



Water Measure Savings Calculations and ROI

Best Practices & Case Studies

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Agenda

- Identifying process water saving measures
- Establishing a water balance - where does the water go?
- Validating savings using IPMVP protocols
- Savings calculations examples
- Measure payback and ROI

Look Outside of the Bathroom for Water Savings

Domestic vs. Non-Domestic Water Use by Building Type

DOMESTIC

NON-DOMESTIC

Cooling/Heating

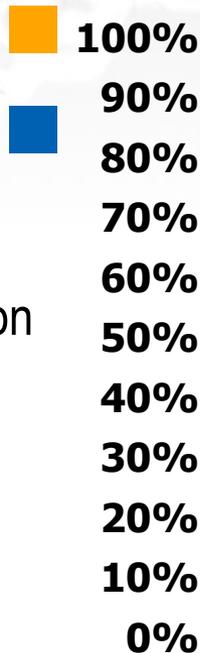
Process Uses

Landscaping/Irrigation

Washing/Laundry

Kitchen

Other



**Commercial
Office**

Manufacturer

University

Healthcare

Comprehensive Process Water Measures

Process Water Reductions

- Irrigation Systems
- Steam Sterilizers, Vacuum & Gravity
- Vacuum Pumps/Air Compressors
- Food Service Area
- Refrigeration Equipment
- Pure Water Stills
- Analytical Equipment
- Animal Cage Washers
- Laundry
- Boiler Blow-down
- Swimming Pools
- Cooling Tower Makeup Water
- Tempering Systems

Steam

- Steam Distribution System Analysis
- Steam Trap Replacement
- Insulation of Steam Fittings
- Condensate Recovery

Reuse, Re-circulate and Replace

- Reverse Osmosis Units
- Rainwater Harvesting
- AHU Condensate reuse
- Leak Reduction

Domestic Water Reduction

- Toilets
- Sinks
- Showers

Identifying Process Measures Savings

Where Are The Savings?

- **Reduce** flow or frequency
- **Replace** with water-efficient models
- **Reuse** once-through water
- Many solutions based on:
 - Simple engineering principles
 - Existing equipment specs/plumbing code
 - Off-the-shelf retrofits



Water-cooled air compressors

Starting With A Water Balance Is Key

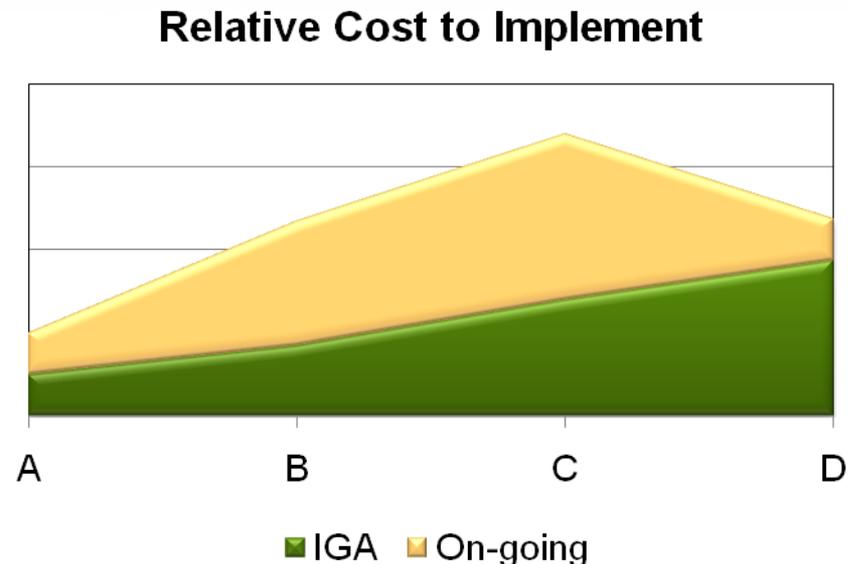
Category	Subcategory	Pre-Retrofit Conditions		Post-Retrofit Conditions		Savings	
		Amount (kgal/yr)	Percentage (%)	Amount (kgal/yr)	Percentage (%)	Amount (kgal/yr)	Percentage (%)
Domestic	Domestic	17,355	11.3%	11,849	15.0%	5,506	31.7%
Sterlizers - CTS	Condensate Tempering	16,354	10.7%	393	0.5%	15,961	97.6%
Sterlizers - VWS	Condensate Tempering	2,883	1.9%	721	0.9%	2,162	75.0%
Medical Vacuum Pumps	Process	5,657	3.7%	874	1.1%	4,783	84.6%
Medical Air Compressors	Process	3,224	2.1%	786	1.0%	2,437	75.6%
Condensate Coolers and Tempering	Condensate Tempering	41,199	26.9%	3,145	4.0%	38,054	92.4%
Chiller Cooling Tower Makeup (Main Bldgs)	Cooling	5,271	3.4%	-	0.0%	5,271	100.0%
Chiller Cooling Tower Makeup (Other)	Cooling	11,000	7.2%	11,000	13.9%	-	0.0%
HVAC (water cooled AC and ice machines)	Refrigeration	5,000	3.3%	5,000	6.3%	-	0.0%
Cafeteria and Food Service	Food Service	25,000	16.3%	25,000	31.7%	-	0.0%
Pathology, Morgue AC, Sewage Ejector	Process	5,000	3.3%	5,000	6.3%	-	0.0%
Cleaning	Process	3,000	2.0%	3,000	3.8%	-	0.0%
Unaccounted For	Unaccounted	12,092	7.9%	12,092	15.3%	-	0.0%
Total		153,035	100%	78,860	100%	74,175	48.5%

Billing History (August through July)

Account #	Service Address	CCF	Kgal
#90001-31817-001	Address #1	35,064	26,228
#60001-31818-001	Address #2	167,654	125,405
#30001-30783-001	Address #3	1,874	1,402
Total:		204,592	153,035

Establishing Baseline Usage - IPMVP Based Protocols

- **Fundamental Formula**
 - Savings = Baseline Consumption - Post Consumption ± Adjustments
- **Four Options:**
 - Retrofit Isolation
 - Option A – key parameters measured
 - Option B – all parameters measured, no stipulation
 - Whole Building Analysis
 - Option C – utility meters
 - Option D – calibrated simulation
- **Option selection depends on:**
 - Rebate Criteria
 - Financing Requirements (PACE)
 - Risk assessment
 - M&V cost tolerance



H2O's Approach to M&V

- Develop and validate standardized calculation methods
 - Use established engineering calculations whenever possible
- Focus on what matters
 - Accurate Flow Rates- Parametric
 - Usage profile (how often for how long)
- Conform to IPMVP guidelines
- Make quality control part of the process
- Be conservative
- Degree of application varies depending on each facility's reporting requirements and desired level of investment

RO Reject Reuse

■ Gather

- Boiler load profile vs. OAT and boiler efficiency
- Condensate return rate
- RO operating profile

■ Measure

- RO product water (average gpd)
- RO percent reject
- RO reject water temperature

■ Calculation Method

- $\text{Kgal saved} = \text{base (RO+BB) kgal} - \text{post (RO+BB) kgal} \pm \text{adjustments}$
- Adjustments: boiler load, RO product kgal, RO efficiency, blowdown penalty (higher TDS in RO reject water), condensate pump penalty

AHU Condensate Return

■ Gather

- Chiller load profile vs OAT (max/min tons, season)
- Chiller efficiency
- AHU capacity and OA%

■ Measure

- Tower makeup water (average gpd vs OAT)
- Tower blow down water (average gpd vs OAT)
- TDS tower makeup and basin water
- AHU condensate (gal)

■ Calculation Method

Program Savings (kgal/yr) = Metered AHU Condensate Supplied to Cooling Tower Makeup Line

Pump Electricity Use (kWh/yr) = kgal x 1000gal/kgal/gpm pump x HP pump x .7457 Kw/hp x 1/motor eff/60 min/hr

Cost Savings (\$/yr) = Water savings (gal/yr) x 1,000 gals/kgal x [applicable utility rate] (\$/kgal) – pump electricity use (kWh/yr) X [applicable utility rate] (\$/kWh)

Steam Sterilizer Condensate Tempering System

- Gather
 - Sterilizer make/model
 - Days of operation

- Measure
 - Quench water flow rate

■ Calculation Method

Baseline Water Use (gal/yr) = Flow Rate x Minutes per year

Post-Retrofit Water Use (gal/yr) = Proposed flow rate x Operating factor (%) x Minutes per year

Cost Savings (\$/yr) = [Baseline – Post-Retrofit Water Use] (kgal/yr) x [applicable utility rate] (\$/kgal)

Refrigeration – Eliminate Single Pass Cooling

- Gather
 - Equipment make/model
 - Operating profile (hours/day and days/year equipment “on” time)
- Measure
 - Compressor cooling water flow rate
- Calculation Method

Baseline Water Use (gal/yr) = Flow Rate x Hours/Day X Days/Year

Post-Retrofit Water Use (gal/yr) = 0 gal/year (cooling water use eliminated)

Cooling Penalty (kWh/yr) = Compressor Rating (Btu/hr) x 1 ton/12,000 Btu x 1.33 kW/ton x frequency of use [(hrs/day) x days/yr]

Cost Savings (\$/yr) = [Baseline – Post-Retrofit Water Use] (kgal/yr) x [applicable utility rate] (\$/kgal) – cooling penalty (kWh/yr) X [applicable utility rate] (\$/kWh)

Ozone Laundry System

■ Gather

- Washing machine make/models and wash formulas
- Volume of laundry processed (lbs. per year)
- Chemical cost data

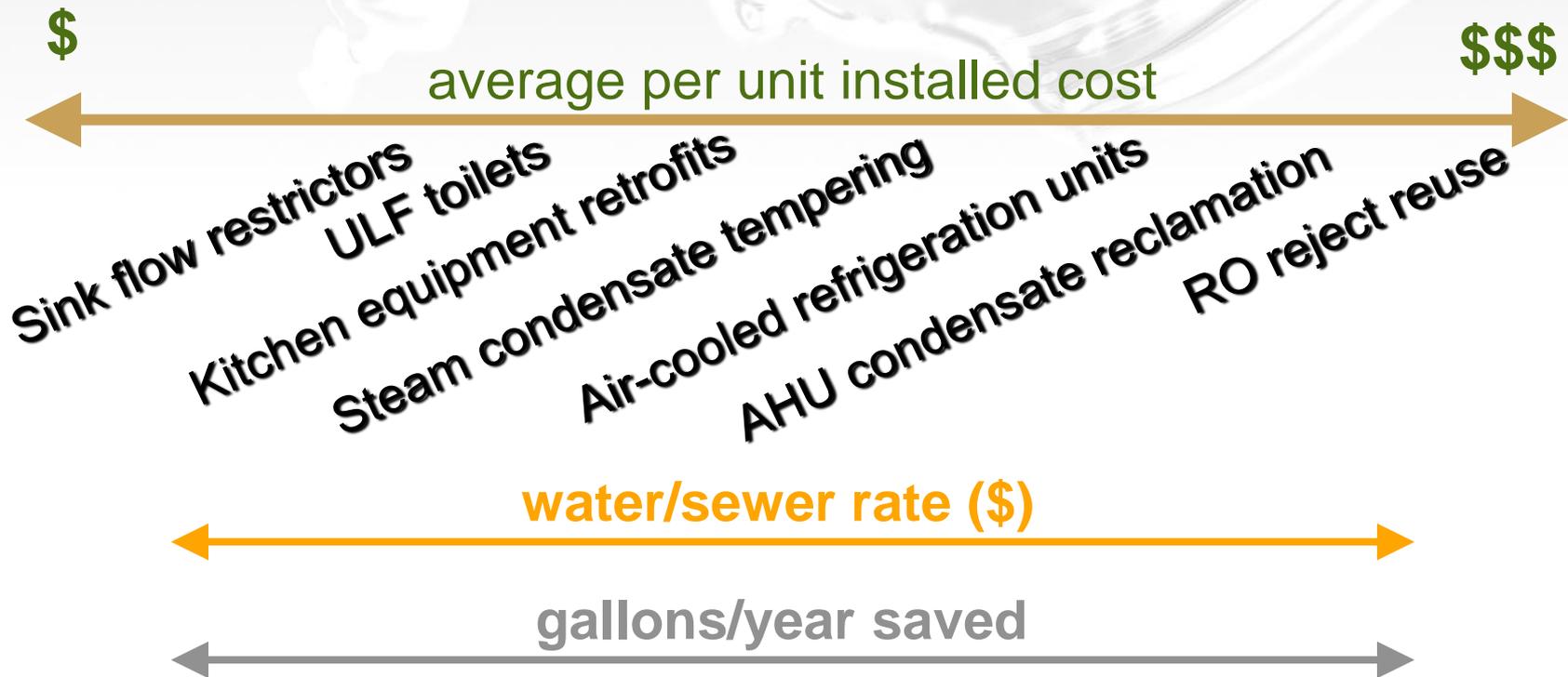
■ Calculation Method

Baseline Water Usage	=	Average gal/lb x Annual lbs laundry
Estimated Water Usage	=	75% of Existing water usage
Water Savings	=	Baseline water usage - Estimated water usage
Baseline Thermal Usage	=	Avg. temp rise x % hot water x existing gal/yr x 8.34 lb/gal x 1 Btu/lb-oF x 1/water heater efficiency x 1MMBtu/ 1,000,000 Btu
Estimated Thermal Usage	=	Avg. temp rise x % hot water x existing gal/yr x estimated % x 8.34 lb/gal x 1 Btu/lb-oF x 1/water heater efficiency x 1MMBtu/ 1,000,000 Btu
Thermal Savings	=	Baseline thermal usage - Estimated thermal usage
Chemical Savings	=	Baseline chemical cost x 25%

Note: Electrical savings from reduced washer operation with fewer cycles are offset by the additional electrical consumption of the ozone generators. Accordingly, no electrical savings are reported.

Payback

- Paybacks for different types of measures vary
 - Measure-by-measure approach limits scope
 - Combine measures into single project with acceptable payback



Payback

Sample Water Conservation Project

	Savings		Installed Cost	Payback		
	(gal/yr)	(\$/yr*)	(\$)	(years)		
Domestic: High-Traffic Only	2,613,597	\$34,290	\$160,000	4.67		
RO Reject as CT Makeup	1,172,198	\$5,732	\$70,000	12.21		
CT Submetering	n/a	\$15,150	\$10,000	0.66		
Kitchen Equipment	117,936	\$1,547	\$1,200	0.78		
Steam Condensate Tempering	1,141,440	\$14,976	\$23,000	1.54		
Vacuum Pump Partial Recirc.	48,812	\$640	\$8,500	13.27		
Total	5,093,983	\$72,336	\$272,700	3.77		
*\$13.12/kgal comb w.s rate:						
- RO reject saves water charges only @ \$4.89/kgal						
- CT submeter saves sewer charges only @ 8.23/kgal						