect their monopoly by making customerowned solar less lucrative.

One exception to monopoly rule by investorowned utilities hints at a potential solution.

Green Mountain Power is an investor-owned utility serving about three-quarters of Vermont electric customers. It is the only electric company with an alternative corporate structure (called a certified B Corp., or benefit corporation) that requires the utility to pursue greater social goods in addition to shareholder profits, e.g. "to become







It's a fundamental rewrite of the rules: to replace centralized control with distributed power.

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the Ben and Jerry's of the utility world." Unlike most of its peers, Green Mountain Power has helped customers finance energy efficiency, solar, and energy storage; has developed local microgrids to deliver resilient power; and published maps of their distribution grid to help customers identify the best places to add new local power generation. To retain their monopoly, we could require utilities to restructure as benefit corporations to more clearly serve the public interest. It might not magically make them into another Green Mountain Power, but it would provide additional legal leverage to insist on better behavior.

For utilities unwilling to embrace the public interest in exchange for a continued monopoly, regulatory restructuring, like the kind New York is pursuing in its "Reforming the Energy Vision," can provide access to the grid and an open marketplace for non-utility individuals and businesses to innovate. It's a fundamental rewrite of the rules: to replace centralized control with distributed power.

There's no one-size-fits-all set of rules for a 21<sup>st</sup> century electric grid, but there's one universal principle: if the technology and economics have made last century's grid an archaism, then it's time to adopt rules that enable the transition from energy monopoly to energy democracy.

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# **RESILIENCY FOR AFFORDABLE** MULTIFAMILY HOUSING: WHAT WE HAVE LEARNED AND WHAT WE STILL NEED TO KNOW

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y experience with resiliency has developed through my work, both before and largely after Hurricane Sandy (2012), and through my research and advocacy roles as a member of several civic non-profits, including the American Institute of Architects New York Chapter (AIANY) and Citizens Housing and Planning Council (CHPC). In 2007 my firm, Curtis + Ginsberg Architects LLP, designed a multifamily project which raised the ground floor about 18 inches above the flood elevation. This was a considerable amount at that time, but ultimately not enough,

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given that we have learned from Sandy. This article summarizes what I have learned about resiliency since then, particularly related to flooding and its impact on multifamily and affordable housing in New York City (NYC) in the aftermath of Sandy. Although much progress has been made, much, as you will see, remains to be done.

#### A LOOK AT NYC BUILDING AND ZONING CODES POST-SANDY

My first involvement in the aftermath of Sandy was at CHPC, where I chaired a committee reviewing issues of resiliency. We quickly realized that the NYC Building Code flood elevations were out-of-date and there were no provisions for climate change and sea-level rise. The NYC Zoning Resolution was in much worse shape; the only resiliency provision was that building height was measured from base-flood elevation. How resiliency needs affected the complicated rules of the Resolution and the real world requirements of housing and urban design had not been systematically reviewed.

- Our reading of these documents revealed that:
- Flood elevations were 30-years-old, out-of-date, and did not take into account climate change/ sea-level rise. The good news was that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) had started working on this several years earlier. Preliminary maps were released quickly, and NYC allowed these preliminary maps to be used as a basis for development of NYC-specific elevations.

FIGURES 1 AND 2. THE AIANY POST-SANDY HOUSING GROUP DEVELOPED A NUMBER OF WAYS TO DEAL WITH FLOODING, BUT EACH STRATEGY PRESENTED NEW CHALLENGES. COURTESY AIANY POST-SANDY INITIATIVE.



• None of the codes took, or currently take, into account sea-level rise or give any flexibility for sites located in the 500-year flood zone.

Even if we were to plan adequately for "the next Sandy," the next disaster will not be exactly like the last. Sandy provided tremendous storm surge, but the amounts of wind and rain were not excessive. Along with storms, we should also be thinking about earthquakes, heat events and man-made disasters.

#### **POST-SANDY TASK FORCE**

Less than a month after Sandy, I was asked to co-chair the "Housing Group" of the Post-Sandy Task Force organized by the AIANY. One of our first tasks was to look for best practices. We reached out to major AIA, American Planning Association, and American Society of Landscape Architects chapters, and received only one landscape architecture best practice study from New Orleans. FEMA had two excellent manuals on how to floodproof one- and two-family houses, but nothing on multifamily. We also had discussions with those at the NYC Department of City Planning (DCP), who realized they needed to quickly update the Zoning Resolution. We worked with DCP to organize a daylong charrette, with 80 participants and observers from many public agencies, to study various options. The presentation of the Post-Sandy Task Force, including a slide show of the material developed at the charrette, can be viewed at http://postsandyinitiative.org/.

We developed a number of inventive ways to deal with flooding (see figures 1 and 2), and new questions emerged with respect to each new strategy. For example, raising a building five to ten feet above grade created major urban design issues at the street level. We developed solutions to lessen the impact of buildings on stilts or pilotis, which required emergency short-term revisions to the Zoning Resolution by the Department of City Planning. These revisions included a combination of provisions for stair switchbacks, plantings, porches and decks to be required in the zoning changes.

FEMA standards required egress from dry-flood-proofed buildings, but not wet-floodproofed buildings (*see figures 3 and 4*). FEMA's expectation is that everyone would be evacuated before a flood; however, in a dense urban environment such as New York City, full evacuation is unlikely if not impossible. It is therefore important to have a way for people to get out of a building during a flood from a wet-flood-proofed building (*see figures 5*).

We also looked at the need for insurance programs to recognize partial compliance. Floodproofing new construction is relatively easy, with limited cost implications. Flood-proofing existing buildings is much more complicated, since they typically cannot be raised, and abandoning a floor of a five-story building can reduce building income



by 20 percent (based on a loss of 20 percent of the housing units). Changes to the Federal Flood Insurance Program will mean that buildings that do not fully comply with FEMA standards will lose their insurance subsidy, which, in some cases, will raise rates tenfold. Until recently, there was no discussion of partial compliance reducing insurance rates. FIGURE 3 AND 4. DRY- AND WET-FLOOD-PROOFING MODELS. FIGURE 5. EMERGENCY EXIT SLIDES FROM A WET-FLOOD-PROOFED BUILDING. IMAGES COURTESY AIANY AND THE POST-SANDY INITIATIVE.

#### Distribution of Building Types in New York City's Floodplains





Can Multifamily Housing Afford to Adapt? (July 2014)

#### FIGURE 8

#### Superstorm Sandy's Surge Area

NYU Furman Center Source: NYU Furman Center, The Price of Resilience Can Multifamily Housing Afford to Adapt? (July 2014)

**RESILIENCY COSTS** 

New York University's Furman Center examined the work that AIANY did and asked these questions:

- If flood-proofing measures were implemented, what would it cost?
- How would flood-proofing measures affect revenue?
- How could such measures be funded?

I was asked to partner in this line of inquiry. The data collected demonstrated the vulnerability of the affordable multifamily housing stock; 18 percent of affected housing was market rate, while the remainder was subsidized, stabilized, or public. (see figure 6). Three case-study sites were selected, and the Furman Center convened a workshop with a number of people from the Post-Sandy Charrette, along with experts in financing, costs, funding and development to look at these issues. The resulting

report, Multifamily Housing in NYC and Other Urban Areas Remains Vulnerable to Flooding, can be downloaded at http://furmancenter.org/thestoop/ entry/three-years-post-sandy-multifamily-housingin-nvc-and-other-urban-areas-sti.

To help preserve needed affordable housing currently located in the floodplain (see figures 7 and 8), the report recommended that:

- FEMA should modify the guidelines for its National Flood Insurance Program to allow for coverage of existing multifamily buildings.
- New York City should expand its Flood Resilience Zoning Text Amendment to cover buildings in the 500-year floodplain. (This was also a recommendation of the Post-Sandy Housing Task Force.)
- NYC should revisit its existing rehabilitation programs to ensure that resilience measures can be readily funded; and it should require that buildings in the 100-year and 500-year floodplains that receive city assistance have adequate emergency and resilience plans.

One of the major issues raised, and not fully answered, is how resiliency measures are funded. With the exception of post-disaster rounds of funding, there are typically no mechanisms in place to provide funding for resiliency. One clear path is to tie resiliency funding to energy retrofit programs, which, in New York, are run by the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA). Although NYSERDA cannot legally fund resiliency measures, they can provide information and links on their website relating to resiliency issues when doing energy upgrades. One example of how this might work is when someone is replacing a boiler they are pointed to a resource demonstrating that it can be relocated for resiliency, often at a small additional cost.

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#### Where uncertainty is an issue, strategic flexibility is important.

#### CONTINUED FROM PAGE 28 MULTIFAMILY RESILIENCY

Enterprise Community Partners took up the challenge of developing a resiliency manual for multifamily affordable housing, to which I was a senior contributor. The result is called *Ready to Respond: Strategies for Multifamily Building Resilience* and can be downloaded at http://www.enterprisecommunity. com/resources/ResourceDetails?ID=0100907

Although the efforts and report are targeted toward affordable housing, most of the recommendations are equally valid for market-rate housing. The manual addresses 19 strategies, though not all will be applicable to all projects and localities. Not only does the manual describe physical changes that can be implemented to make a building more resilient, it also describes organizational and planning policies that increase the resiliency in a building. Of major importance is creating buildings that are passively resilient. A "passive house" building will inherently be resilient; without power or fuel it will not get as hot in summer or as cold in winter. Emergency power systems and generation and storage at the building will go further in maintaining the operations of these buildings. In short, a more energy efficient building is a more resilient building.

Many of us are excited that FEMA is studying flood insurance standards for partial resiliency. The manual describes the strategies, but once partial resiliency standards are released it will need to be updated. The manual contains a matrix that allows the reader to identify resiliency strategies based on the details of the building. At some point, creating an interactive, web-based manual will enable a more nuanced approach.

#### LEARNING FROM PRACTICAL EXAMPLES

FIGURE 9: REBUILD RESILIENT STATEN ISLAND HOUSE, ONE OF 35. RENDERING COURTESY OF CURTIS + CINSBERG ARCHITECTS LLD.

In my own practice, we have been doing a number of resilient projects including replacement homes damaged by Sandy in Staten Island. This project encompasses 35 highly energy-efficient, single and two-family residences, three of which are Passive House Certified (*see figure 9*). We have also designed a 101-unit affordable apartment building in the Rockaways that just topped out and is currently the largest Passive House building in construction in the U.S. (*see figure 10*). Other projects include the renovation of an existing building in the flood zone on the Lower East Side and resiliency upgrades to three New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) developments comprising 12 buildings in Coney Island.

What have we learned from our resiliency practice in the real world?



- New construction is much easier than renovating existing buildings.
- Each site is different, with different flood elevations, wind velocity considerations, and specific site issues.
- Although the codes are better today than pre-Sandy, often they still limit going beyond the minimum requirements for flood-proofing. In many instances it is hard to go beyond code minimums in designing for future sea-level rise.
- Even if one can design for sea-level rise it is hard to know what to design for. The science is very unclear, with predictions of rise between two and eight feet by 2100. Where uncertainty is an issue, strategic flexibility is important.
- We need to develop strategies to deal with the longevity of NYC buildings (the average age is 60 years), and the fact that they are typically situated on a block with party walls and adjacent buildings. For example, you want a row of buildings to flood at an even rate and then be pumped out evenly: otherwise, there will be structural stresses on the foundation and potential additional damage.

#### NEXT STEPS

So where are we four years after Sandy? We have taken a number of steps to update codes and regulations to mandate and encourage resiliency, but much still needs to be done:

 Regulations should allow for, and ideally mandate, designing for climate change. The 500-year storm will be the 100-year storm in 20 or 30 years. We should therefore be designing buildings that will be fully resilient in 20 or 30 years. Otherwise, presuming flood insurance does not change with the current remapping of flood zones,

FIGURE 10. EDGEMERE APARTMENTS; THE LARGEST BUILDING UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN THE WORLD THAT IS FOLLOWING THE PASSIVE HOUSE INSTITUTE US (PHIUS) CERTIFICATION PROCESS. CURTIS + GINSBERG ARCHITECTS LLP, RENDERING COURTESY OF GLOBAL DESIGN STRATEGIES NY.



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buildings will become non-compliant. A number of professionals have recommended that the 500-year flood zone and elevations become the basis for resilient building codes instead of the 100-year flood zone elevation as a first step. This will buy us 20 or 30 years, if history holds, and if the rate of unprecedented flooding continues to increase. One stumbling block is that FEMA does not publish 500-year elevations.

- Flood insurance standards should give credit for partial resiliency, since it will be impractical to raise most multifamily buildings. Partial resiliency should be encouraged since it will significantly lower the risk of flood damage.
- There are areas where individual building resiliency does not make sense, and district, or block, resiliency through a large-scale project is the only reasonable option. See the 'Big U' as a concept for protecting Lower Manhattan, a public infrastructure project that will be much less costly than retrofitting each building. www.rebuildbydesign.org/project/ big-team-final-proposal/.
- In some areas strategic retreat will make sense. This depends on which sea level rise projections one uses. Areas that are projected to be 15 feet below the flood zone will flood on a daily basis and will be uninhabitable unless we invest a lot of money and great effort.

 In some areas, particularly those with older buildings, demolition and rebuilding will make more sense than shouldering the cost of abandoning 20 percent of the units to make a building resilient (20 percent would mean abandoning the first floor of a typical five-story tenement). While such a strategy may make economic sense, in many cases such buildings are located in neighborhoods that have character, and demolition would create backlash from urban design, landmark and community perspectives. One size does not fit all.

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## BREAK IT OR LOSE IT: THERMAL BRIDGING IN RAINSCREEN SYSTEMS

#### **BY ANDREA LOVE**

#### INTRODUCTION

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FIGURE 1: CHART OF HEAT FLOW THROUGH WALL ASSEMBLY SHOWING INCREASED IMPACT FROM THERMAL BRIDGES.

Over the past 20 years, the building industry has experienced renewed interest in reducing the energy demand of buildings. At the building code level, groups such as the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE) have been steadily raising the bar on performance criteria for building envelopes and systems. Designers have been challenged to find and implement technologies and solutions that can practically and economically affect the energy demands of our buildings. Less progress has been made, however, in managing conductive losses through improved building insulation performance. Increased thickness of insulation materials provides diminishing returns if thermal bridging is not considered (see fiqure 1).

The intent of this research is to quantify and understand how built façades perform, and also to investigate proposed improvements to common problem details. Results show that it is possible to reduce thermal bridging by 50 percent or greater by employing careful detailing and products that are readily available.

#### METHODOLOGY OVERVIEW

The research project was comprised of a multi-step approach, starting with field observations of existing assemblies, followed by computer simulations of existing details and proposed thermal improvements. Hand calculations of R-values based on the resistance of each layer of the envelope were derived from shop drawings, construction documents and/or specification information as appropriate.





FIGURE 2: EXAMPLE OF RAINSCREEN STUDY SHOWING INTENDED DETAIL AND R-VALUE, AS WELL AS THE R-VALUE OBSERVED FROM A THERMAL IMAGE AND THROUGH THE HEAT-FLOW SIMULATION.



Parallel Path Simulation with Thermal Bridge (R-3.5)



Isothermal Planes Simulation (R-6.2)



Three THERM Simulations for Discontinuous Thermal Bridges (R-8.7)

FIGURE 3: THREE THERM SIMULATIONS FOR DISCONTINUOUS THERMAL BRIDGES ( $R_{10}$ -8.5).

Because these simplified, singledimension calculations do not account for any thermal bridging, they were used as the "baseline R-value" as the best-case scenario.

A thermal imaging camera was used to determine the actual R-value of existing façades. Teams were deployed to 15 buildings to assess the general envelope thermal performance and scan for areas that appeared to perform differently. Using the methodology published by Madding (2008), the exterior air temperature, interior air temperature and the radiant temperature were gathered using infrared imaging and temperature data loggers in order to calculate the as-built R-value of the assembly (*see figure 2*).

Because physically altering the built conditions was not possible, computer simulations were used to test possible improvements to various construction details. Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory's THERM 7.3 program was employed to determine R-values of complete assemblies, including thermal bridges, based upon its ease of use and ability to integrate into the design process. For each detail, models were prepared of the constructed designs and were then calibrated by comparing them to the actual performance measured in the field with the thermal imaging camera. For discontinuous thermal bridges, such as bolts or clips, two methods were used to account for their three-dimensional impact: the parallel path method and the isothermal planes method.

The parallel path method takes a weighted average of two simulations, one with the discontinuous bridging element and one without it. The isothermal planes method runs one simulation using a weighted conductivity of the bridging material and insulation for the discontinuous thermal element. Because the parallel path tends to overestimate the impact of the thermal bridging, and the isothermal planes tends to underestimate the impact, both methods were used to understand the range of impact the thermal bridge might have (see figure 3).

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FIGURE 4: AT THE TOP LEFT IS A THERMAL IMAGE OF Z-GIRT SUPPORT FOR A RAINSCREEN. OTHER EXAMPLES SHOWN ARE THOSE OF THERMALLY BROKEN RAINSCREEN SUPPORTS. PRODUCT IMAGES BY CASCADIA WINDOWS AND KNIGHT WALL SYSTEMS.

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Working from both the graphical and quantitative output from THERM, models were strategically probed to identify the significant heat transfer elements within a given detail, and ultimately predict the performance improvements that might result from changes in detailing.

#### **CASE STUDY ON RAINSCREENS**

The investigation fell into two categories: façade systems, and assembly transitions. The most thermally problematic transition conditions were found at window installations, foundation-to-wall transitions, changes in wall systems, soffits, roof-to-wall transitions, parapets, roof penetrations, louver openings, existing buildings with embedded beams and slabs and seismic and movement joints.

Five basic façade systems were identified that would be generally applicable to modern commercial and institutional work and appeared to reflect different challenges. These were: rainscreens, masonry veneer walls, insulated metal panels, curtain walls and the renovation of existing masonry façades.

Rainscreens are popular for commercial façades due to their ability to control air and moisture movement. Because the cladding is held off the wall, these systems require a secondary structural system of rails, Z-girts and/or clips to support the cladding. Typically made of highly conductive metals, these members penetrate through the insulation, causing significant thermal bridges. While insulation between steel studs has long been acknowledged to cause thermal bridging, these rainscreen supports have a similar impact thermally that was overlooked until recently.

In thermal images of rainscreen façades, a decrease in thermal performance that ranged from 20 to 60 percent less than the design intended performance was observed, with the majority around a 45 to 55 percent decrease. The systems selected for study all had between two and three inches of insulation with various support systems, such as vertical and horizontal Z-girts, as well as different clip systems. In both vertical and horizontal orientations,Z-girts demonstrated an  $R_{s_i}$ -1.2 ( $R_{\mu}$ -7.7) reduction in the assembly's



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Results show that it is possible to reduce thermal bridging by 50 percent or greater by employing careful detailing and products that are readily available.

R-value or, roughly a 45 to 55 percent reduction in performance depending on the insulation thickness. Because of the intermittent nature of the rainscreen clips, they performed better both in thermal images and in the computer modeling than the continuous Z-girts. The clip support system had half of the heat flow of the Z-girts, or 25 percent of the design intent. While the intermittent nature of the support system certainly improved the performance, the team investigated methods to further improve the performance of rainscreen support systems (see figure 4).

A number of thermally broken Z-girt and rainscreen support systems currently exist on the market. As part of the research project, the team explored four thermally-broken options. All four of the tested systems performed well. In general the R-value of the assemblies was only reduced by 10 to 15 percent due to thermal bridging through their support systems so that they achieved a minimum of R<sub>s1</sub>-3.5 (R<sub>1P</sub>-20) with four inches of insulation.

#### CONCLUSION

The continuity of a thermal barrier across the entire building envelope is fundamental to good thermal performance. It reduces energy consumption, increases thermal comfort and helps to prevent condensation. While some thermal bridges may be eliminated, the real goal of the research suggests that thermal bridges can be effectively managed, and that doing so will have a meaningful impact on the performance of buildings.

The first priority should be to eliminate continuous conductive elements, such as Z-girts or masonry shelf angles that completely penetrate the insulation layer. These systems are easily interrupted by pulling them outboard of the thermal barrier and using discontinuous supports to make required connections back to structure. Second, try to utilize available thermally broken products or strategies to disconnect the heat flow through the thermal barrier. Thermally broken rainscreen support systems, brick ties and concrete slab connections are readily available on the market. It is essential, however, to ensure that the thermal break occurs within the insulation boundary in the application of these products. The research found some products that are easily foiled by having breaks in undesirable locations relative to the natural placement of insulation. Finally, when the thermal bridge is a necessity, such as when structure must penetrate uninterrupted through the insulation, look for materials with the lowest possible thermal conductivity. For example, stainless steel has one-third the conductivity of carbon steel, and fiberglass's conductivity is significantly lower than that of stainless steel.

While this study is not intended to be an exhaustive analysis of all thermal bridges, it does identify the types of conditions that occur typically, and helps quantify their localized impact. More than anything, it is anticipated that this research will help to develop an intuitive understanding of the situations that lead to the thermal bridging regardless of the specific project conditions, and provide the tools for easily addressing them.

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USING PERSONAL ENERGY INTENSITY (PEI) TO INFLUENCE OCCUPANT BEHAVIOR AND MAXIMIZE ENERGY PROJECT IMPACT

BY SAHEEL CHANDRANI

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espite the fact that owners, developers, consulting engineers and vendors have all endeavored to design. build and operate the most efficient buildings possible over the past decade, our buildings continue to consume almost 50 percent of all energy in the U.S., according to the United States Energy Information Administration (US EIA). We have developed and adopted various building codes, energy efficiency standards and design methodologies, all of which contribute to the increased efficiency of our buildings. We have successfully tackled large, complex engineering problems. We have developed and implemented technologies that drive peak performance of our mechanical and electrical systems. We have done all these things in service of a common end goal: to reduce the overall energy impact of our buildings on the environment. We hold our buildings' operational staff accountable for energy performance, but we should also be providing building occupants with the education and tools they need to reduce their energy intensity. This is the next frontier in keeping building performance at peak levels.

The U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) estimates that approximately 1.85 million square feet of green building space is being rated through its Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) system on a daily basis. In addition to LEED, Energy Star, Green Globes and the Living Building Challenge are all highly effective green building rating systems. These processes and design methodologies ensure that the core operations of our buildings are as efficient as possible from a design perspective. Through various upgrades and improvements, we've also learned to keep our buildings performing their best as they age.

An often overlooked, yet important, factor to maintaining peak operating performance is the human element. We have traditionally designed spaces with centralized and generalized control, leaving the vast majority of occupants without the ability to control their individual spaces. Since our building occupants impact overall energy spend tremendously, it is critical to develop Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) that quantify the successes of various energy programs and strategies vis-à-vis building occupants.

We have developed the Energy Use Intensity (EUI), which compares the total kBtu of a building with its gross square footage, allowing us to compare different types and sizes of buildings to one another.

We can use a similar concept to compare energy use of individual occupants of a building. This metric is known as Personal Energy Intensity (PEI), and is measured in energy dollars per occupant per day.

A recent analysis of approximately 50 buildings in New York City, all commercial office buildings with multiple tenant types, and all with Building Automation Systems (BAS's), revealed an average PEI of \$13.25 in energy spent per occupant per day. Occupant behavior in these buildings ranged from a PEI in excess of \$27.62 in buildings with the least efficient occupants, to a PEI of less than \$6.19 for for the best performers. The data used for these calculations is publicly available through the following websites: http://benchmarking.cityofnewyork. us/, https://www.energystar.gov/buildings/ facility-owners-and-managers/existing-buildings/ use-portfolio-manager, and http://www.eia.gov/ consumption/commercial/. It is one thing to be able to measure the impact that individual building occupants have on energy performance. It is quite another to get them to care about their impact. Getting buy-in from occupants has traditionally been one of the harder aspects of successful energy projects. It has been difficult to communicate the overall impact individual users are making to a building, and once that is communicated, the question really becomes "Well, what can I do about it?" Historically, individual settings were hardly customizable, spaces were not controllable down to the individual user level, and it was difficult to measure incremental changes in behavior that impact energy use.

Today, we have a wide range of easily deployable and cost-effective technologies that enable us to address these challenges and engage occupants in ways that were impossible before. One means of doing so is through the following three-step process to improve occupant behavior:

- 1. Empower occupants with data and tools that shed light on their behavior and its impact.
- 2. Encourage positive behaviors with gamification strategies.
- 3. Fine tune tools and programs and encourage their continued use.

#### **EMPOWER WITH DATA AND TOOLS**

**Knowledge is power:** Effective sub-metering has allowed us to easily create building-level energy dashboards. This gives the occupants a holistic view of the general health of the building. We have compared overall consumption and savings to the number of vehicle miles driven or average number of trees planted in order to make them more relatable to building occupants. We can now sub-meter down to the floor level and even down to individual occupant level. Whether through

clamp-on current transformer-style connected meters or other readily available, cost-effective sub-metering technologies, we can empower occupants with a clear picture of how much energy they use at a given moment and over the course of the month and year.

A modern BAS serves as the central nervous system of a building, and can easily integrate with IoT-enabled devices, including lighting and daylighting systems, occupancy sensors and electrical distribution systems. It is important to track all of these systems in a central location that is accessible by both building management and occupants.

**Effectively designed spaces:** We can control our individual light levels, temperatures and ventilation requirements using a modern BAS to refine control to very specific user-defined zones. It is important to plan for this discrete

level of controllability throughout the design and construction phases of the building. The design team must be aware of the need for individual occupants or small groups of occupants to control various aspects of their energy usage. Integrated Project Delivery (IPD) methodology has been proven successful in a few recent high performance buildings. This design philosophy brings together ownership, design and construction teams to deliver exceptionally user friendly spaces.

Encourage positive behaviors with gamification strategies: When we have successfully empowered our occupants with knowledge and tools and have their attention, it is important to implement engaging programs to keep their attention and enthusiasm. Creating an atmosphere of friendly competition among individual occupants as well as department or floor level users is key, since it changes the dynamic from "something else I have to do," to encouraging participation. Gamification strategies allow building managers to incentivize all stakeholders to participate, by creating a sense of ownership or the idea that "there's something in it for me."

One large commercial office building in New York City provides a tenant portal to their BAS which, on its main screen, displays that tenant's energy profile in real time and compares it to other tenants in the building. Tenants are incentivized to outperform one another for small scale rewards like catered lunches, gift cards and other prizes, fostering an atmosphere of healthy competition. While the costs of implementing such measures vary, interviews with building managers suggest significant improvements in tenant engagement, and ultimately reduce energy use.

## SUGGESTIONS FOR ENGAGING OCCUPANTS

A handful of buildings in New York City that currently engage occupants in this way have used the following specific suggestions to engage occupants on an individual level.

- Computer monitor: Harvard University's Office of Sustainability suggests that a barely noticeable 30 percent reduction in monitor brightness reduces energy consumption by as much as 20 percent.
- 2. Individual room light settings: a 20 percent reduction in brightness levels can reduce energy consumption by as much as 40 percent.
- 3. Raise temperature requirements in individual units: Turning up the thermostat in the summer months, from an average of 72°F to 74°F, alleviates a tremendous amount of cooling load, improving your individual PEI by as much as 30 percent.

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Measuring, tracking, and regular reporting of the results from these strategies is critical to ensure continued support and success.

Fine tune tools and programs and encourage their continued use: In order to ensure the continued success of these initiatives, it is critical to develop a certain cadence that turns into a routine for occupants and management, and also has enough variety to keep participants interested. When energyconscious decisions, supported by data and analysis, become part of the daily operating culture of an organization, we will begin to realize great benefits.

As owners, building managers, engineers and vendors, we all share a responsibility to engage the occupants who use and depend on our buildings; it is critical that they are involved and feel a need to lessen the energy burden of their building through a sense of ownership and shared responsibility. If we can save even 10 percent of our daily energy spend through increased occupant engagement, we will make a significant and measurable impact on our nation's energy landscape. This should be an inclusive effort, and today's technology has given us the ability to engage all users of a building easily and cost effectively.

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Life Cycle Assessment is gaining relevance as a factor in measuring the complete environmental impacts of buildings as changes to codes and voluntary certifications like ASHRAE and LEED move the industry toward more energy efficient buildings and reduce the environmental impacts resulting from the use of electricity and thermal energy.<sup>3</sup> New standards, such as the United States Green Building Council's LEED v4, reward designers that use whole-building LCA via materials and resource credits that emphasize environmental impacts throughout a building's life cycle.

Typically, conducting LCAs for buildings and construction has been time and labor intensive, and most LCAs are performed after construction is already complete. The incompatibility of LCA and modeling software led the Philadelphia-based architectural practice KieranTimberlake to develop Tally<sup>®</sup>, a software tool that combines environmental impact data with material attributes. This tool can use engineering and architectural specifications and assembly details to produce reports designers can use to analyze material selections. These reports provide users with life cycle-based product information by leveraging the same working environment in which building designs are generated. This allows designers to see the impact of their material selections early, while it is still feasible to make changes.

#### STARTING WITH EMBODIED ENERGY

Throughout its 30-year history, KieranTimberlake has sought to reduce the environmental impact caused by buildings. The firm devotes much of its practice to renovation projects that extend the life of existing buildings. In all of its projects, the firm selects materials carefully, details buildings for longevity, and has even explored novel strategies such as off-site fabrication and design for disassembly.

In 2008, while preparing a submission to the Environmental Protection Agency's Lifecycle Building Challenge competition, KieranTimberlake wanted to calculate the full magnitude of benefits that could be realized from the material reuse of Loblolly House. This off-site fabricated home was assembled with reversible connections to ease reconfiguration, replacement and reuse of the materials in the future. The design team intuited that this building strategy would offer environmental benefits in the form of reduced embodied carbon, but had yet to quantify the total savings that could be realized from reusing every building element. Loblolly House was modeled three dimensionally with precision using Autodesk<sup>°</sup> Revit<sup>°</sup> to facilitate coordination with fabricators and ensure elements assembled off-site would fit together with a high degree of tolerance.

To begin the LCA, a bill of materials was generated from the Revit model; however, granular data such as coatings and adhesives that would allow a full calculation of the building's embodied energy were not included in the model. To fill in the additional information, the team conducting the analysis used a variety of calculation methods, including reviewing component specifications and shipping manifests to determine the type and quantity of materials present in Loblolly House. After establishing these quantities, they sourced the data on the embodied carbon and energy associated with each material from the Granta CES Selector, limiting the scope of impacts to those created during manufacturing. In its search, the team discovered a dearth of information for many typical building materials. Additionally, the calculation process was long, taking more than five weeks for an 1,800-square-foot project.

Despite the slow pace, the team saw the potential for designers to leverage the embodied carbon data for a given material if only it was accessible to them during the design phase. For example, though half of Loblolly House's material impacts were found in the insulation, the home is a summer retreat with one façade that opens fully to catch offshore breezes, meaning very little insulation was actually needed in the home.

If the material impacts had been known to designers during the modeling phase, that portion of the project's environmental impact could have been minimized. But at the time, the pace of assessment did not coincide with the design process. This incongruity, coupled with the scarcity of environmental impact data for materials, underscored the need for a tool that could integrate material impact data into a modeling workflow.

#### CREATING A LIFE CYCLE ANALYSIS WORKFLOW FOR DESIGNERS

Seeing the value of the Loblolly House analysis, KieranTimberlake began to calculate embodied energy on other projects, ultimately seeking a workflow that provides LCA data to designers in real time. After the firm created a proof-of-concept application called the Real Time Environmental Impact Tool (RTEI), it partnered with Autodesk<sup>\*</sup>, who provided the development team training and support to ensure proper compatibility with Revit<sup>\*</sup> software and access to a variety of opportunities for peer review.

As part of the development process, KieranTimberlake also deepened their understanding of LCA standards by reviewing relevant industry protocols such as ISO 14040 and 14044. To meet industry standards, they needed to use quality-assured data specific to the architectural industry, and also examine impacts from all stages of a building's life cycle: material manufacturing, transportation to site, construction, maintenance and replacement, operations and end of life. Furthermore, it became apparent the limited scope of embodied carbon and energy would need to be expanded to include more impact categories. Given the North American focus of the firm's work, the US EPA TRACI 2.1



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categorization scheme was ultimately selected to increase the field of study to include the impact categories of ozone depletion, global warming, acidification, eutrophication and smog formation. To address the LCA data need, the team partnered with thinkstep, the makers of the GaBi LCA database and software, in order to generate a custom, cloud-hosted LCA database that could be easily updated and maintained.

With Tally, KieranTimberlake successfully integrates life-cycle thinking into its design workflows. For example, in the early stages of designing a structural system for the Brown University School of Engineering, KieranTimberlake used Revit<sup>®</sup> to model two primary structural bay options presented by the structural engineers, one made of steel and one of concrete. The designers then used Tally to analyze the environmental impacts of each of the structural options. This small amount of modeling gave the team actionable LCA data with a quick turnaround time and started a conversation about the importance of reducing cement content in the concrete mix, even in a steel-based structure.

Later in the design process, the team leveraged the design option capability in Revit<sup>®</sup> to quickly compare two façade assembly options. The analysis revealed that a large proportion of the environmental impact of the façade was in the insulation products. An additional LCA comparison allowed the design team to select an alternative material with a lower impact profile. Using these methods, the team was able to produce a building with the same energy model results, outward appearance and cost, but with a dramatically lower LCA impact. The firm's experience with this project demonstrated the power of utilizing rapid LCA and the importance of understanding material impacts.

Since its commercial release in 2014, Tally has been integrated into the curriculum of more than 50 universities around the world and the design processes of hundreds of architecture and engineering firms. Tally allows architects to move from typologies and "rule of thumb" calculations of environmental impact to real-time assessments at pivotal moments. With the access to LCA data that Tally provides, practitioners and academics can move the profession toward a more inclusive definition of building performance.

**Editor's Note:** More information on Tally is available at www.choosetally.com.

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#### **BY TOM LAMBERT**

an you really build a net zero energy house based on learnings from an online course? The short answer is yes, and we have CreekSide Net Zero to prove it! My wife and I are often asked two questions: Why did we build a net zero energy house and how did we know how to build it? The "why" is really an evolution of our values, of "walking the talk." We have always been eco-minded and dreamed of doing something with alternative energy to reduce our carbon footprint. Our first thought was to simply build an energy efficient retirement home without completely understanding what that meant. Being family-focused, we chose property in Pulaski, New York, a few miles down the road from our daughter's family with two energetic grandsons.

As for the "how," after I retired from Xerox in 2013, I spent a lot of time researching green building and high performance houses. I visited informative websites such as Green Building Advisor, Fine Homebuilding and Building Science Corporation. Coming from an engineering background of welldefined design methodologies, I was eager to explore

defined design methodologies, I was eager to explore and found it interesting how much discovery is still taking place in the field of building science.

After many hours online and just "one more click," I found the NESEA and HeatSpring sites where I was drawn to information on Marc Rosenbaum's Zero Net Energy Homes course. This was our answer to the "how." What better way to learn than to be guided by a widely-recognized subject matter expert like Marc, who could provide speedy tips and practical knowledge based on actual experience, and to benefit from the lessons learned from others taking the course? Without hesitation, I signed up for this 10-week BuildingEnergy Masters Series course that covered everything from heat loss and energy modeling to solar energy, infiltration and ventilation.

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that was aesthetically pleasing. My wife, Ann, drew upon her art background and design experience from her current project management role at Wegmans to provide sound creative design direction focused on feng shui principles.

Net zero houses tend to be designed as simple boxes for efficiency reasons. However, it was important to us that our home be built in harmony with the environment and nurture our creative spirit. That's why partnering with New Energy Works Timberframers (NEW), a company that shares our values, seemed like a perfect fit.

We ultimately decided on a hybrid timber frame, which combines traditional stick-building elements with the age-old craft of timber framing. We weren't sure how to make it work, so this was the start of our CreekSide Net Zero House journey.

We went to NEW with requirements and specifications on the envelope and overall design. This included wall and roof construction, site orientation, mechanicals, ventilation, and air sealing concepts. Although NEW was already focused on building energy efficient homes, they had never designed a net zero energy house. Equipped with my engineering background and newly gained knowledge from Marc's class, I felt qualified to provide overall direction throughout the project.

My primary focus was the envelope. One of the most important things I learned in Marc's course is that the envelope design is critical to energy efficiency. Therefore, implementing a robust design with a good air barrier to enable a tight building envelope was key. We had multiple design enclosure meetings with the teams from NEW and Airtight

## THE DETAILS

- 2,853 ft<sup>2</sup>, newly constructed hybrid timberframe home
- Completed in summer 2016
- Douglas fir timber frame
- Site-harvested Black Cherry and White Oak used for interior millwork
- Reclaimed elm wood floors and cabinetry
- 10,260 watt ground-mount solar array consisting of 36 SolarWorld 285 mono panels with Enphase M250 microinverters
- Projected PV production of 12,702 kWh/yr
- Air infiltration rate of 0.28 ACH50 (53 percent lower than Passive House Institute US target)
- Inline Fiberglass triple pane windows (U = 0.15 to 0.17)
- Mitsubishi multi-zone ducted and ductless air-source heat pump
- Zehnder ComfoAir 350 energy recovery ventilator (ERV)
- Subslab 4-inch Expanded Polystyrene Insulation (EPS) (R-16), Foundation walls – 2-inch EPS and 4-inch Roxul (R-24 total)
- Pre-panelized 12-inch double-stud walls, 24-inch on center, with a continuous layer of INTELLO Plus variable vapor membrane on outside surface of inside wall, densepacked cellulose (R-40)
- Pre-panelized 18-inch I-beam roof, densepacked cellulose (R-60)
- Euroshield EuroLite<sup>®</sup> Slate rubber roofing (up to 95 percent recycled content from tires)
- eGauge energy meter system
- Whirlpool Heat Pump dryer
- GE GeoSpring<sup>™</sup> Heat Pump Water Heater
- Haiku H Series Ceiling Fan
- SportsArt exercise elliptical with a microinverter to put electricity back into the grid

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To help minimize our carbon footprint we

Services, Inc., both experts in Passive House consulting, to collaborate on the implementation details for the envelope design. Throughout the design process, I utilized and updated Marc's Zero Net Energy Model calculator to better understand the energy impacts of any design changes we made.

#### **DESIGN CONCEPT SKETCH**

One of the concerns with double wall construction is the risk of condensation building up and increasing the moisture content on the inside of the exterior sheathing. To address this concern, the Airtight Services team recommended that we modify the design to include a continuous vapor retarder membrane called INTELLO Plus on the outside surface of the inside wall.

I supplemented my learnings from Marc's course with HERS rater training at Performance Systems Development (PSD) in Ithaca, New York. Using new skills gained from this training, I did a blower door test for our home. After installing windows and cellulose insulation and air sealing our home, we achieved an infiltration rate of 0.28 ACH50, which is 53 percent lower than the Passive House Institute US target. Needless to say, this rating impressed our Passive House friends from Airtight Services.

To help minimize our carbon footprint we were mindful about our material selection. We used LED lighting throughout the house, rubber roofing made from recycled tires, and harvested black cherry and white oak from our site for various counters, cabinets and benches in our house. We also used reclaimed wood purchased from Pioneer Millworks, NEW's sister company, for other millwork including beautiful elm flooring, single-track, mixed hardwood "barn" doors and an accent wall. We tried to select lowmaintenance materials to facilitate aging in place in our home.

We hope that our project inspires others to see the possibility of building their own net zero energy home or that it at least provides others with ideas for how to be more energy efficient and sustainable. I know that the skills I learned from Marc's course, coupled with our passion to build a house with a soul, has allowed us to walk the talk and build our dream - our CreekSide Net Zero home.

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## SOLAR POLICY IN THE NORTHEAST: WHAT'S NEW, WHAT'S NEXT?

BY KARL R. RÁBAGO AND MIKE TRAHAN he Northeast Solar Energy Market Coalition (NESEMC or the Coalition) was established in December 2014 with support from the United States Department of Energy (US DOE) SunShot Initiative's Solar Market Pathways program. NESEMC works to advance solar market development and solar deployment in the Northeast by advancing solar market policy through the efforts of a coalition of solar business associations in the region.

The Coalition is managed through the Pace Energy and Climate Center. Its membership includes Solar Connecticut, the Mid-Atlantic Solar Energy Industries Association (MSEIA), the Solar Energy Business Association of New England (SEBANE) and the New York Solar Energy Industries Association (NYSEIA). NESEMC has decided to focus its policy efforts on four key issues: green banking, interconnection, permitting, and value of solar. The coalition aims to break down silos and share information, embracing the core premise that no one state solar industry in the Northeast can survive unless we do better as a region.

#### SOLAR POLICY ISSUES FOR THE NORTHEAST

**GREEN BANKING**: NESEMC is working with top researchers and advocates of green banks in the U.S. to gather the data necessary to prove the need for additional state-level green banks in the Northeast. State-funded green banks are expanding the solar market in many markets across the country.

To substantiate the benefit of forming additional state green banks in the Northeast, NESEMC is working closely with the Coalition for Green Capital and the Union of Concerned Scientists (UCS). The Connecticut Green Bank was brought on a NESEMC partner. Discussions are ongoing with UCS on whether a model UCS used to prove green bank viability in several states can be run in Northeast states where ratepayer-funded incentives are being challenged, are in decline or are non-existent.

VALUE OF SOLAR: In the Northeast, only Maine solar advocates have been successful in setting a Value of Solar (VOS) through a state-sanctioned process. In Maine, VOS has been revealed to be as high as \$0.33/kWh, when all known and measurable costs and benefits are counted. SEBANE Coalition members in Massachusetts and other states are pushing for VOS analysis. In New York, the "Value of Distributed Energy Resources" process is addressing VOS in the context of the larger "Reforming the Energy Vision" process laid out by Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, offering promise of additional momentum for full and fair solar valuation. The Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission has launched Docket 4600, an inquiry in the utility-ofthe-future issues, and which calls for a cost-benefit analysis to help guide review of utility rate structure in future proceedings.

Value seems to be the significant solar market policy issue for NESEMC states, where net metering caps are common. For this reason, Coalition staff have prepared and shared a series of documents specifically for Coalition members' use in helping to educate decision makers in their states on the VOS issue. The pieces, available at the NESEMC website, www.nesemc.com, include:

- Achieving very high PV penetration: The need for an effective electricity remuneration framework and a central role for grid operators
- How to Assess the True Value of Solar
- Value of Solar Study Design Elements
- Value of Solar Tariff Pilot Design Elements
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NESEMC's role is to build a clean energy, environmental and economic development case for why states should consider VOS analysis. One recent case study demonstrates the "value" of VOS analysis. In early 2016, the Connecticut General Assembly's nonpartisan Office of Fiscal Analysis (OFA) analyzed a community solar bill and determined the bill would create costs for the state. A Connecticut legislator arranged a meeting of Coalition co-directors with the OFA who wrote the bill analysis. Once the Coalition introduced the benefits addressed in VOS analysis, the OFA staffer amended the analysis, effectively neutralizing the adverse tone of the fiscal note. The community solar bill was later signed into law.

**INTERCONNECTION**: The interconnection process—which involves technical and engineering procedures associated with connecting solar generators to the grid—has slowed the growth of solar in the Northeast, and is therefore a soft cost worth targeting.

NESEMC plans to advise solar leaders on how to create their own interconnection working group, and has started the process in Connecticut. The longterm goal is to develop a *regional* interconnection working group that would facilitate the sharing of harmonious interconnection best practices between states. The Coalition is seeking additional support from the SunShot Initiative in the form of technical assistance to create a side-by-side comparison of interconnection policies and processes, and to identify gaps and opportunities for increasing process coherence.

**PERMITTING**: The American PV industry has had a hard time driving down the soft cost of permitting solar. Solar installers favor a quick and simple process for permitting basic "cookie-cutter" solar systems, typically up to 15kW in size.

Local building officials, sometimes referred to as "authorities having jurisdiction," often push back with stringent requirements and procedures reflecting low levels of familiarity with solar products and installation methods. This slows the process and increases costs of solar deployment.

SEIA ranks Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York and Vermont in or near the top 10 U.S. states in terms of solar jobs and installed solar capacity (2015). California, home to America's most comprehensive, streamlined permit law, leads the way on solar capacity per capita, which is the key indicator in this discussion; no state in the Northeast measures up. New Jersey comes closest with just over half as much capacity per capita as California. Vermont's solar capacity per capita is just under half that in California. The Coalition's goal is to address solar permitting in order to enable the

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#### CONCLUSION

After just 18 months, NESEMC has embarked on an ambitious agenda of harmonizing solar market policy in the Northeast. The potential upsides are huge: a cleaner environment, climate responsibility, a strong local energy industry and a coherent market with scale and scope equivalent to the best in the world.

The Coalition has prioritized the issues of VOS, interconnection, green banking and permitting because of the powerful role these issues play in market size and growth. The Coalition philosophy is as simple as it is powerful. If solar businesses in the nine northeastern states can harmonize and prioritize their issues first, they can become more effective leaders for solar policy region-wide. The Northeast is already a hotbed of solar policy change and development. The need for a coordinated voice the voice of the Northeast Solar Energy Market Coalition—has never been greater.

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Specialties: Alternative Energy, Biomass, Building Design & Construction, Certifications & Standards, Cities & Communities, Commercial & Institutional, Construction Process, Consultancy, Design Process, Energy Auditing, Energy Conservation, Envelope & Enclosure, Finance/CPA, HVAC, Indoor Air Quality, Insulation, Mechanical Systems & Lighting, Money & Business, Multifamily, Net Zero Energy, Photovoltaics, Public Policy, Remodeling/DER, Solar Thermal

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Specialties: Building Design & Construction, Construction Process

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**Specialties:** Commercial & Institutional, Consultancy, Engineering, Envelope & Enclosure, HVAC, Multifamily, Single Family

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Specialties: Consultancy, Engineering

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Pill-Maharam Architects, founded in 1991 by David Pill offers comprehensive architectural services for institutional, commercial and residential clients. With hands on experience in the construction field, our staff brings to each project a realistic body of knowledge to create a buildable innovative solution. We are continually doing research into and incorporating sustainable strategies so that our finished projects are environmentally responsible. We fuse creative ideas with functional, budgetary and programmatic requirements to create finely detailed sculptural spaces and buildings.

Specialties: Architecture, Building Design o-Construction, Commercial & Institutional, Construction Process, Consultancy, Design Process, Electric/Hybrid Vehicles, Energy Conservation, Envelope & Enclosure, Geothermal, Mechanical Systems & Lighting, Net Zero Energy, Passive Housing, Photovoltaics, Single Family, Windows

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**Specialties:** Building Design & Construction, Construction Process, Design Process, Energy Conservation, Envelope & Enclosure, Finance/CPA, Indoor Air Quality, Multifamily, Net Zero Energy, Real Estate, Social Services

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### Q

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**Specialties:** Alternative Energy, Building Design & Construction, Passive Housing

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**Specialties:** Architecture, Design Process, Envelope & Enclosure, Remodeling/DER, Single Family

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Specialties: Certifications & Standards, Consultancy, Energy Auditing, Envelope & Enclosure, Home Inspection, HVAC, Indoor Air Quality, Insulation, Mechanical Systems & Lighting, Multifamily, Passive Housing, Research, Single Family, The Big Picture, Windows

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Specialties: Alternative Energy, Commercial & Institutional, Consumer Information, Education, Photovoltaics, Renewables & The Grid

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Specialties: Alternative Energy, Architecture, Building Design & Construction, Cities & Communities, Commercial & Institutional, Design Process, Eneray Conservation. Indoor Air Ouality. Insulation. Multifamily, Net Zero Energy, Remodeling/DER, Single Family, The Big Picture

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Specialties: Alternative Energy, Building Design & Construction, Energy Conservation, Insulation, Remodeling/DER, Single Family

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Specialties: Commercial & Institutional, Lighting Supply, Manufacturing, Remodeling/DER

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Specialties: Multifamily, Single Family, Mechanical Systems & Lighting, HVAC

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Specialties: Alternative Energy, Composting, Consumer Information, Education, Energy Conservation, Single Family

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Specialties: Building Design & Construction

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Specialties: Remodeling/DER

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**Specialties:** Energy Conservation, Manufacturing, Solar Thermal

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**Specialties:** Alternative Energy, Education, The Big Picture

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**Specialties:** Certifications & Standards, Consultancy, Multifamily, Passive Housing

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Specialties: Consultancy, Renewables & The Grid, Single Family

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Specialties: Architecture

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Specialties: Building Design & Construction

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