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Workforce Development Consortium

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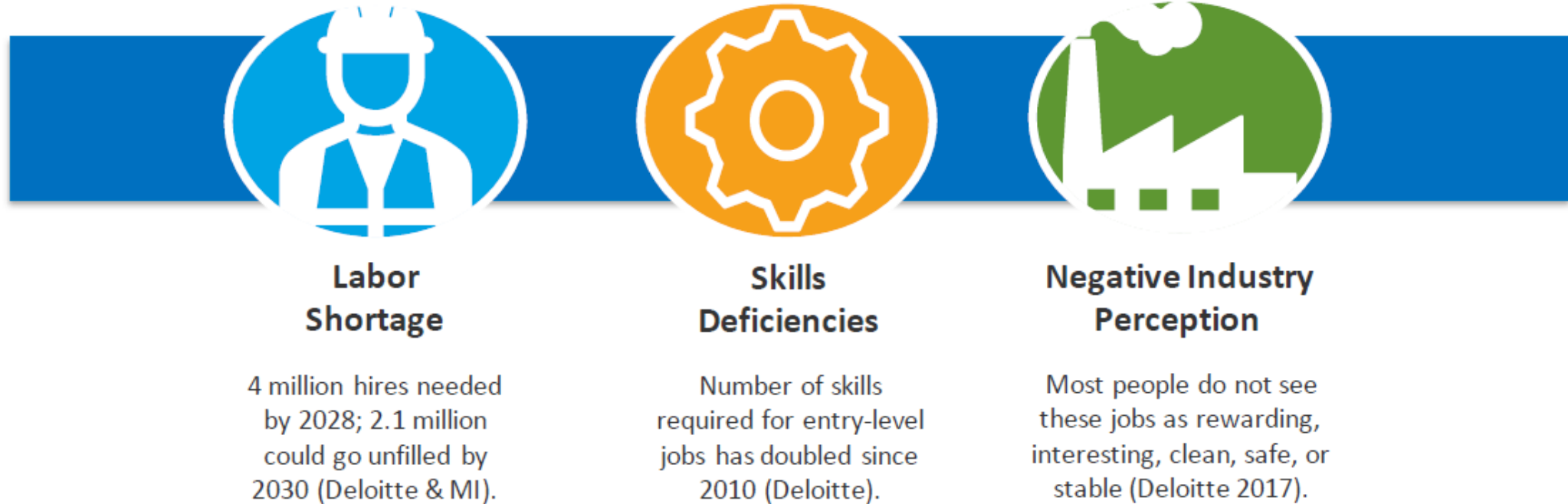
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Key Industry Workforce Barriers

The three most pervasive EWD challenges in the manufacturing sector:



There is an overall lack of sustainability, energy efficiency, and decarbonization manufacturing curricula or certifications due to perceived lack of demand from employers and students.

(Identified by NREL in 2022 Roadmap & Landscape Assessment)

IEDO Workforce Activities

Workforce development focus: a workforce supporting energy efficiency, electrification, and the transition to low carbon fuels and feedstocks in the industrial sector

Existing workforce activities:



Better Plants trainings & software tools



Energy Management Systems (ISO 50001) tools & cohort trainings



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CHP Technical Assistance Partnerships

CHP trainings & online program resources

Workforce development activity priority areas:

Retraining & upskilling for current and future workers, incorporating energy efficiency & decarbonization

Pilot programs for expanded career and technical education (CTE)

Reusing, building on, and/or expanding existing training activities

Registered Apprenticeships & competency models that include energy efficiency & decarb.

Alignment with National Strategy for Advanced Manufacturing

Goal 2. Grow the Advanced Manufacturing Workforce:

Objective 2.1. Expand and Diversify the Advanced Manufacturing Talent Pool:

- 2.1.1 Promote Awareness of Advanced Manufacturing Careers
- **2.1.2. Engage Underrepresented Communities**
- 2.1.3. Address Social and Structural Barriers for Underserved Groups

Objective 2.2. Develop, Scale, and Promote Advanced Manufacturing Education and Training

- 2.2.1. Incorporate Advanced Manufacturing into Foundational STEM Education
- **2.2.2. Modernize Career and Technical Education (CTE) for Advanced Manufacturing**
- **2.2.3. Expand and Disseminate New Learning Technologies and Practices**

Objective 2.3. Strengthen the Connections Between Employers and Educational Organizations

- **2.3.1. Expand Work-Based Learning and Apprenticeships**
- **2.3.2. Promote Industry-Recognized Credentials and Certifications**

New Program: Workforce Development Consortium

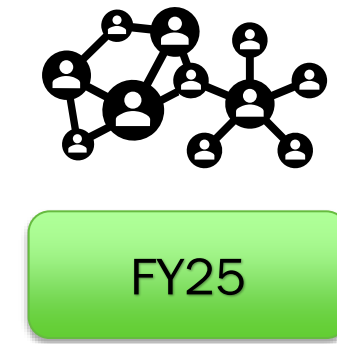
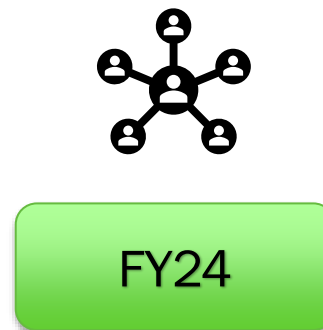
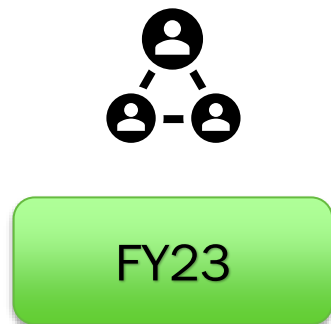


Consortium model: convene and financially support three-to-five key manufacturing workforce organizations that have existing national and/or industry-wide networks and reach. Consortium members use funding to develop, expand, and/or scale successful and innovative Education and Workforce Development programs that meet shared goals, embedding energy efficiency and decarbonization into industry-focused training programs. Consortium RFP will include a focus on expanding training in DACs.

Potential Consortium members:

- Educators and trainers
- Trade, industry, and labor groups
- Diversity organizations/professional societies/associations

Program plans:



Questions?

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Energy System Tools | IEDO

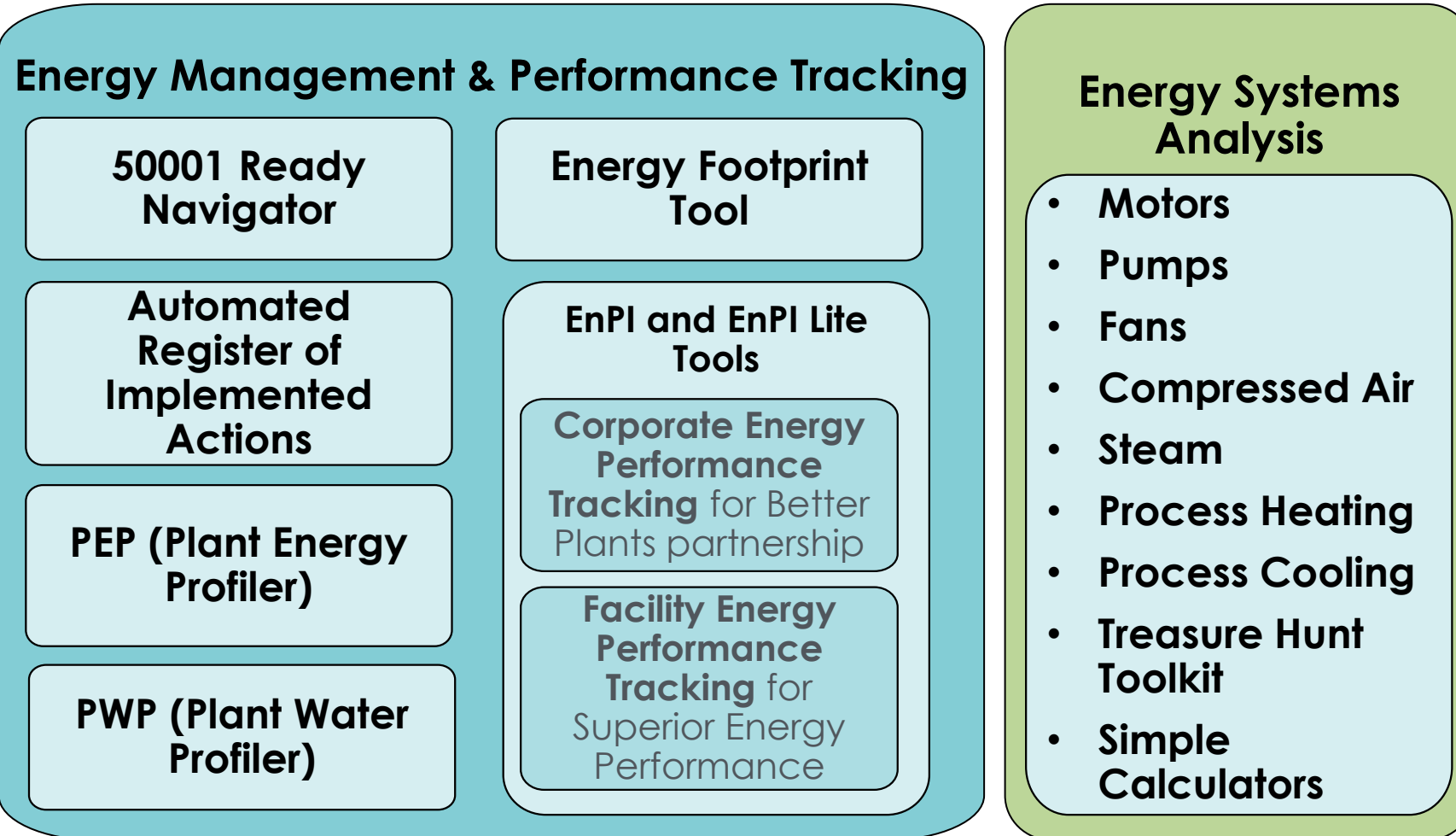
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Overview: IEDO's Historic Energy Software



www.energy.gov/eere/amo/software-tools

Easier-to-Access Future

Management
Guidance



50001 Ready
Navigator

Data Tracking
& Reporting



VERIFI

Onsite
Assessments

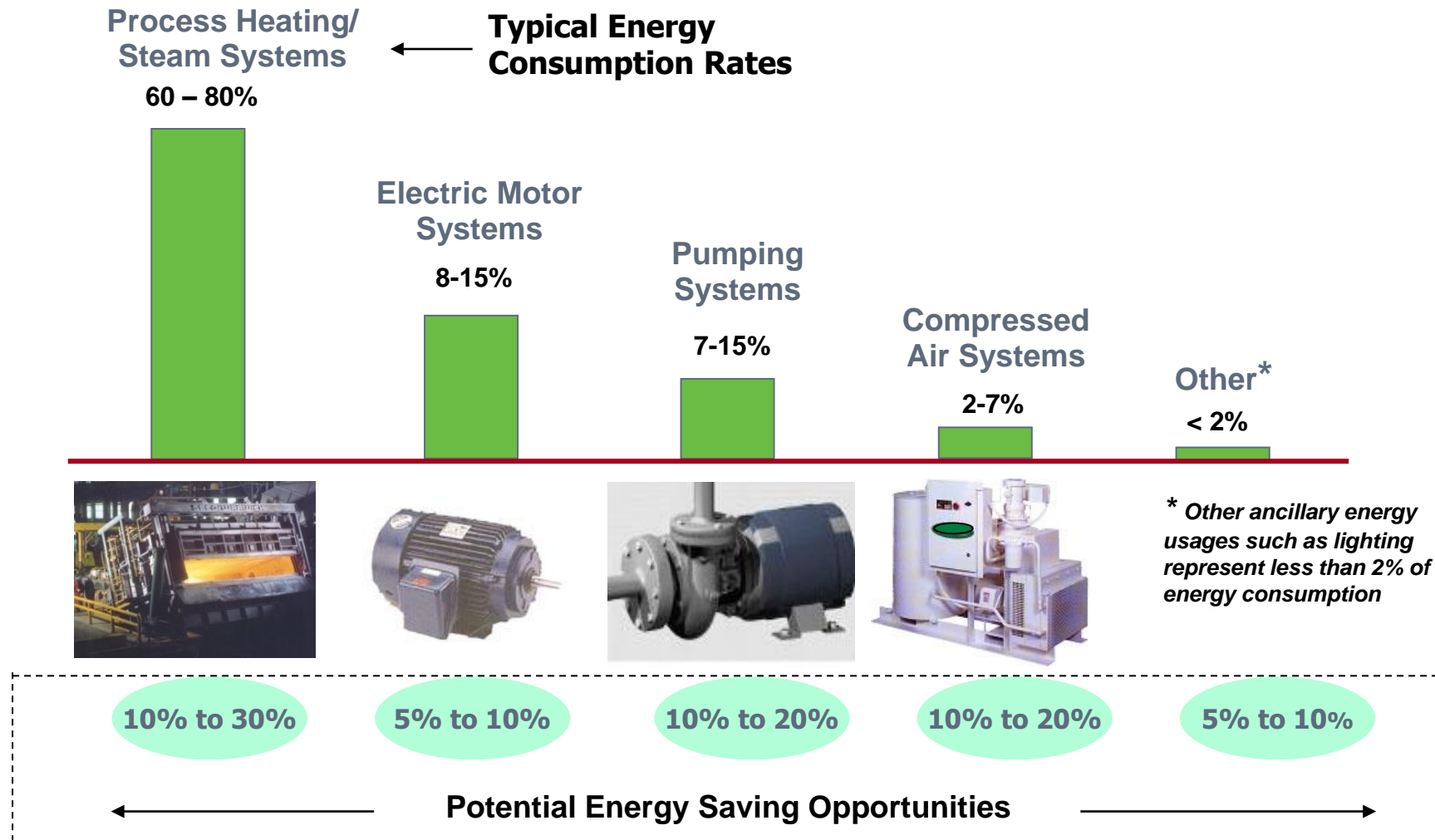


MEASUR

Interconnectivity

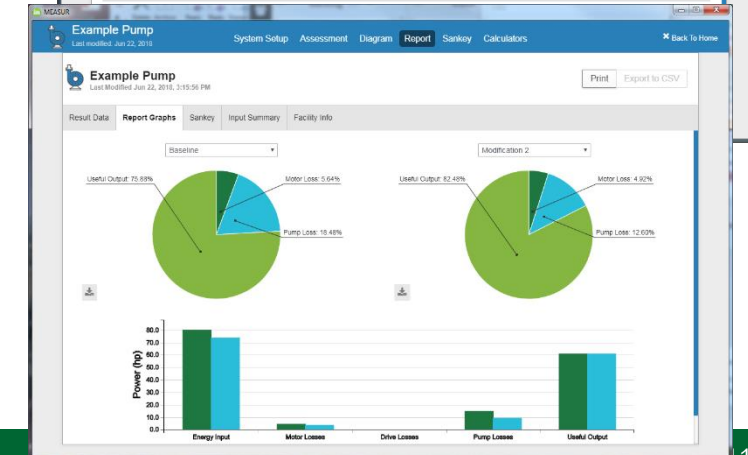
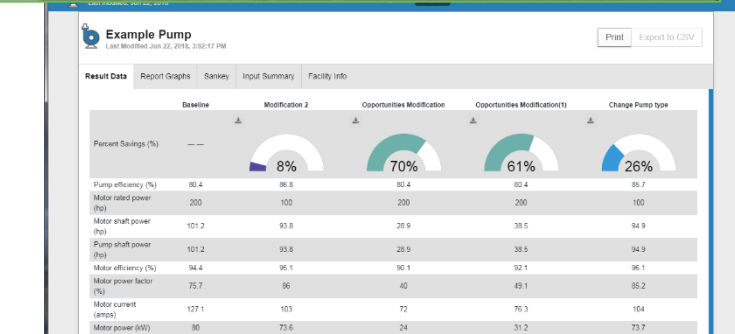
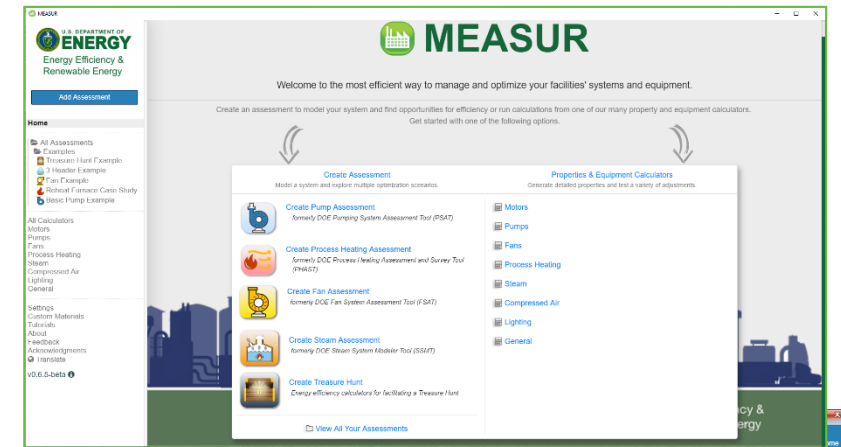
Project Objectives - Background

High-level Plant Energy & Savings Profile

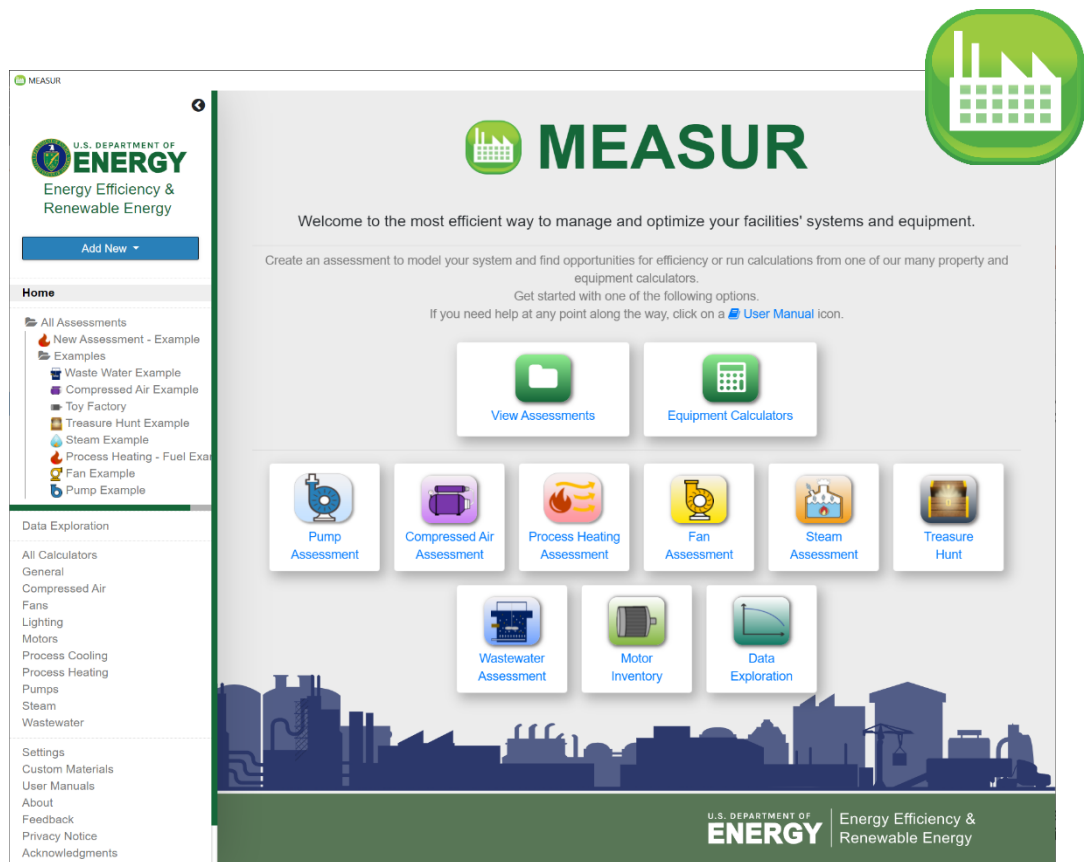


Project Objectives – Software Tools

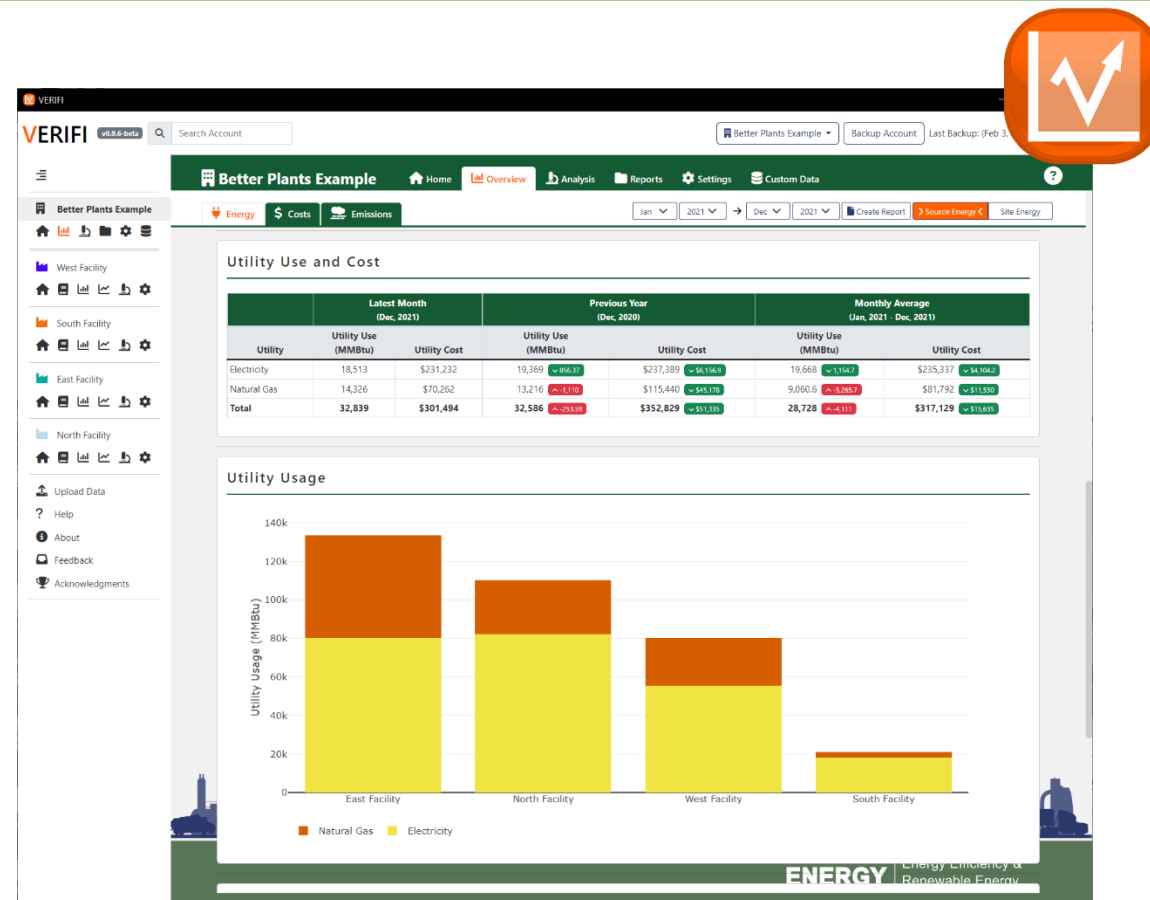
- Expand Focus From **Energy Efficiency To Decarbonization**
- Enable Technology Field Validation, Optimization and Decarbonization
- Provide industry with **technology/vendor agnostic** analysis and evaluation tools
- Modernize to **Open-Source Software!**
 - Government-wide Open-Source Software
 - UT-Battelle Permissive License – “Do whatever, but please provide attribution”
- **Improved Accessibility** - Desktop / Web / Mobile
- Underpins DOE’s Better Plants Program technical assistance efforts



Approach: Integrated Energy Tools – MEASUR & VERIFI



The MEASUR software interface is shown. It features a sidebar on the left with navigation options like 'All Assessments', 'Data Exploration', and 'Settings'. The main content area has a header with the MEASUR logo and a welcome message. Below the header, there are several large buttons for 'View Assessments' and 'Equipment Calculators'. A grid of smaller icons represents various assessment tools: Pump Assessment, Compressed Air Assessment, Process Heating Assessment, Fan Assessment, Steam Assessment, Treasure Hunt, Wastewater Assessment, Motor Inventory, and Data Exploration. The footer includes the U.S. Department of Energy logo and the text 'Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy'.



The VERIFI software interface is shown. It features a sidebar on the left with navigation options like 'Home', 'West Facility', 'South Facility', 'East Facility', 'North Facility', 'Upload Data', 'Help', 'About', 'Feedback', and 'Acknowledgments'. The main content area has a header with the VERIFI logo and a search bar. Below the header, there are several tabs for 'Energy', 'Costs', and 'Emissions'. A table titled 'Utility Use and Cost' compares the latest month (Dec 2021) with the previous year (Dec 2020) and a monthly average (Jan 2021 - Dec 2021). Below the table is a bar chart titled 'Utility Usage' showing utility usage (MMBtu) for four facilities: East Facility, North Facility, West Facility, and South Facility. The bar chart uses orange for Natural Gas and yellow for Electricity. The footer includes the U.S. Department of Energy logo and the text 'Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy'.

Utility	Latest Month (Dec, 2021)		Previous Year (Dec, 2020)		Monthly Average (Jan, 2021 - Dec, 2021)	
	Utility Use (MMBtu)	Utility Cost	Utility Use (MMBtu)	Utility Cost	Utility Use (MMBtu)	Utility Cost
Electricity	18,513	\$231,232	19,369	\$237,389	19,668	\$235,337
Natural Gas	14,326	\$70,262	13,216	\$115,440	9,090.6	\$81,792
Total	32,839	\$301,494	32,586	\$352,829	28,728	\$317,129

- Software tools are available through **simple, open-source platforms**
- Includes built-in guides and tutorials

<https://www.energy.gov/eere/iedo/software-tools>

MEASUR Software Suite

Manufacturing Energy Assessment Software for Utility Reduction



- **Energy and Carbon optimization software tool** to help manufactures improve the efficiency of systems and equipment within a plant
- **Model common energy systems** and evaluate unlimited “What-if” Scenarios
 - Perform full assessments on Steam, Process Heating, Pumps, Fans, Compressed Air Systems, etc
 - Identify and quantify major areas of energy and carbon use and savings
 - Dynamically create custom reports
- 70+ simple standalone calculators
 - **Quantify savings** for common opportunities
 - Perform your own facility Treasure Hunt
- Audience: Energy Managers, Plant Engineers, Maintenance Leads, Consultants, etc

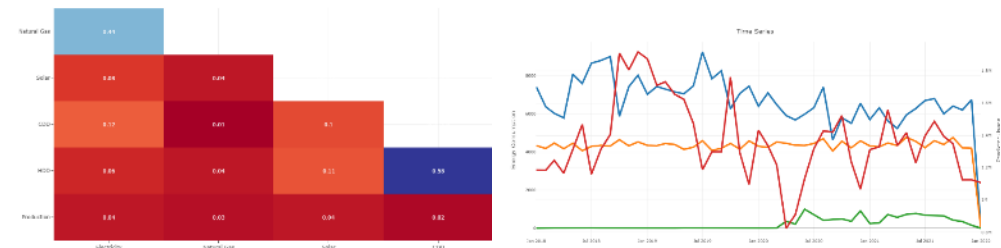
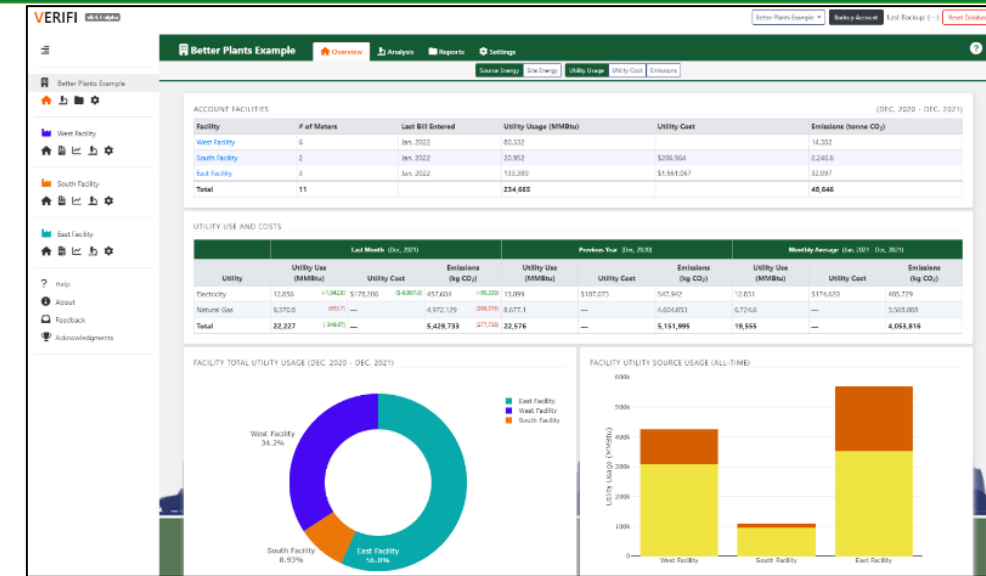


<https://www.energy.gov/eere/amo/measur> (Available for Windows, Mac & Linux)

VERIFI Software Suite



- Comprehensive **Utility Tracking and Reporting** Dashboard tool
- Promotes a **common framework** for analysis and reporting
- **Simplify and standardize** data entry, tracking, benchmarking and baselining for companies
- **Streamlines reporting** for companies
- Continue moving companies to more robust tracking methodologies
- Audience: Energy & Sustainability Managers, Data Analysts, Procurement



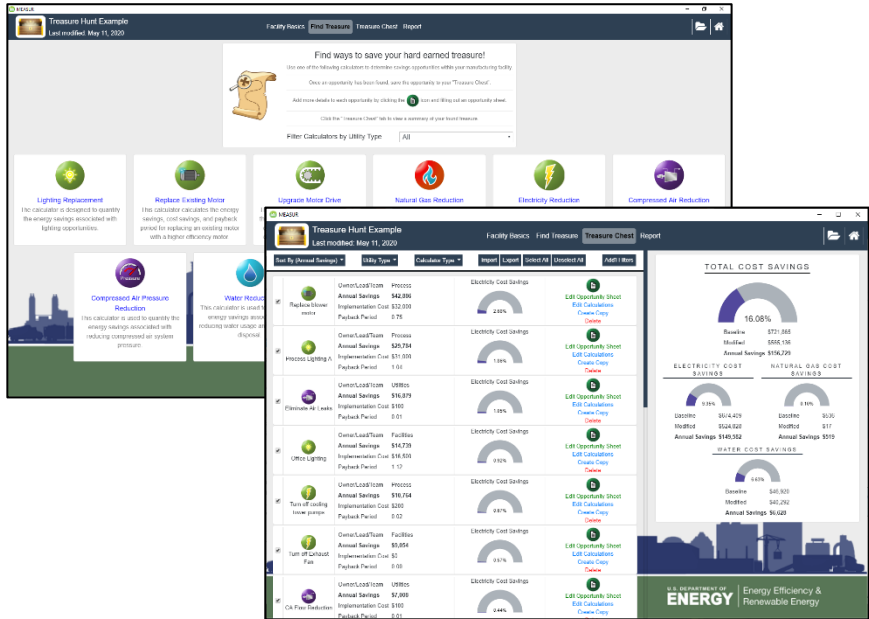
Year	Energy (MMBtu)			Incremental Improvement	
	Actual	Modeled	Adjusted for Normalization	Total Savings % Improvement	Cummulative Savings
2018	32,240	32,302	32,240	—	—
2019	30,917	31,892	31,831	2.87 %	913.91
2020	19,407	21,232	21,171	8.33 %	2,677.7
2021	20,952	23,176	23,115	9.35 %	4,840

Online - <https://verifi.ornl.gov/> Download - <https://ornl-amg.github.io/>

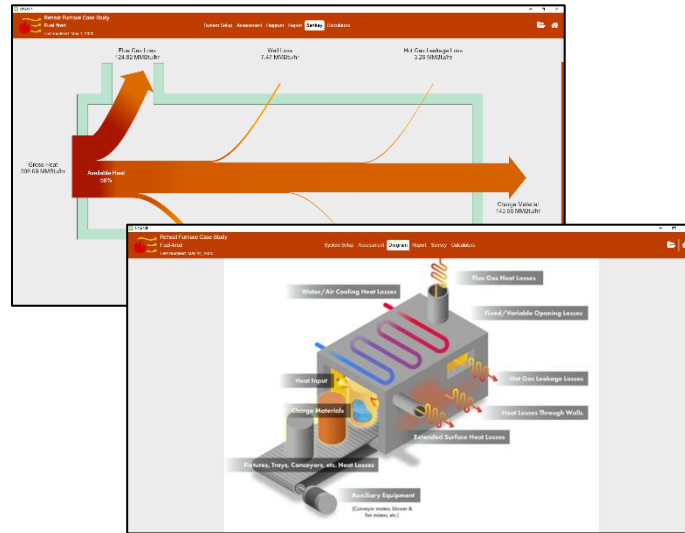
Results and Accomplishments

- Select Screenshots

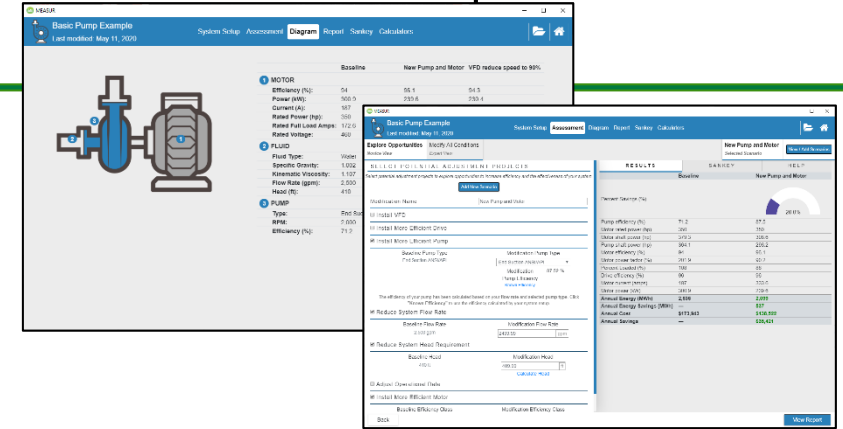
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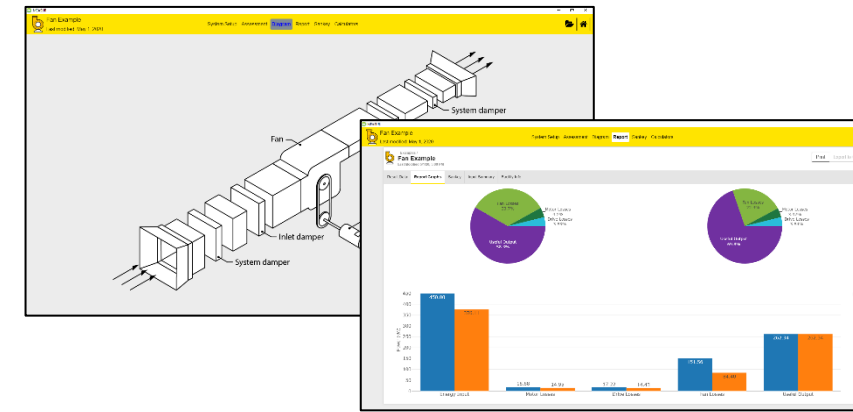
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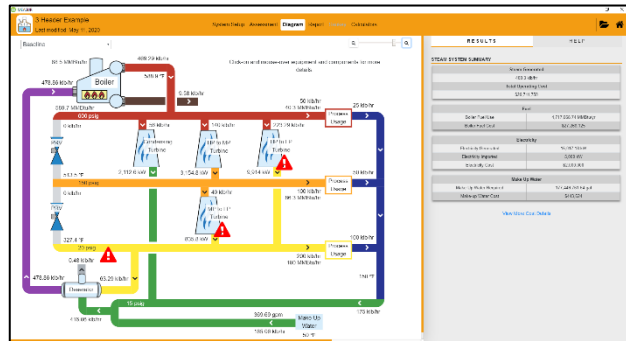
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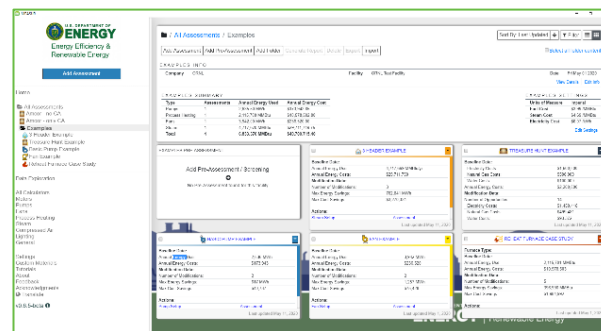
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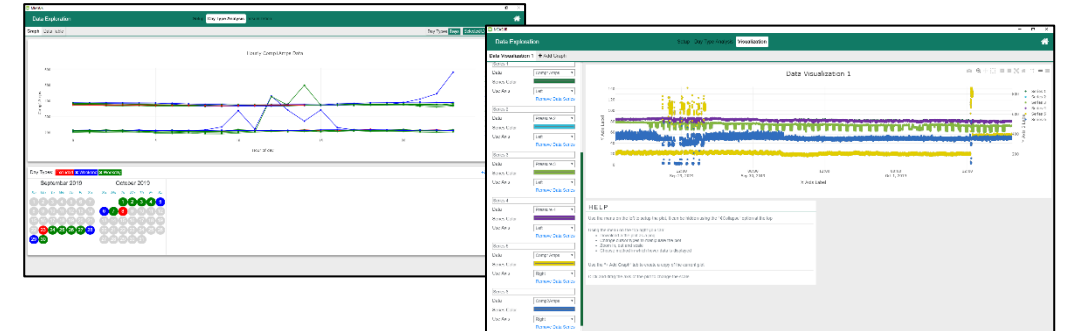
Steam



Assessment Dashboard



Data Visualization & Analysis



Results and Accomplishments

- **Website Usage (Online Version)**

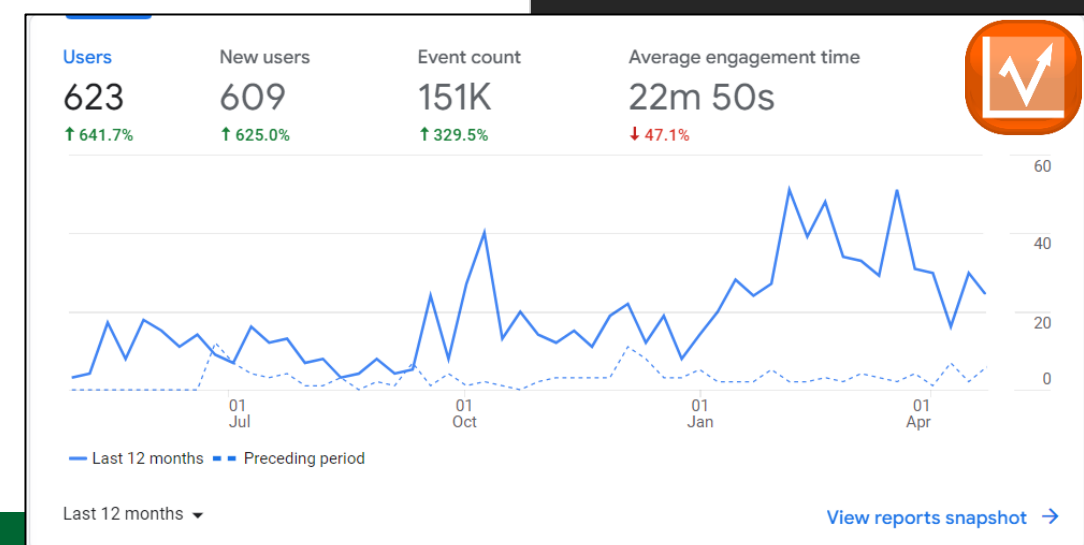
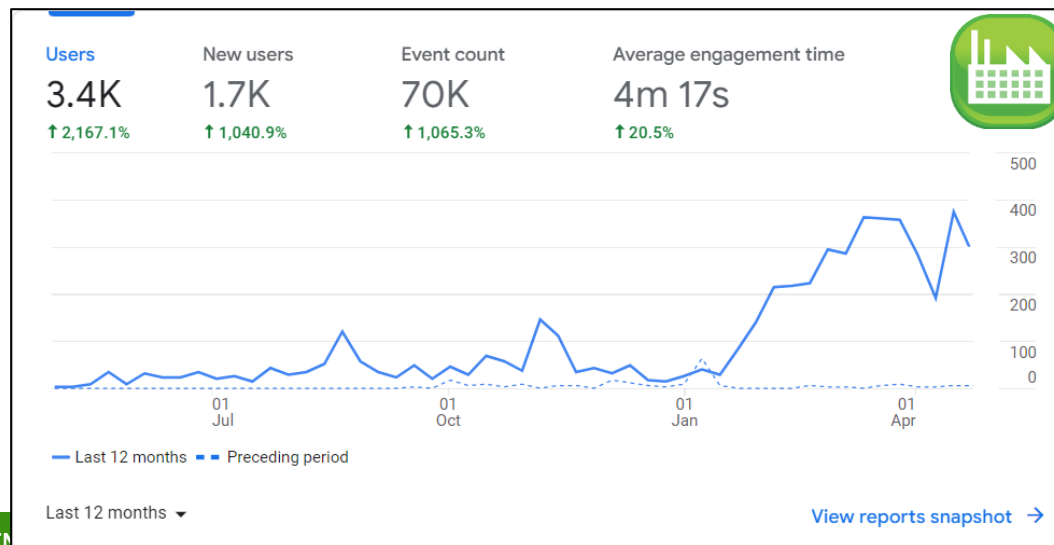
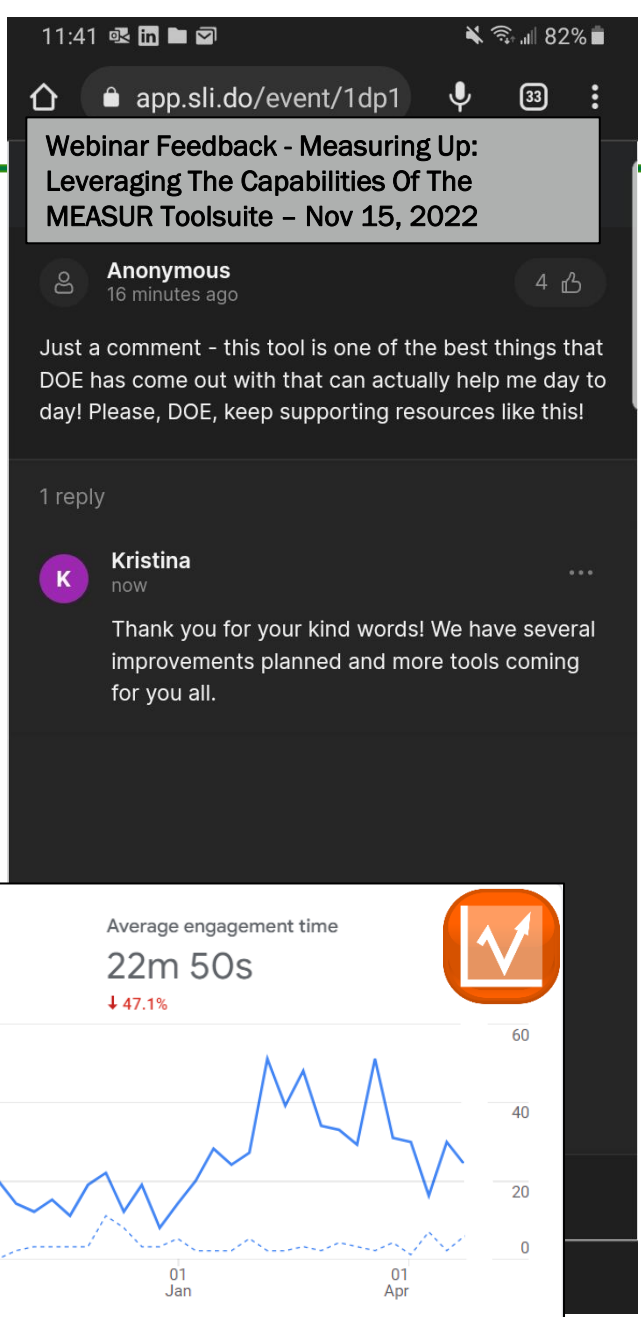
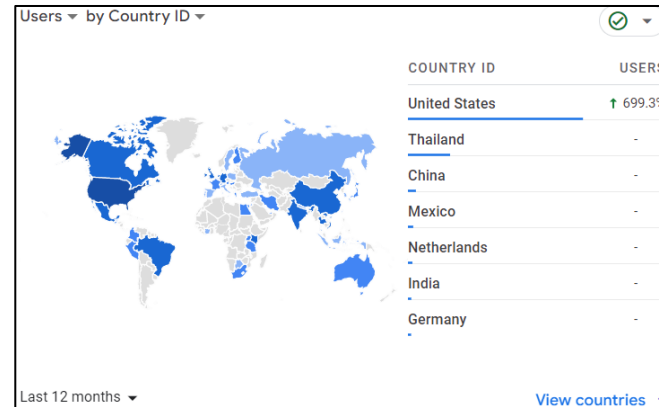
- MEASUR: 3,400+ unique users
- VERIFI: 620+ unique users

- **Total Downloads (Downloaded Version)**

- MEASUR: 25,600+
- VERIFI: 980+

- **Open-source Utilization Examples**

- Industrial Assessment Center Universities - incorporating into engineering curriculum
- Capstone project at TN Tech University - connecting MEASUR to real-time sensors
- Confederation of National Industries used code to develop software for Electrobras



Vision for the Future

- **Assist companies** who are looking to develop decarbonization roadmaps, report carbon inventories, and decarbonize operations
- Hands-on **training available** through Better Plants Technical Assistance Activities
 - In-Plant Trainings, Virtual In-Plant Trainings, Bootcamps, Webinars, etc
- Open-Source Library Suite **enables private sector** opportunities
 - Providers can add equipment specific capabilities and databases
- Expand upon current capabilities
 - New algorithms can be added to characterize other plant processes and equipment
 - Leverage sensors for real-time data collection, monitoring and optimization
 - Enable real-time analysis and optimization
 - Possibilities for machine learning algorithms for system optimization



Questions?

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Energy Intensive Pilot | IEDO

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Project Overview

- **The Energy Intensive Pilot is a technical assistance effort to understand how IEDO can best serve energy intensive manufacturers**
 - Align with EEI R&D subprogram
- **The pilot is providing technical assistance based on requests and needs of energy intensive manufacturers**
- **This pilot supports IEDO's mission by reaching out and connecting with energy intensive manufacturers to improve energy performance and decarbonization**

Background & Strategic Approach

Two Parallel Pathways

Project Outline & Approach

Project Need:

Energy intensive sectors account for a substantial share of the energy use and emissions in the industrial sector.

- Reach out to energy intensive manufacturers to see what types of technical assistance yields value and then deliver the assistance they want
- Once energy intensive manufacturers complete an interview, they are eligible for technical assistance

Project Partners: U.S. EPA, ORNL

Timeline: Fall 2022 – Fall 2024

Budget: \$2 million over 2 years

- **Three types of technical assistance:**
 - Assessments
 - Trainings
 - Scenario planning/technology demonstration

Current Activities

- **Outreach approach**
 - Outreach to energy intensive manufacturers that have not worked with federal programs
 - Outreach to trade associations and industry groups:
 - Portland Cement Association
 - AIChE meeting in March 2023 to ~45 people
- **Collaboration with ENERGY STAR**
 - Established working group with ENERGY STAR for industry partners on an energy performance indicator (EPI) on chlor-alkali.
 - Supported recruiting effort and helped secure participation from two manufacturers that produce chlor-alkali

Future Work & Impact

Future Work:

- **Outreach to Energy Intensive Manufacturers**
 - Deliver technical assistance
 - Analyze data from questionnaires and technical assistance events
 - Create new technical assistance resources that address the needs of energy intensive sectors
- **EPA Collaboration**
 - Finalize current Energy Performance Indicator (EPI) on chlor-alkali
 - Identify tools, trainings and other resources that can be developed jointly
 - Joint recognition of partner accomplishments

End Project Goal:

- **Understand the technical assistance needs of energy intensive sectors and develop a programmatic structure that addresses those needs**

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Industrial Technology Validation Pilot

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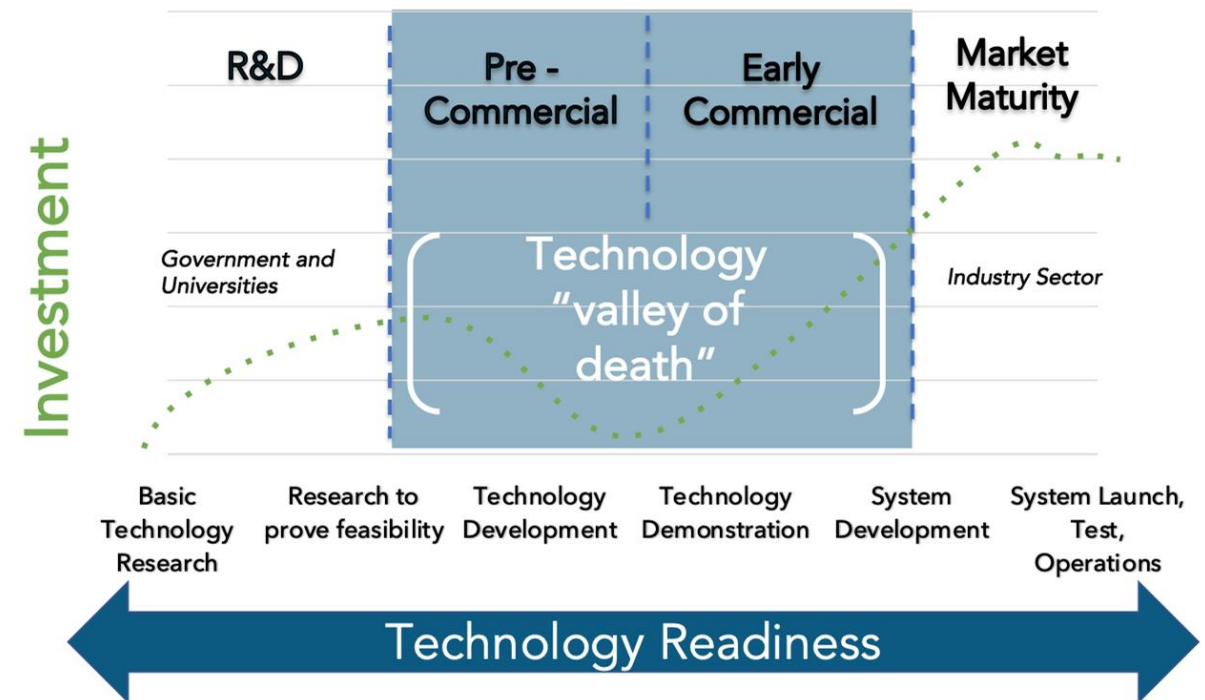


ITV pilot program addresses tech-to-market challenges

- The problem:
 - Technology developers face 'Valley of Death'
 - Facilities need credible evaluation of installed performance of emerging technologies
- IEDO objectives:
 - Accelerate the adoption of emerging technologies
- ITV objectives:
 - De-risk the adoption of emerging technologies by conducting measurement and verification
 - Disseminate results broadly to accelerate industrial decarbonization
- ITV benefits
 - To vendor: credible 3rd party validation of claims
 - To facility: Allows piloting before scaling

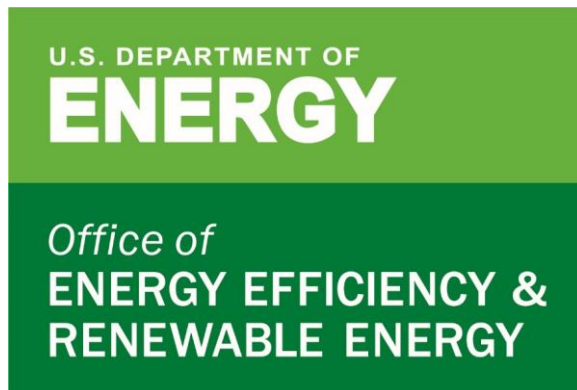
Why Field Validation of Emerging Technologies?

Field validation provides research and data to prove out technology claims and help bring innovative technologies out of R&D and into the market.



ITV pilot program design

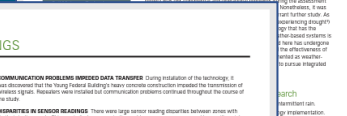
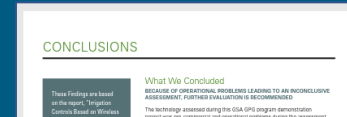
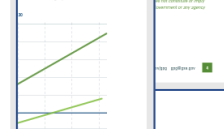
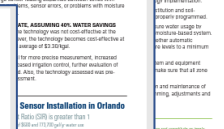
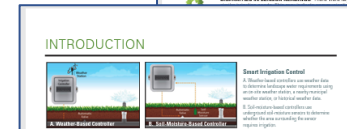
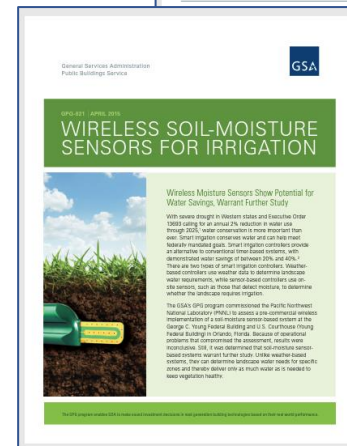
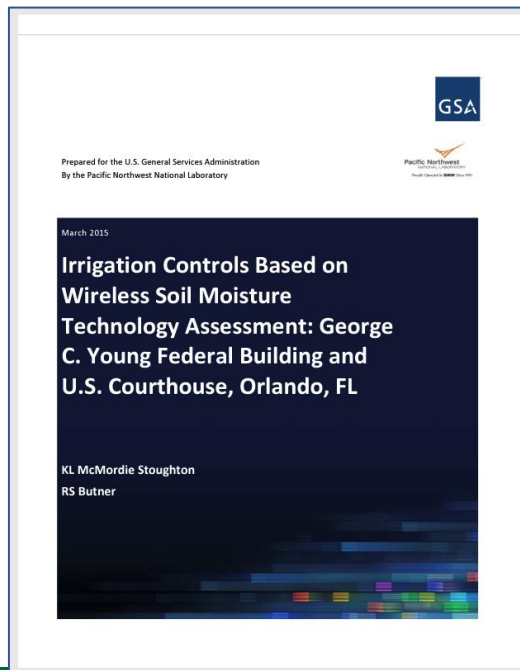
- Call for applications - emerging technologies not previously evaluated in an industrial setting that claim to deliver energy/CO₂, water, and/or waste reductions AND have potential for widespread adoption and savings
- Competitive selection process
- Once selected:
 - LBNL, site, and vendor establish measurement and verification (M&V) process
 - M&V plan executed (period of testing can span two weeks to two years)



Disseminating Results

- Full-scale M&V report
- Four-page high level summary
- Single page graphic overview

- Conference presentations
- Website hosting
- library of reports and program information
- Once critical mass is reached, create searchable database



021 WIRELESS SOIL-MOISTURE SENSORS FOR IRRIGATION CONTROL

OPPORTUNITY

What is the Opportunity? Measure water use to determine if it is being used efficiently.

36% REDUCTION IN POTABLE WATER USE by 2025, compared to 2007 baseline

37% OF UNITED STATES experiencing drought conditions

20-40% WATER SAVINGS with smart irrigation

TECHNOLOGY

How do Wireless Soil Moisture Sensors work?

MEASURE SOIL MOISTURE

TO CALCULATE IRRIGATION AMOUNT, AND TRANSMIT DATA TO CONTROL IRRIGATION CONTROLLER

M&V

What is M&V? Measurement and Verification process

PACIFIC NORTHWEST NATIONAL LABORATORY conducted a non-commercial engineering study of wireless soil-moisture sensors for irrigation control provided by Logik at the Young Federal Building in Orlando, Florida.

RESULTS

How do Wireless Soil Moisture Sensors perform in M&V?

INCONCLUSIVE RESULTS

COMMUNICATION AND SENSOR PROBLEMS IN THE FIELD MADE TECHNOLOGY COMPARISON ANALYSIS PROJECT DEVELOPMENT CHALLENGING AT BEST

GREATER GRANULARITY

THIS IN-DEPTH FOUR-PAGE SUMMARY REPORT OFFERS POTENTIAL FOR GREATER SAVINGS!

Economic Assessment for Soil-Moisture Sensor Installation in Orlando

Control Active Value Savings to Investment Ratio (SIR) is greater than 1

Watering cost investment of \$1,000 per acre yields a net benefit of \$100 and 100,000 gal water saved

DEPLOYMENT

What is the M&V requirement? Documenting the M&V process

FURTHER RESEARCH

DOCUMENTING SENSORS EFFECTIVENESS

Alternatively, energy and/or labor savings are a potential benefit

GSA

Current portfolio (1 of 2)

Energy efficiency:

- Nissan - Electrocell: cooling tower side stream particle precipitator (to be compared with Toyota)
- Toyota - Electrocell: cooling tower side stream particle precipitator (to be compared with Nissan)
- Stryker - Turntide: High Rotor Pole Switched Reluctance Electric Motor
- EPRI - Atlantium: High Optical Density Ultraviolet (HOD-UV) for chemical free de-chlorination and microbial de-activation for protection of reverse osmosis membranes

Electrification:

- Graphic Packaging - KPES SPG: Soot-blowing in a recovery boiler
- Ahlstrom-Munksjo - Via Separations: membrane system for black liquor concentration

TOYOTA



Current portfolio (2 of 2)

Low Carbon Fuels and Feedstocks:

- Holcim - Advanced Thermovoltaic Systems:
Thermoelectric generator to produce electricity from waste heat
- Solar Flux (site dropped out): Parabolic dish solar water heating

Water savings:

- Cleveland Cliffs - Dynamic Water Technologies
 - Electrochemical water treatment for cooling towers
 - Electrocoagulation for oil and hydrocarbon removal from wastewater



Evolving from pilot to program

- Creating foci:
 - Technology (e.g., electrification, deep energy efficiency)
 - Sectors (e.g., Energy and Emissions Intensive Industries)
- Partnering:
 - Within IEDO: Better Plants/Climate Challenge to identify foci, solicit applications
 - Within DOE: create/identify channels for funding technology; identify promising techs and close R&D to deployment loop
 - Outside of DOE: create multiplier impact (e.g., with utility programs)
- Improving applications
 - Require letters of commitment from site
 - Include emerging sectors of interest to IEDO (e.g., data centers, controlled environment agriculture)

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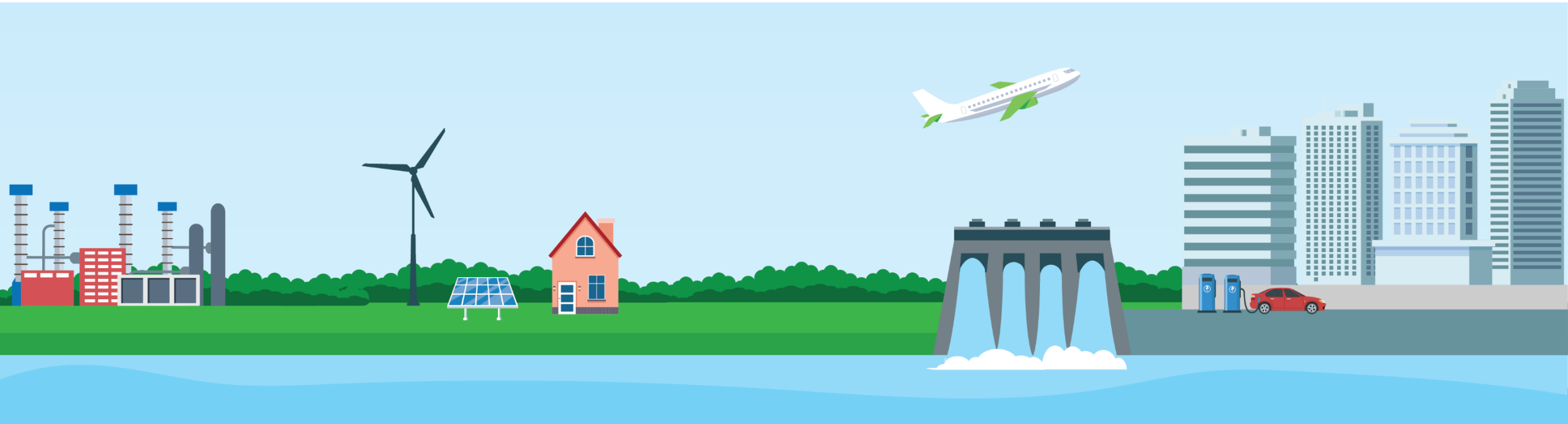
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Energy-Water → Energy-Water-Food Nexus

Controlled Environment Agriculture (CEA) Accelerator
Kimmair Tran | Peer Review May 2023



One of EERE's program priorities is "decarbonizing the agriculture sector, specifically focused on the nexus between energy and water"

Traditional field farming



supplemented by

Indoor farming



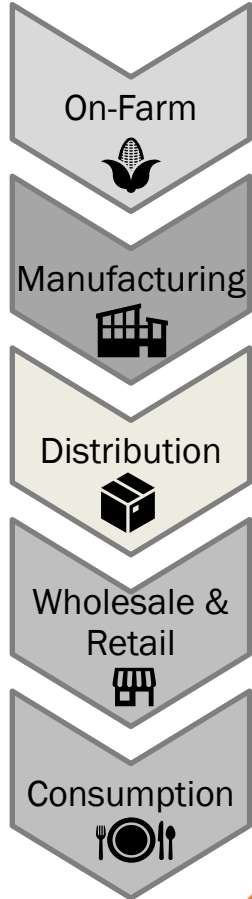
Indoor Farming	PH	IC	Humidity
	6.0	1.2	60%
	Air temp	Water temp	
	25C	21C	
	CO ₂		Rack NO.
	351 ppm		9

Photo by Keith Welle, USDA-ARS

Photo by <https://commercialwaste.trade/future-concrete-jungles-rise-vertical-farming/>

Agriculture & other land use activities represents 23% of total net anthropogenic GHGs¹

Food Supply Chain



- 70% of freshwater goes to agriculture globally (~80% in US)^[1]
- Irrigation volume has increasing by >25% since 2000^[1]
- Manufacturing exhibits a high amount of food loss and waste; most becomes animal feed^[2]
- Food and beverage manufacturers were identified as a top 5 carbon emitter^[3]
- Farming has grown into an industrial scale, with a growing supply chain in need of mfg. resiliency
- Cross-country transportation takes about 7-10 days, so ~50% of produce shelf life is spent on trucks^[4]
- >10% of food is lost at the retailer level due to inconsistent food quality^[2,5]
- The demand for organic foods has increased by 44% from 2016 to 2020^[5]
- >25% of the food planted/raised for human consumption is lost or wasted, globally^[1]

Congressional interest in the Energy x Water x Food nexus has identified DOE (specifically EERE, AMO) to collaborate with the USDA on 4-season production

(MOUs, FY22 Appropriations Bill)

The winning 2021 Big Idea (Urban DIGs – Decarbonization In Greenhouses) seeks to leverage IEDO’s existing programs and optimize the benefits of Controlled Environment Agriculture (CEA), particularly for food insecure communities

Summary of Annual Data for Conventional vs. CEA Grown Lettuce
adapted from Avgoustaki and Xydis^[1]

	Conventional Farm (Outdoor Field)	CEA-Vertical Farm	CEA-Greenhouse
Energy Use ^{[2],[3]}	0.3 kWh/kg	250 kWh/kg	60-180 kWh/kg
Water Use Efficiency ^{[4],[2]}	250 L/kg	1 L/kg	20 L/kg
CO₂ Emissions ^[5]	540 kg/ton lettuce	158 kg/ton lettuce	352 kg/ton lettuce
Crop Yield ^[4]	3.9 kg/m ²	80-120 kg/m ²	41 kg/m ²
Typical Transportation Distance ^[6]	3200 km	43 km	800-1600 km

Smart sensors enable precision agriculture



Water management can include unconventional sources of water, e.g. brackish water

CHP’s excess energy generation can be sold to the grid and has potential to have zero or negative GHG emissions with H₂ or RNG



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The two-year CEA Accelerator seeks to understand regional barriers to Controlled Environment Agriculture and enable their growth in local communities

→ \$2M over 2 years

1

Design outreach plan and milestones

- Identify community partners (10+) and USDA contact (at least 1 required)

Products:

- CEA Accelerator workplan and market transformation plan



2

Develop tools to assess feasibility

- Research CEA R&D and market barriers
- Baseline community partner needs

Products:

- Existing/emerging technology catalogue
- CEA feasibility tool



3

Connect partners to DOE resources

- Provide education and training opportunities for communities

Products:

- Webinar series of energy/water best practices, tools, and applying to funding



4

Engage stakeholders and workforce

- Convene stakeholders:
 - *R&D technologists
 - *State energy offices
 - *Business developers
 - *Food distributors

Products:

- Networking platform
- End of accelerator conference/career fair



Pre-Launch

Year 1

Year 2

The CEA accelerator will benefit community partners by providing tools, and the communities will benefit the lab by providing technical, economic, and social data

Questions?

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