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Heating with Ice for Cost Effective Electrification, Resilience and Optimization

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INTRODUCTIONS



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Policy Landscape (Travis)



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- Data management



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Ice Heating – An Electrification Solution (Joelle)

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- Case study
- Incentives/Financing



Summary of Benefits (Joelle)

POLICY LANDSCAPE

STATE AND LOCAL BUILDING PERFORMANCE STANDARDS



Credit: Institute for Market Transformation www.imt.org/bps

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NET-ZERO POLICY PATHWAYS

NBI recognizes three pathways available to get to the zero levels:

Zero Energy Construction Code. This is an energy code strategy where projects are required to demonstrate that submitted building plans are designed to achieve a zero energy outcome

Zero Energy Outcome Policy. This is a building energy policy requiring buildings to demonstrate net zero energy use based on measured building performance outcome.

Zero Carbon Code or Policy. When considering carbon as the metric, there potentially are two independent facets of the policy:

- Elimination of building-level combustion
- Move from energy cost/site/source metrics to GHG emission metrics

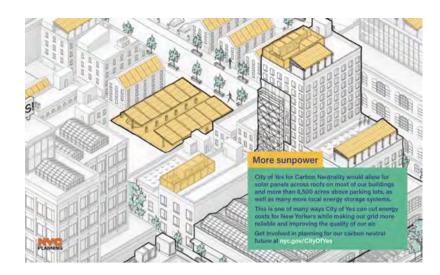
ALL THINGS POINT TOWARDS ELECTRIFICATION Net-Zero Pathways - Policy Into Practice Beyond New England....

- California's Title 24 Energy Standard
 - o California State Building Code
 - Lighting Efficiency
 - > High efficiency Mechanical Systems
 - Solar Power installed (roofs up to certain size)
 - Envelope and IAQ requirements
- Proposed California Commercial Zero Code



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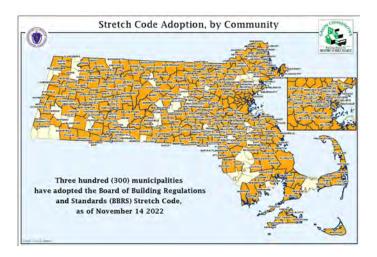
- NYC City of Yes For Carbon Neutrality
- Transportation, Waste, Buildings, Renewables
- Local Law 97
- Carbon Emission limits for large existing buildings
- 2024-2029 first compliance period



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Local highlights....

- Municipal Fossil Fuel Free Building Demonstration Program
- Massachusetts Stretch Energy Code and Specialized Opt-in Building Energy Code
- Cambridge BEUDO: Building Energy Use Disclosure Ordinance

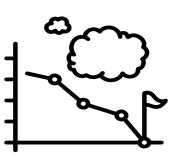


ALL THINGS POINT TOWARDS ELECTRIFICATION Recent Changes - MA Stretch Energy Code

- Updated State Building Code requires very high levels of energy efficiency for all new construction.
- Incentivizes electrification: Mixed fuel buildings must pre-wire for electrification and install solar where feasible.
- Passive House certification required for all new multifamily housing over 12,000 sf.
- BPDA already seeing increase in all-electric large residential and commercial office submissions and >90% operational electrification for labs

ALL THINGS POINT TOWARDS ELECTRIFICATION Boston's Decarbonization Goals

- The City of Boston aims to achieve carbon neutrality by 2050.
- Buildings account for nearly 71% of our community's carbon emissions and new buildings can be designed to minimize emissions and climate impact.



BUILDING USE	EMISSIONS STANDARD (kgCO ₂ e / sq. ft. / year)					
	2025-2029	2030-2034	2035-2039	2040-2044	2045-2049	2050-
Assembly	7.8	4.6	3.3	2.1	1.1	0
College / University	10.2	5.3	3.8	2.5	1.2	0
Education	3.9	2.4	1.8	1.2	0.6	0
Food Sales & Service	17.4	10.9	8.0	5.4	2.7	0
Healthcare	15.4	10.0	7.4	4.9	2.4	0
Lodging	5.8	3.7	2.7	1.8	0.9	0
Manufacturing / Industrial	23.9	15.3	10.9	6.7	3.2	0
Multifamily housing	4.1	2.4	1.8	1.1	0.6	0
Office	5.3	3.2	2.4	1.6	0.8	0
Retail	7.1	3.4	2.4	1.5	0.7	0
Services	7.5	4.5	3.3	2.2	1.1	0
Storage	5.4	2.8	1.8	1.0	0.4	0
Technology/Science	19.2	11.1	7.8	5.1	2.5	0



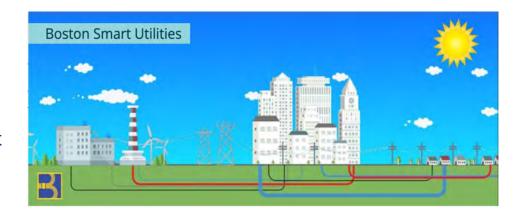
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- Regulations for the Building Emissions Reduction and Disclosure Ordinance (BERDO)
 have been finalized.
- Requires residential buildings with 15+ units and non-residential buildings >20,000 SF to meet declining emissions standards and achieve net zero emissions by 2050.
- Tracks and enforces emissions reductions <u>after a building is in operation</u>.
- Sets allowable compliance mechanisms including renewable energy purchases and Alternative Compliance Payments.

ALL THINGS POINT TOWARDS ELECTRIFICATION Boston's Decarbonization Goals Boston Smart Utilities Program and Policy

Benefits:

- Make utilities easier to build, maintain and upgrade
- Reduce energy/water costs for residents/businesses
- Harden infrastructure against flooding and heat waves
- Integrate cutting edge technologies to continue to innovate.



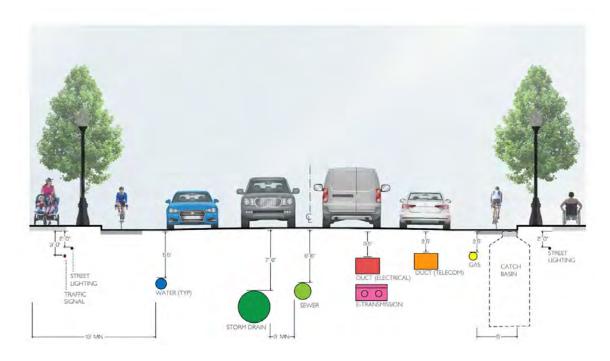
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Heat Stormwater Energy Infrastructure

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ALL THINGS POINT TOWARDS ELECTRIFICATION Boston's Decarbonization Goals <u>The "Unseen" Right of Way</u>



ALL THINGS POINT TOWARDS ELECTRIFICATION Boston's Decarbonization Goals Impacts Above









ALL THINGS POINT TOWARDS ELECTRIFICATION

Advanced Energy Feasibility Assessments

Highlights Opportunities for System innovation

- Integrate cutting edge technologies to continue to innovate.
- Respond to Carbon
 Emission Policies and goals as a wholistic, system driven approach
- Encourage Distributed
 Energy Resouces and
 Districts Systems













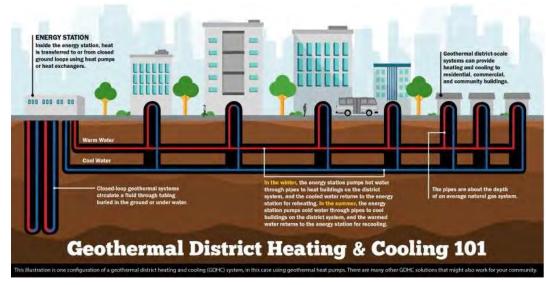
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Microgrid / Micro-District Ready Buildings

Developing Strategies

Providing a new model for upfront, integrated utility planning and design

Encouraging the deployment of Smart Utility Technologies across energy, water, telecommunications, and transportation services and infrastructure.





Boston Housing Authority
Franklin Field Geothermal Network Pilot
National Grid + BHA

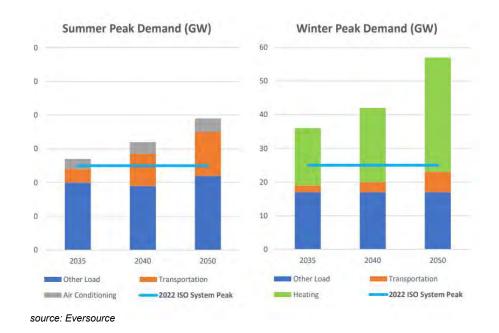
STATE OF THE ELECTRIC GRID

THE MA GRID - PLANS TO KEEP UP <u>Grid Modernization</u>

The electrification plans result in New England shifting to a Winter Peaking system - increasing the demand on the grid by 40% by 2035 and 72% by 2040 - an overall increase of 18 GW by 2040 and doubling of New England demand by 2050

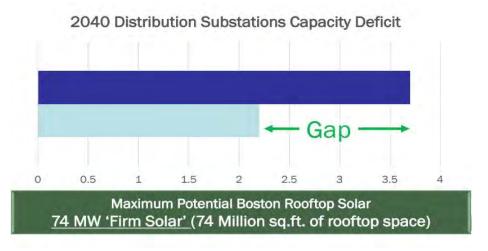
Increases in electric vehicles projected to add 5 GW of summer and 2 GW of winter peak demand by 2035

Increases in zero-carbon heating projected to add 17 GW of winter demand by 2035



THE MA GRID - PLANS TO KEEP UP <u>Grid Modernization</u>

- Boston's current Summer/ Winter peak demand:
 1.7/1.2 GW
- 16 Distribution Stations with a firm capacity of 2.2 GW
- 2040 Electrification Demand projected to add
 2.5 GW to the winter load while switching to winter peak
- Total capacity of transmission supply lines into Boston stations: ~3.5 GW



source: Eversource

THE MA GRID - PLANS TO KEEP UP <u>Grid Modernization</u>

Electric Sector Modernization Plans

Eversource and National Grid

Within City of Boston Limits Next 7-15 years

- o 6 Substations
- Distribution Line Upgrades
- Transmission Line Upgrades
- "Smart" Integration
- Distributed Energy Resource Integration
- Resilience + Reliability Goals



source: Eversource East Hosting Capacity Map

EXPECTED GRID EMISSIONS / GENERATION PROFILE OVER TIME?

Challenges Ahead

- Increased Overall Load Growth
- Shift from Summer to Winter peak
 - Less "Blue Sky" Renewables available in winter months
 - Storage will play a key role
- Peak Demand set to increase and may need to be accounted for in project emission factors



source: NE-ISO

Year	Projected Grid Emissions Factor (lb/MWh)		
2022			
2023	580		
2024	564		
2025	548		
2026	533		
2027	517		
2028	501		
2029	486		
2030	470		
2031	454		
2032	439		
2033	423		
2034	407		
2035	392		
2036	376		
2037	360		
2038	345		
2039	329		

Year	Projected Grid Emissions Factor (lb/MWb)		
2040			
2041	298		
2042	282		
2043	266		
2044	251		
2045	235		
2046	219		
2047	204		
2048	188		
2049	172		
2050	157		

Source: These projected Emissions Factors were prepared by Synapse as part of the development process of the BERDO Emissions standards. See complete report here.

Source City of Boston BERDO

BPDA SMART UTILITIES – ADDRESSING GRID CHALLENGES <u>Equitable Electrification</u>

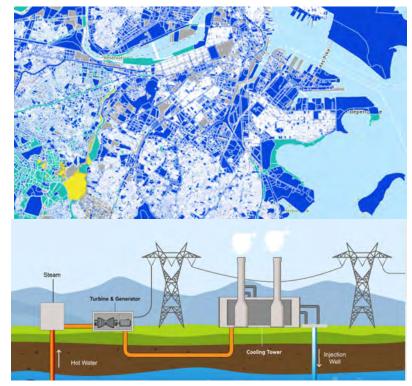
- Targeted Distributed Energy Resources in areas of known Grid Congestion
- Energy Conservation Measures to Reduce Demand driven by Buildings Codes
- Baseload Energy Reduction Thermal Storage, District Opportunities
- Development Pipeline and Eversource Step Load Forecasting
- Data Driven Electrification Planning Across Boston



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Renewable Resources City-wide

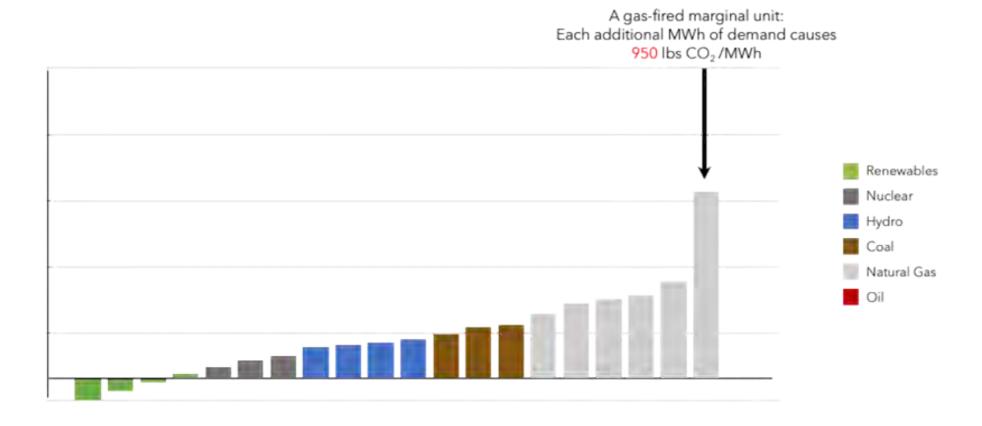
- Networked Geothermal
- Enhanced Geothermal and Geopower
- Sewer Heat Recovery
- Solar PV
- Vehicle 2 "X"
- Strategic Fuel Switching
- Fleet Planning and EV adoption strategies
- Time of Use
- Demand Response



source: above DOER Solar Capacity Map; "Geopower" diagram

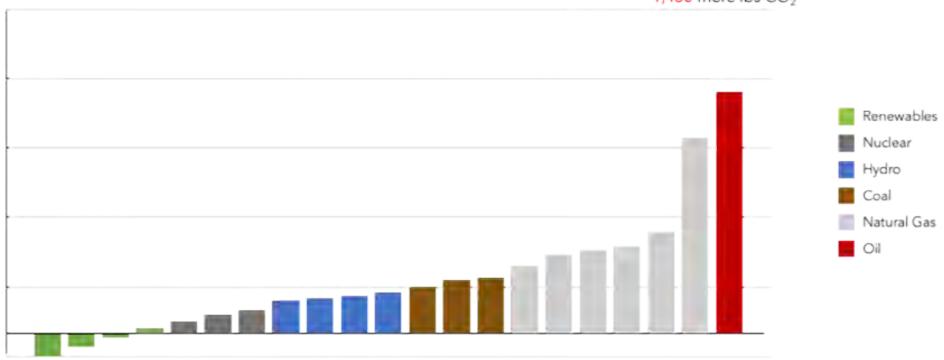
TIME OF USE CARBON & ENERGY OPTIMIZATION

ELECTRIC GRIDS MEET FLUCTUATING DEMAND BY RAMPING THE "MARGINAL" GENERATION RESOURCE

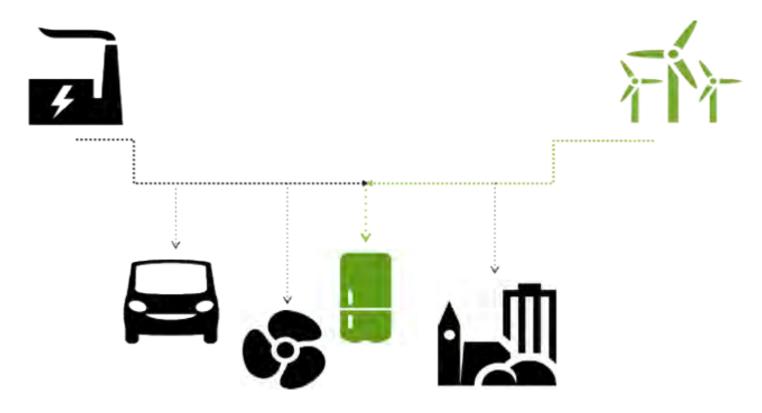


BUT WHICH UNIT IS MARGINAL CHANGES THROUGHOUT THE DAY

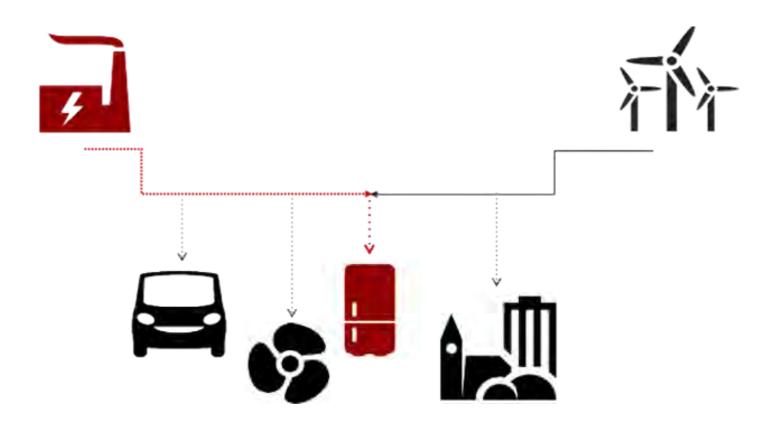
An oil-fired marginal unit: Each additional MWh of demand causes 1,450 more lbs CO₂



SOMETIMES INCREASING POWER CAUSES A LOW-EMITTING RESOURCE TO RESPOND...



...BUT OTHER TIMES, A HIGH-EMITTING UNIT



MARGINAL VS. AVERAGE

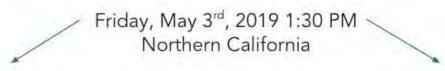
Marginal emissions focuses on impact vs. average emissions focuses on accounting

Marginal Emissions

The emissions that result from a change in energy use at a particular time and place

Average Emissions

The emissions associated with all the energy produced over a time period in a region, divided by total generation



Real-time lbs/CO2 at the time increment

927 lbs CO./MWh

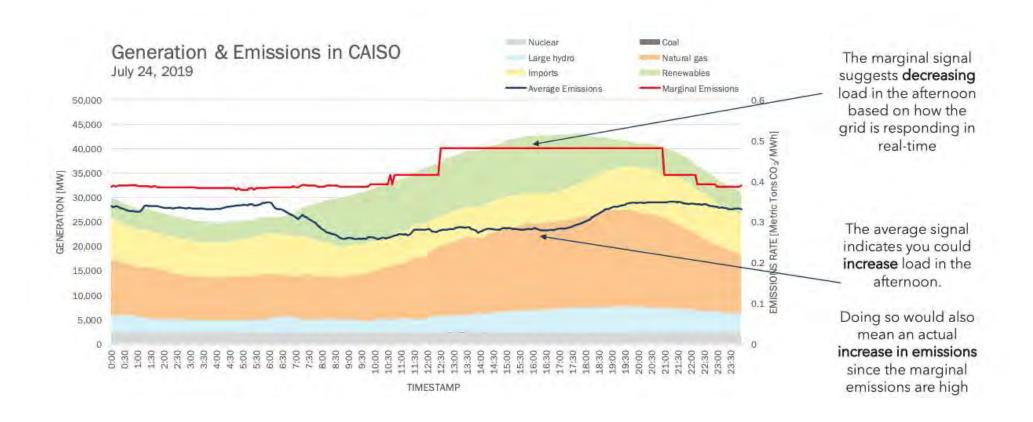
- CAISO delivering 23,690 MW of power
- 50% renewable
- Realtime power emissions rate:
 - 3,042 mTCO₂/hour

283 lbs CO₃/MWh

Average emissions are often the metric used for a company's emissions accounting needs such as with the GHG protocol.

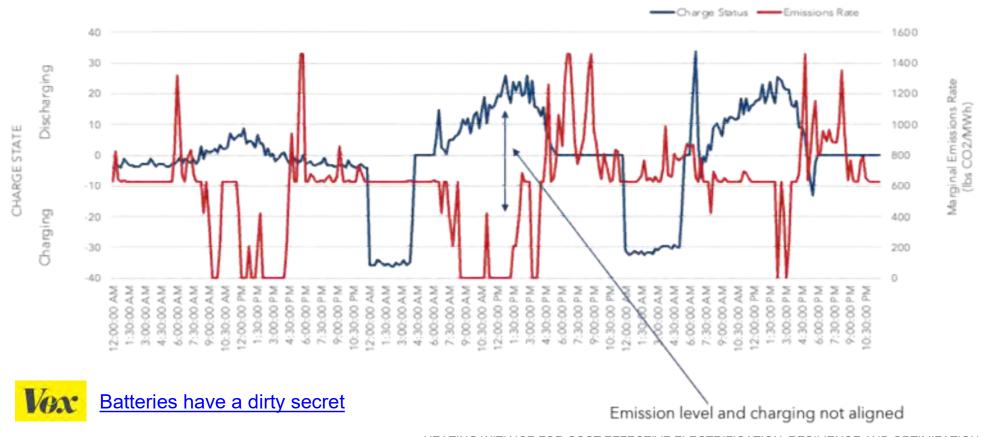
But an average emissions factor may not be representative of the emission impacts of actual actions.

AVERAGE AND MARGINAL EMISSION SIGNALS MAY DICTATE COMPLETELY DIFFERENT OPTIMIZATION OUTCOMES



BATTERIES CONTROLLED FOR PRICE ALONE TEND TO INCREASE EMISSIONS

California storage devices had *increased* pollution because they were controlled to charge at the "wrong" times

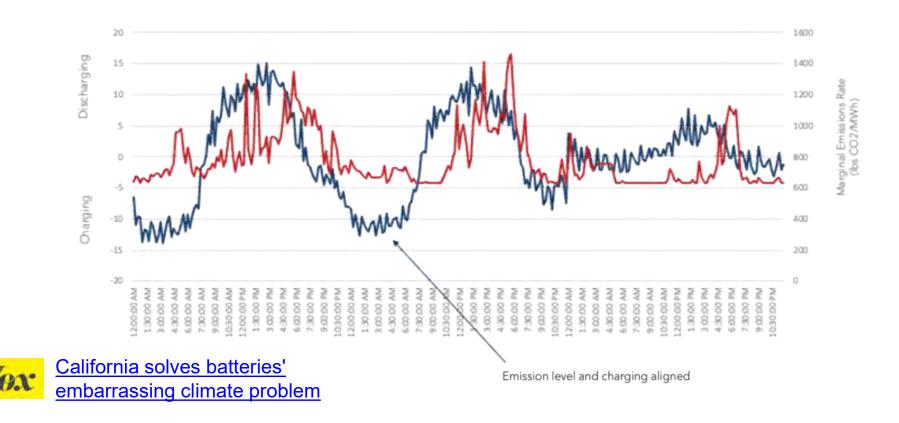


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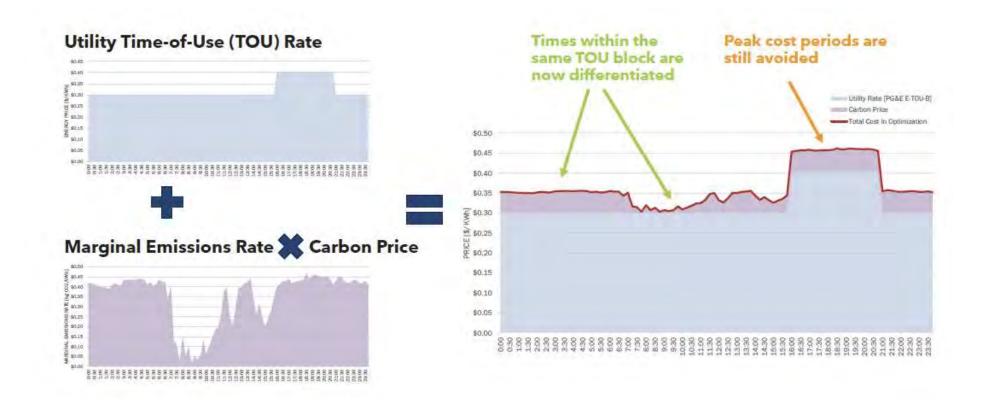
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CALIFORNIA PUC NOW INTEGRATES EMISSIONS INTO OPTIMIZATION STRATEGIES

Incentives are now directly aligned with decarbonization goals

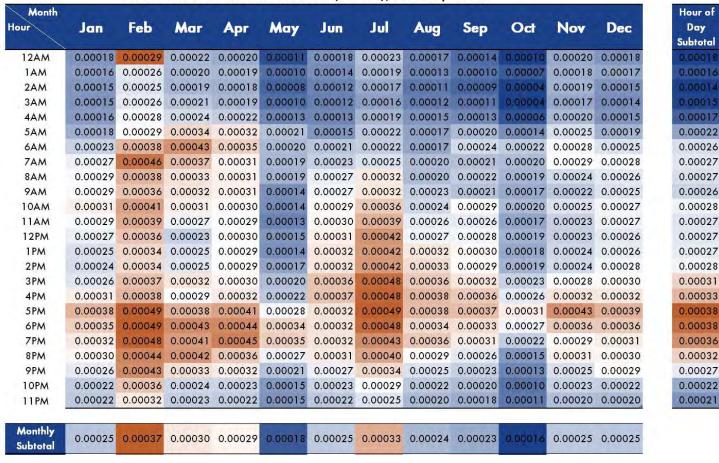


DECARBONIZATION CAN EASILY COINCIDE WITH TOU COST OPTIMIZATION

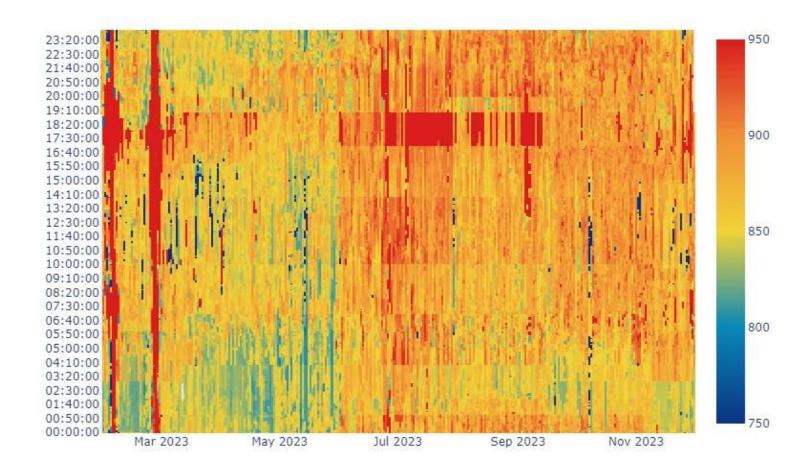


NYC TIME OF USE EMISSIONS COEFFICIENT INFORMED BY MARGINAL EMISSIONS

2023 Time-of-Use Coefficient (TOUn), tCO2e/kWh



ISONE NEMA MARGINAL EMISSIONS



ELECTRIFICATION HOLDS SIGNIFICANT OPPORTUNITY TO REDUCE EMISSIONS

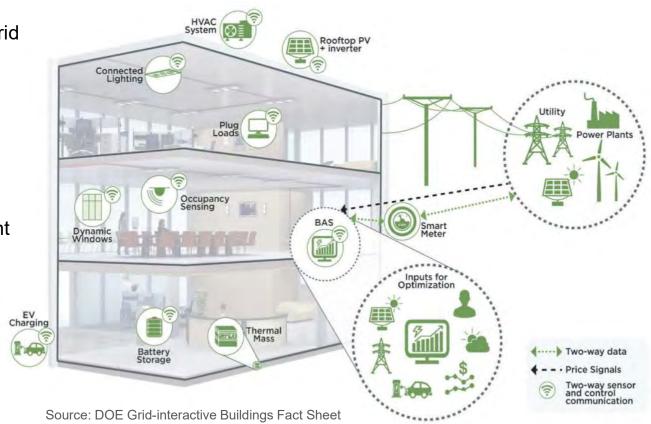
- Timing of energy use directly affects actual emissions impact
- Marginal emissions reflect impact, average emissions reflect accounting
- Flexible building technology (i.e., ice heating managed with BMS) are ideal
 applications to co-optimize energy use at ideal times
- As grids evolve and renewables increase, opportunities grow for energy optimization

GRID INTERACTIVE BUILDINGS

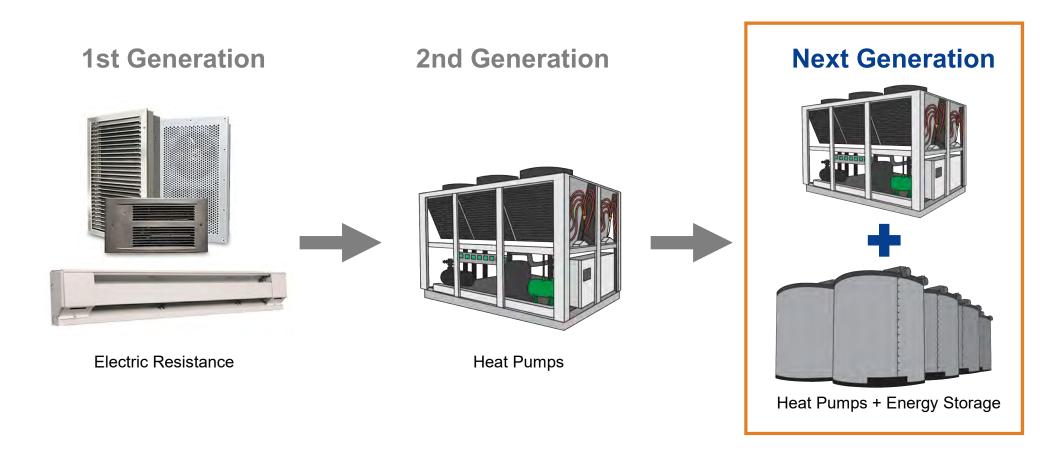
WHAT IS A GRID INTERACTIVE BUILDING?

Responds to condition of electric grid Many examples:

- 1. Turning things off
- Ability to Setback loads using BMS and control sequences
- 3. Shift loads to energy/thermal storage to operate independent from electric grid

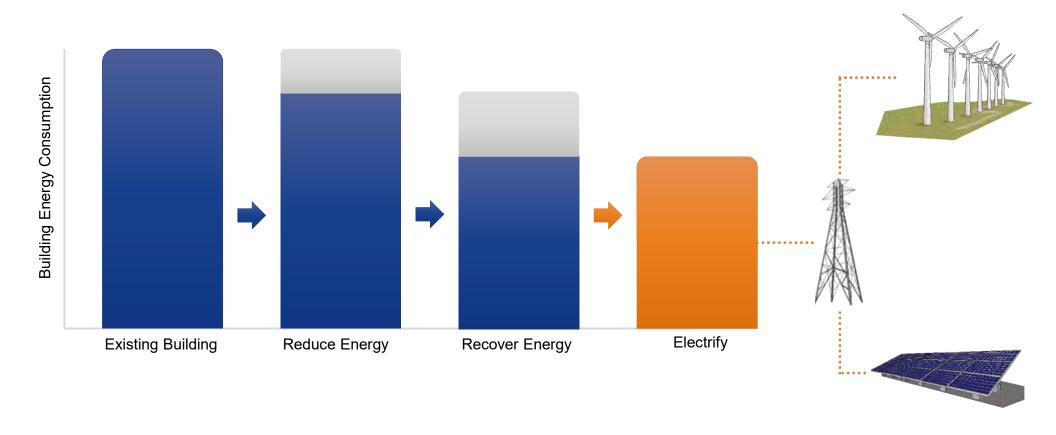


GRID INTERACTIVE BUILDINGS: THE NEXT GENERATION OF ELECTRIFICATION



ICE HEATING – AN ELECTRIFICATION SOLUTION

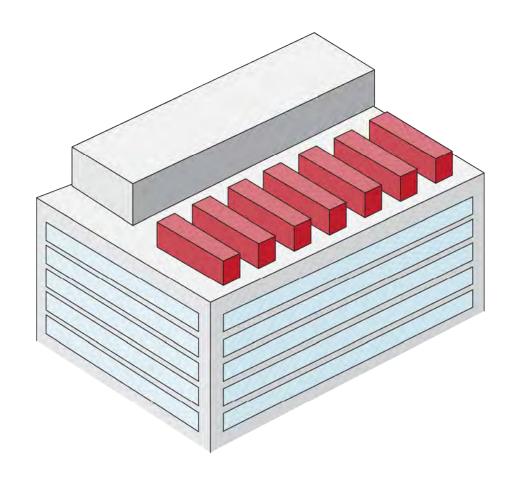
ELECTRIFYING IS A 3 STEP PROCESS



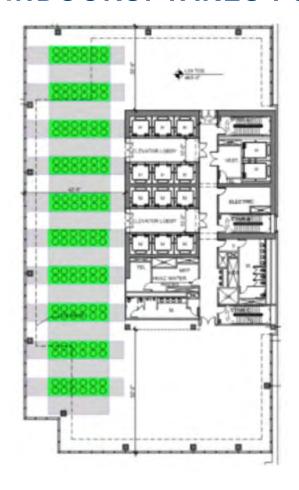
AIR-SOURCE HEAT PUMPS ARE HARD TO INTEGRATE

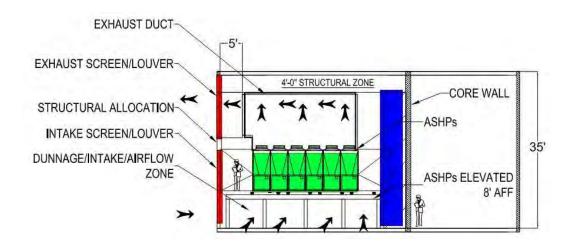
- Space-intensive
- Need to "breathe"
- High cost
- Increase in electrical demand (Winter peak)



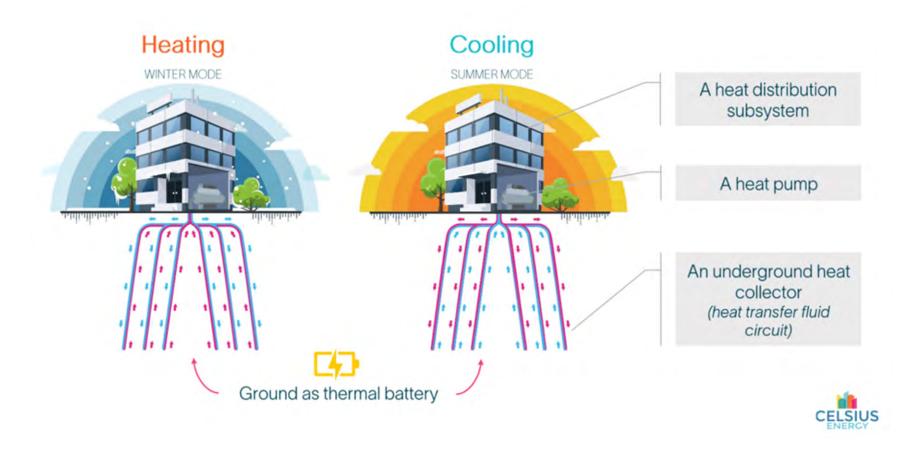


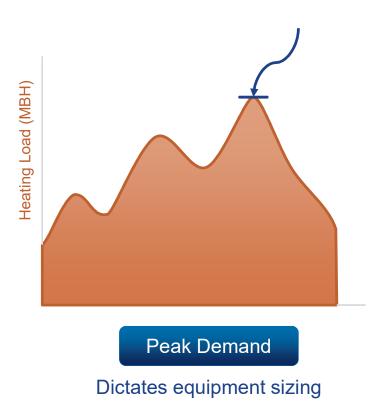
INDOORS: TAKES FULL FLOOR - 35' FLOOR HEIGHT

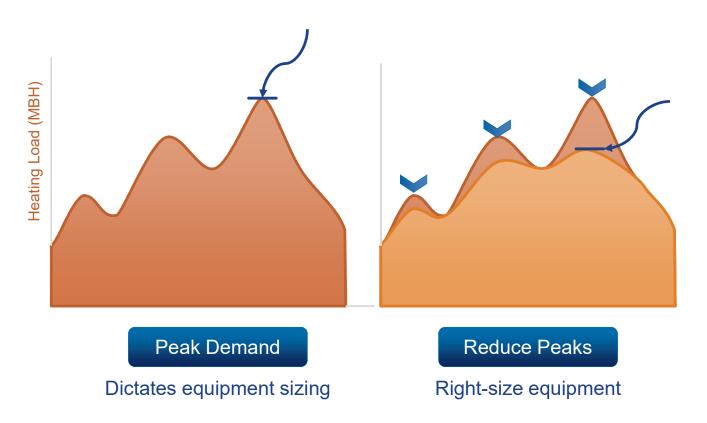




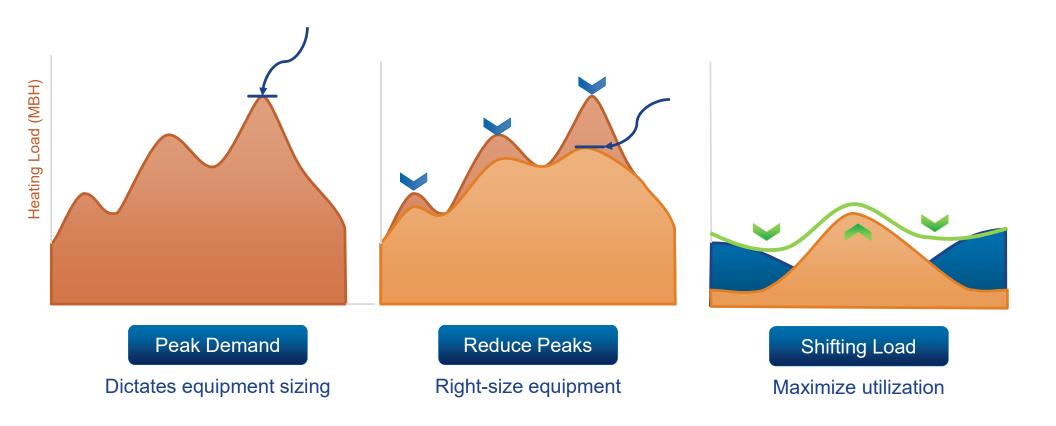
GROUND-SOURCE HEAT PUMPS HAVE LIMITED CAPACITY



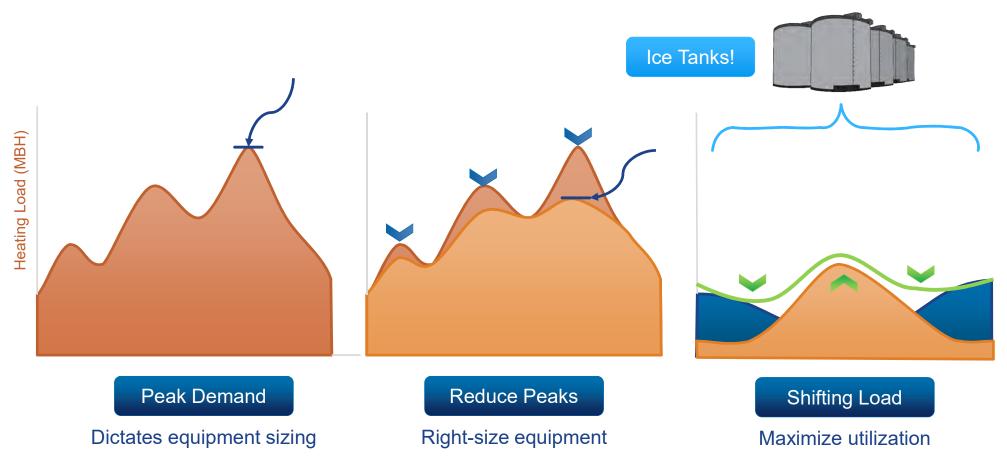




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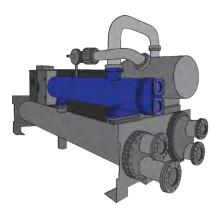


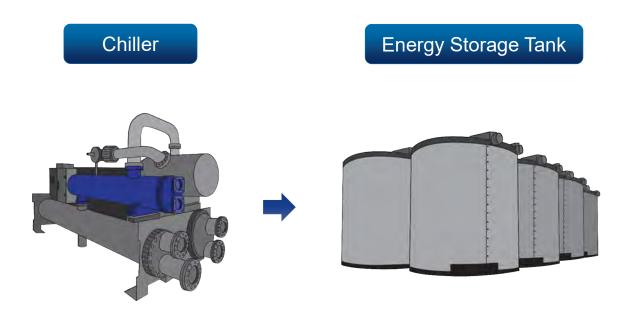
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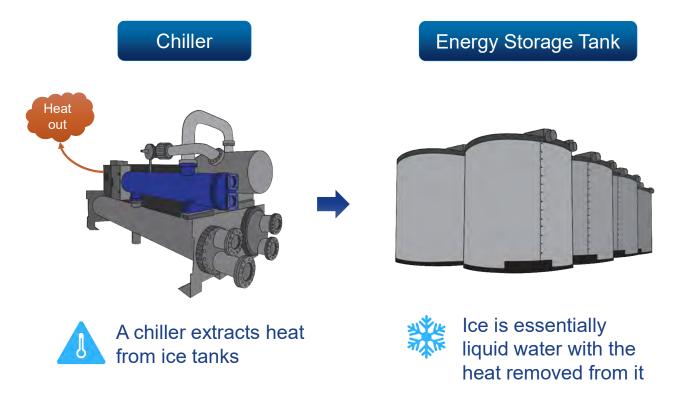


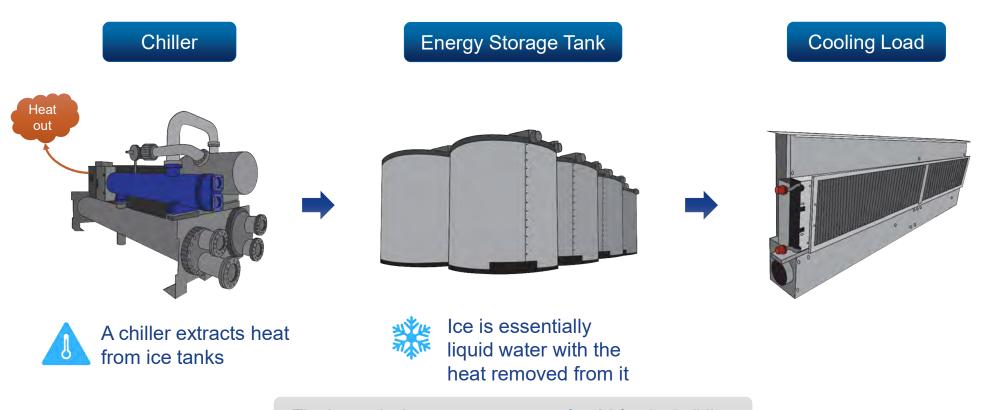
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Chiller

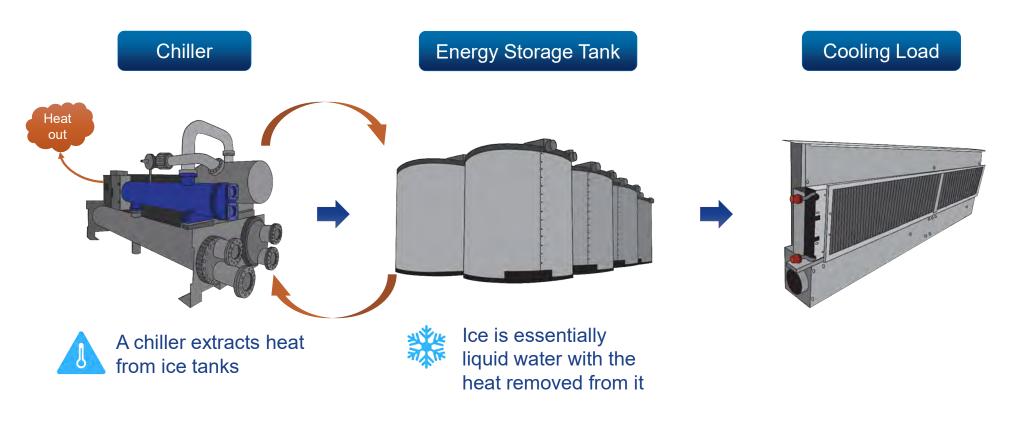








The ice tanks becomes a **source of cold** for the building



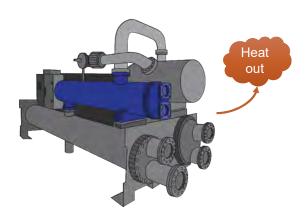
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ICE HEATING ARRANGEMENT



Chiller / Heat Pump





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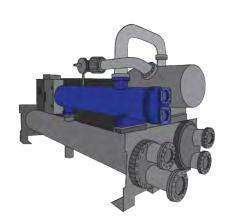
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Energy Storage Tank

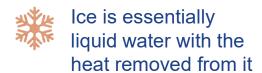
Chiller / Heat Pump

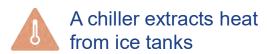
Heating Load











The ice tanks become a source of heat for the building

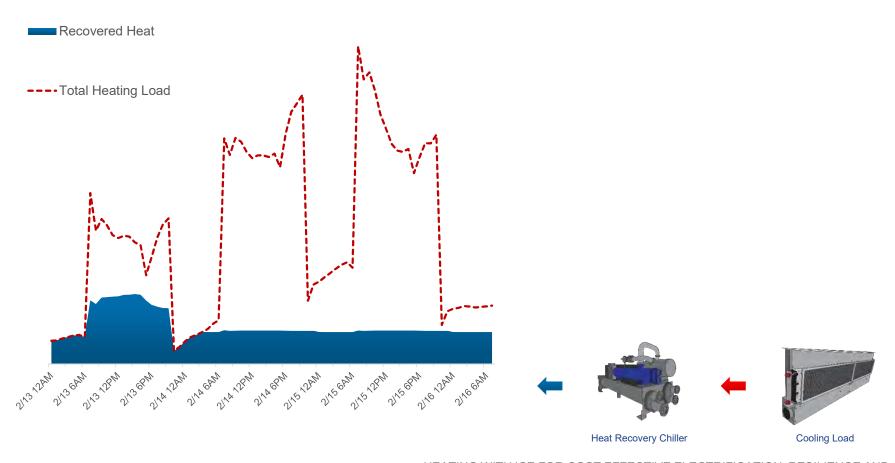
STARTING CONDITION: HEATING LOAD

THERMAL LAYERING



LAYER 1: RECOVERED HEAT FROM COOLING LOAD

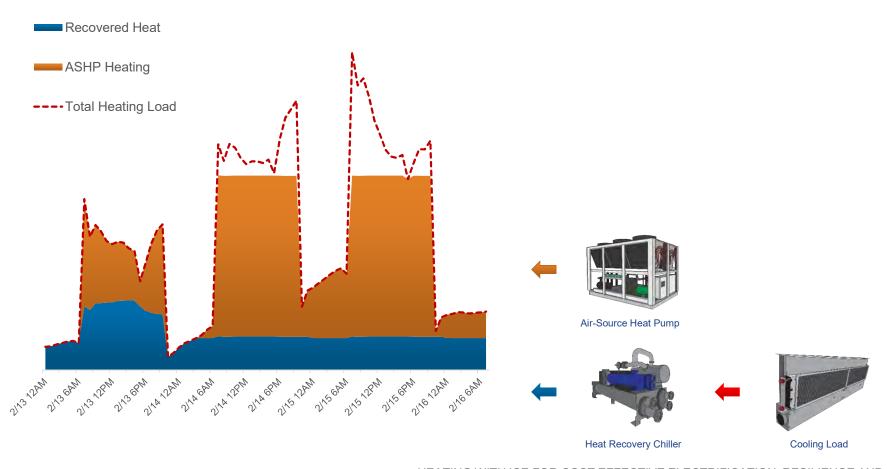
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LAYER 2: AIR-SOURCE HEAT PUMPS

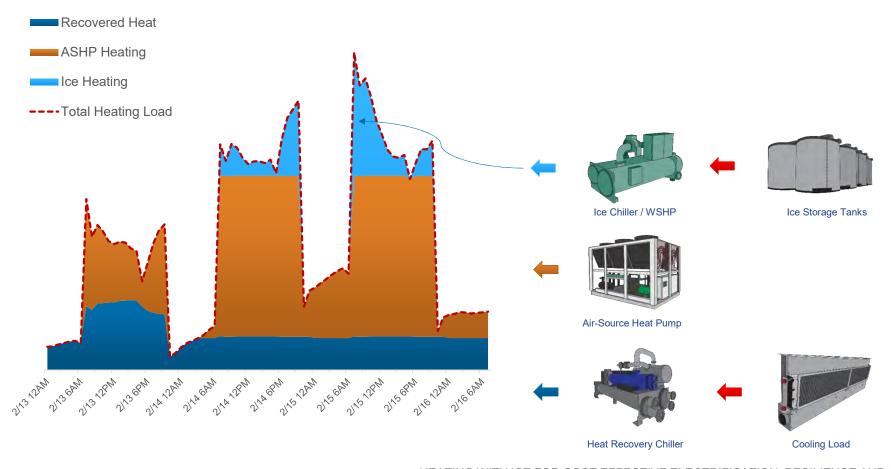
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LAYER 3: ICE HEATING

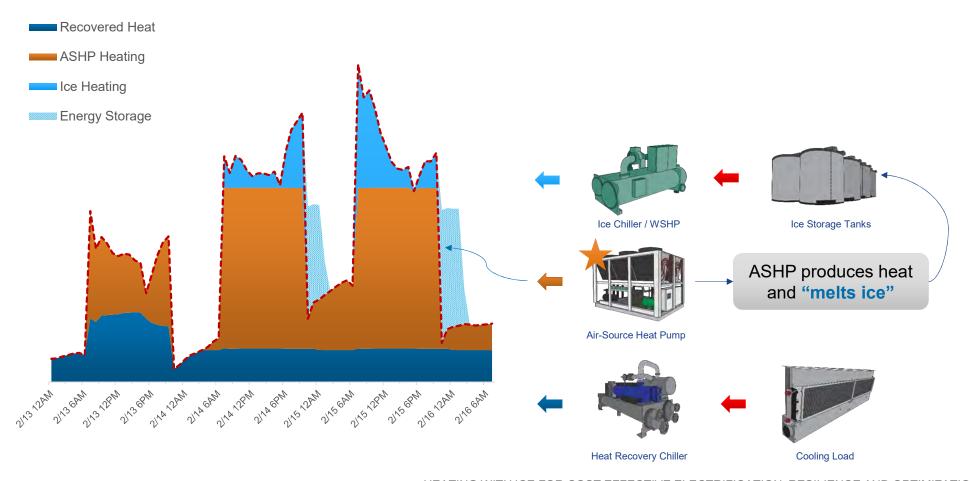
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LAYER 4: ICE MELTING

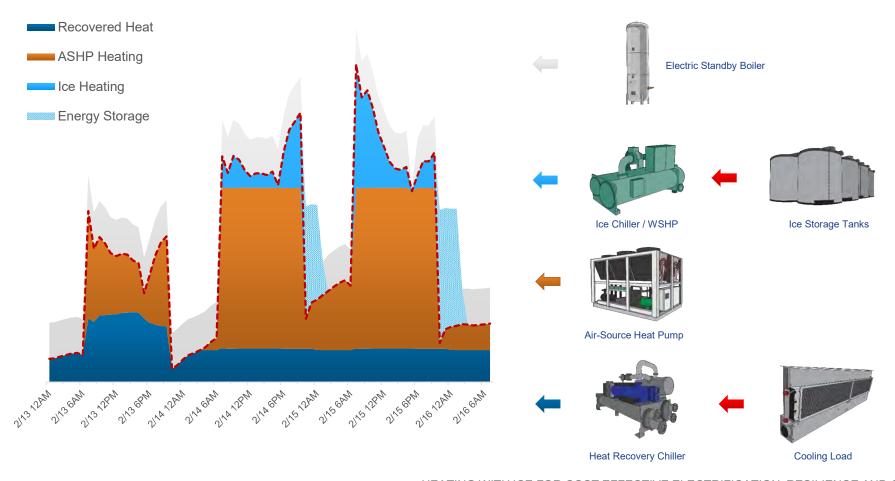
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STANDBY LAYER: ELECTRIC BOILER

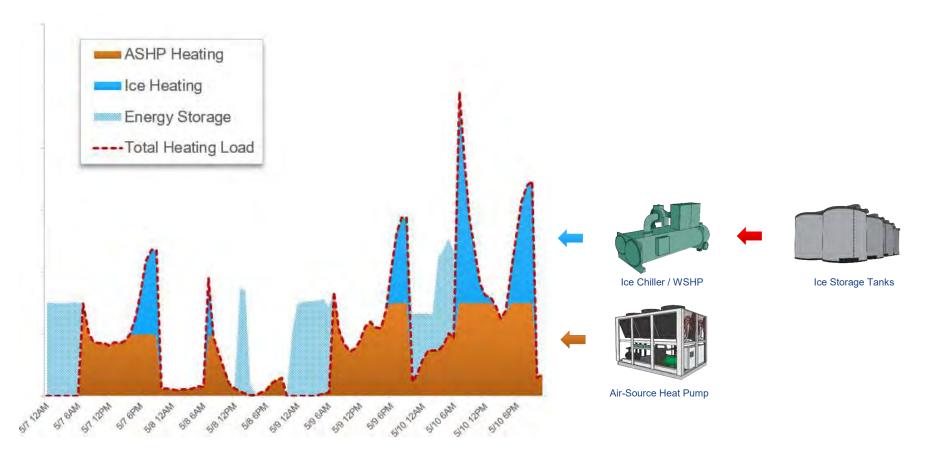
THERMAL LAYERING



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SHOULDER SEASONS BENEFITS

"FREE COOLING", ENERGY & CARBON SAVINGS



55 WATER STREET

COMMERCIAL OFFICE, NEW YORK (NY)

- Reconfigured existing summertime ice tanks for ice heating
- Added new right sized ton ice chiller for wintertime load
- New WSHPs to boost temperature required for heating load
- Using existing steam as supplement peak heating



INCENTIVES

- IRA Incentives can be used for up to 40% of the design & equipment costs
 - Investment Tax Credit (48, 48 E & 48(h)) up to 40% of design & equipment costs
 - Production Tax Credit (45 & 45Y) up to \$0.027/kWh

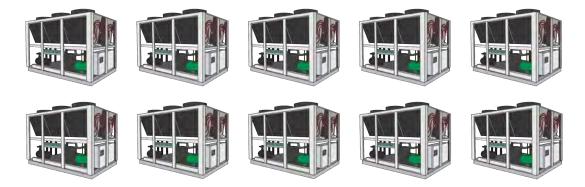
WHY WOULD WE DO THIS?

- 1. Equipment Sizing Reduction
- 2. Electric Peak Demand Reduction
- 3. Grid Interactive Benefits

KEY BENEFIT: SPACE AND COST SAVINGS

Space and capital cost savings: 40%-50% reduction in ASHP capacity

Typical Design



With Ice Heating





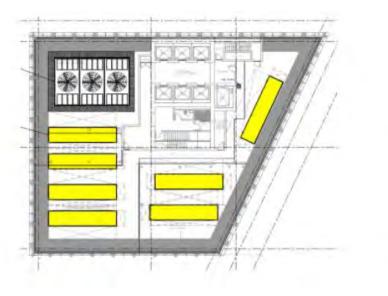




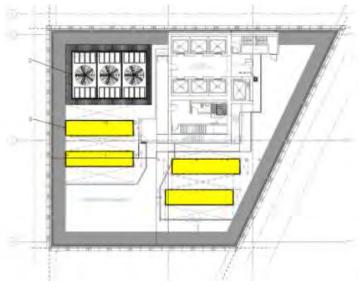


CASE STUDY: 500K SF OFFICE BUILDING (NYC)

Example project: 40% reduction



Basis of Design 7 ASHPs

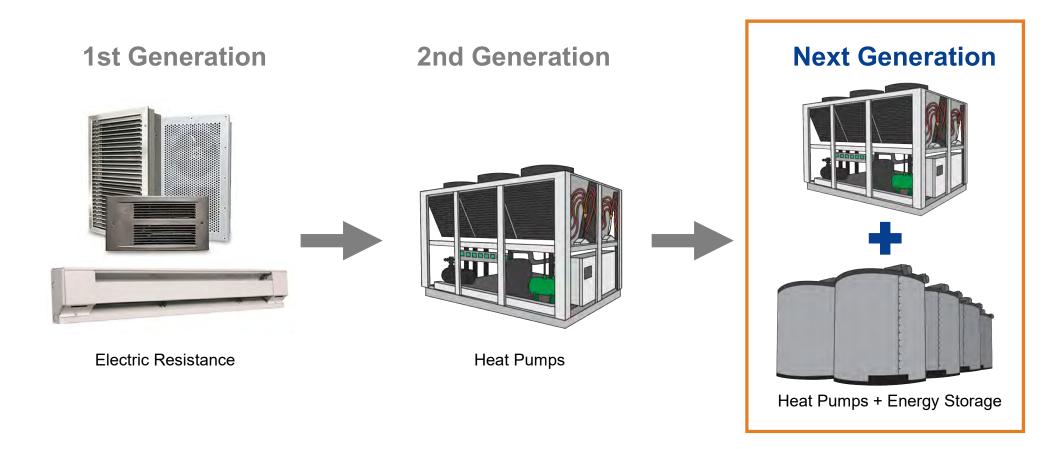


Ice Heating 4 ASHPs

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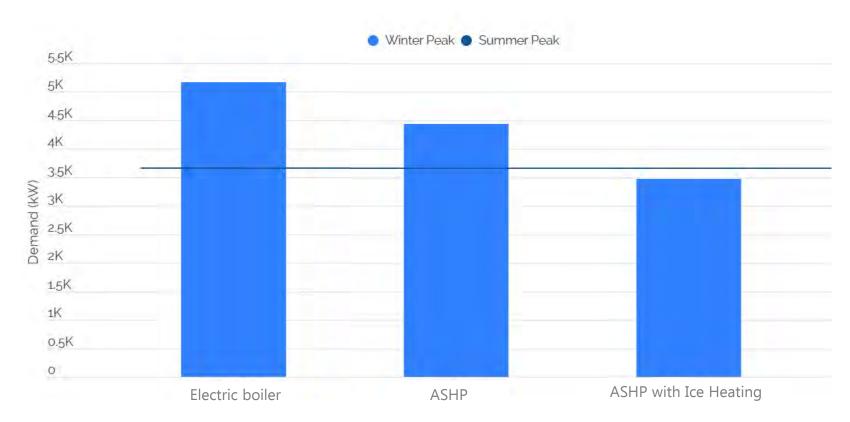
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KEY BENEFIT: PEAK LOAD REDUCTION

ASHP with Ice Heating does not require upsizing electrical capacity for wintertime peak



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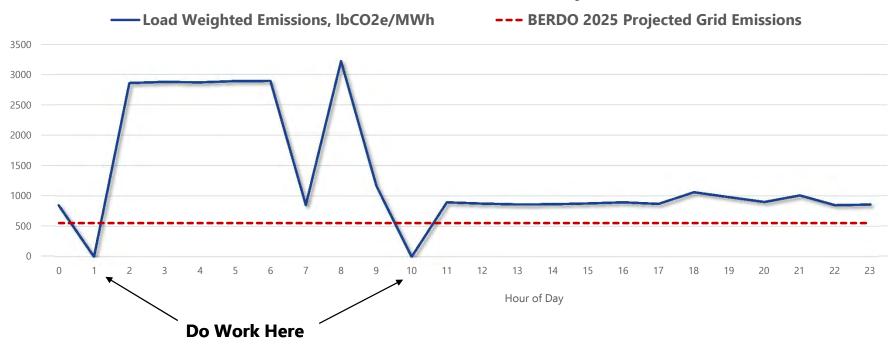
KEY BENEFIT: CARBON EMISSIONS REDUCTION

THE VALUE OF TIME OF USE (TOU)

Time-of-use carbon coefficients unlock the value of energy storage.

Carbon Trading allows monetization of carbon savings.

ISO NE Hourly Grid Marginal Emissions on 2/13/2019, Wednesday



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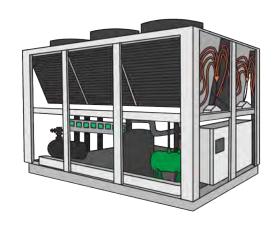


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ELECTRIC HEAT SOURCES



Boilers



Air-Source Heat Pumps (ASHP)



Ground-Source Heat Pumps (GSHP)