

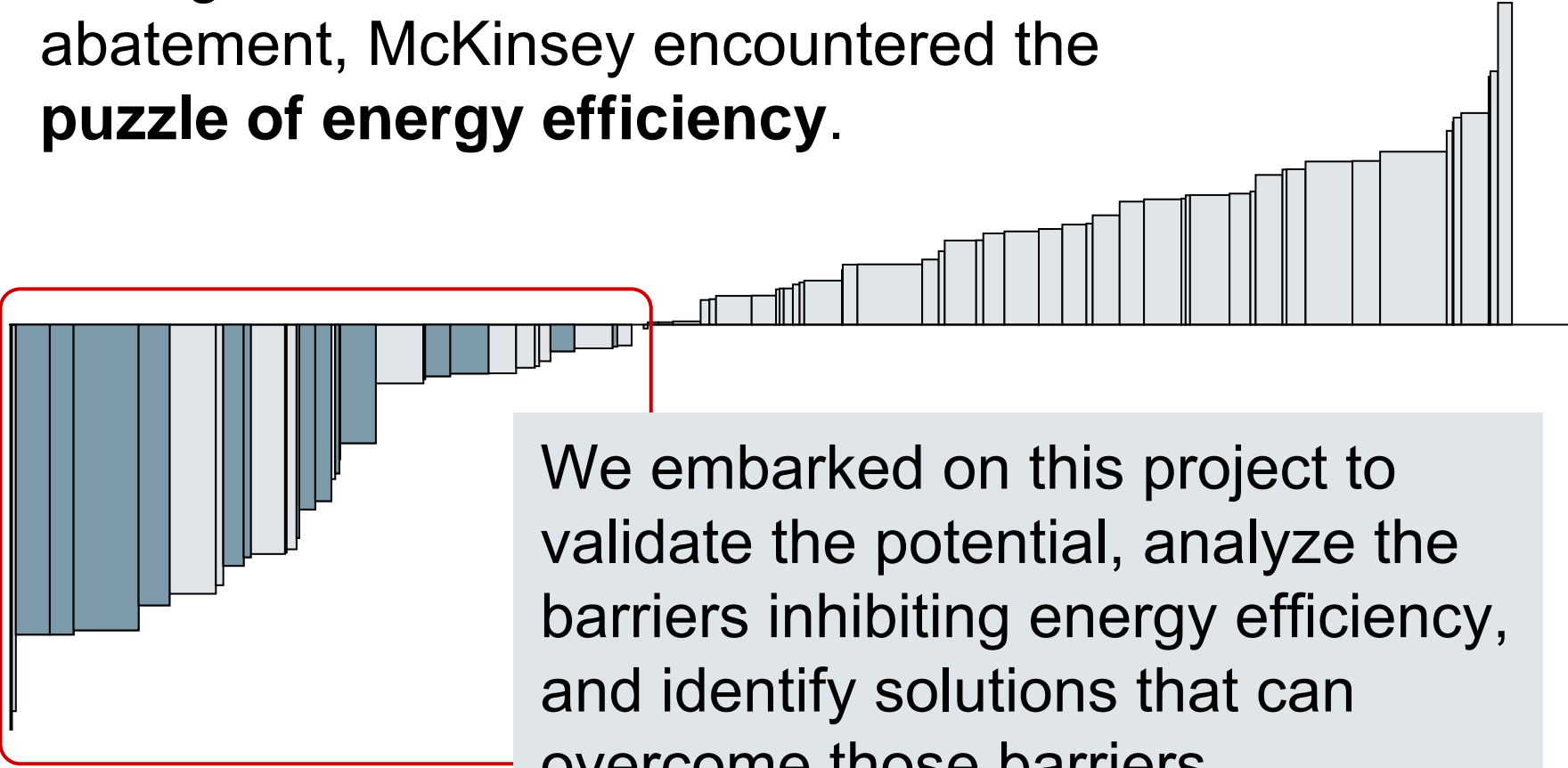


# Unlocking Energy Efficiency in the U.S. Economy

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# Project Background

During our research on U.S. GHG abatement, McKinsey encountered the **puzzle of energy efficiency**.



We embarked on this project to validate the potential, analyze the barriers inhibiting energy efficiency, and identify solutions that can overcome those barriers

# Project scope

- Analyzed **stationary** uses of energy across residential, commercial, and industrial sectors, including CHP
- Examined over 675 efficient end-use measures, but only **existing technologies**
- Focused on **productivity**; not on conservation (no changes in lifestyle or behavior)
- Analyzed **NPV-positive** applications of energy efficiency; based on incremental capital, operations, and lifetime energy costs – excluded program costs and indirect benefits – discounted at 7 percent
- Identified the **potential** for energy efficiency, the barriers, and potential solutions – no attempt to declare how much potential will be achieved

# Central Conclusion of our work

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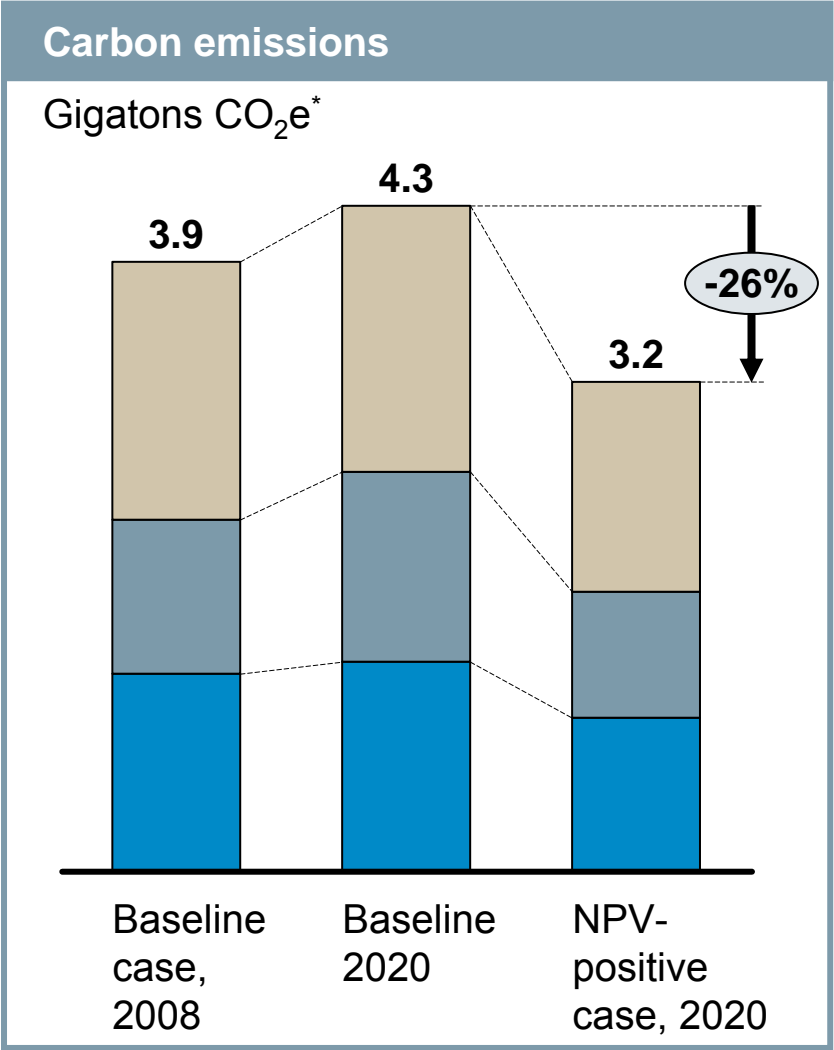
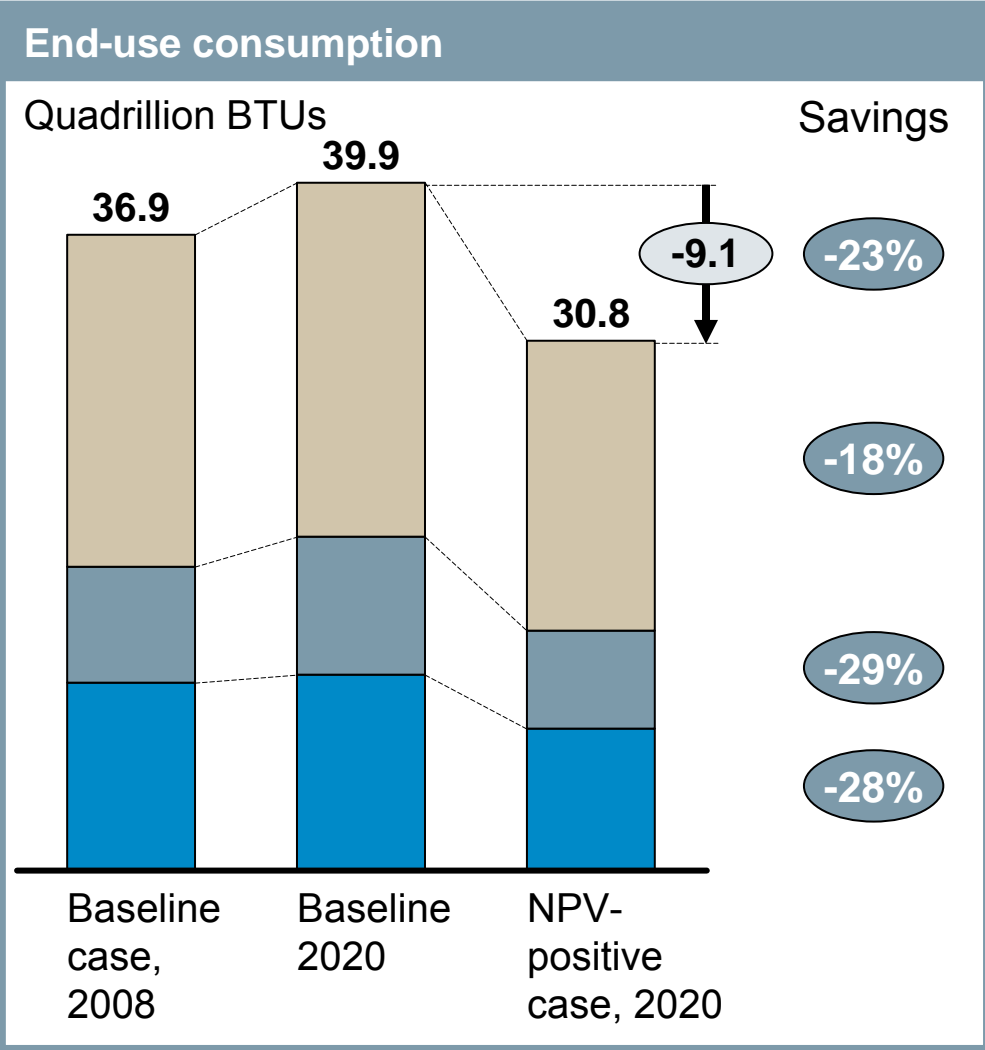
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Such a program is estimated to reduce end-use energy consumption in 2020 by 9.1 quadrillion BTUs, roughly **23 percent of projected demand**, potentially abating up to **1.1 gigatons of greenhouse gases annually**.

# Significant energy efficiency potential exists in the U.S. economy

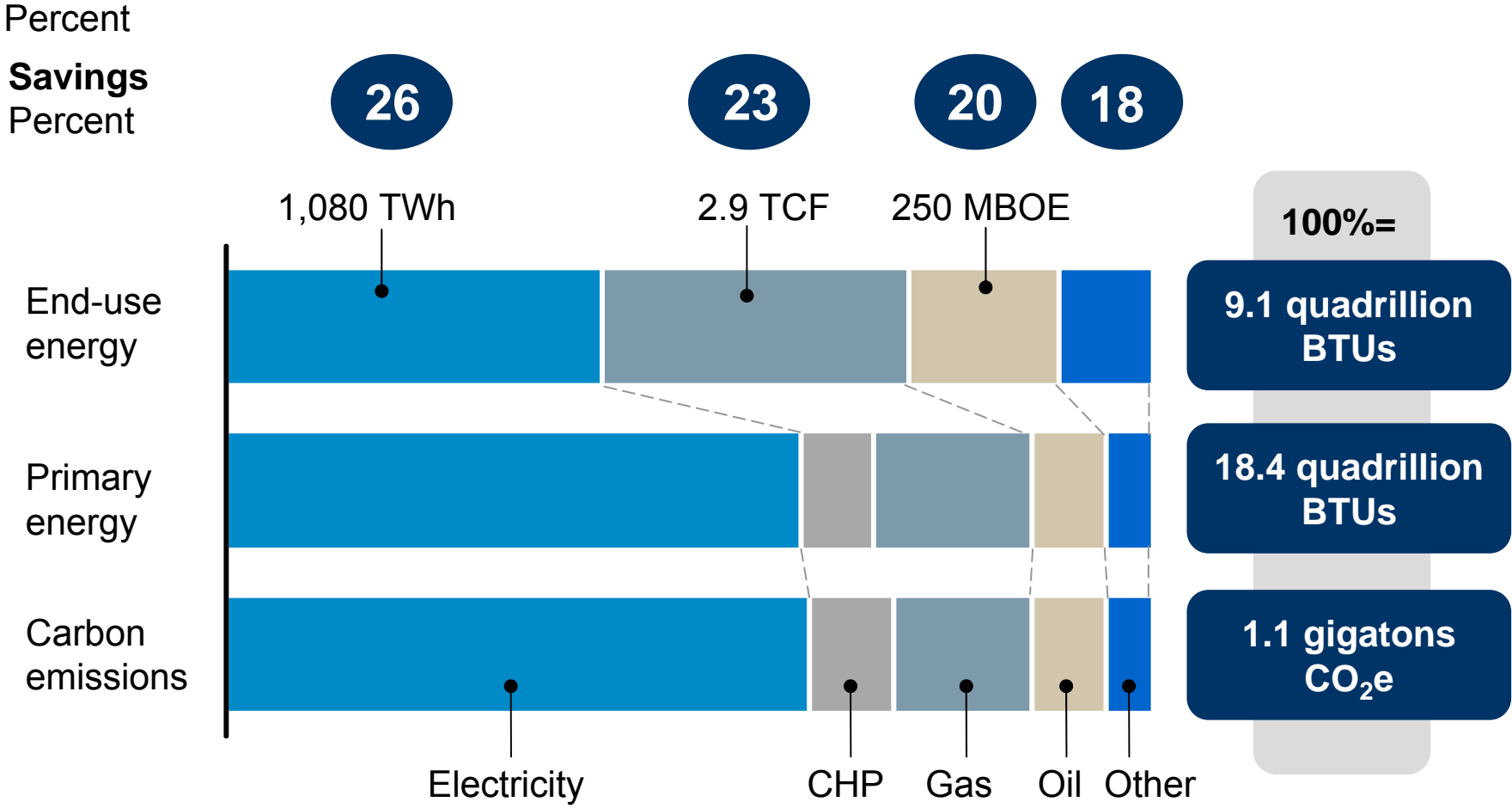
- Industrial
- Commercial
- Residential



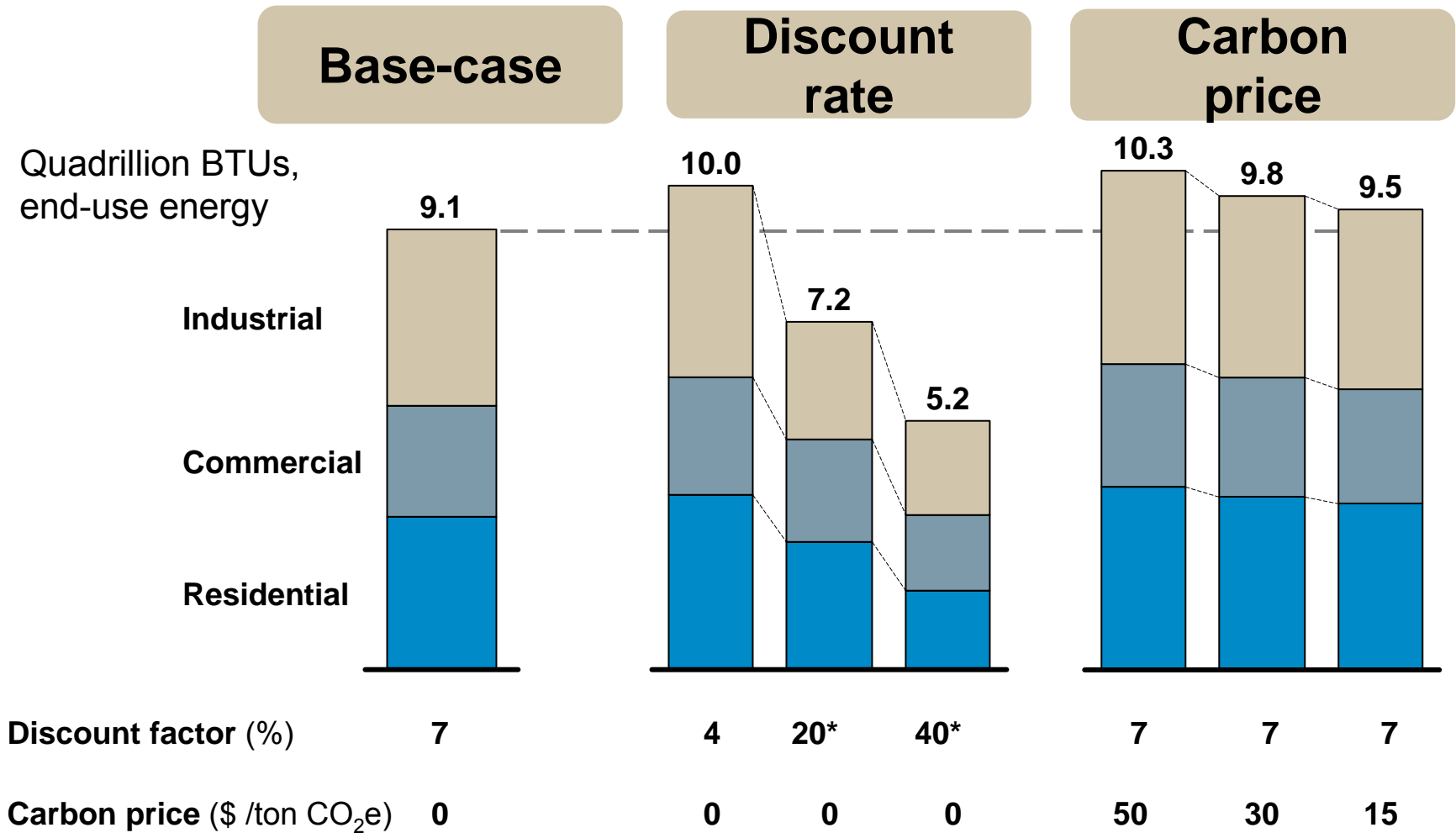
\* Includes carbon emission abatement potential from CHP

# Significant efficiency potential across fuel types

Contribution by energy source to 2020 efficiency potential



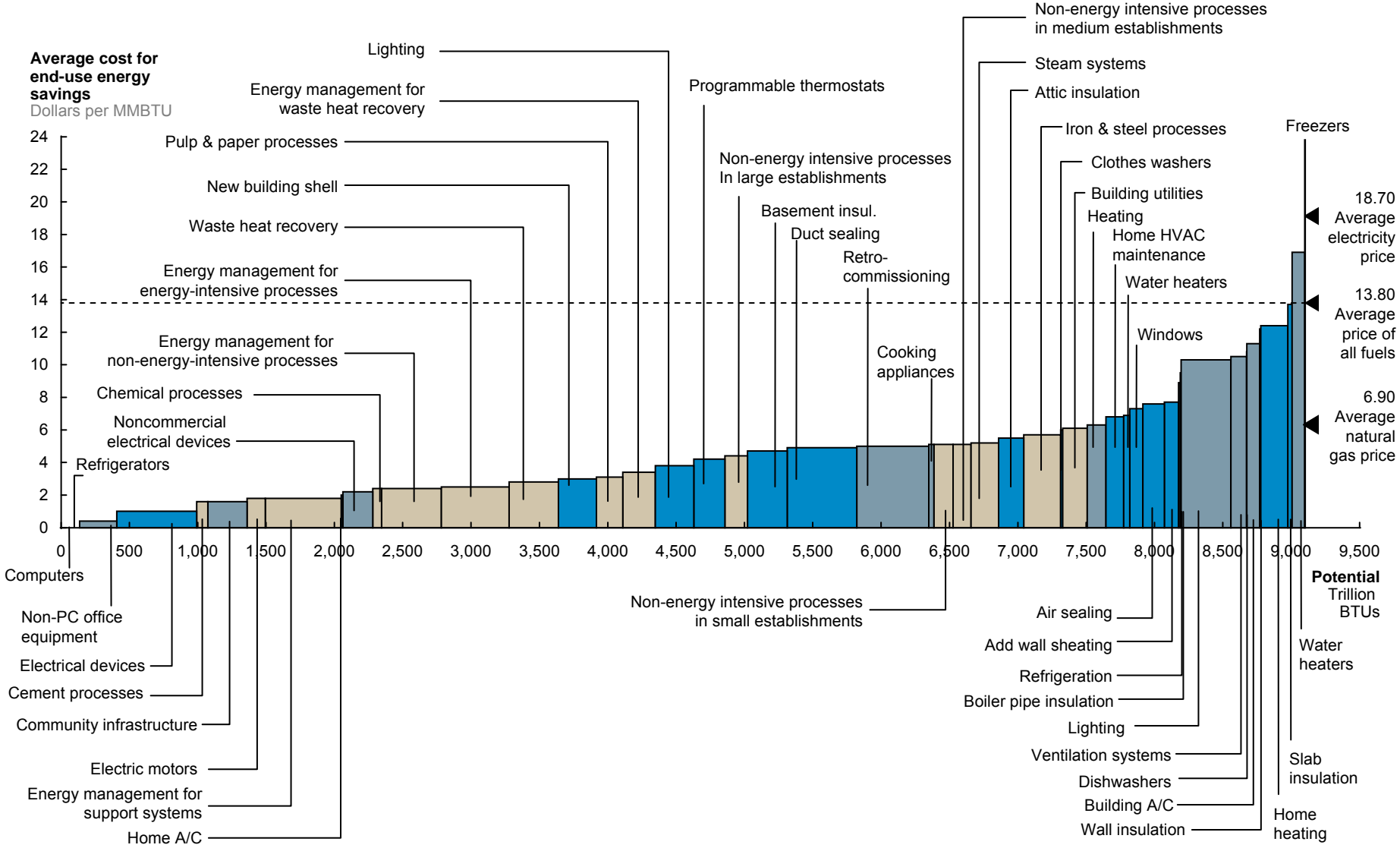
# Potential remains attractive even under significant changes in assumptions



\* Utilizes retail rates (vs. lower “avoided cost” rate proxy of industrial rates)

# Energy efficiency offers the most affordable means of delivering energy

Residential  
Commercial  
Industrial

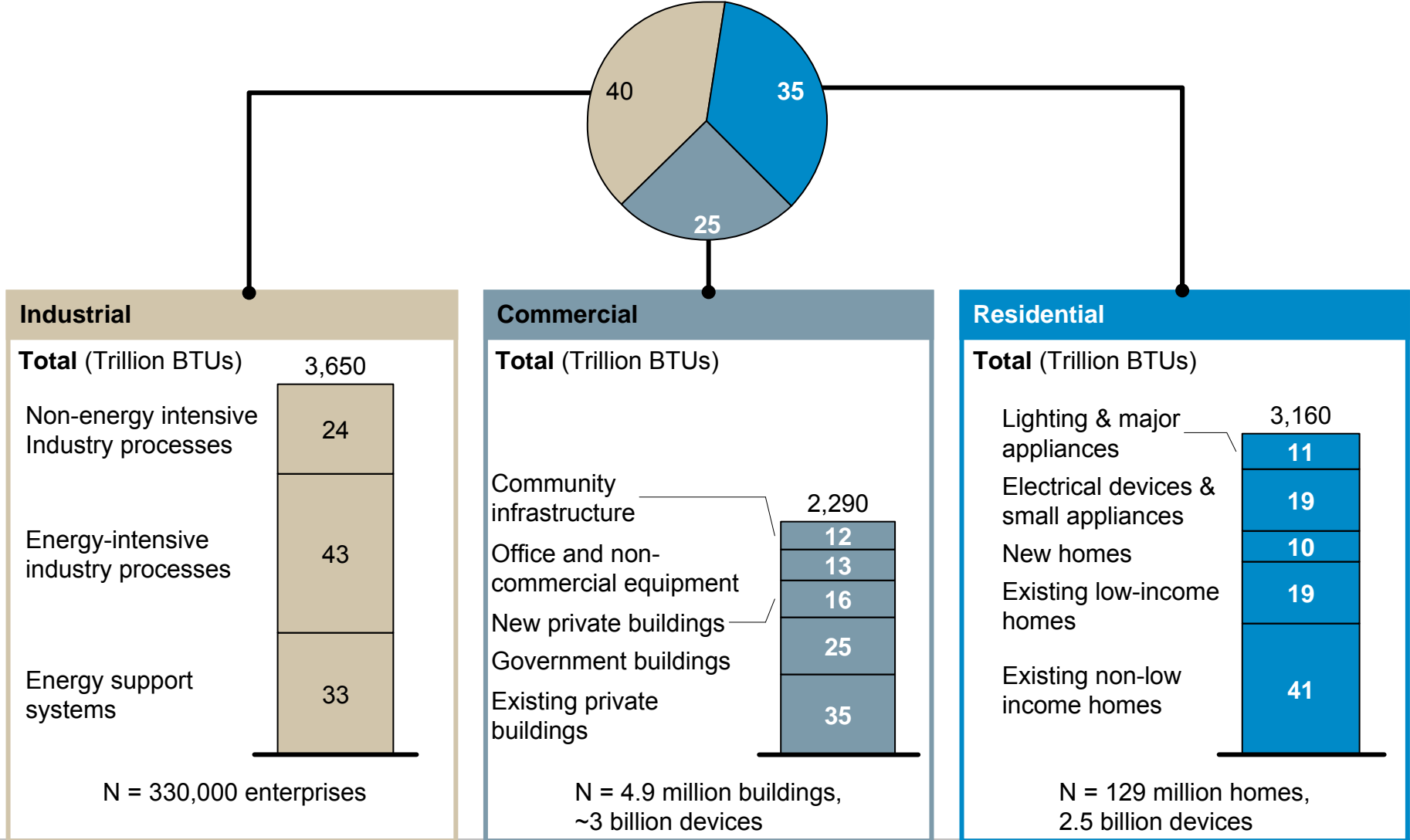


Source: EIA AEO 2008, McKinsey analysis



# Clusters of opportunity emerge

Percent, 100% = 9,100 trillion BTUs of end-use energy efficiency potential



# The fundamental nature of energy efficiency creates challenges

## FUNDAMENTAL ATTRIBUTES OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY

### Requires outlay

Full capture would require upfront outlay of about \$50 billion per year, plus program costs

### Fragmented

Potential is spread across more than 100 million locations and billions of devices

### Low mind-share

Improving efficiency is rarely the primary focus of any in the economy

### Difficult to measure

Evaluating, measuring and verifying savings, is more difficult than measuring consumption

# Additional opportunity-specific barriers inhibit energy efficiency

## OPPORTUNITY-SPECIFIC BARRIERS

**Structural**

**Behavioral**

**Availability**

**Agency**

Incentives split between parties, impeding capture of potential

**Ownership transfer issue**

Owner expects to leave before payback time

**Transaction barriers**

Unquantifiable incidental costs of deployment

**Pricing distortions**

Regulatory, tax, or other distortions

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## OPPORTUNITY-SPECIFIC BARRIERS

**Structural**

**Behavioral**

**Availability**

**Risk and uncertainty**

Regarding ability to capture benefit of the investment

**Lack of awareness**

About product efficiency and own consumption behavior

**Custom and habit**

Practices that prevent capture of potential

**Elevated hurdle rate**

Similar options treated differently

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## OPPORTUNITY-SPECIFIC BARRIERS

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Availability

**Adverse bundling**

Combining efficiency savings with costly options

**Capital constraints**

Inability to finance initial outlay

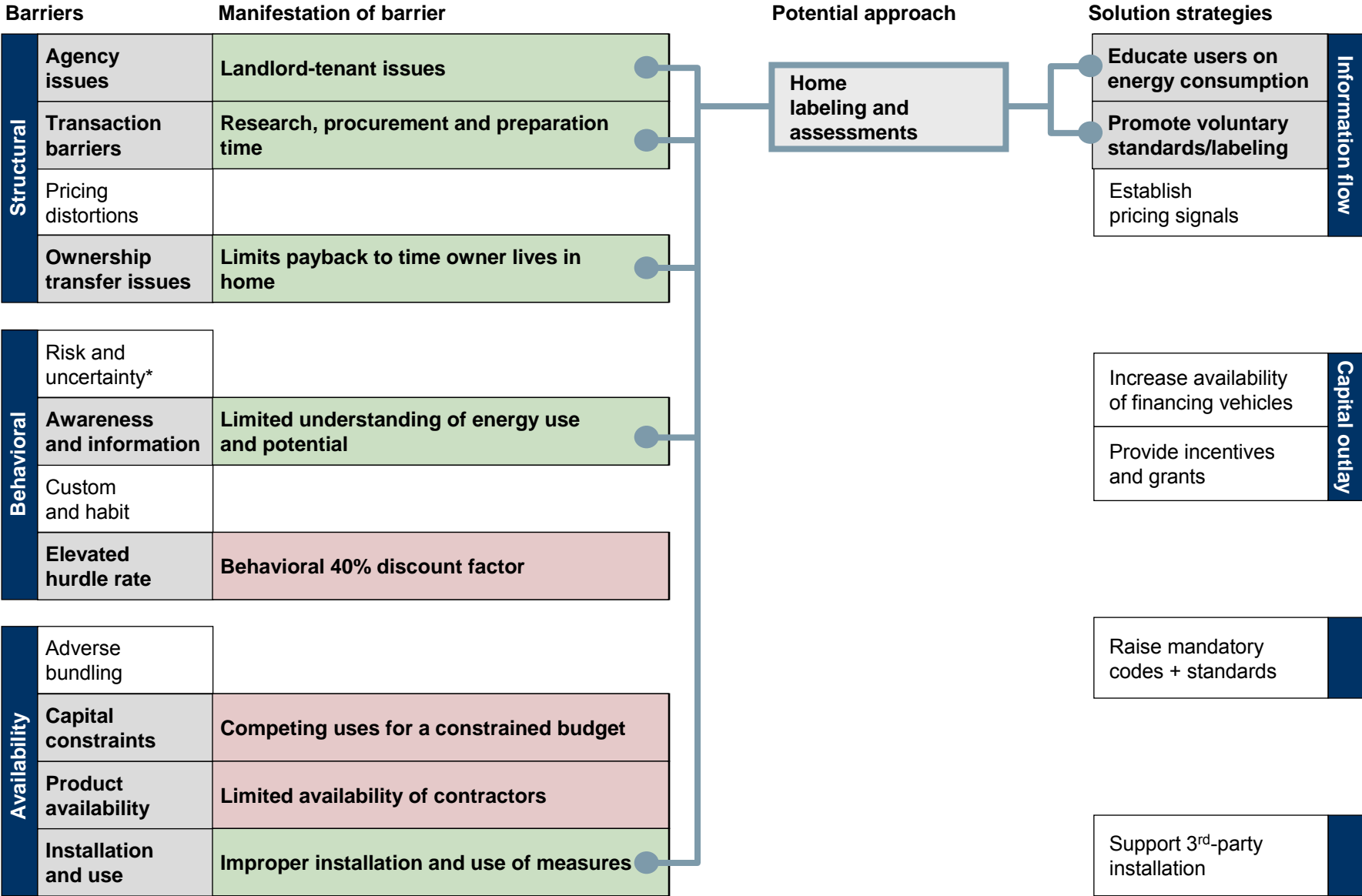
**Product availability**

Insufficient supply or channels to market

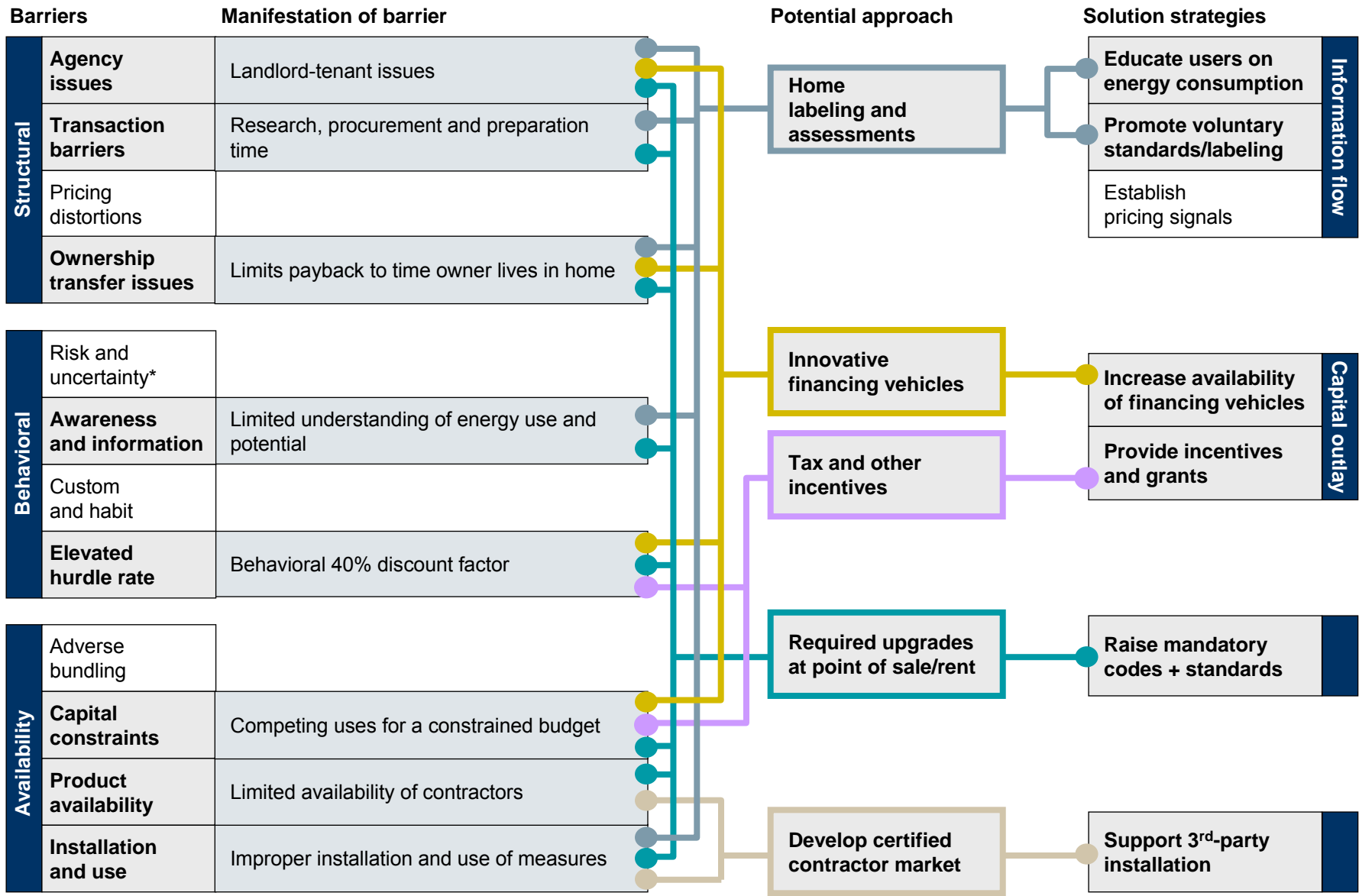
**Installation and use**

Improperly installed and/or operated

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# Solution strategies, with varying degrees of experience, are needed to unlock barriers

## SOLUTION STRATEGIES

### Proven

ENERGY STAR for appliances  
Mandatory building codes

### Piloted

LEED certified commercial buildings  
Promoting energy management

### Emerging

Long Island Green Homes in Babylon, NY  
Loan guarantees for performance contracting

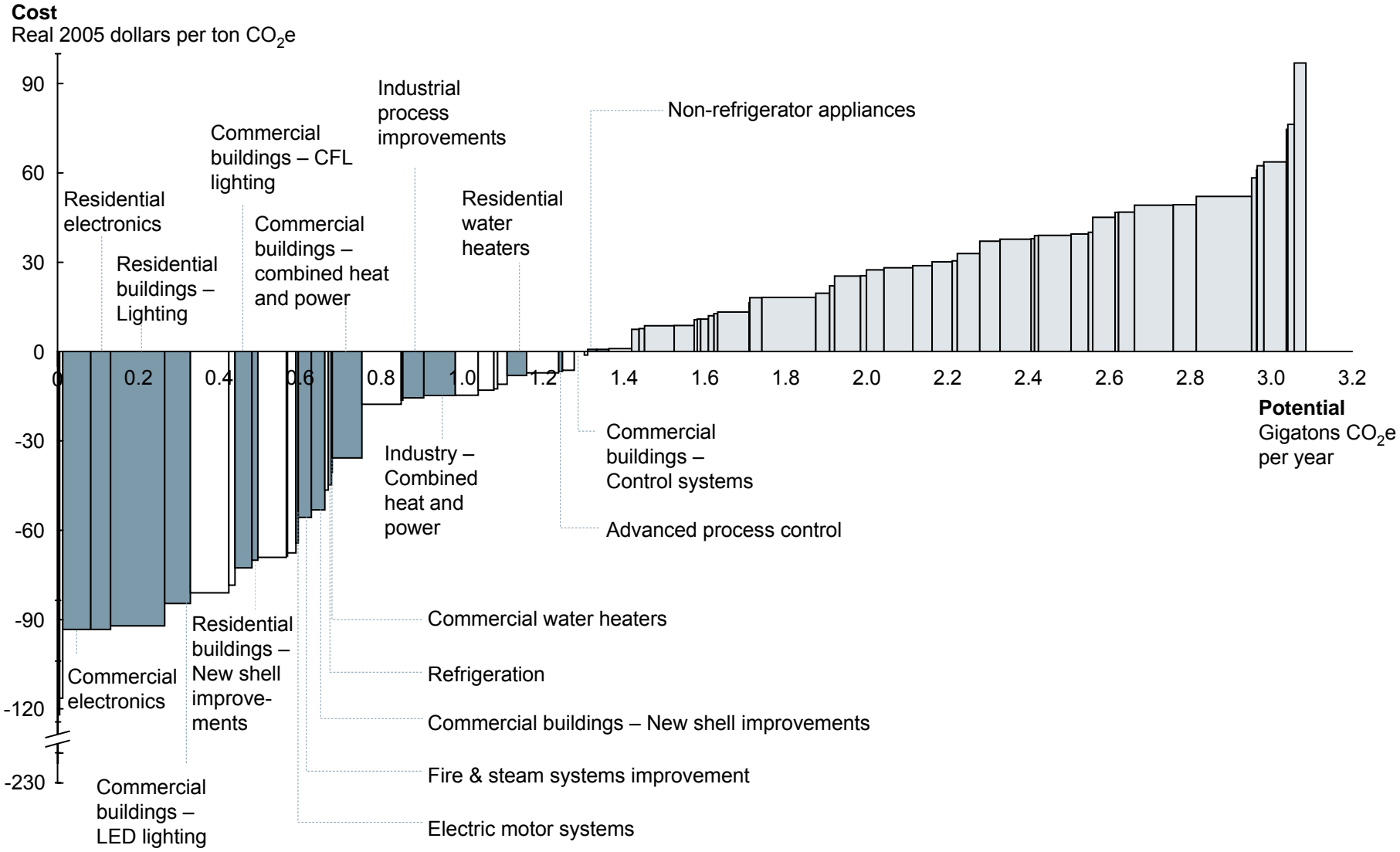


# Important observations

- **Recognize energy efficiency as an important energy resource** while the nation concurrently develops new energy sources
- **Launch an integrated portfolio** of proven, piloted, and emerging approaches
- Identify methods to **provide upfront funding**
- **Forge greater alignment** among stakeholders
- **Foster development** of next-generation energy efficient technologies

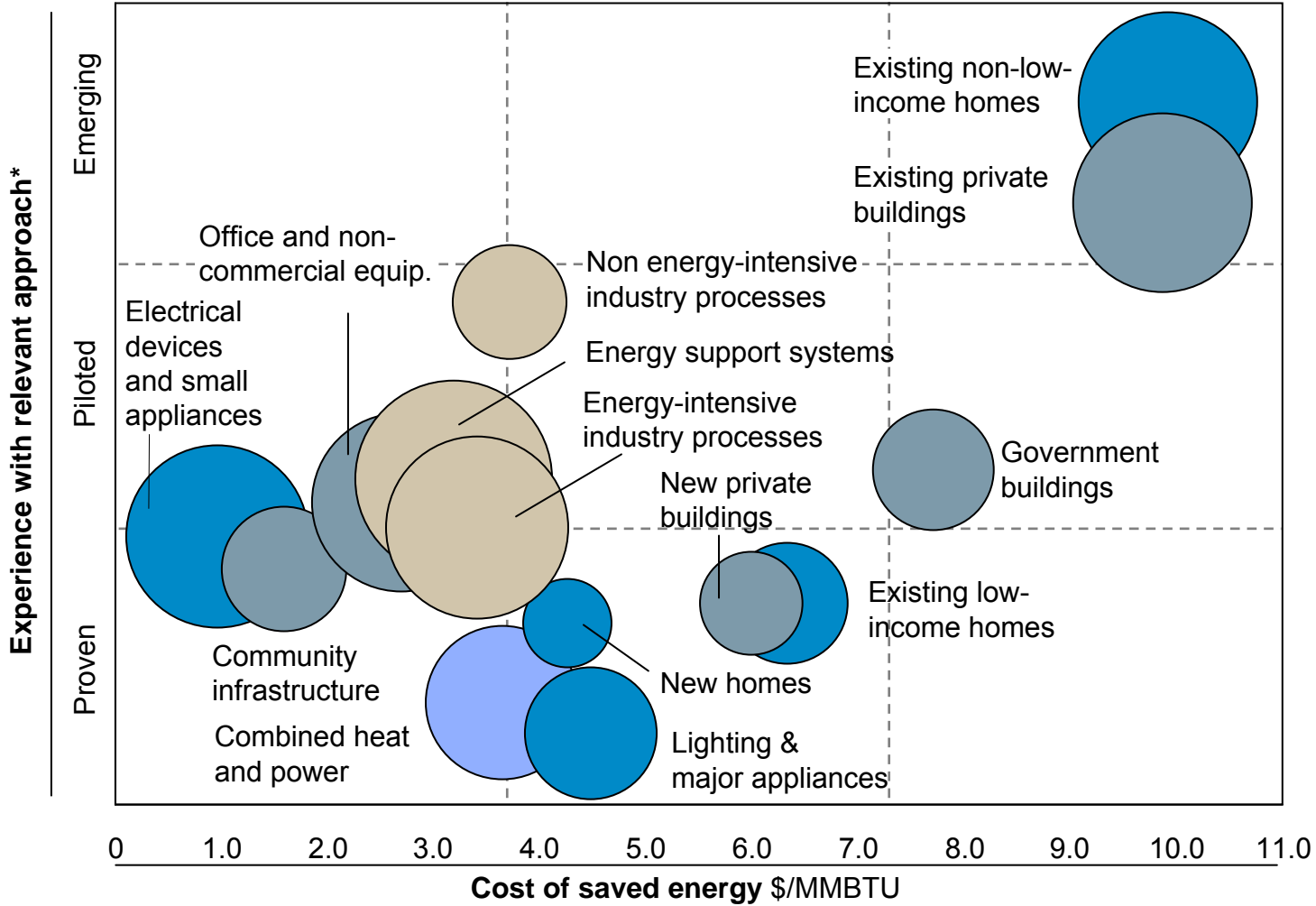
# U.S. mid-range greenhouse gas abatement curve – 2030

■ NPV-positive efficiency in stationary energy uses

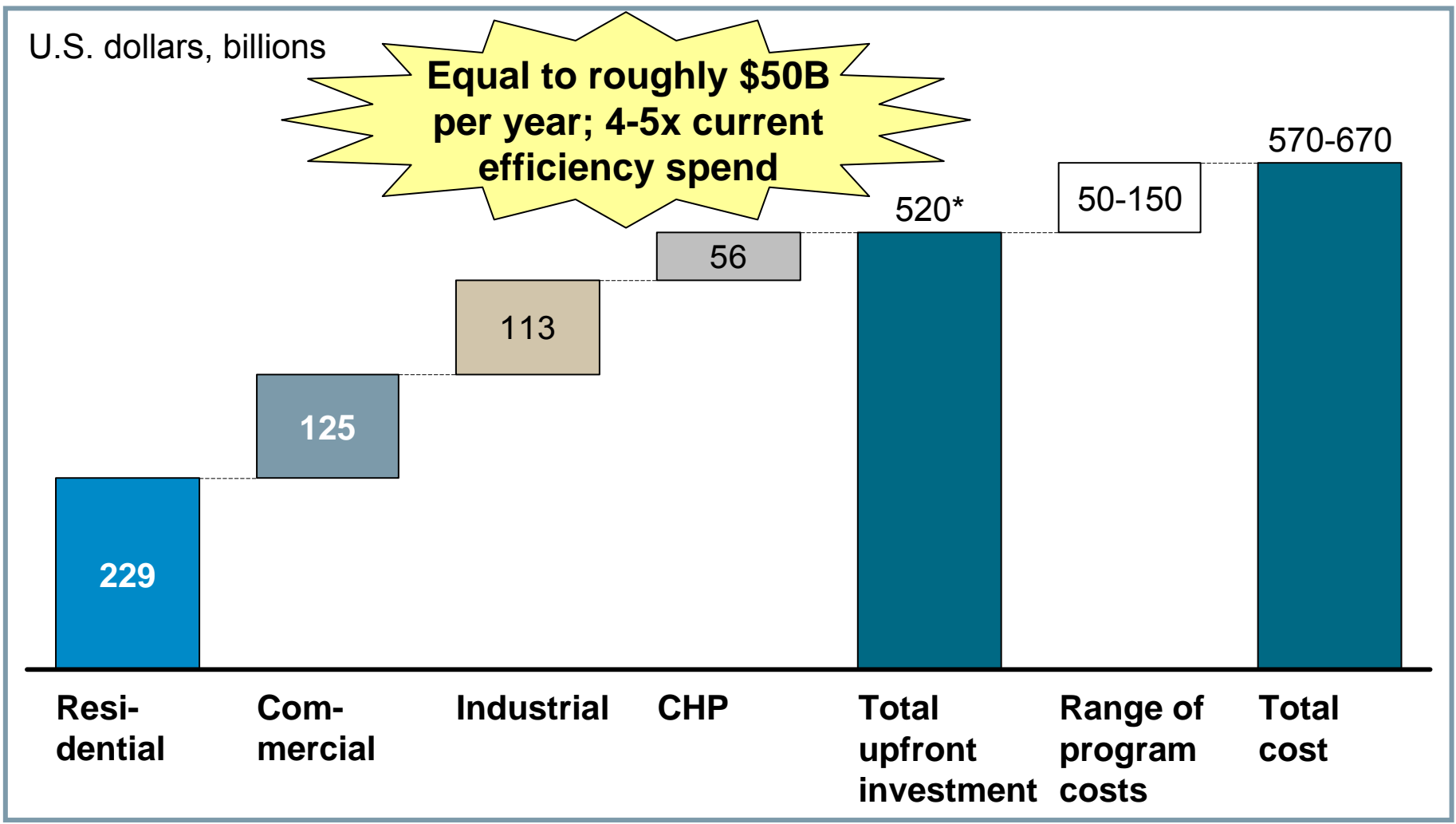


# Portfolio representing cost, experience, and potential of clusters possible with specified solution strategies

- Residential
- Commercial
- Industrial
- CHP
- Bubble area represents size of NPV-positive potential expressed in primary energy



# To deliver the \$1.2 trillion in savings will require \$ 520 billions in upfront investments



\* Rounded to the nearest ten billion  
Source: EIA AEO 2008, McKinsey analysis

# Aligning multiple stakeholders is an important enabler for unlocking efficiency potential

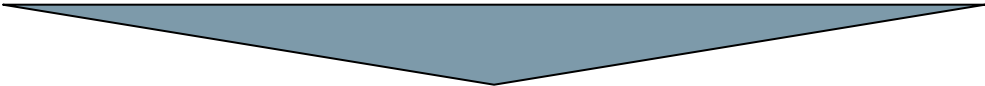
**Regulators**

**Manufacturers**



**Customers**

**Utilities**



Achieving regulatory alignment on cost recovery

Understanding the relationship between rates and bills

Clarifying leadership for each category of efficiency potential

Implementing appropriate measurement and verification

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