

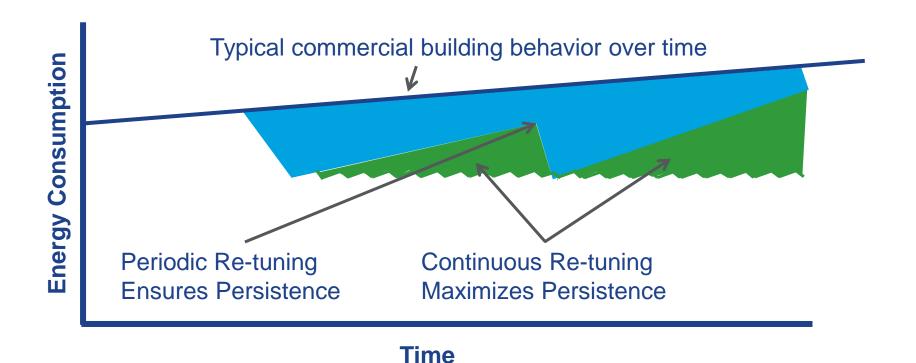
#### Commercial Building Re-Tuning: No/Low-Cost Operational Measures to Save Energy

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# **Building Re-Tuning: No/Low-Cost Operational Measures to Save Energy**

- Building Re-Tuning is a systematic process to identify and correct building operational problems that lead to energy waste
- Includes no/low-cost savings opportunities, such as replacing faulty sensors and adjusting set-points and BAS schedules







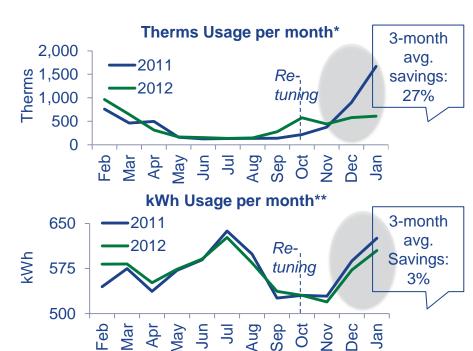
# Vornado Office Building Saved a 3-mo Average of 27% on Heating After Re-Tuning

## In October 2012, Vornado trained building operators to re-tune one of its buildings in Arlington VA

In the 3 months following re-tuning training, Vornado has saved an average of 27% on its heating bill and 3% on its electricity bill due to the following 5 measures that were identified:

- Lowering the boiler hot water supply temperature set point
- Lowering the static pressure on the main duct and branches
- Changing the set points on fan discharge temperature and chilled water supply temperature
- Lowering condenser water temperature supply
- Using motion sensors for the conference rooms to set VAV boxes to night mode

#### Vornado Energy Consumption Re-Tuning Data



\*Both Therm and kWh usage were normalized by degree days
\*\*Fan and cooling kWh savings are most significant during the Spring
and Fall months





# Re-Tuning Training Opportunities with NIST Manufacturing Extension Partnerships

Three NIST Manufacturing Extension Partnerships (MEP) are delivering re-tuning training across the nation, using the PNNL re-tuning materials.

If you are interested in a training for your organization's building operators and engineers, email <a href="mailto:MartaMilan@WaypointBuilding.com">MartaMilan@WaypointBuilding.com</a> to get in touch with the trainers in your area.

NIST MEP	Region	Partners
Manex	San Francisco	The Corporation for Manufacturing Excellence in California, partnering with Laney College and the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 39
DVIRC	Philadelphia	Delaware Valley Industrial Resource Center in Pennsylvania, partnering with Pennsylvania State University and Pennsylvania College of Technology
NY DED	NYC & Albany	New York State Department of Economic Development in New York, partnering with City University of New York and Rochester Institute of Technology





# Re-Tuning Resources Online and more in Development

## Re-Tuning Resources on CBRD and PNNL websites

Interested parties can visit the Commercial Buildings Resource Database (CBRD) for free Re-Tuning Resources such as:

- Re-Tuning Training: Instructors Manual
- Large Building Re-Tuning Training
- Small Building Re-Tuning Training
- ECAM User's Guide
- Interval Data Analysis
- Building Re-Tuning Case Study: Vornado
- Coming soon: Additional case studies

## Online Re-Tuning Training Available

PNNL offers two free interactive Re-Tuning e-learning courses to anyone interested in improving a building's energy performance and the comfort of the building's occupants (<a href="http://retuningtraining.labworks.org/training/lms/">http://retuningtraining.labworks.org/training/lms/</a>)

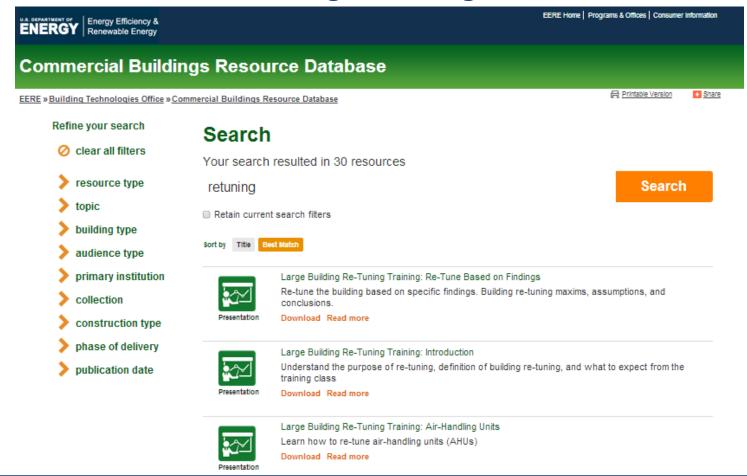
- Re-tuning for Building with Building Automation Systems (CEUs available from the Building Operator Certification Program)
- Re-tuning for Buildings without Building Automation Systems





# Commercial Buildings Resource Database (CBRD)

CBRD: Resources to support the adoption of energy-saving building technologies







# Panelists are here to share Re-Tuning Experiences

Our three panelists have implemented re-tuning in their own buildings after participating in the training

- Don Haas Brandywine Realty Trust
- John Healy Kennedy Wilson
- Susan Corry University of Maryland





# BOMA Philadelphia Re-Tuning Program

Don Haas, RPA, FMA, SMA, LEED Green Associate Director of Operations - Three Logan Square Brandywine Realty Trust



## DOE Intensive Two Day "Hands On" Training Sessions

► Sept 23<sup>rd</sup> All Day Large Building Classroom Training – 1717 Arch

► Sept 24<sup>th</sup> All Day

Tour Large Building with BAS: Central Plant – ARAMARK Tower Distributed System – BYN Mellon Bank

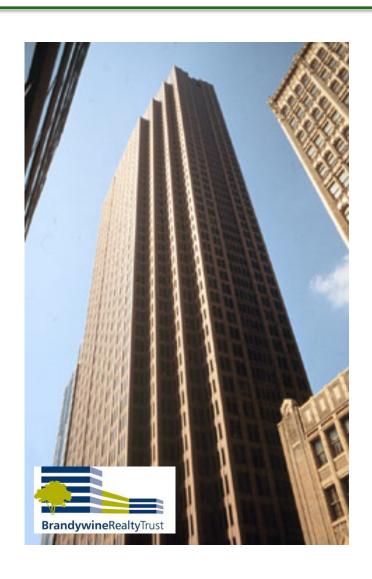
► Sept 25<sup>th</sup> AM

Small Building with BAS Training and Tour 610 Freedom Business Center, KOP

► Sept 26<sup>th</sup> AM

Small Building without BAS Training and Tour 200 Gibralter Road – Horsham, PA

#### Large Building Classroom Training



Large Building with Building Automation System (BAS)

Three Logan Square 1717 Arch St. 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor



#### Large Building Facility Tour

#### **ARAMARK** Tower

- Central plant facility
- 634,000 RSF
- 1,800 ton chiller plant
- 6 100,000 CFM fans
- 2 250hp steam boilers
- VAV distribution
- Automated Logic BAS

Large Building with Building Automation System (BAS)





- Distributed HVAC systems facility
- 1,238,000 RSF
- 3500 ton Cooling Tower Capacity
- Water Cooled DX Package Units
- VAV distribution
- Delta Controls BAS



Kennedy Wilson

# Small Building Training & Tours AM Training / PM Tour

Small Buildings with Building Automation System (BAS)



## Freedom Business Center

- With BAS
- 62,991 sf Three Story Class A Building
- 2 90 ton Packaged Units
- 75 VAV Boxes
- Perimeter Electric Heat
- Automated Logic BAS



# Small Building Training & Tour AM Training / PM Tour

## Small Buildings <u>without</u> Building Automation System (BAS)





#### 200 Gibralter Road

- No BAS
- 64,452 sf Three Story Class A Building
- 1 200 ton Evapco Cooling Tower
- 1 Electric Boiler
- 84 Water source Heat Pumps
- Stand Alone Zone
   Programmable T-stats



#### **Aramark Tower**

32 Story High Rise Office Building Philadelphia, PA

## Re-Tuning Session

September 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> 2013

#### Central Plant

John Healy
Operations Manager
Kennedy Wilson Pennsylvania
Management Inc.



#### Reasons We Participated In The Re-Tuning Program

- Ownership and Building Management are always looking for new ways to save energy.
- We wanted to learn about new control strategies to help run our HVAC systems more efficiently.
- We wanted the opportunity to share what we had learned as well as to learn from others about energy efficient measures that had successfully implemented.
- We saw an opportunity to validate the energy programs we had established.
- By having an advanced Building Automation System, we would be able to provide the long term trend data that the engineers at PNNL required.

#### Things that we learned from the Re-Tuning Program

- It's all about collecting data, data, data.... We provided almost 10,000,000 points of data to be analyzed.
- Every building is unique and needs to be evaluated independently.
- Supply Air Temperature Reset The data showed that the supply air temperature reset program currently in place in the automation system was not resetting correctly.
- Learned possible scenarios for making a supply static air reset possible with a central plant.
- Found some of the ideas presented were things we had already implemented or due to the building design or equipment age were cost prohibitive.







# Re-Tuning Program No to Low-Cost Measures

Susan Corry Energy Manager, UMCP May 8, 2014 Department of Energy Better Buildings Summit



#### Goals of Pilot Program

- Provide "energy" training for Facility Managers and potentially O&M staff
- Re-tuning training in Atlanta, GA in July 2013
- Train the trainer develop core group
- Identify and perform assessment of pilot facility
- Target goal of 20% reduction in EUI
- Develop priority list of no and low-cost measures for implementation
- Implementation of identified measures
- Develop process and procedure to replicate in other facilities on campus by Facility Managers or O&M staff

## **Police Training Academy**

- All electric facility
- 9,873 GSF
- 3 joined pre-fabricated metal buildings
- Major interior renovation completed in June 2012
- Annual usage of 512 MWhs
- High EUI of 135 kBtu/GSF compared to CBECS average of 104 kBtu/GSF
- Limited building automation system

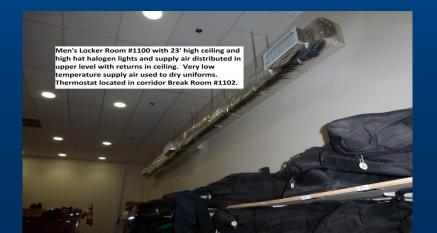


## **Findings**

- No occupancy schedule in place
- Uncapped abandoned exhaust air duct
- Un-insulated roof/ceiling
- Low-temperature "clothes dryer" competing against halogen lights







#### **Lessons Learned**

- Gather all work orders for previous year
- Meet with building zone technicians for history
- Meet with key occupants for support and acceptance to program initiatives
- Implement no/low cost ECMs one at a time using work orders and FM personnel when possible
- Measure and verify results to make business case