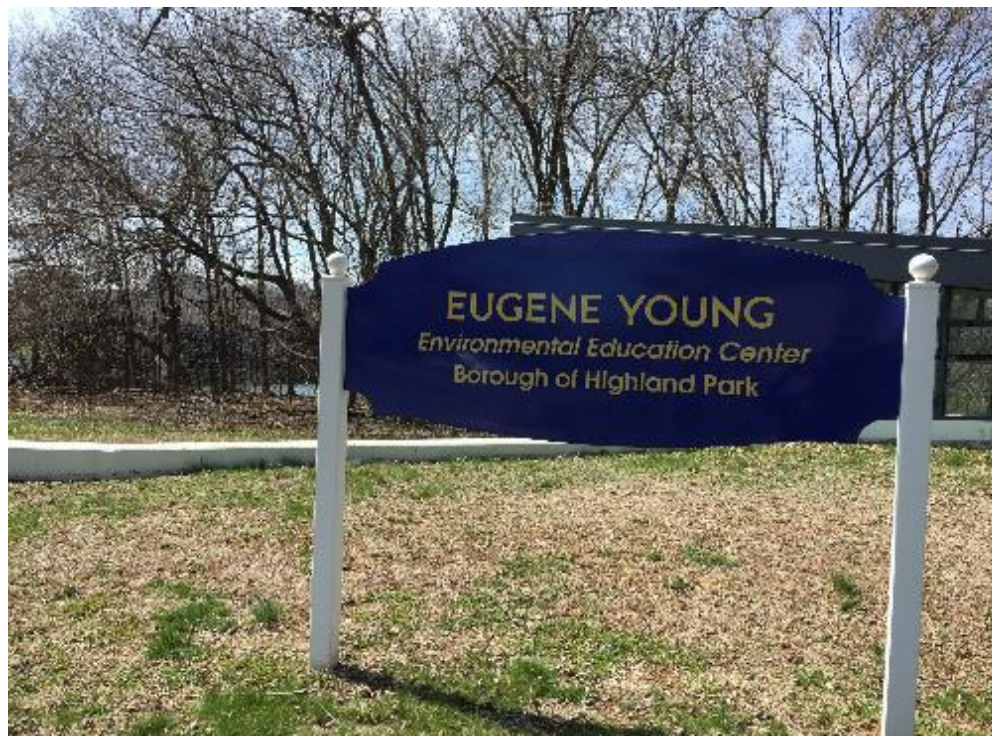




# Local Government Energy Audit: Energy Audit Report



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## Disclaimer

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The intent of this energy analysis report is to identify energy savings opportunities and recommend upgrades to the facility's energy using equipment and systems. Approximate savings are included in this report to help make decisions about reducing energy use at the facility. This report, however, is not intended to serve as a detailed engineering design document. Further design and analysis may be necessary in order to implement some of the measures recommended in this report.

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# I EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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The New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJBPUB) has sponsored this Local Government Energy Audit (LGEA) Report for the Environmental Center.

The goal of an LGEA report is to provide you with information on how your facility uses energy, identify energy conservation measures (ECMs) that can reduce your energy use, and provide information and assistance to help facilities implement ECMs. The LGEA report also contains valuable information on financial incentives from New Jersey's Clean Energy Program (NJCEP) for implementing ECMs.

This study was conducted by TRC Energy Services (TRC), as part of a comprehensive effort to assist New Jersey local governments in controlling energy costs and protecting our environment by offering a wide range of energy management options and advice.

## I.1 Facility Summary

The Environmental Center at Highland Park Borough is a small, mainly glass building totaling 700 square feet and constructed in 2007. The building is not continuously occupied but does hold some regular Borough of Highland Park environmental meetings throughout the year. It is comprised of one small restroom, a utility room and the main common area. It is constructed of concrete wall in the back and glass walls in the front. The roof is flat and the windows and doors are glass with metal frames. Lighting is provided by linear fluorescent T8 lamps and compact fluorescent lamps (CFL). Heating hot water and domestic hot water are provided conjointly by an electric hot water heater.

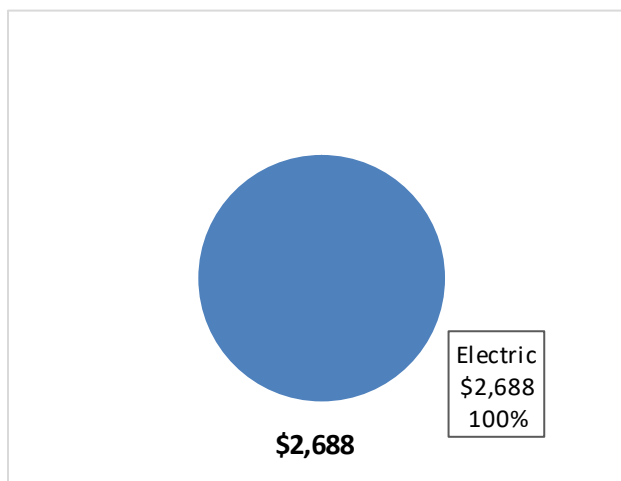
A thorough description of the facility and our observations are located in Section 2.

## I.2 Your Cost Reduction Opportunities

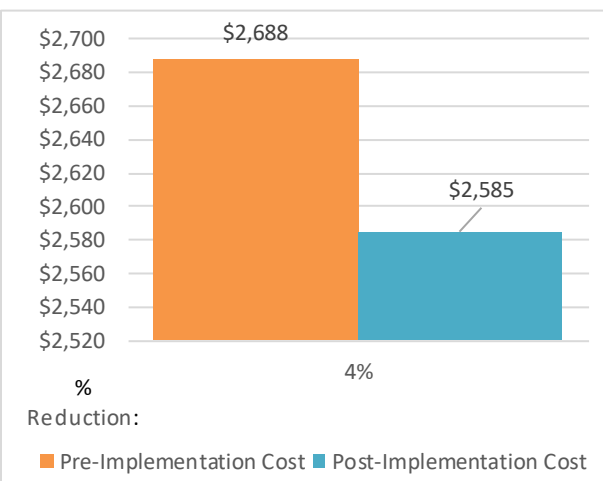
### Energy Conservation Measures

TRC evaluated two measures which together represent an opportunity for Environmental Center to reduce annual energy costs by roughly \$103 and annual greenhouse gas emissions by 756 lbs CO<sub>2</sub>e. We estimate that if all measures were implemented as recommended, the project would pay for itself in roughly 9.8 years. The breakdown of existing and potential utility costs after project implementation are illustrated in Figure 1 and Figure 2, respectively. Together these measures represent an opportunity to reduce Environmental Center's annual energy use by 4%.

**Figure 1 – Previous 12 Month Utility Costs**



**Figure 2 – Potential Post-Implementation Costs**



A detailed description of Environmental Center’s existing energy use can be found in Section 3.

Estimates of the total cost, energy savings, and financial incentives for the proposed energy efficient upgrades are summarized below in Figure 3. A brief description of each category can be found below and a description of savings opportunities can be found in Section 4.

**Figure 3 – Summary of Energy Reduction Opportunities**

Energy Conservation Measure	Recommend?	Annual Electric Savings (kWh)	Peak Demand Savings (kW)	Annual Fuel Savings (MMBtu)	Annual Energy Cost Savings (\$)	Estimated Install Cost (\$)	Estimated Incentive (\$)*	Estimated Net Cost (\$)	Simple Payback Period (yrs)**	CO <sub>2</sub> e Emissions Reduction (lbs)	
<b>Lighting Upgrades</b>		541	0.2	0.0	\$74.47	\$859.86	\$40.00	\$819.86	11.0	545	
ECM 1	Retrofit Fixtures with LED Lamps	Yes	541	0.2	0.0	\$74.47	\$859.86	\$40.00	\$819.86	11.0	545
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<b>TOTALS</b>		750	0.3	0.0	\$103.32	\$1,091.86	\$80.00	\$1,011.86	9.8	756	

\* - All incentives presented in this table are based on NJ Smart Start Building equipment incentives and assume proposed equipment meets minimum performance criteria for that program.

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**Lighting Upgrades** generally involve the replacement of existing lighting components such as lamps and ballasts (or the entire fixture) with higher efficiency lighting components. These measures save energy by reducing the power used by the lighting components due to improved electrical efficiency.

**Lighting Controls** measures generally involve the installation of automated controls to turn off lights or reduce light output when not needed. Automated control reduces reliance on occupant behavior for adjusting lights. These measures save energy by reducing the amount of time lights are on.

## **Energy Efficient Practices**

TRC also identified four low cost (or no cost energy) efficient practices. A facility's energy performance can be significantly improved by employing certain behavioral or operational adjustments and by performing better routine maintenance on building systems. These practices can extend equipment lifetime, improve occupant comfort, provide better health and safety, as well as reduce annual energy and O&M costs. Potential opportunities identified at Environmental Center include:

- Perform Proper Lighting Maintenance
- Ensure Lighting Controls Are Operating Properly
- Perform Proper Water Heater Maintenance
- Water Conservation

For details on these energy efficient practices, please refer to Section 5.

## **On-Site Generation Measures**

TRC evaluated the potential for installing on-site generation for the Environmental Center. Based on the configuration of the site and its loads there is a low potential for installing any PV and combined heat and power self-generation measures.

For details on our evaluation and on-site generation potential, please refer to Section 6.



### I.3 Implementation Planning

To realize the energy savings from the ECMs listed in this report, a project implementation plan must be developed. Available capital must be considered and decisions need to be made whether it is best to pursue individual ECMs separately, groups of ECMs, or a comprehensive approach where all ECMs are implemented together, possibly in conjunction with other facility upgrades or improvements.

Rebates, incentives, and financing are available from NJCEP, as well as other sources, to help reduce the costs associated with the implementation of energy efficiency projects. Prior to implementing any measure, please review the relevant incentive program guidelines before proceeding. This is important because in most cases you will need to submit applications for the incentives prior to purchasing materials or commencing with installation.

The ECMs outlined in this report may qualify under the following program(s):

- SmartStart
- Energy Savings Improvement Program (ESIP)

For facilities wanting to pursue only selected individual measures (or planning to phase implementation of selected measures over multiple years), incentives are available through the SmartStart program. To participate in this program you may utilize internal resources, or an outside firm or contractor, to do the final design of the ECM(s) and do the installation. Program pre-approval is required for some SmartStart incentives, so only after receiving pre-approval should you proceed with ECM installation. The incentive estimates listed above in Figure 3 are based on the SmartStart program. More details on this program and others are available in Section 8.

For larger facilities with limited capital availability to implement ECMs, project financing may be available through the Energy Savings Improvement Program (ESIP). Supported directly by the NJBPU, ESIP provides government agencies with project development, design, and implementation support services, as well as, attractive financing for implementing ECMs. An LGEA report (or other approved energy audit) is required for participation in ESIP. Please refer to Section 8.2 for additional information on the ESIP Program.

Additional information on relevant incentive programs is located in Section 8 or: [www.njcleanenergy.com/ci](http://www.njcleanenergy.com/ci).

## 2 FACILITY INFORMATION AND EXISTING CONDITIONS

### 2.1 Project Contacts

Figure 4 – Project Contacts

Name	Role	E-Mail	Phone #
<b>Customer</b>			
Teri Jover	Borough Administrator	<a href="mailto:tjover@hpboro.com">tjover@hpboro.com</a>	732-819-3789
<b>Designated Representative</b>			
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<b>TRC Energy Services</b>			
Moussa Traore	Auditor	<a href="mailto:mtraore@trcsolutions.com">mtraore@trcsolutions.com</a>	(732) 855-0033

### 2.2 General Site Information

On April 9, 2018, TRC performed an energy audit at Environmental Center located in Highland Park, New Jersey. TRC’s auditor met with Mike Wieczorkiewicz to review the facility operations and help focus our investigation on specific energy-using systems.

The Environmental Center at Highland Park Borough is a small, mainly glass building totaling 700 square feet and constructed in 2007. The building is not continuously occupied but does hold some regular Borough of Highland Park environmental meetings throughout the year. It is comprised of one small restroom, a utility room and the main common area. It is constructed of concrete wall in the back and glass walls in the front. The roof is flat and the windows and doors are glass with metal frames. Lighting is provided by linear fluorescent T8 lamps and compact fluorescent lamps (CFL). Heating hot water and domestic hot water are provided conjointly by an electric hot water heater.

### 2.3 Building Occupancy

The building is not continuously occupied. The typical schedule is presented in the table below.

Figure 5 - Building Schedule

Building Name	Weekday/Weekend	Operating Schedule
Environmental Center	Weekday	11:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Environmental Center	Weekend	10:00 PM - 5:00 PM

## 2.4 Building Envelope

The building is constructed of concrete block and glass. It has a flat roof and the windows and doors are all clear glass.



*Image 1: Building Envelope*

## 2.5 On-Site Generation

The Environmental Center does not have any on-site electric generation capacity.

## 2.6 Energy-Using Systems

Please see Appendix A: Equipment Inventory & Recommendations for an inventory of the facility's equipment.

## **Lighting System**

Lighting is provided by both 32-W linear fluorescent T8 lamps with electronic ballasts and 4-pin compact fluorescent lamps which are controlled with manual wall switches.



*Image 2: Lighting System*

## Hot Water Heating System

The hot water heating system consists of an electric A. O. Smith water heater with an input rating of 18 kW and a 20 gallon storage tank. The heater also provides domestic hot water to the only restroom in the facility. Hot water is distributed to the heating baseboards by a small fractional hp motor. The heater is located in the utility room and its electric usage represents over 70% of the total building electricity consumption. The heating system is controlled with programmable thermostat.



*Image 3 Hot Water System*

## 2.7 Water-Using Systems

There is one restroom at this facility with faucet rated as low flow.

### 3 SITE ENERGY USE AND COSTS

Utility data for electricity was analyzed to identify opportunities for savings. In addition, data for electricity was evaluated to determine the annual energy performance metrics for the building in energy cost per square foot and energy usage per square foot. These metrics are an estimate of the relative energy efficiency of this building. There are a number of factors that could cause the energy use of this building to vary from the “typical” energy usage profile for facilities with similar characteristics. Local weather conditions, building age and insulation levels, equipment efficiency, daily occupancy hours, changes in occupancy throughout the year, equipment operating hours, and energy efficient behavior of occupants all contribute to benchmarking scores. Please refer to the Benchmarking section within Section 3.3 for additional information.

#### 3.1 Total Cost of Energy

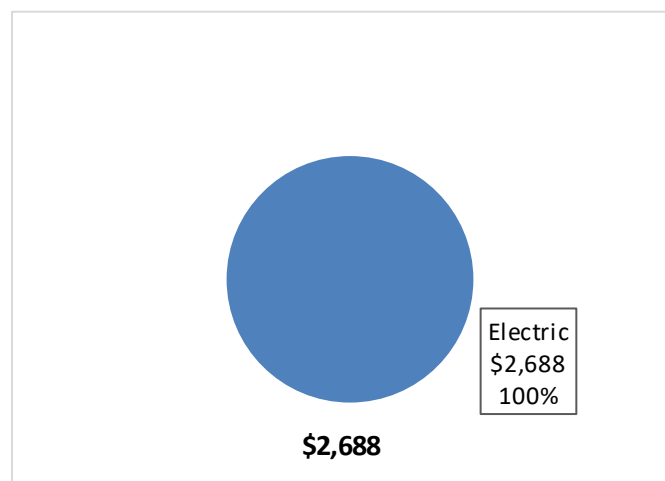
The following energy consumption and cost data is based on the last 12-month period of utility billing data that was provided for each utility. A profile of the annual energy consumption and energy cost of the facility was developed from this information.

*Figure 6 - Utility Summary*

Utility Summary for Environmental Center		
Fuel	Usage	Cost
Electricity	19,523 kWh	\$2,688
Total		\$2,688

The current annual energy cost for this facility is \$2,688 as shown in the chart below.

*Figure 7 - Energy Cost Breakdown*



### 3.2 Electricity Usage

Electricity is provided by PSE&G. The average electric cost over the past 12 months was \$0.138/kWh, which is the blended rate that includes energy supply, distribution, and other charges. This rate is used throughout the analyses in this report to assess energy costs and savings. The monthly electricity consumption and peak demand are shown in the chart below. The high winter use indicates an electrical heating profile with no summer cooling.

Figure 8 - Electric Usage & Demand

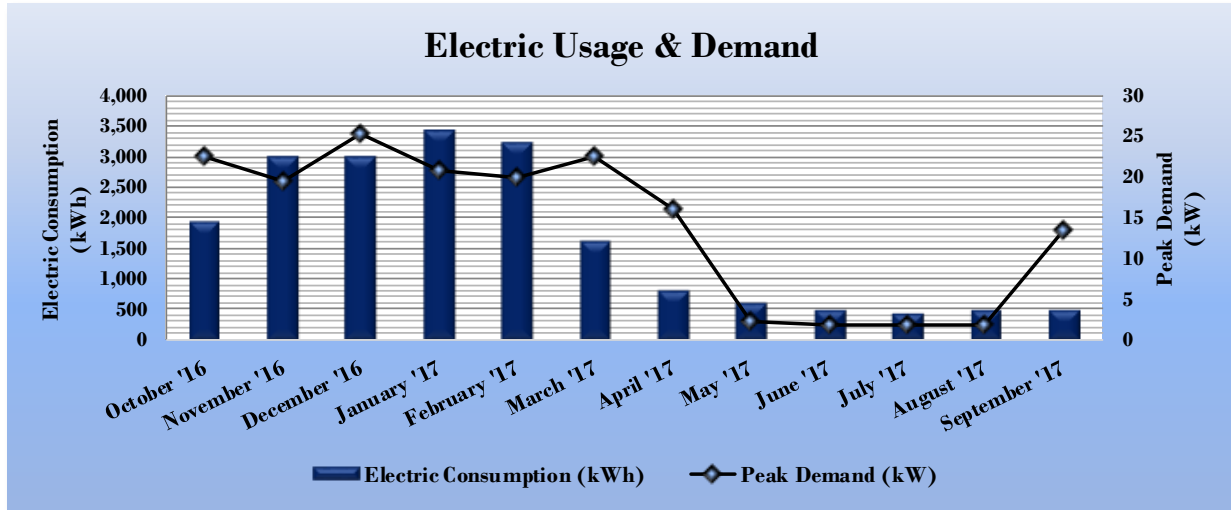


Figure 9 - Electric Usage & Demand

Electric Billing Data for Environmental Center					
Period Ending	Days in Period	Electric Usage (kWh)	Demand (kW)	Demand Cost	Total Electric Cost
11/15/16	30	1,927	22	\$100	\$270
12/14/16	31	2,988	19	\$87	\$335
1/15/17	31	3,013	25	\$113	\$373
2/14/17	28	3,431	21	\$93	\$387
3/15/17	31	3,216	20	\$89	\$371
4/14/17	30	1,617	22	\$101	\$263
5/15/17	31	810	16	\$73	\$175
6/14/17	30	600	2	\$10	\$115
7/15/17	31	486	2	\$8	\$94
8/14/17	31	442	2	\$8	\$90
9/15/17	30	492	2	\$8	\$91
10/14/17	31	501	13	\$61	\$124
<b>Totals</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>19,523</b>	<b>25.3</b>	<b>\$751</b>	<b>\$2,688</b>
<b>Annual</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>19,523</b>	<b>25.3</b>	<b>\$751</b>	<b>\$2,688</b>

### 3.3 Benchmarking

This facility was benchmarked using Portfolio Manager®, an online tool created and managed by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) through the ENERGY STAR® program. Portfolio Manager® analyzes your building’s consumption data, cost information, and operational use details and then compares its performance against a national median for similar buildings of its type. Metrics provided by this analysis are Energy Use Intensity (EUI) and an ENERGY STAR® score for select building types.

The EUI is a measure of a facility’s energy consumption per square foot, and it is the standard metric for comparing buildings’ energy performance. Comparing the EUI of a building with the national median EUI for that building type illustrates whether that building uses more or less energy than similar buildings of its type on a square foot basis. EUI is presented in terms of “site energy” and “source energy.” Site energy is the amount of fuel and electricity consumed by a building as reflected in utility bills. Source energy includes fuel consumed to generate electricity consumed at the site, factoring in electric production and distribution losses for the region.

**Figure 10 - Energy Use Intensity Comparison – Existing Conditions**

Energy Use Intensity Comparison - Existing Conditions		
	Environmental Center	National Median Building Type: Other - Special
Source Energy Use Intensity (kBtu/ft <sup>2</sup> )	298.8	123.1
Site Energy Use Intensity (kBtu/ft <sup>2</sup> )	95.2	78.8

Implementation of all recommended measures in this report would improve the building’s estimated EUI significantly, as shown in the table below:

**Figure 11 - Energy Use Intensity Comparison – Following Installation of Recommended Measures**

Energy Use Intensity Comparison - Following Installation of Recommended Measures		
	Environmental Center	National Median Building Type: Other - Special
Source Energy Use Intensity (kBtu/ft <sup>2</sup> )	287.3	123.1
Site Energy Use Intensity (kBtu/ft <sup>2</sup> )	91.5	78.8

Many types of commercial buildings are also eligible to receive an ENERGY STAR® score. This score is a percentile ranking from 1 to 100. It compares your building’s energy performance to similar buildings nationwide. A score of 50 represents median energy performance, while a score of 75 means your building performs better than 75 percent of all similar buildings nationwide and may be eligible for ENERGY STAR® certification. The building is not of a category or size which permits an ENERGY STAR® benchmark.

A Portfolio Manager® profile has been set up for the Borough of Highland Park Environmental Center, but its intent is solely to provide the Borough of Highland Park with a method to track monthly utility bills. The Site and Source Energy Use Intensities (EUIs) calculated using the data from the utility bills is an effective method to track energy efficiency efforts. However, the median EUIs are not relevant for this property and the Borough of Highland Park Environmental Center should not be compared to other facilities nationwide.

A Portfolio Manager® Statement of Energy Performance (SEP) was generated for this facility, see Appendix B: ENERGY STAR® Statement of Energy Performance.



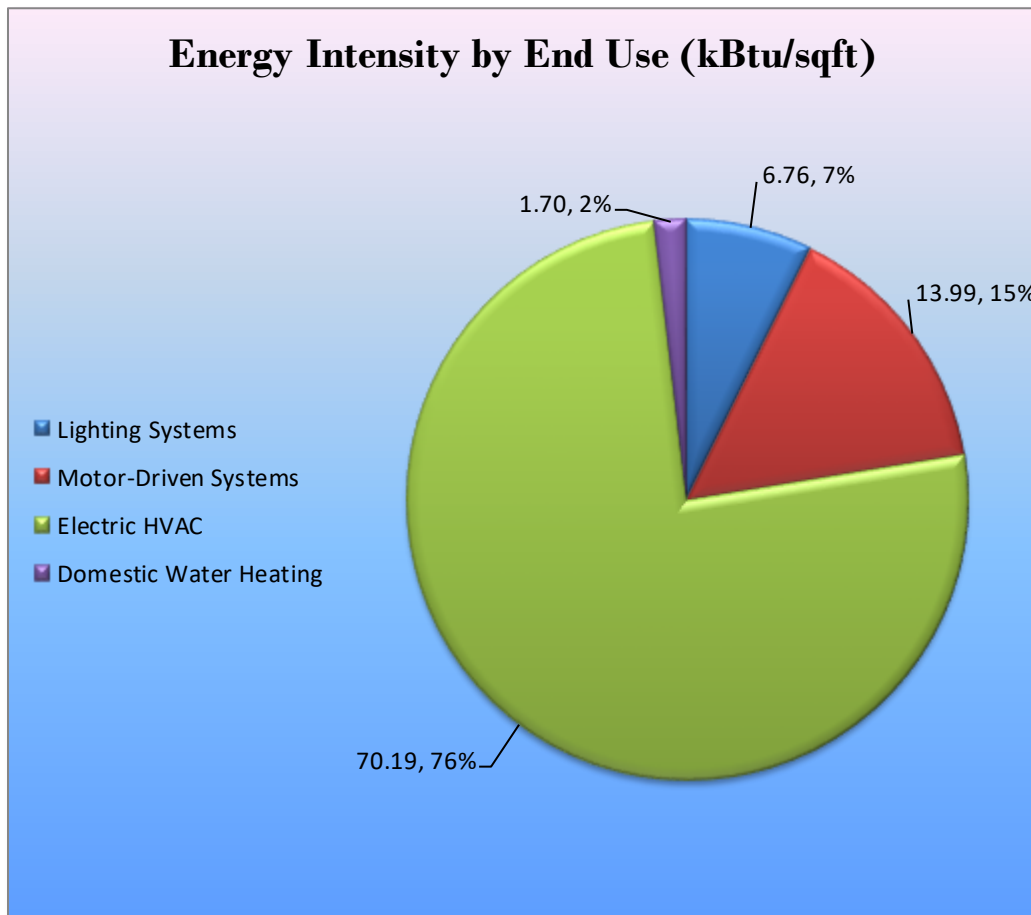
For more information on ENERGY STAR® certification go to: <https://www.energystar.gov/buildings/facility-owners-and-managers/existing-buildings/earn-recognition/energy-star-certification/how-app-1>.

A Portfolio Manager® account has been created online for your facility and you will be provided with the login information for the account. We encourage you to update your utility information in Portfolio Manager® regularly, so that you can keep track of your building’s performance. Free online training is available to help you use ENERGY STAR® Portfolio Manager® to track your building’s performance at: <https://www.energystar.gov/buildings/training>.

### 3.4 Energy End-Use Breakdown

In order to provide a complete overview of energy consumption across building systems, an energy balance was performed at this facility. An energy balance utilizes standard practice engineering methods to evaluate all components of the various electric and fuel-fired systems found in a building to determine their proportional contribution to overall building energy usage. This chart of energy end uses highlights the relative contribution of each equipment category to total energy usage. This can help determine where the greatest benefits might be found from energy efficiency measures.

Figure 12 - Energy Balance (% and kBtu/SF)



## 4 ENERGY CONSERVATION MEASURES

### Level of Analysis

The goal of this audit report is to identify potential energy efficiency opportunities, help prioritize specific measures for implementation, and provide information to the Environmental Center regarding financial incentives for which they may qualify to implement the recommended measures. For this audit report, most measures have received only a preliminary analysis of feasibility which identifies expected ranges of savings and costs. This level of analysis is usually considered sufficient to demonstrate project cost-effectiveness and help prioritize energy measures. Savings are based on the New Jersey Clean Energy Program Protocols to Measure Resource Savings dated June 29, 2016, approved by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities. Further analysis or investigation may be required to calculate more precise savings based on specific circumstances. A higher level of investigation may be necessary to support any custom SmartStart or Pay for Performance, or Direct Install incentive applications. Financial incentives for the ECMs identified in this report have been calculated based the NJCEP prescriptive SmartStart program. Some measures and proposed upgrade projects may be eligible for higher incentives than those shown below through other NJCEP programs as described in Section 8.

The following sections describe the evaluated measures.

### 4.1 Recommended ECMs

The measures below have been evaluated by the auditor and are recommended for implementation at the facility.

*Figure 13 – Summary of Recommended ECMs*

Energy Conservation Measure		Annual Electric Savings (kWh)	Peak Demand Savings (kW)	Annual Fuel Savings (MMBtu)	Annual Energy Cost Savings (\$)	Estimated Install Cost (\$)	Estimated Incentive (\$)*	Estimated Net Cost (\$)	Simple Payback Period (yrs)**	CO <sub>2</sub> e Emissions Reduction (lbs)
<b>Lighting Upgrades</b>		<b>541</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>\$74.47</b>	<b>\$859.86</b>	<b>\$40.00</b>	<b>\$819.86</b>	<b>11.0</b>	<b>545</b>
ECM 1	Retrofit Fixtures with LED Lamps	541	0.2	0.0	\$74.47	\$859.86	\$40.00	\$819.86	11.0	545
<b>Lighting Control Measures</b>		<b>210</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>\$28.85</b>	<b>\$232.00</b>	<b>\$40.00</b>	<b>\$192.00</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>211</b>
ECM 2	Install Occupancy Sensor Lighting Controls	210	0.1	0.0	\$28.85	\$232.00	\$40.00	\$192.00	6.7	211
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>750</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>\$103.32</b>	<b>\$1,091.86</b>	<b>\$80.00</b>	<b>\$1,011.86</b>	<b>9.8</b>	<b>756</b>

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### 4.1.1 Lighting Upgrades

Our recommendations for upgrades to existing lighting fixtures are summarized in Figure 14 below.

*Figure 14 – Summary of Lighting Upgrade ECMs*

Energy Conservation Measure		Annual Electric Savings (kWh)	Peak Demand Savings (kW)	Annual Fuel Savings (MMBtu)	Annual Energy Cost Savings (\$)	Estimated Install Cost (\$)	Estimated Incentive (\$)	Estimated Net Cost (\$)	Simple Payback Period (yrs)	CO <sub>2</sub> e Emissions Reduction (lbs)
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During lighting upgrade planning and design, we recommend a comprehensive approach that considers both the efficiency of the lighting fixtures and how they are controlled.

#### **ECM 1: Retrofit Fixtures with LED Lamps**

##### *Summary of Measure Economics*

Interior/ Exterior	Annual Electric Savings (kWh)	Peak Demand Savings (kW)	Annual Fuel Savings (MMBtu)	Annual Energy Cost Savings (\$)	Estimated Install Cost (\$)	Estimated Incentive (\$)	Estimated Net Cost (\$)	Simple Payback Period (yrs)	CO <sub>2</sub> e Emissions Reduction (lbs)
Interior	523	0.2	0.0	\$72.06	\$815.81	\$40.00	\$775.81	10.8	527
Exterior	18	0.0	0.0	\$2.41	\$44.05	\$0.00	\$44.05	18.3	18

##### *Measure Description*

We recommend retrofitting existing linear fluorescent and CFL lamps with LED lamps. Many LED tube lamps are direct replacements for existing fluorescent lamps and can be installed while leaving the fluorescent fixture ballast in place. LED bulbs can be used in existing fixtures as a direct replacement for most other lighting technologies. This measure saves energy by installing LEDs which use less power than other lighting technologies yet provide equivalent lighting output for the space.

Additional savings from lighting maintenance can be anticipated since LEDs have lifetimes which are more than twice that of fluorescent sources.

## 4.1.2 Lighting Control Measures

Our recommendations for lighting control measures are summarized in Figure 15 below.

*Figure 15 – Summary of Lighting Control ECMs*

Energy Conservation Measure		Annual Electric Savings (kWh)	Peak Demand Savings (kW)	Annual Fuel Savings (MMBtu)	Annual Energy Cost Savings (\$)	Estimated Install Cost (\$)	Estimated Incentive (\$)	Estimated Net Cost (\$)	Simple Payback Period (yrs)	CO <sub>2</sub> e Emissions Reduction (lbs)
<b>Lighting Control Measures</b>		<b>210</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>\$28.85</b>	<b>\$232.00</b>	<b>\$40.00</b>	<b>\$192.00</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>211</b>
ECM 2	Install Occupancy Sensor Lighting Controls	210	0.1	0.0	\$28.85	\$232.00	\$40.00	\$192.00	6.7	211

During lighting upgrade planning and design, we recommend a comprehensive approach that considers both the efficiency of the lighting fixtures and how they are controlled.

### ECM 2: Install Occupancy Sensor Lighting Controls

#### *Summary of Measure Economics*

Annual Electric Savings (kWh)	Peak Demand Savings (kW)	Annual Fuel Savings (MMBtu)	Annual Energy Cost Savings (\$)	Estimated Install Cost (\$)	Estimated Incentive (\$)	Estimated Net Cost (\$)	Simple Payback Period (yrs)	CO <sub>2</sub> e Emissions Reduction (lbs)
210	0.1	0.0	\$28.85	\$232.00	\$40.00	\$192.00	6.7	211

#### *Measure Description*

We recommend installing occupancy sensors to control lighting fixtures that are currently controlled by manual switches in the main area. Lighting sensors detect occupancy using ultrasonic and/or infrared sensors. For most spaces, we recommend lighting controls use dual technology sensors, which can eliminate the possibility of any lights turning off unexpectedly. Lighting systems are enabled when an occupant is detected. Fixtures are automatically turned off after an area has been vacant for a preset period. Some controls also provide dimming options and all modern occupancy controls can be easily over-ridden by room occupants to allow them to manually turn fixtures on or off, as desired. Energy savings results from only operating lighting systems when they are required.

Occupancy sensors may be mounted on the wall at existing switch locations, mounted on the ceiling, or in remote locations. In general, wall switch replacement sensors are recommended for single occupant offices and other small rooms. Ceiling-mounted or remote mounted sensors are used in locations without local switching or where wall switches are not in the line-of-sight of the main work area and in large spaces. We recommend a comprehensive approach to lighting design that upgrades both the lighting fixtures and the controls together for maximum energy savings and improved lighting for occupants.

## 5 ENERGY EFFICIENT PRACTICES

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In addition to the quantifiable savings estimated in Section 4, a facility's energy performance can also be improved through application of many low cost or no-cost energy efficiency strategies. By employing certain behavioral and operational changes and performing routine maintenance on building systems, equipment lifetime can be extended; occupant comfort, health and safety can be improved; and energy and O&M costs can be reduced. The recommendations below are provided as a framework for developing a whole building maintenance plan that is customized to your facility. Consult with qualified equipment specialists for details on proper maintenance and system operation.

### **Perform Proper Lighting Maintenance**

In order to sustain optimal lighting levels, lighting fixtures should undergo routine maintenance. Light levels decrease over time due to lamp aging, lamp and ballast failure, and buildup of dirt and dust on lamps, fixtures and reflective surfaces. Together, these factors can reduce total illumination by 20% - 60% or more, while operating fixtures continue drawing full power. To limit this reduction, lamps, reflectors and diffusers should be thoroughly cleaned of dirt, dust, oil, and smoke film buildup approximately every 6 – 12 months.

### **Ensure Lighting Controls Are Operating Properly**

Lighting controls are very cost effective energy efficient devices, when installed and operating correctly. As part of a lighting maintenance schedule, lighting controls should be tested annually to ensure proper functioning. For occupancy sensors, this requires triggering the sensor and verifying that the sensor's timer settings are correct. For daylight sensors, maintenance involves cleaning of sensor lenses and confirming setpoints and sensitivity are appropriately configured.

### **Perform Proper Water Heater Maintenance**

At least once a year, drain a few gallons out of the water heater using the drain valve. If there is a lot of sediment or debris, then a full flush is recommended. Turn the temperature down and then completely drain the tank. Once a year check for any leaks or heavy corrosion on the pipes and valves. For gas water heaters, check the draft hood and make sure it is placed properly, with a few inches of air space between the tank and where it connects to the vent. Look for any corrosion or wear on the gas line and on the piping. If you noticed any black residue, soot or charred metal, this is a sign you may be having combustion issues and you should have the unit serviced by a professional. For electric water heaters, look for any signs of leaking such as rust streaks or residue around the upper and lower panels covering the electrical components on the tank. For water heaters over three to four years old have a technician inspect the sacrificial anode annually.

## Water Conservation

Installing low-flow faucets or faucet aerators, low-flow showerheads, and kitchen sink pre-rinse spray valves saves both energy and water. These devices save energy by reducing the overall amount of hot water used hence reducing the energy used to heat the water. The flow ratings for EPA WaterSense™ (<http://www3.epa.gov/watersense/products>) labeled devices are 1.5 gallons per minute (gpm) for bathroom faucets, 2.0 gpm for showerheads, and 1.28 gpm for pre-rinse spray valves.

Installing dual flush or low-flow toilets and low-flow or waterless urinals are additional ways to reduce the sites water use, however, these devices do not provide energy savings at the site level. Any reduction in water use does however ultimately reduce grid level electricity use since a significant amount of electricity is used to deliver water from reservoirs to end users. The EPA WaterSense™ ratings for urinals is 0.5 gallons per flush (gpf) and toilets that use as little as 1.28 gpf (this is lower than the current 1.6 gpf federal standard).

## 6 ON-SITE GENERATION MEASURES

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On-site generation measure options include both renewable (e.g., solar, wind) and non-renewable (e.g., fuel cells) on-site technologies that generate power to meet all or a portion of the electric energy needs of a facility, often repurposing any waste heat where applicable. Also referred to as distributed generation, these systems contribute to Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emission reductions, demand reductions and reduced customer electricity purchases, resulting in the electric system reliability through improved transmission and distribution system utilization.

The State of New Jersey's Energy Master Plan (EMP) encourages new distributed generation of all forms and specifically focuses on expanding use of combined heat and power (CHP) by reducing financial, regulatory and technical barriers and identifying opportunities for new entries. The EMP also outlines a goal of 70% of the State's electrical needs to be met by renewable sources by 2050.

Preliminary screenings were performed to determine the potential that a generation project could provide a cost-effective solution for your facility. Before making a decision to implement, a feasibility study should be conducted that would take a detailed look at existing energy profiles, siting, interconnection, and the costs associated with the generation project including interconnection costs, departing load charges, and any additional special facilities charges.

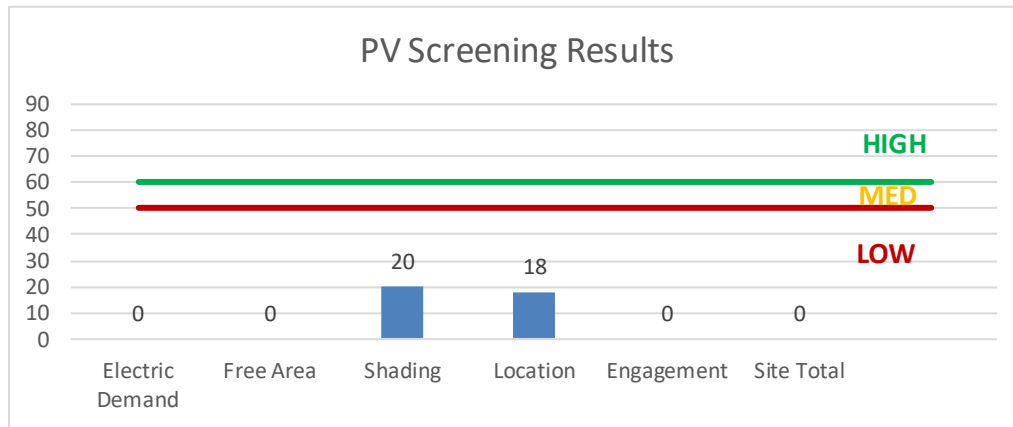
## 6.1 Photovoltaic

Sunlight can be converted into electricity using photovoltaics (PV) modules. Modules are racked together into an array that produces direct current (DC) electricity. The DC current is converted to alternating current (AC) through an inverter. The inverter is interconnected to the facility’s electrical distribution system. The amount of unobstructed area available determines how large of a solar array can be installed. The size of the array combined with the orientation, tilt, and shading elements determines the energy produced.

A preliminary screening based on the facility’s electric demand, size and location of free area, and shading elements shows that the facility has a **Low** potential for installing a PV array.

In order to be cost-effective, a solar PV array needs certain minimum criteria, such as flat or south-facing rooftop or other unshaded space on which to place the PV panels. In our opinion, the facility does appear not meet these minimum criteria for cost-effective PV installation.

**Figure 16 - Photovoltaic Screening**



For more information on solar PV technology and commercial solar markets in New Jersey, or to find a qualified solar installer, who can provide a more detailed assessment of the specific costs and benefits of solar develop of the site, please visit the following links below:

- **Basic Info on Solar PV in NJ:** <http://www.njcleanenergy.com/whysolar>
- **NJ Solar Market FAQs:** <http://www.njcleanenergy.com/renewable-energy/program-updates-and-background-information/solar-transition/solar-market-faqs>
- **Approved Solar Installers in the NJ Market:** [http://www.njcleanenergy.com/commercial-industrial/programs/nj-smartstart-buildings/tools-and-resources/tradeally/approved\\_vendorsearch/?id=60&start=1](http://www.njcleanenergy.com/commercial-industrial/programs/nj-smartstart-buildings/tools-and-resources/tradeally/approved_vendorsearch/?id=60&start=1)



## 7 DEMAND RESPONSE

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Demand Response (DR) is a program designed to reduce the electric load of commercial facilities when electric wholesale prices are high or when the reliability of the electric grid is threatened due to peak demand. Demand Response service providers (a.k.a. Curtailment Service Providers) are registered with PJM, the independent system operator (ISO) for mid-Atlantic state region that is charged with maintaining electric grid reliability.

By enabling grid operators to call upon Curtailment Service Providers and commercial facilities to reduce electric usage during times of peak demand, the grid is made more reliable and overall transmission costs are reduced for all ratepayers. Curtailment Service Providers provide regular payments to medium and large consumers of electric power for their participation in DR programs. Program participation is voluntary and participants receive payments whether or not their facility is called upon to curtail their electric usage.

Typically an electric customer needs to be capable of reducing their electric demand, within minutes, by at least 100 kW or more in order to participate in a DR program. Customers with a greater capability to quickly curtail their demand during peak hours will receive higher payments. Customers with back-up generators onsite may also receive additional DR payments for their generating capacity if they agree to run the generators for grid support when called upon. Eligible customers who have chosen to participate in a DR programs often find it to be a valuable source of revenue for their facility because the payments can significantly offset annual electric costs.

Participating customers can often quickly reduce their peak load through simple measures, such as temporarily raising temperature set points on thermostats, so that air conditioning units run less frequently, or agreeing to dim or shut off less critical lighting. This usually requires some level of building automation and controls capability to ensure rapid load reduction during a DR curtailment event. DR program participants may need to install smart meters or may need to also sub-meter larger energy-using equipment, such as chillers, in order to demonstrate compliance with DR program requirements.

DR does not include the reduction of electricity consumption based on normal operating practice or behavior. For example, if a company's normal schedule is to close for a holiday, the reduction of electricity due to this closure or scaled-back operation is not considered a demand response activity in most situations.

The first step toward participation in a DR program is to contact a Curtailment Service Provider. A list of these providers is available on PJM's website and it includes contact information for each company, as well as the states where they have active business (<http://www.pjm.com/markets-and-operations/demand-response/csps.aspx>). PJM also posts training materials that are developed for program members interested in specific rules and requirements regarding DR activity (<http://www.pjm.com/training/training%20material.aspx>), along with a variety of other DR program information.

Curtailment Service Providers typically offer free assessments to determine a facility's eligibility to participate in a DR program. They will provide details regarding program rules and requirements for metering and controls, assess a facility's ability to temporarily reduce electric load, and provide details on payments to be expected for participation in the program. Providers usually offer multiple options for DR to larger facilities and may also install controls or remote monitoring equipment of their own to help ensure compliance with all terms and conditions of a DR contract.

**This facility has no potential for DR curtailment.**

## 8 PROJECT FUNDING / INCENTIVES

The NJCEP is able to provide the incentive programs described below, and other benefits to ratepayers, because of the Societal Benefits Charge (SBC) Fund. The SBC was created by the State of New Jersey’s Electricity Restructuring Law (1999), which requires all customers of investor-owned electric and gas utilities to pay a surcharge on their monthly energy bills. As a customer of a state-regulated electric or gas utility and therefore a contributor to the fund your organization is eligible to participate in the LGEA program and also eligible to receive incentive payment for qualifying energy efficiency measures. Also available through the NJBPU are some alternative financing programs described later in this section. Please refer to Figure 17 for a list of the eligible programs identified for each recommended ECM.

*Figure 17 - ECM Incentive Program Eligibility*

Energy Conservation Measure		SmartStart Prescriptive	SmartStart Custom	Direct Install	Pay For Performance Existing Buildings	Large Energy Users Program	Combined Heat & Power and Fuel Cell
ECM 1	Retrofit Fixtures with LED Lamps	X					
ECM 2	Install Occupancy Sensor Lighting Controls	X					

SmartStart is generally well-suited for implementation of individual measures or small group of measures. It provides flexibility to install measures at your own pace using in-house staff or a preferred contractor. Direct Install caters to small to mid-size facilities that can bundle multiple ECMs together. This can greatly simplify participation and may lead to higher incentive amounts, but requires the use of pre-approved contractors. Note that the volume of recommended work for this site is probably insufficient to engage the services of a Direct Install contractor. The Pay for Performance (P4P) program is a “whole-building” energy improvement program designed for larger facilities. It requires implementation of multiple measures meeting minimum savings thresholds, as well as use of pre-approved consultants. The Large Energy Users Program (LEUP) is available to New Jersey’s largest energy users giving them flexibility to install as little or as many measures, in a single facility or several facilities, with incentives capped based on the entity’s annual energy consumption. LEUP applicants can use in-house staff or a preferred contractor.

Generally, the incentive values provided throughout the report assume the SmartStart program is utilized because it provides a consistent basis for comparison of available incentives for various measures, though in many cases incentive amounts may be higher through participation in other programs.

Brief descriptions of all relevant financing and incentive programs are located in the sections below. Further information, including most current program availability, requirements, and incentive levels can be found at: [www.njcleanenergy.com/ci](http://www.njcleanenergy.com/ci).

## 8.1 SmartStart

### Overview

The SmartStart program offers incentives for installing prescriptive and custom energy efficiency measures at your facility. Routinely the program adds, removes or modifies incentives from year to year for various energy efficiency equipment based on market trends and new technologies.

### **Equipment with Prescriptive Incentives Currently Available:**

*Electric Chillers*

*Electric Unitary HVAC*

*Gas Cooling*

*Gas Heating*

*Gas Water Heating*

*Ground Source Heat Pumps*

*Lighting*

*Lighting Controls*

*Refrigeration Doors*

*Refrigeration Controls*

*Refrigerator/Freezer Motors*

*Food Service Equipment*

*Variable Frequency Drives*

Most equipment sizes and types are served by this program. This program provides an effective mechanism for securing incentives for energy efficiency measures installed individually or as part of a package of energy upgrades.

### Incentives

The SmartStart prescriptive incentive program provides fixed incentives for specific energy efficiency measures, whereas the custom SmartStart program provides incentives for more unique or specialized technologies or systems that are not addressed through prescriptive incentive offerings for specific devices.

Since your facility is an existing building, only the retrofit incentives have been applied in this report. Custom measure incentives are calculated at \$0.16/kWh and \$1.60/therm based on estimated annual savings, capped at 50% of the total installed incremental project cost, or a project cost buy down to a one year payback (whichever is less). Program incentives are capped at \$500,000 per electric account and \$500,000 per natural gas account, per fiscal year.

### How to Participate

To participate in the SmartStart program you will need to submit an application for the specific equipment to be installed. Many applications are designed as rebates, although others require application approval prior to installation. Applicants may work with a contractor of their choosing and can also utilize internal personnel, which provides added flexibility to the program. Using internal personnel also helps improve the economics of the ECM by reducing the labor cost that is included in the tables in this report.

Detailed program descriptions, instructions for applying and applications can be found at: [www.njcleanenergy.com/SSB](http://www.njcleanenergy.com/SSB).

## 8.2 Energy Savings Improvement Program

The Energy Savings Improvement Program (ESIP) is an alternate method for New Jersey's government agencies to finance the implementation of energy conservation measures. An ESIP is a type of "performance contract," whereby school districts, counties, municipalities, housing authorities and other public and state entities enter in to contracts to help finance building energy upgrades. This is done in a manner that ensures that annual payments are lower than the savings projected from the ECMs, ensuring that ESIP projects are cash flow positive in year one, and every year thereafter. ESIP provides government agencies in New Jersey with a flexible tool to improve and reduce energy usage with minimal expenditure of new financial resources. NJCEP incentive programs can be leveraged to help further reduce the total project cost of eligible measures.

This LGEA report is the first step to participating in ESIP. Next, you will need to select an approach for implementing the desired ECMs:

- (1) Use an Energy Services Company or "ESCO."
- (2) Use independent engineers and other specialists, or your own qualified staff, to provide and manage the requirements of the program through bonds or lease obligations.
- (3) Use a hybrid approach of the two options described above where the ESCO is utilized for some services and independent engineers, or other specialists or qualified staff, are used to deliver other requirements of the program.

After adopting a resolution with a chosen implementation approach, the development of the Energy Savings Plan (ESP) can begin. The ESP demonstrates that the total project costs of the ECMs are offset by the energy savings over the financing term, not to exceed 15 years. The verified savings will then be used to pay for the financing.

The ESIP approach may not be appropriate for all energy conservation and energy efficiency improvements. Entities should carefully consider all alternatives to develop an approach that best meets their needs. A detailed program descriptions and application can be found at: [www.njcleanenergy.com/ESIP](http://www.njcleanenergy.com/ESIP).

Please note that ESIP is a program delivered directly by the NJBPU and is not an NJCEP incentive program. As mentioned above, you may utilize NJCEP incentive programs to help further reduce costs when developing the ESP. You should refer to the ESIP guidelines at the link above for further information and guidance on next steps.

## 9 ENERGY PURCHASING AND PROCUREMENT STRATEGIES

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### 9.1 Retail Electric Supply Options

In 1999, New Jersey State Legislature passed the Electric Discount & Energy Competition Act (EDECA) to restructure the electric power industry in New Jersey. This law deregulated the retail electric markets, allowing all consumers to shop for service from competitive electric suppliers. The intent was to create a more competitive market for electric power supply in New Jersey. As a result, utilities were allowed to charge Cost of Service and customers were given the ability to choose a third-party (i.e. non-utility) energy supplier.

Energy deregulation in New Jersey has increased energy buyers' options by separating the function of electricity distribution from that of electricity supply. So, though you may choose a different company from which to buy your electric power, responsibility for your facility's interconnection to the grid and repair to local power distribution will still reside with the traditional utility company serving your region.

If your facility is not purchasing electricity from a third party supplier, consider shopping for a reduced rate from third-party electric suppliers. If your facility is purchasing electricity from a third-party supplier, review and compare prices at the end of the current contract or every couple years.

A list of third-party electric suppliers, who are licensed by the state to provide service in New Jersey, can be found online at: [www.state.nj.us/bpu/commercial/shopping.html](http://www.state.nj.us/bpu/commercial/shopping.html).

### 9.2 Retail Natural Gas Supply Options

The natural gas market in New Jersey has also been deregulated. Most customers that remain with the utility for natural gas service pay rates that are market-based and that fluctuate on a monthly basis. The utility provides basic gas supply service (BGSS) to customers who choose not to buy from a third-party supplier for natural gas commodity.

A customer's decision about whether to buy natural gas from a retail supplier is typically dependent upon whether a customer seeks budget certainty and/or longer-term rate stability. Customers can secure longer-term fixed prices by signing up for service through a third-party retail natural gas supplier. Many larger natural gas customers may seek the assistance of a professional consultant to assist in their procurement process.

If your facility is not purchasing natural gas from a third-party supplier, consider shopping for a reduced rate from third-party natural gas suppliers. If your facility is purchasing natural gas from a third party supplier, review and compare prices at the end of the current contract or every couple years.

A list of third-party natural gas suppliers, who are licensed by the state to provide service in New Jersey, can be found online at: [www.state.nj.us/bpu/commercial/shopping.html](http://www.state.nj.us/bpu/commercial/shopping.html).

# Appendix A: Equipment Inventory & Recommendations

## Lighting Inventory & Recommendations

		Existing Conditions					Proposed Conditions							Energy Impact & Financial Analysis					
Location	Fixture Quantity	Fixture Description	Control System	Watts per Fixture	Annual Operating Hours	Fixture Recommendation	Add Controls?	Fixture Quantity	Fixture Description	Control System	Watts per Fixture	Annual Operating Hours	Total Peak kW Savings	Total Annual kWh Savings	Total Annual MMBtu Savings	Total Annual Energy Cost Savings	Total Installation Cost	Total Incentives	Simple Payback w/ Incentives in Years
Environmental Center	6	Linear Fluorescent - T8: 4' T8 (32W) - 1L	Wall Switch	32	1,924	Relamp	Yes	6	LED - Linear Tubes: (1) 4' Lamp	Occupancy Sensor	15	1,347	0.09	252	0.0	\$34.73	\$331.40	\$50.00	8.10
Environmental Center	12	Compact Fluorescent: CFL 4 pin	Wall Switch	34	1,924	Relamp	Yes	12	LED Screw-In Lamps: LED 4 pin	Occupancy Sensor	23	1,347	0.17	467	0.0	\$64.30	\$644.61	\$20.00	9.71
Environmental Center	1	Exit Signs: LED - 2 W Lamp	None	6	8,760	None	No	1	Exit Signs: LED - 2 W Lamp	None	6	8,760	0.00	0	0.0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00
Restroom	1	Linear Fluorescent - T8: 4' T8 (32W) - 1L	Wall Switch	32	1,924	Relamp	No	1	LED - Linear Tubes: (1) 4' Lamp	Wall Switch	15	1,924	0.01	38	0.0	\$5.24	\$35.90	\$5.00	5.90
Utility Room	1	Linear Fluorescent - T8: 4' T8 (32W) - 1L	Wall Switch	32	1,924	Relamp	No	1	LED - Linear Tubes: (1) 4' Lamp	Wall Switch	15	1,924	0.01	38	0.0	\$5.24	\$35.90	\$5.00	5.90
Exterior Front Entrance	1	Compact Fluorescent: CFL 4 pin	Wall Switch	13	4,380	Relamp	No	1	LED Screw-In Lamps: LED 4 pin	Wall Switch	9	4,380	0.00	20	0.0	\$2.73	\$44.05	\$0.00	16.16

## Motor Inventory & Recommendations

		Existing Conditions						Proposed Conditions				Energy Impact & Financial Analysis						
Location	Area(s)/System(s) Served	Motor Quantity	Motor Application	HP Per Motor	Full Load Efficiency	VFD Control?	Annual Operating Hours	Install High Efficiency Motors?	Full Load Efficiency	Install VFDs?	Number of VFDs	Total Peak kW Savings	Total Annual kWh Savings	Total Annual MMBtu Savings	Total Annual Energy Cost Savings	Total Installation Cost	Total Incentives	Simple Payback w/ Incentives in Years
Utility Room	DHW	1	Other	0.3	78.0%	No	8,760	No	78.0%	No		0.00	0	0.0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00
Rooftop	Restroom	1	Exhaust Fan	0.5	78.0%	No	2,745	No	78.0%	No		0.00	0	0.0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00

## Electric HVAC Inventory & Recommendations

		Existing Conditions				Proposed Conditions								Energy Impact & Financial Analysis						
Location	Area(s)/System(s) Served	System Quantity	System Type	Cooling Capacity per Unit (Tons)	Heating Capacity per Unit (kBtu/hr)	Install High Efficiency System?	System Quantity	System Type	Cooling Capacity per Unit (Tons)	Heating Capacity per Unit (kBtu/hr)	Cooling Mode Efficiency (SEER/EER)	Heating Mode Efficiency (COP)	Install Dual Enthalpy Economizer?	Total Peak kW Savings	Total Annual kWh Savings	Total Annual MMBtu Savings	Total Annual Energy Cost Savings	Total Installation Cost	Total Incentives	Simple Payback w/ Incentives in Years
Environmental Center	Environmental Center	1	Electric Resistance Heat		61.42	No							No	0.00	0	0.0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00

### DHW Inventory & Recommendations

Location	Area(s)/System(s) Served	Existing Conditions		Proposed Conditions						Energy Impact & Financial Analysis						
		System Quantity	System Type	Replace?	System Quantity	System Type	Fuel Type	System Efficiency	Efficiency Units	Total Peak kW Savings	Total Annual kWh Savings	Total Annual MMBtu Savings	Total Annual Energy Cost Savings	Total Installation Cost	Total Incentives	Simple Payback w/ Incentives in Years
Utility Room	Environment Center	1	Storage Tank Water Heater (> 50 Gal)	No						0.00	0	0.0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00

## Appendix B: ENERGY STAR® Statement of Energy Performance


ENERGY STAR® Statement of Energy Performance



**ENERGY STAR®  
Score<sup>1</sup>**

**Highland Park Environmental Center**

Primary Property Type: Social/Meeting Hall  
Gross Floor Area (ft<sup>2</sup>): 700  
Built: 2007

For Year Ending: September 30, 2017  
Date Generated: October 17, 2018

1. The ENERGY STAR score is a 1-100 assessment of a building's energy efficiency as compared with similar buildings nationwide, adjusting for climate and business activity.

Property & Contact Information			
<b>Property Address</b> Highland Park Environmental Center 20 River Road Highland Park, New Jersey 08904	<b>Property Owner</b> Borough of Highland Park 221 South Fifth Avenue Highland Park, NJ 08904 (732) 819-3789	<b>Primary Contact</b> Teri Jover 221 South Fifth Avenue Highland Park, NJ 08904 (732) 819-3789 tjover@hpboro.com	
<b>Property ID:</b> 6308991			
Energy Consumption and Energy Use Intensity (EUI)			
<b>Site EUI</b> 95.2 kBtu/ft <sup>2</sup>	<b>Annual Energy by Fuel</b> Electric - Grid (kBtu) 66,647 (100%)	<b>National Median Comparison</b> National Median Site EUI (kBtu/ft <sup>2</sup> ) 39.1 National Median Source EUI (kBtu/ft <sup>2</sup> ) 109.6 % Diff from National Median Source EUI 143%	
<b>Source EUI</b> 266.6 kBtu/ft <sup>2</sup>		<b>Annual Emissions</b> Greenhouse Gas Emissions (Metric Tons CO <sub>2</sub> e/year) 7	

### Signature & Stamp of Verifying Professional

I \_\_\_\_\_ (Name) verify that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Licensed Professional

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Professional Engineer Stamp  
(if applicable)