#### Finance and Property Value Implications of Green

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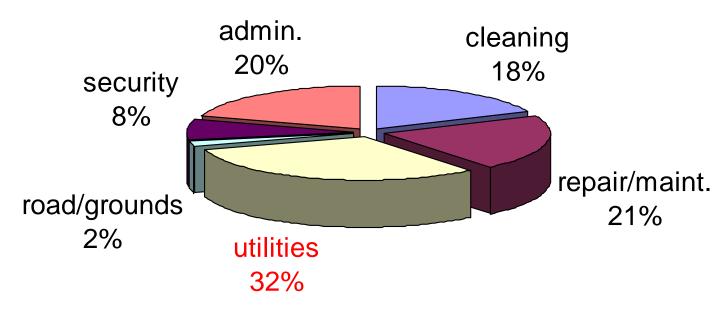
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#### Overview

- Background Energy and the bottom line
- Cool Capital Challenge
- DC Green Building Act and green building codes
- DC Energy Bill

# Energy is the largest cost for DC Office Buildings

**Average Shares of Total Operating Cost, Downtown Washington Office Building** 



Source: 2005 BOMA

**Experience Exchange Report** 

## **Energy costs**

- are the single biggest operating cost
- vary dramatically among similar buildings
  - Efficient --> low costs
  - Inefficient --> high costs
- significantly impact NOI and property value

# Even in existing buildings, typical ROIs from efficiency are anything but typical

On average each \$1 invested in energy performance retrofits increases asset value by \$2 to \$3

(Assumes a 10% cap rate)



Source: ENERGY STAR research

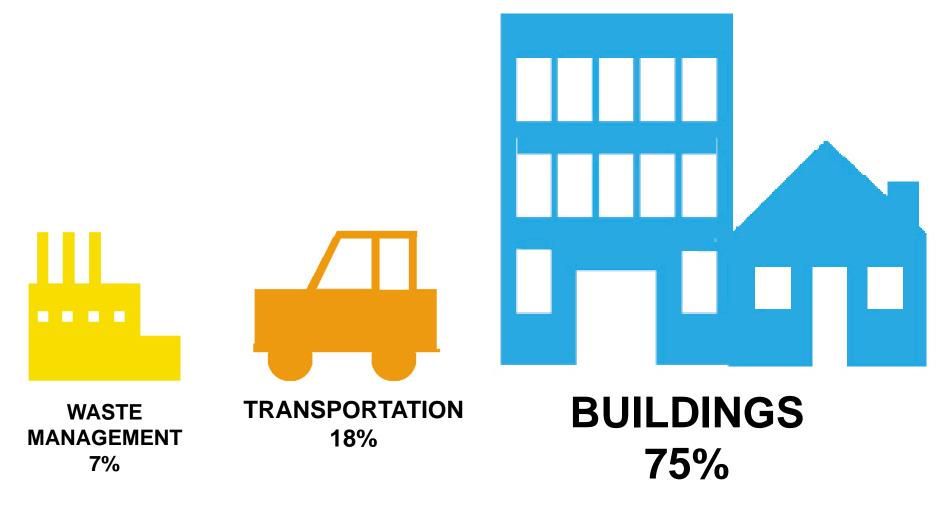
## **ENERGY STAR and LEED Buildings Command Premium Prices**

- "...LEED buildings command rent premiums of \$11.33 per square foot over non-LEED peers and have a 4.1% higher occupancy..."
- "...Rental rates in ENERGY STAR buildings represent a \$2.40 per SF premium...and have a 3.6 % higher occupancy..."
- "...ENERGY STAR buildings are selling for an average of \$61 per SF more than their peers..."
- "...LEED buildings command a remarkable \$171 per SF [premium]..."

Source: CoStar press release, March 2008

#### Owners Can Profit from Efficiency Even With Triple-Net Leases

- Triple net and modified gross leases make it more complicated for owners to realize NOI and property value increases from efficiency investments
- Smart tenants focus on total occupancy cost, not just rent
- Tenants often willing to use their energy cost savings to finance efficiency
  - Especially if approach is tailored to tenant
  - Cool Capital Challenge can help
  - "Tenant Cost Recovery" lease terms can help



#### DC Greenhouse Gas Emissions

Source: DC GHG Inventory



- The Cool Capital Challenge is a partnership of businesses, agencies, non-profit organizations, congregations and individuals that is dedicated to taking action now against climate change.
- The initial goal is to reduce the carbon-dioxide emissions in the Washington D.C. metro area by one billion pounds – the equivalent of taking 80,000 cars off the road!
- Cool Capital has received pledges from businesses, organizations, individuals, congregations, schools and governments that exceed the one-billion-pound goal!

#### **Some Cool Capital Partners**





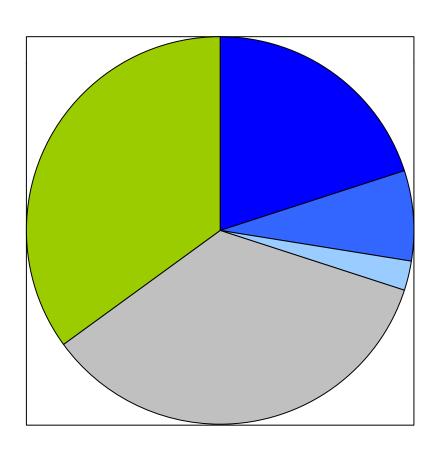
### Participating Local Governments

- Alexandria County
- District of Columbia
- Fairfax County
- Frederick County
- Greenbelt
- Loudoun County
- Montgomery County



#### First-year Carbon Lowering Goals

Pounds of CO2 emissions



- Households 200 million
- Carbon Busters 75 million
- Community (non-household) 25 million
- ☐ Businesses andInstitutions 350 million
- Agencies 350 Million









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#### On our way to 1 Billion Pounds



Pounds Pledged



Annual Savings

#### Individuals

2,355,240

#### Institutions

 Downtown DC BID
 71,000,000

 GWIPL
 40,000,000

 Sierra Club
 40,000,000

#### Teams

Government Agencies

Metro (WMATA) 31,297
DC Office of Planning 28,435
United States House of Representatives 11,518
Foreign Agricultural Service, 0,824

#### Take on Global Warming, Pound by Pound

#### What is the Challenge?

Cool Capital Challenge unites individuals, schools, congregations, businesses, governments and other institutions to take a billion-pound bite out of the Capital Region's carbon dioxide emissions by April 2008. Together we can meet the challenge of global warming.

#### Cool Capital Summer Kick-Off!

Help green the Josephine Butler Parks Center and take tons of carbon out of the air! See calendar for details.

#### Be Part of the Solution

You can take on climate change by making a few money-saving changes in your home, at work, or on the road. Your pledge makes a difference, so take the challenge. We're here to help.

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Tips For Cutting Your Carbon





Step 1 Carbon Calculation Step 2 Carbon Reduction Step 3 Registration Step 4 Print Results

Pounds of

#### Cut your carbon emissions.

Clear form

Choose from the following suggested actions to reduce your global warming impact. By increasing your home's efficiency and being smart about your energy use, you can quickly cut your emissions by 25% and save hundreds, if not thousands, of dollars. A 40% reduction is within reach for many Americans. Go for it!

I will take the following actions to reduce my carbon emissions by April 2008:

	Suggested Action	CO2 you could avoid	Dollars Saved						
Simple Actions									
Г	Change incandescent light bulbs to compact fluorescent.	0 lbs/yr	\$ <b>0</b> /yr						
	I will put electronics (TV, Stereo, Computers) on a power strip and turn them off at the switch when they are not in use.	0 lbs/yr	<b>\$ 0</b> /yr						
	I will turn off lights when I leave the room.	0 lbs/yr	\$ <b>0</b> /yr						
	I will unplug or dispose of a refrigerator or freezer that is not consistently used.	0 lbs/yr	<b>\$ 0</b> /yr						
	I will increase my AC thermostat up degrees for months in the summer.	0 lbs/yr	\$ <b>0</b> /yr						
	I will set my heating thermostat down by degrees in the winter.	0 lbs/yr	\$ <b>0</b> /yr						
	Add shade to room AC units if they are in the sun.	0 lbs/yr	\$ <b>0</b> /yr						



#### Direct action against the climate crisis

#### We Have the Power

Collectively, the people and businesses of the region **CAN** make a difference

Take the Challenge Today!

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#### DC's Green Building Act of 2006

- A consensus among businesses, developers, builders, officials, environmentalists
- Result: Unanimously approved by DC Council and Mayor in December, 2006
- LEED mandates phase in starting with public buildings (FY2008) and publicly-funded buildings (FY2009) through private buildings over 50,000 sf (2012) – new buildings only
- Expedited permitting for LEED buildings
- New public buildings to ENERGY STAR benchmark annually and disclose publicly

## DC Greening Building Codes

- DC's Green Building Act requires the Mayor to "submit to the Council for approval construction code revisions that shall incorporate as many green building practices as practicable..."
- The DC Department of the Environment contracted with IMT to work with DC's Green Building Advisory Council to identify best practices from around US in green codes
- DC in the process of adopting the 2006 International Code Council (ICC) model codes with DC-specific greening amendments Likely to be adopted in summer 2008 and become mandatory beginning summer 2009

## Remove from the Codes Impediments to Green Building

- Top Priority: Remove impediments to Greening Building
- Proposal removes impediments to
  - waterless urinals
  - green piping
  - disconnecting downspouts to retain rainwater on site
- Some impediments are actually in zoning code DC is separately seeking to green its zoning code
- Some impediments are the product of misinterpretation of building codes by builders, building officials and others. DC is addressing problem with education.

## Raising the Bar: Mandating Greener Practices

Mandating greener practices in these key areas:

- Water efficiency (low-flow fixtures)
- Energy efficiency 30% improvement
- Reducing heat island effect (requires flat roofs be white or green)
- Improve indoor air quality and reduce moisture (require ventilation fans in all kitchens and bathrooms to vent to outside)

# Washington's Current Commercial Energy Code

International Energy Conservation Code (IECC 2000)

**ASHRAE Standard 90.1** 

 ASHRAE is the American Society of Heating, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Engineers



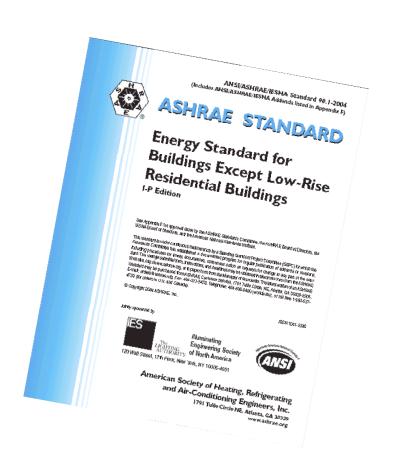
#### Washington's Proposed Commercial Energy Code

## ASHRAE Standard 189.1's energy chapter

- Standard 189.1 is a proposed model code that provides standards for high-performance, green buildings
- Applies to all buildings except low-rise residential buildings

(same as Standard 90.1)

• Requires efficiency 30% greater than 90.1



## Commercial Energy Efficiency

#### **Mandatory Provisions**

- Sub metering
- "Solar Ready" for on-site generation
- ENERGY STAR appliances and equipment





#### **Performance Option**

Two criteria:

Annual energy cost:
 proposed <
 mandatory plus prescriptive</li>



• Annual carbon dioxide equivalent (CO<sub>2</sub>e): proposed < mandatory plus prescriptive

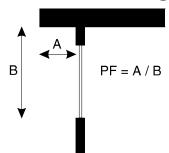
## Prescriptive Option (Building Envelope) CZ-4 Washington, Maryland, Virginia

- **Roof insulation:** R-25 continuous, R-49 attic
- Wall: R-13 cavity + R-10 cont. R-11.4 mass wall
- Fenestration assembly:
   U-0.30 wood, vinyl,
   fiberglass frame
   U-0.40 curtainwall
   SHGC-0.35



#### **Prescriptive Option (Building Envelope)**

• Overhang: PF > 0.5



- Orientation:
   solar gain through
   east/west < north/south</li>
- Continuous air barrier



#### **Prescriptive Option (Mechanical)**

 Higher equipment efficiencies (CEE Tier II)



- More pipe/duct insulation
- Fan power to be 10% less
- Unoccupied hotel/motel rooms to have autoshutoff

#### **Prescriptive Option (Lighting)**

- Interior lighting power to be 10% less
- Occupancy sensor controls
- Auto-controls for lighting in daylight zones



#### DC Energy Bill of 2008 (Pending)

- Lead Sponsor is Councilmember Mary Cheh
- Co-introduced by nine of 13 DC Council
- Restructures energy program delivery, including creating "Sustainable Energy Utility"
- ENERGY STAR benchmarking and public disclosure mandates for existing nonresidential buildings phase in starting with public buildings, then private buildings over 200,000 sf (2010) and finally private buildings over 10,000 sf (2014)



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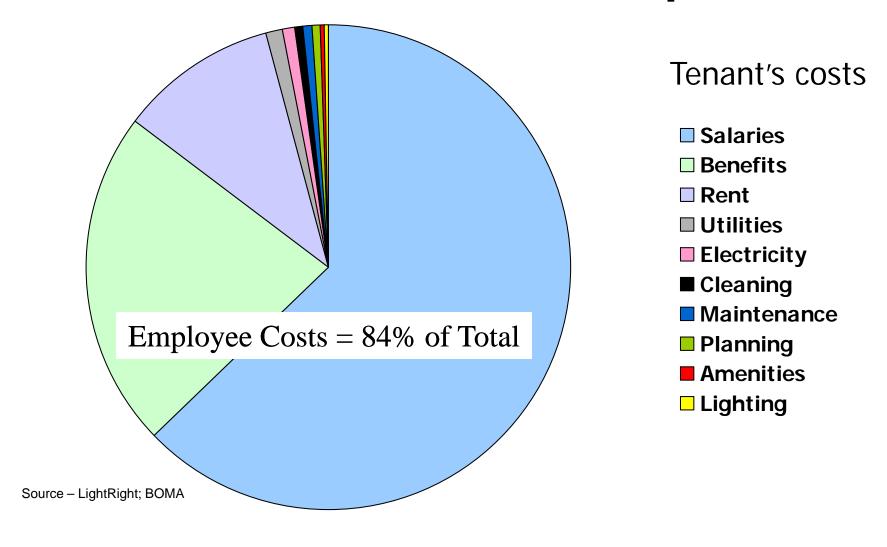
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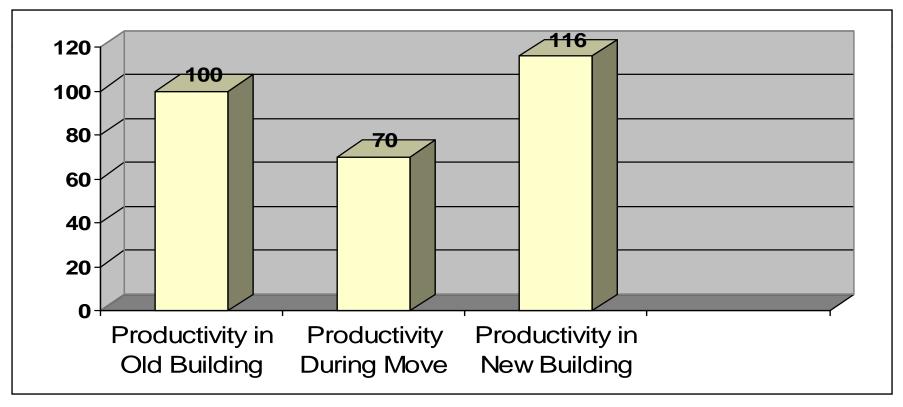
#### The Office Tenant's Perspective



## West Bend Mutual Insurance Company

(West Bend, WI)





## Report on Costs and Financial Benefits of Green Buildings

A report to California's Sustainable Building Task Force, a group of over 40 state agencies, with funding from seven agencies.

Drawing on cost data from 33 green building projects and benefits data from over 100 buildings nationwide. Developed in partnership with USGBC.

Principal Author: Greg Kats, Capital E

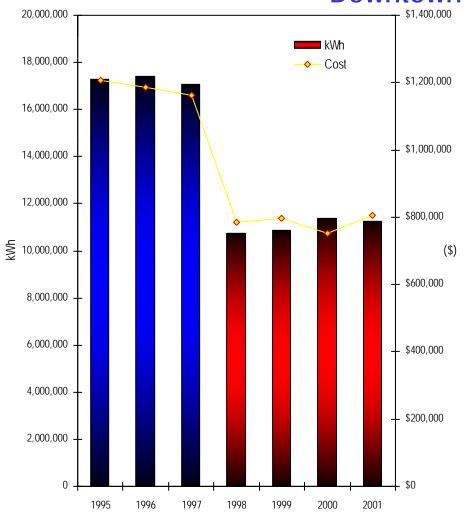
#### Financial Benefits of Green Buildings Summary of Findings (per ft<sup>2</sup>)

	20-year Net Present		
Category	Value		
Energy Savings	\$5.80		
Emissions Savings	\$1.20		
Water Savings	\$0.50		
Operations and Maintenance			
Savings	\$8.50		
Productivity and Health Value	\$36.90 to \$55.30		
Subtotal	\$52.90 to \$71.30		
Average Extra Cost of Building			
Green	(-3.00 to -\$5.00)		
Total 20-year Net Benefit	\$50 to \$65		

Source: Capital E Analysis

# Huge Savings Possible Even Without Capital Improvements Case Study: Class A Office Building

**Downtown Chicago** 



- Under Previous
   Management (1995 –
   1997) averaged
   17,265,528 kWh at a cost of \$1,184,843
- Under Hines (1998 2001) averaged 11,074,991 kWh at a cost of \$785,255
- Average Annual Electrical Savings of \$0.48 PSF, a 34% reduction

#### Investments in Energy Performance Retrofits Have High Returns\*

Building 100,000 sf	Invest- ment/SF	Rate of Energy Savings	\$ Savings/ SF/Yr	Increase to NOI	Asset Value Increase	Simple Payback
Janitorial Services	\$0.01	5%	\$0.14	\$13,500	\$135,000	Immed- iate
O&M	\$0.05	9%	\$0.20	\$19,800	\$198,000	4 months
Lighting	\$1.04	16%	\$0.36	\$36,000	\$360,000	3 years
HVAC	\$1.21	9%	\$0.21	\$20,700	\$207,000	6 years
All Measures	\$2.31	39%	\$0.90	\$90,000	\$900,000	2.5 years

Source: ENERGY STAR research

<sup>\*</sup> Calculations based on national averages and \$0.09 per kWh.



# Energy Price Volatility Risk Case Study: Telergy Building, Syracuse, NY

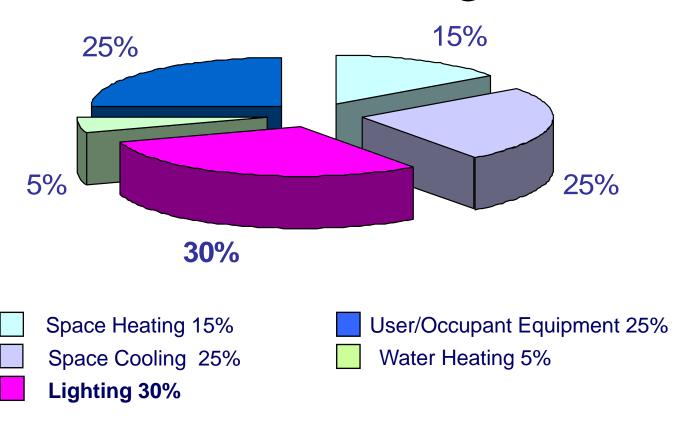
- Class A suburban office building
- 116,000 net rentable area
- 9.7-acre parcel with 430 parking spaces
- Built in 1981 and significantly expanded in 1999
- An energy hog in a depressed market

Full case study: www.imt.org/Papers/Telergy.pdf

# Telergy Case: Lenders burned by inefficient buildings increasing attention to energy in underwriting

- Telergy defaulted on mortgage to HSBC in August 2001 and soon after filed for bankruptcy
- HSBC knew it would lose some principal, in part because building was a known energy hog
- HSBC commissioned appraisal
- Draft appraisal valued property at \$4,300,000 based on historic utility bills of \$4.46 psf
- HSBC-commissioned energy analysis revealed tenant-specific electric loads (telecom/data centers)
- Normalization of energy bills led to \$1.2 million increase in appraised value to \$5.5 million a 28% increase. It reduced HSBC's haircut by ~\$500,000.

# Typical Energy Uses in DC Office Buildings



Source: Transwestern Commercial Services