

# Local Government Energy Audit: Energy Audit Report





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## **Outdoor Lighting**

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# Disclaimer

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 saving 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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# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJBPU) has sponsored this Local Government Energy Audit (LGEA) Report for Union County Vocational- Technical Schools (UCVTS) - Outdoor Lighting. 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 and schools in controlling energy costs and protecting our environment by offering a wide range of energy management options and advice.

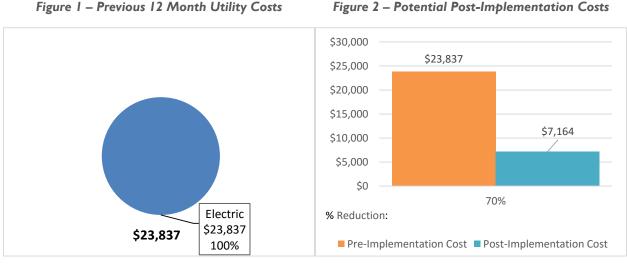
#### Site Summary 1.1

The Outdoor Lighting System at UCTVS was evaluated as separate system from the campus facilities. The outdoor lighting system has its own PSE&G meter. The equipment evaluated was found to be aging and somewhat inefficient. The current system consists of a combination of High Pressure Sodium and Metal Halide lamps and fixtures. This base system was, and still is a common outdoor lighting system technology. The current system presents a significant opportunity to upgrade to LED technology and save almost two thirds of the current systems consumption. A more detailed description of the facility and our observations are located in Section 2.

#### 1.2 Your Cost Reduction Opportunities

### **Energy Conservation Measures**

TRC evaluated one (1) measure which together represent an opportunity for UCVTS - Outdoor Lighting to reduce annual energy costs by roughly \$16,673 and annual greenhouse gas emissions by 50,398 lbs CO₂e. We estimate that if the measure was implemented as recommended, the project would pay for itself in roughly 4.6 years. The breakdown of existing and potential utility costs after project implementation are illustrated in Figure 1 and Figure 2, respectively. Together this measure represents an opportunity to reduce UCVTS - Outdoor Lighting's annual energy use by 70%.



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





A detailed description of UCVTS - Outdoor Lighting'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.

	Energy Conservation Measure	Recommend?	Annual Electric Savings (kWh)	Peak Demand Savings (kW)		•	Estimated Install Cost (\$)	Estimated Incentive (\$)*	Estimated Net Cost (\$)	•	CO <sub>2</sub> e Emissions Reduction (Ibs)
	Lighting Upgrades		50,048	9.0	0.0	\$16,673.11	\$76,800.00	\$0.00	\$76,800.00	4.6	50,398
ECM 1	Retrofit Fixtures with LED Lamps	Yes	50,048	9.0	0.0	\$16,673.11	\$76,800.00	\$0.00	\$76,800.00	4.6	50,398
TOTALS				9.0	0.0	\$16,673.11	\$76,800.00	\$0.00	\$76,800.00	4.6	50,398

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

\* - 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. \*\* - Simple Pavback Period is based on net measure costs (i.e. after incentives).

**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 measure save energy by reducing the power used by the lighting components due to improved electrical efficiency.

#### **Energy Efficient Practices**

TRC also identified one (1) low cost (or no cost) energy efficient practice. 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 practice 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 UCVTS - Outdoor Lighting include:

• Ensure Lighting Controls Are Operating Properly

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 UCVTS - Outdoor Lighting. 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.

### **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:

• SmartStart





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 7.

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 7.2 for additional information on the ESIP Program.

The Demand Response Energy Aggregator is a (non-NJCEP) program designed to reduce electric loads at commercial facilities, when wholesale electricity prices are high or when the reliability of the electric grid is threatened due to peak power demand. Demand Response (DR) 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 commercial facilities to reduce their 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 facilities receive payments whether or not they are called upon to curtail their load during times of peak demand.

Additional information on relevant incentive programs is located in Section 7 or <u>www.njcleanenergy.com/ci.</u>





# **2** FACILITY INFORMATION AND EXISTING CONDITIONS

### 2.1 Project Contacts

#### Figure 4 – Project Contacts

Name	Role	E-Mail	Phone #				
Customer							
Jim Ferris	Consultant	jferris@jfpconsulting.net	(908) 347-3784				
Mark Leary	Facilities Director	mleary@ucvts.org					
TRC Energy Services							
Brian Dattellas	Auditor	bdattellas@trcsolutions.com	(732) 855-0033				

### 2.2 Site Energy System

In January, February, and March of 2017, TRC performed an energy audit at UCVTS - Outdoor Lighting located in Scotch Plains, New Jersey. TRCs' team met with Mark Leary, Facilities Director to review the facility operations and help focus our investigation on specific energy-using systems.

The Outdoor Lighting System was evaluated as separate system from the campus facilities. The outdoor lighting system has its own PSE&G meter. The equipment evaluated was found to be aging and somewhat inefficient. The lighting system appears to be between 15 and 25 years old. The system operates through the night on a timer, but can be manually operated as well if needed.

The current system consists of a combination of high pressure sodium and metal halide lamps and pole mounted fixtures. This was, and still is, a common outdoor lighting system technology. The current system presents a significant opportunity to upgrade to LED technology and save almost two thirds of the current systems consumption. A more detailed description of the facility and our observations are located in Section 2.



Figure I- Typical Outdoor Fixture at UCVTS





# **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.

### 3.1 Total Cost of Energy

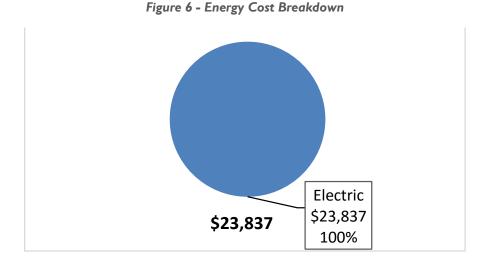
The following energy consumption and cost data is based on the last 12-month period of utility billing data that was provided for each utility. A profile of the annual energy consumption and energy cost of the facility was developed from this information.

Utility Summary	Lighting	
Fuel	Usage	Cost
Electricity	71,552 kWh	\$23,837
Total	\$23,837	

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The current annual energy cost for this facility is \$23,837 as shown in the chart below.







### 3.2 Electricity Usage

Electricity is provided by PSE&G. The average electric cost over the past 12 months was \$0.333/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.

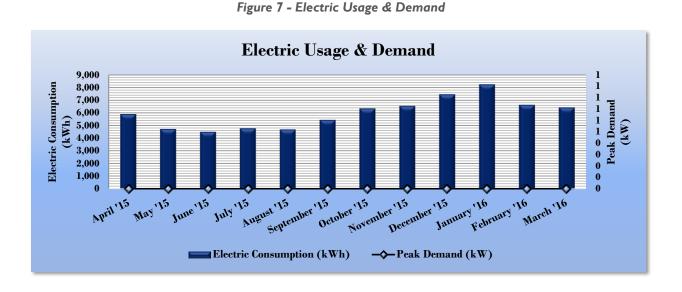


Figure 8	- Electric	Usage &	Demand
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	Elec	tric Billing Data for	UCVTS - Outdoo	or Lighting	
Period Ending	Days in Period	Electric Usage (kWh)	Demand (kW)	Demand Cost	Total Electric Cost
5/15/15	30	5,889			\$2,036
6/15/15	31	4,717			\$1,913
7/15/15	30	4,496			\$1,885
8/15/15	31	4,772			\$1,906
9/15/15	31	4,690			\$1,894
10/15/15	30	5,434			\$1,922
11/15/15	31	6,332			\$1,990
12/15/15	30	6,527			\$2,018
1/15/16	30	7,441			\$2,090
2/15/16	31	8,221			\$2,157
3/15/16	29	6,619			\$2,017
4/15/16	31	6,414			\$2,009
Totals	365	71,552	0	\$0	\$23,837
Annual	365	71,552	0	\$0	\$23,837





# 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 UCVTS - Outdoor Lighting 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 7.

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.

Energy Conservation Measure		Peak Demand Savings (kW)		Energy Cost Savings	Estimated Install Cost (\$)	Estimated Incentive (\$)*	Estimated Net Cost (\$)	· ·	CO <sub>2</sub> e Emissions Reduction (Ibs)
Lighting Upgrades	50,048	9.0	0.0	\$16,673.11	\$76,800.00	\$0.00	\$76,800.00	4.6	50,398
ECM 1 Retrofit Fixtures with LED Lamps	50,048	9.0	0.0	\$16,673.11	\$76,800.00	\$0.00	\$76,800.00	4.6	50,398
TOTALS	50,048	9.0	0.0	\$16,673.11	\$76,800.00	\$0.00	\$76,800.00	4.6	50,398

#### Figure 9 – Summary of Recommended ECMs

\* - 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.

\*\* - Simple Payback Period is based on net measure costs (i.e. after incentives).

### 4.1.1 Lighting Upgrades

Recommended upgrades to existing lighting fixtures are summarized in Figure 10 below.

Figure 10 – Summary of Lighting Upgrade ECMs

	Energy Conservation Measure		Peak Demand Savings (kW)		, end	Estimated Install Cost (\$)	Estimated Incentive (\$)	Estimated Net Cost (\$)		CO₂e Emissions Reduction (Ibs)
	Lighting Upgrades		9.0	0.0	\$16,673.11	\$76,800.00	\$0.00	\$76,800.00	4.6	50,398
ECM 1	Retrofit Fixtures with LED Lamps	50,048	9.0	0.0	\$16,673.11	\$76,800.00	\$0.00	\$76,800.00	4.6	50,398





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. Please see Appendix A: Equipment Inventory & Recommendations for a detailed list of the locations and recommended upgrades for each lighting measure.

### ECM I: Retrofit Fixtures with LED Lamps

Summary of Measure Economics

Interior/ Exterior		Peak Demand Savings (kW)		Annual Energy Cost Savings (\$)	Estimated Install Cost (\$)	Estimated Incentive (\$)	Estimated Net Cost (\$)	Simple Payback Period (yrs)	CO₂e Emissions Reduction (Ibs)
Interior	0	0.0	0.0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.0	0
Exterior	50,048	9.0	0.0	\$16,673.11	\$76,800.00	\$0.00	\$76,800.00	4.6	50,398

Measure Description

We recommend retrofitting existing fixtures with new LED Lamps. It is important that site staff insure the LED installation meets the needs of UCVTS's aesthetic and functional needs. LED technology has become standard for interior lighting, but might require more vetting for an outdoor installation.

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 a fluorescent tubes and more than ten (10) times longer than many incandescent lamps.



Figure 2 – Typical LED Pole Mount Lamp





# **5 ENERGY EFFICIENT PRACTICES**

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.

#### **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 set points and sensitivity are appropriately configured.





# **6 DEMAND RESPONSE**

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. 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.





# 7 **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 11 for a list of the eligible programs identified for each recommended ECM.

	Energy Conservation Measure	SmartStart Prescriptive		Direct Install	Pay For Performance Existing Buildings	Energy Users	Combined Heat & Power and Fuel Cell
ECM 1	Retrofit Fixtures with LED Lamps		х				

#### Figure 11 - ECM Incentive Program Eligibility

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. 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 used 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: <a href="http://www.njcleanenergy.com/ci">www.njcleanenergy.com/ci</a>.





### 7.1 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	Lighting Controls
Electric Unitary HVAC	Refrigeration Doors
Gas Cooling	Refrigeration Controls
Gas Heating	Refrigerator/Freezer Motors
Gas Water Heating	Food Service Equipment
Ground Source Heat Pumps	Variable Frequency Drives
Lighting	

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: <u>www.njcleanenergy.com/SSB.</u>





### 7.2 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: <a href="https://www.njcleanenergy.com/ESIP">www.njcleanenergy.com/ESIP</a>.

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.





# 8 ENERGY PURCHASING AND PROCUREMENT STRATEGIES

### 8.1 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: <u>www.state.nj.us/bpu/commercial/shopping.html</u>.

### 8.2 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: <a href="http://www.state.nj.us/bpu/commercial/shopping.html">www.state.nj.us/bpu/commercial/shopping.html</a>.





# Appendix A: Equipment Inventory & Recommendations

#### Lighting Inventory & Recommendations

	Existing C	onditions			Proposed Conditions							Energy Impact & Financial Analysis							
Location	Fixture Quantity	Fixture Description	Control System	Watts per Fixture	Operating	Fixture Recommendation	Add Controls?	Fixture Quantity	Fixture Description	Control System	Watts per Fixture		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
Parking Lot	4	Metal Halide: (1) 175W Lamp	None	215	4,000	LED Retrofit	No	4	LED Screw-In Lamps: LED Outdoor Retrofit Pack	None	68	4,000	0.42	2,352	0.0	\$783.55	\$4,000.00	\$0.00	5.10
Parking Lot	2	Metal Halide: (1) 150W Lamp	None	190	4,000	LED Retrofit	No	2	LED Screw-In Lamps: LED Outdoor Retrofit Pack	None	68	4,000	0.20	1,103	0.0	\$367.42	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	5.44
Maintenance Area	2	Metal Halide: (1) 175W Lamp	None	215	4,000	LED Retrofit	No	2	LED Screw-In Lamps: LED Outdoor Retrofit Pack	None	68	4,000	0.24	1,329	0.0	\$442.71	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	4.52
Decorative Driveway	34	High-Pressure Sodium: (1) 250W Lamp	None	295	4,000	LED Retrofit	No	34	LED Screw-In Lamps: LED Outdoor Retrofit Pack	None	100	4,000	5.39	29,968	0.0	\$9,983.48	\$40,800.00	\$0.00	4.09
Floods	8	Metal Halide: (1) 250W Lamp	None	295	4,000	LED Retrofit	No	8	LED Screw-In Lamps: LED Outdoor Retrofit Pack	None	68	4,000	1.48	8,208	0.0	\$2,734.54	\$8,000.00	\$0.00	2.93
Pole Mounts	14	Metal Halide: (1) 175W Lamp	None	215	4,000	LED Retrofit	No	14	LED Screw-In Lamps: LED Outdoor Retrofit Pack	None	68	4,000	1.67	9,302	0.0	\$3,098.94	\$14,000.00	\$0.00	4.52
Pole Mounts	6	Metal Halide: (1) 175W Lamp	None	215	4,000	LED Retrofit	No	6	LED Screw-In Lamps: LED Outdoor Retrofit Pack	None	68	4,000	0.72	3,987	0.0	\$1,328.12	\$6,000.00	\$0.00	4.52