

# Sustainable Development

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# P R E S E N T A T I O N   O V E R V I E W

**Project Summary**

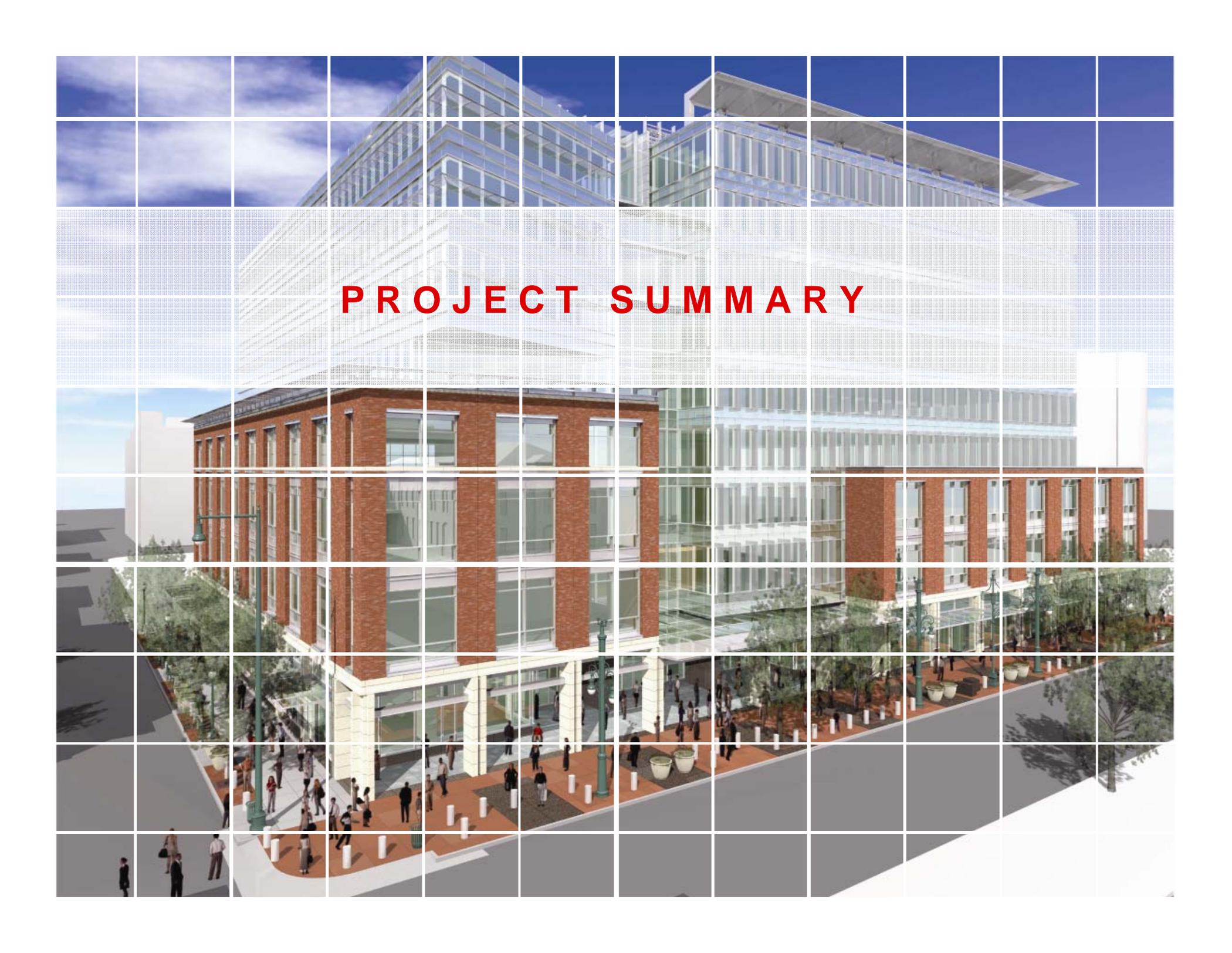
**Solicitation for Offer/Public-Private Partnerships**

**Sustainability Strategies**

**Partnerships**

**Best Practices/ Lessons Learned**





# PROJECT SUMMARY



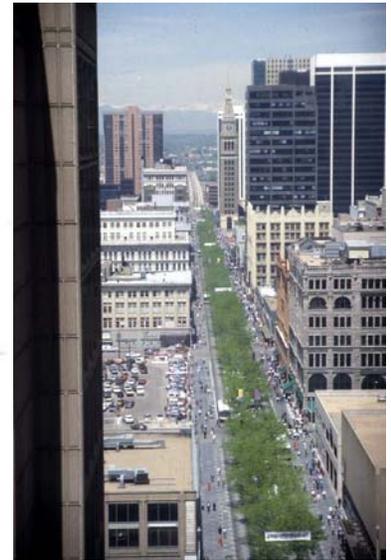
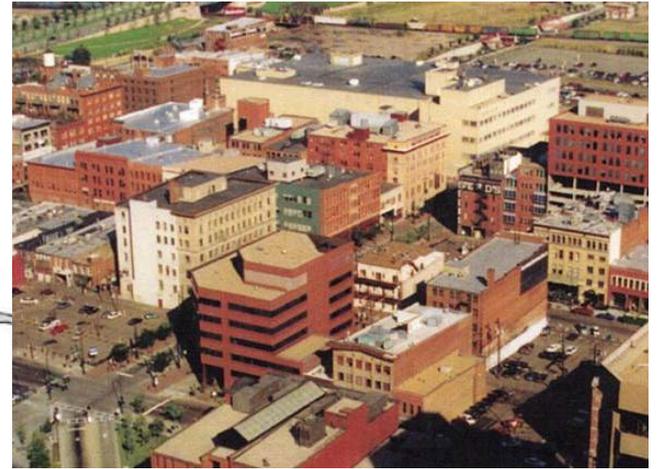
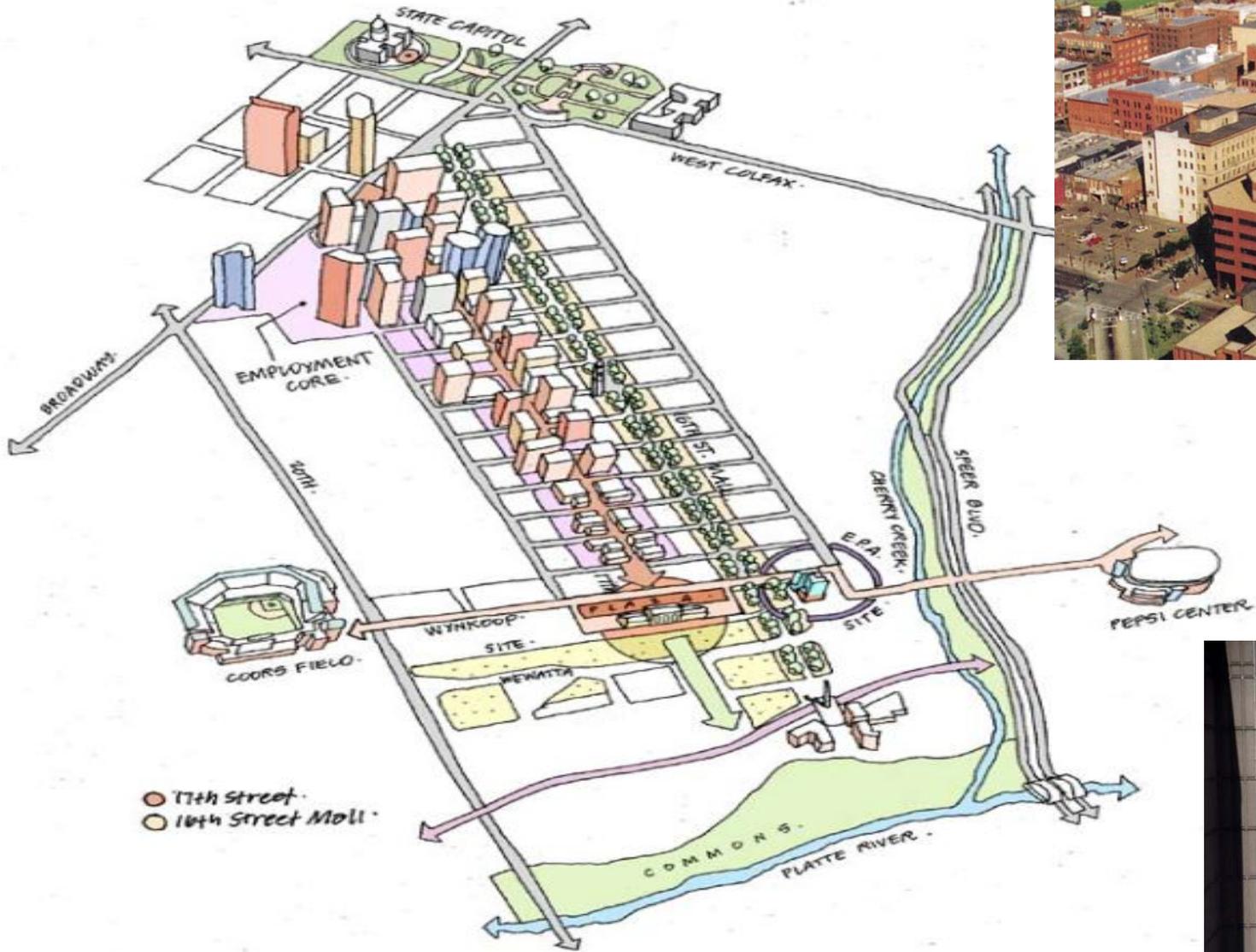
## BUILDING STATISTICS

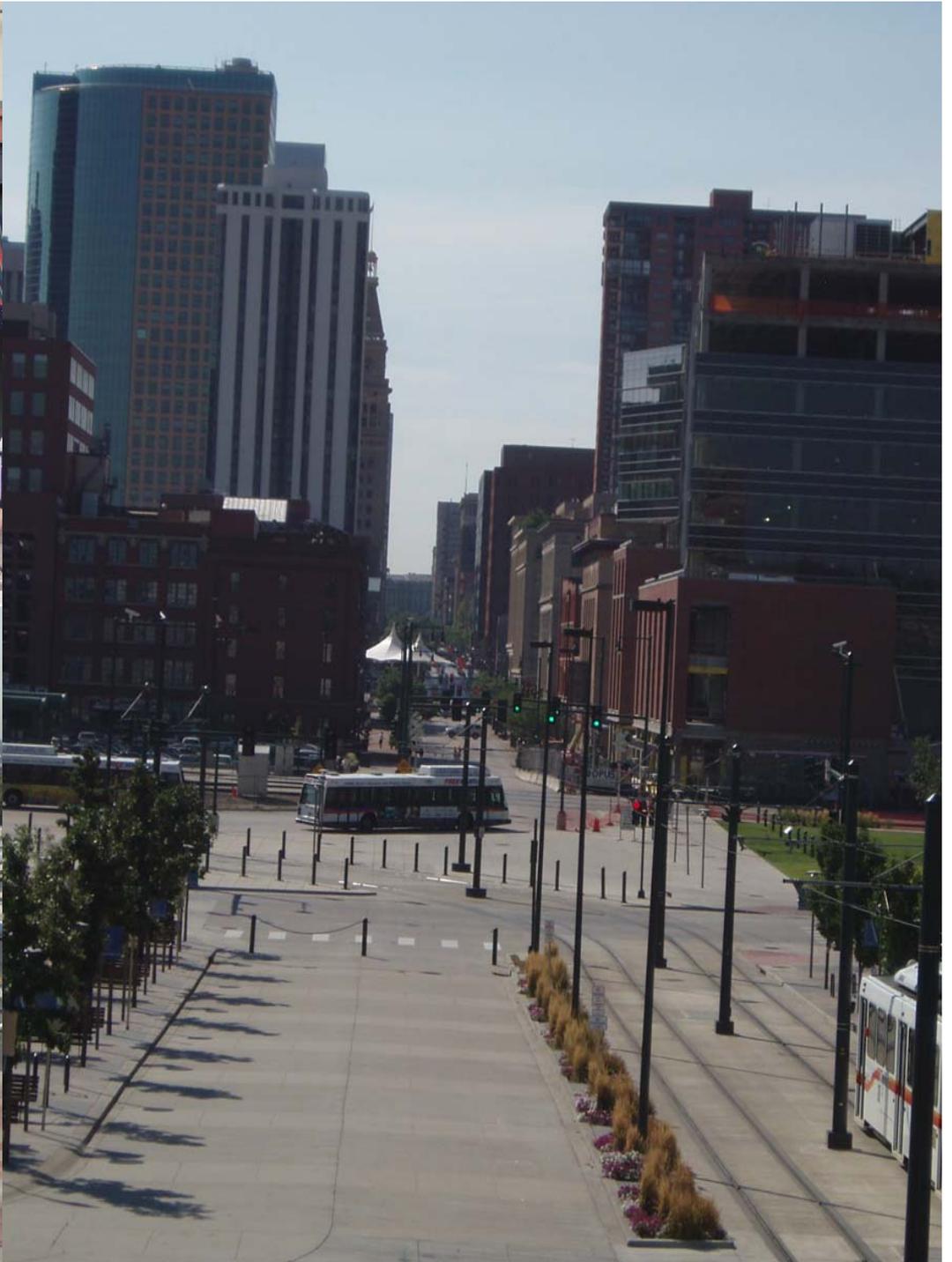
- 418,300 SF Building
- Ground Level Retail
- 9 Stories of Office Space (Approx. 305,400SF)
- 2 Levels of Below Grade Parking (226)
- 2006 Scheduled Completion
- Leased Facility





**Goals:**  
**Security**  
**Sustainability**  
**Location**





**SOLICITATION FOR OFFER**





## **10 Regions Within the US EPA**



**Mountain and Plains- Region Eight**

**6 States- Colorado, Wyoming, Utah,**

**Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota**

**27 Tribal Nations**



## **EPA NATIONAL PROJECT GOALS:**

- Environmental Stewardship
- LEED Certification
- Energy Star Compliance
- Security
- Executive Orders/Memorandum of Understanding





## EPA PROCUREMENT STRATEGIES:

Maximum Sustainability within the Budget

Competitive Design

LEED Scorecard with Designated Point Preferences  
(LEED requirement, Preference, Interest)

Specify Minimum EPA Mandatory Requirements for  
Sustainability and Security While Balancing Cost

Penalties for Not Meeting LEED/Energy Star  
Requirements

\$250,000 Annually If Not Attained/Maintained





## Region 8 SFO PROCESS:

- 10 year/GSA Best Value - Not Low Bid
- Three Stage Selection Procurement Strategy

Site

Team

Building





## SITE REQUIREMENTS:

50,000 to 100,000 sf

Downtown Location

Near Transit/Lodging

Environmental Suitability/

Brownfield preference

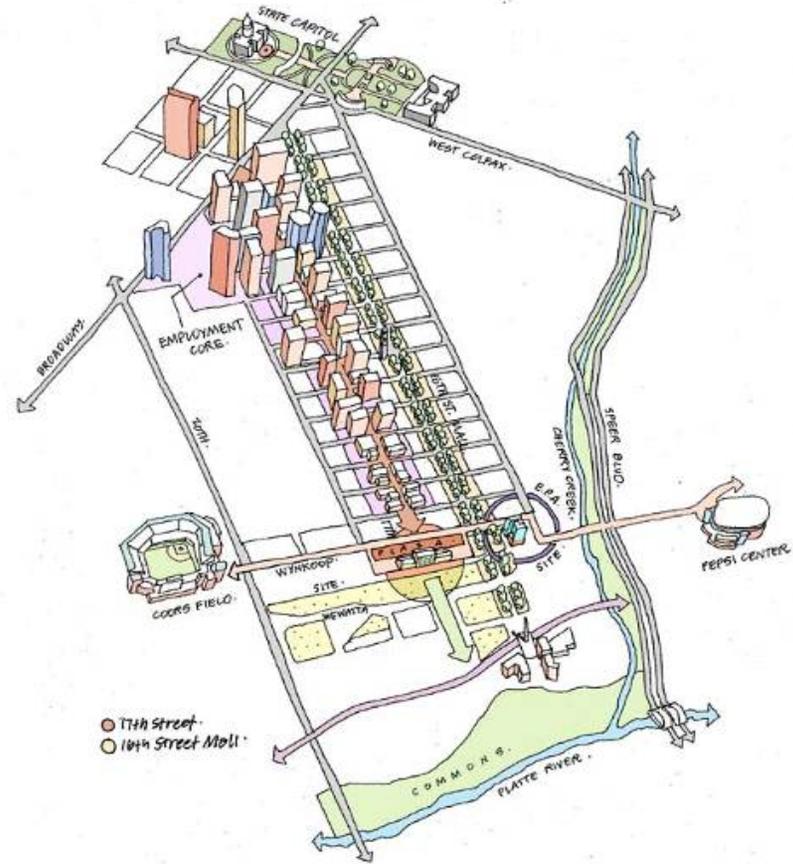
Zoning/Easement for

Density/Security Setbacks

No Public Parking

Cost

Environmental Assessment





## Team Requirements:

- Team Qualifications
- Past Performance and References
- Team's Previous Sustainable Projects





## Building Design Requirements (Short Listed Teams):

- 231,281 usable sf with minimum 25,000 sf floor plate
- Concept Design
- Design Narratives
- Energy Model/Budget & Use Commitment
- LEED Scorecard
- Operations and Maintenance Plans
- Sustainable Construction Practices
- Material Selection
- Cost





## **SFO Energy Requirements Highlights:**

- Electrical Design Load
- Encourage Energy Savings Performance Contract
- Energy Use 30% Better than ASHRAE
- Energy Star– 75 or Better
- Building Metering
- Independent Commissioning Agent
- Artificial & Natural Lighting
- Ventilation Effectiveness
- Stacked Core Functions
- White/ Reflective Roof/ Green Roof
- Energy Reporting





More information: [www.epa.gov/greeningepa](http://www.epa.gov/greeningepa)





**SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGIES**



## What Is Sustainable or “Green” Development?

Sensitivity to:

Environment

Resource and Energy Conservation

Impact on People (quality of work space)

Financial Impact





## Sustainability Requirements in the SFO

### Performance Requirements:

- LEED v 2.1 Silver Certification
- EPA Energy Star Program Certification

### Prescriptive Requirements (Examples):

- Specific Building Material Emission Levels
- FSC Wood for Particular Products
- CO2 Sensors
- Occupancy Sensors for Lights
- Air-Change Effectiveness of  $E=0.9$  or better (ASHRAE)





## LEED Scorecard: Sustainable Sites



**EPA Region 8 Headquarters**

Version 2.1 Registered Project

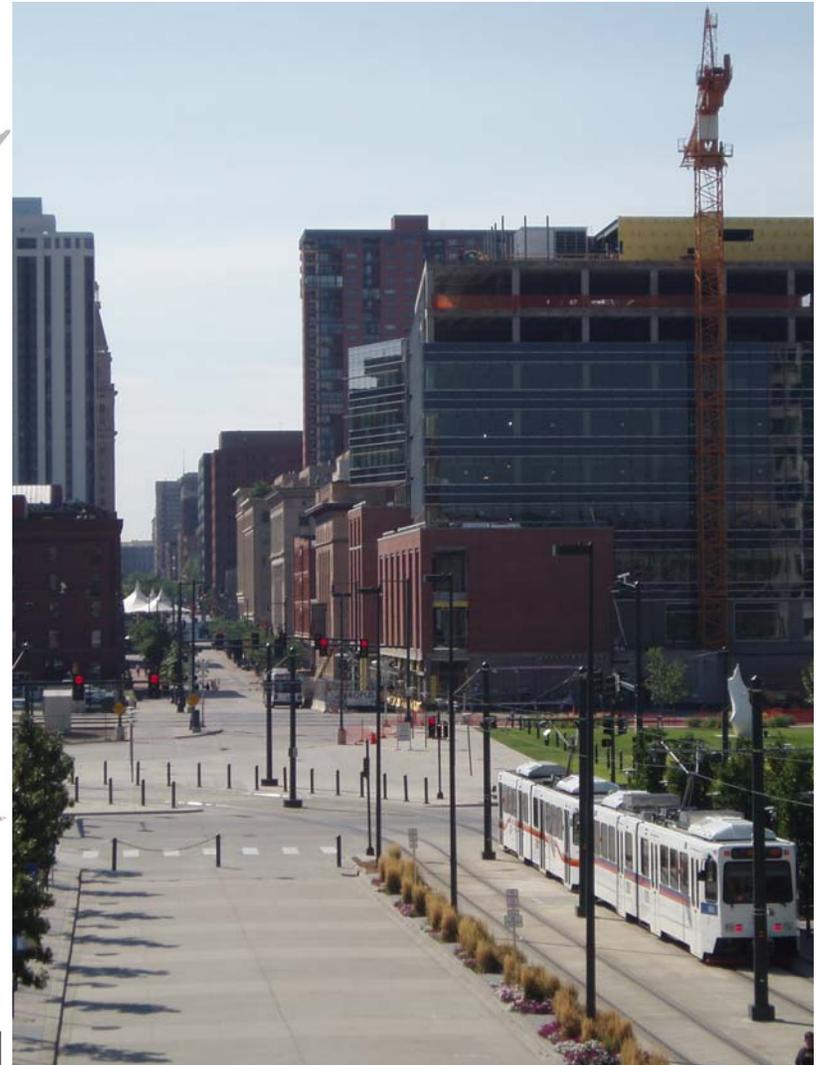
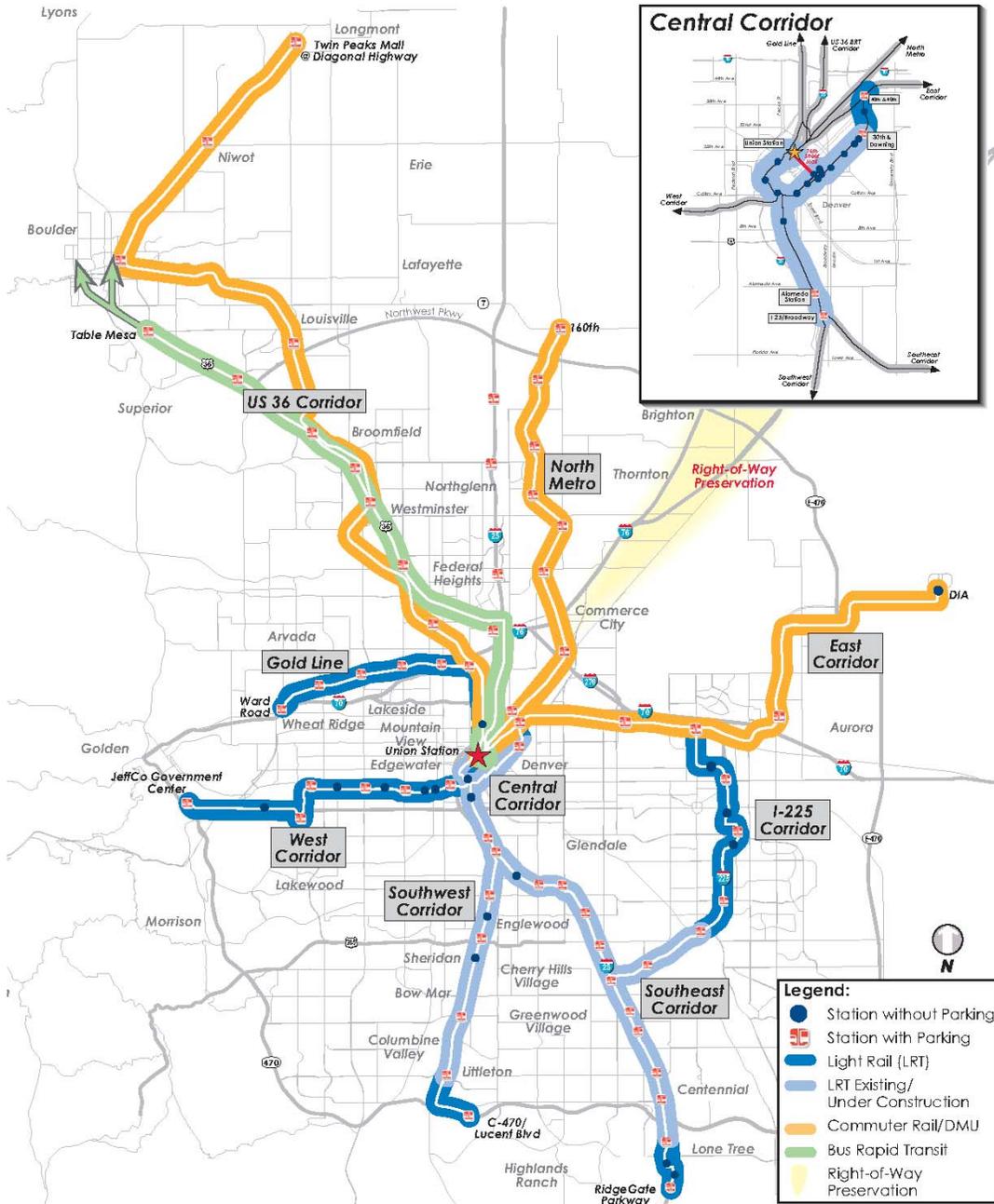
**Y M N Sustainable Sites - 14 Points**

Y	M	N	
			Prereq 1 <b>Erosion &amp; Sedimentation Control</b>
	X		Credit 1 <b>Site Selection</b>
X			Credit 2 <b>Urban Redevelopment</b>
X			Credit 3 <b>Brownfield Redevelopment</b>
X			Credit 4.1 <b>Alternative Transportation</b> , Public Transportation Access
X			Credit 4.2 <b>Alternative Transportation</b> , Bicycle Storage & Changing Rooms
X			Credit 4.3 <b>Alternative Transportation</b> , Alternative Fuel Vehicles
X			Credit 4.4 <b>Alternative Transportation</b> , Parking Capacity and Carpooling
		X	Credit 5.1 <b>Reduced Site Disturbance</b> , Protect or Restore Open Space
		X	Credit 5.2 <b>Reduced Site Disturbance</b> , Development Footprint
		X	Credit 6.1 <b>Stormwater Management</b> , Rate and Quantity
	X		Credit 6.2 <b>Stormwater Management</b> , Treatment
X			Credit 7.1 <b>Landscape &amp; Exterior Design to Reduce Heat Islands</b> , Non-Roof
X			Credit 7.2 <b>Landscape &amp; Exterior Design to Reduce Heat Islands</b> , Roof
		X	Credit 8 <b>Light Pollution Reduction</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>14 Possible</b>





# SUSTAINABILITY | REGIONAL TRANSIT HUB – FASTRACKS MULTI-MODAL TRANSPORTATION





garden roof system

high albedo (reducing heat island effect)

habitat creation

CO2 absorption

WQCV – stormwater treatment

Occupant amenity

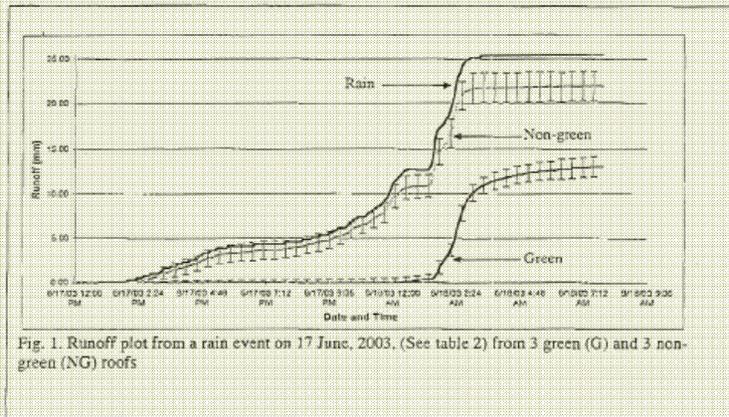


Fig. 1. Runoff plot from a rain event on 17 June, 2003. (See table 2) from 3 green (G) and 3 non-green (NG) roofs

Event	pH		NO <sub>3</sub> (ppm)		Turbidity (ppm)		Color	
	NG	Green	NG	Green	NG	Green	NG	Green
10/11/02	5.5	6.9	2.32	1.0				
10/16/02	6.3	7.3	0	0.18				
10/24/02	6.1	7.0	1.5	0.47				
10/29/02	5.9	7.3						
5/21/03	6.3	7.5	2.1	1.1	7.2	3.7		
6/7/03	5.7	7.4	3.8	0.38	4.6	2.7	27	550
6/8/03	5.7	7.5	1.0	0.3	9.9	4.4	29	546
6/17/03			4.4	0.8	7.1	4.8	30	550
6/20/03			1.42	0.3	10.4	3.1	69	550
Average	5.9	7.3	2.03	0.57	7.8	4.4	39	549
AOV								
Source	df	P	df	P	df	P	df	P
Event	6	0.000	7	0.002	4	ns	3	ns
Roof (NG, G)	1	0.000	1	0.000	1	0.017	1	0.000
E + R	6	0.008	7	0.028	4	ns	3	ns
Error	68		75		47		37	

Table 3. Runoff quality for selected rain events from 3 green (G) and 3 non-green (NG) roofs from 11 October, 2002 to 20 June, 2003.



water quality performance data



## LEED Scorecard: Water Efficiency



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**Y M N Water Efficiency - 5 Points**

X		
		X
		X
X		
X		
3	0	2

- Credit 1.1 **Water Efficient Landscaping**, Reduce by 50%
  - Credit 1.2 **Water Efficient Landscaping**, No Potable Use or No Irrigation
  - Credit 2 **Innovative Wastewater Technologies**
  - Credit 3.1 **Water Use Reduction**, 20% Reduction
  - Credit 3.2 **Water Use Reduction**, 30% Reduction
- 5 Possible**





**Water Free Urinals:**

*Potential savings = 360,000 gallons per year\**

*Not currently approved for use in Denver*



**Dual Flush Toilets:**

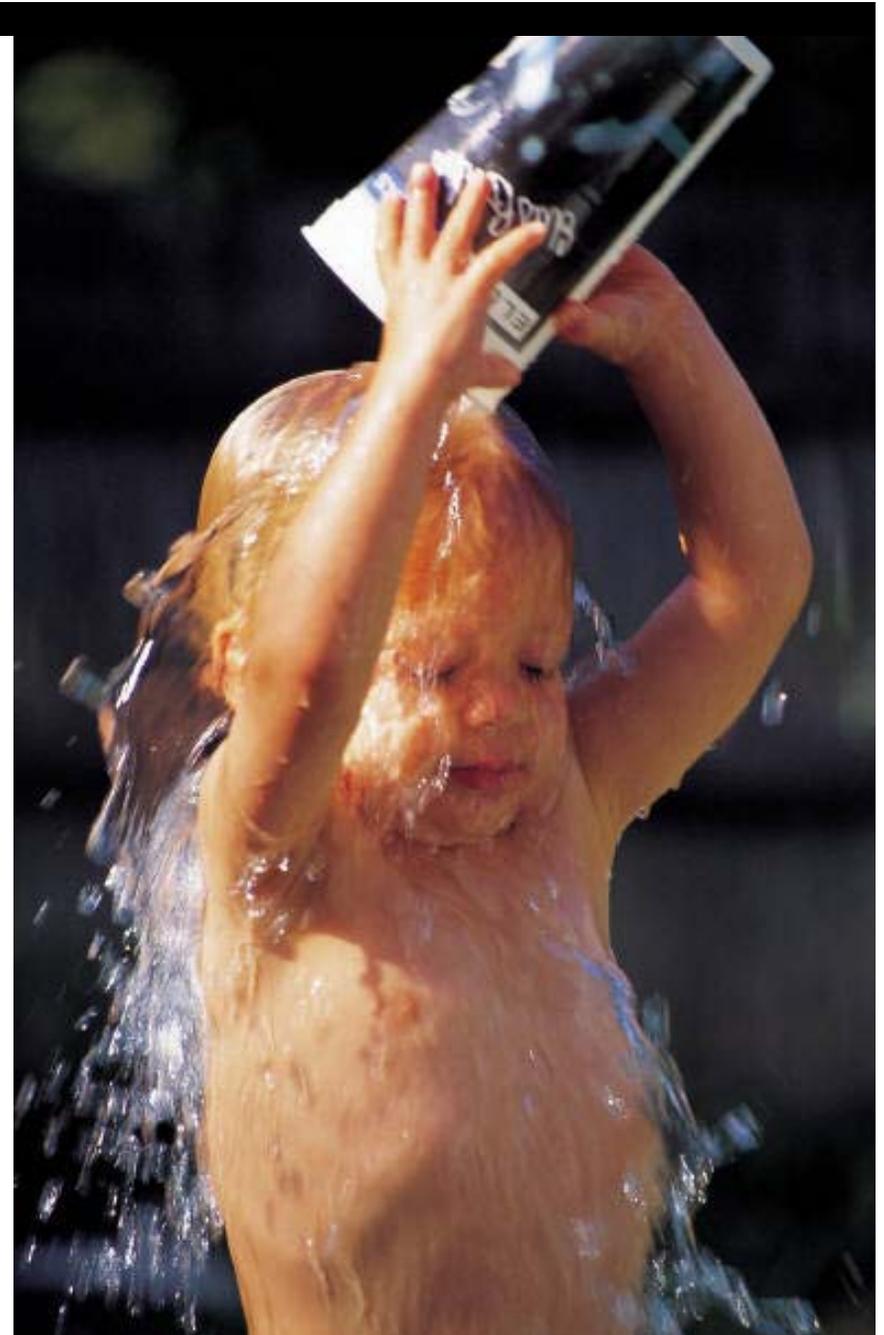
*Potential savings = 270,000 gallons per year\*\**

**Ultra Low-Flow Lavatory**

**Low-Flow Showers**

**Low-Flow Sinks**

**49%  
SAVINGS**





# LEED Scorecard: Materials & Resources



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**Y M N Materials & Resources - 13 Points**

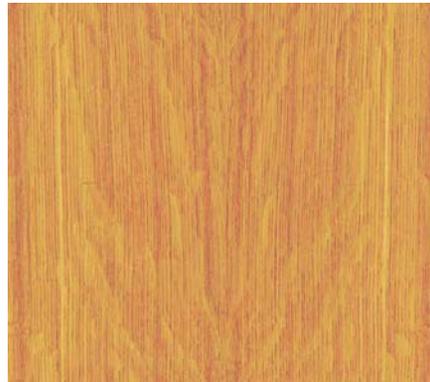
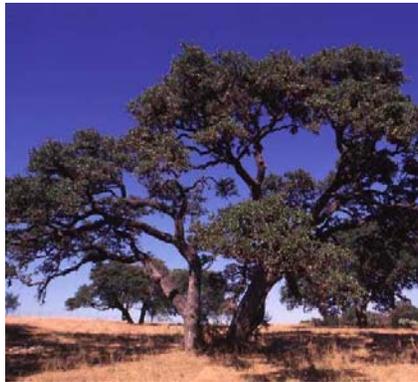
Y	M	N	
		X	Prereq 1 <b>Storage &amp; Collection of Recyclables</b>
		X	Credit 1.1 <b>Building Reuse</b> , Maintain 75% of Existing Shell
		X	Credit 1.2 <b>Building Reuse</b> , Maintain 100% of Shell
		X	Credit 1.3 <b>Building Reuse</b> , Maintain 100% Shell & 50% Non-Shell
X			Credit 2.1 <b>Construction Waste Management</b> , Divert 50%
X			Credit 2.2 <b>Construction Waste Management</b> , Divert 75%
		X	Credit 3.1 <b>Resource Reuse</b> , Specify 5%
		X	Credit 3.2 <b>Resource Reuse</b> , Specify 10%
X			Credit 4.1 <b>Recycled Content</b> , Specify 5% (post-consumer + ½ post-industrial)
X			Credit 4.2 <b>Recycled Content</b> , Specify 10% (post-consumer + ½ post-industrial)
X			Credit 5.1 <b>Local/Regional Materials</b> , 20% Manufactured Locally
X			Credit 5.2 <b>Local/Regional Materials</b> , of 20% Above, 50% Harvested Locally
		X	Credit 6 <b>Rapidly Renewable Materials</b>
	X		Credit 7 <b>Certified Wood</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>13 Possible</b>





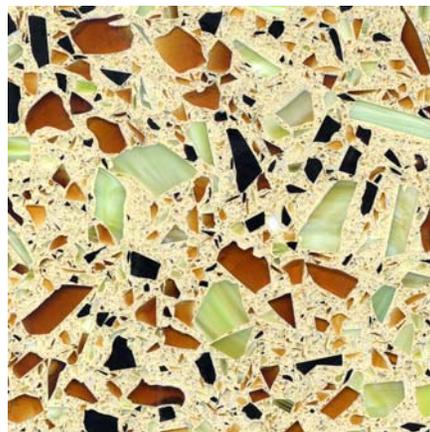
**rapidly renewable**

*Timber Bamboo Flooring and Plywood  
Linoleum Floor Covering*



**certified wood products**

*Maple  
Curly maple*



**recycled content**

*Acoustical Ceiling Tiles  
Glass Tile  
Ceramic Tile  
Recycled Glass and Light Weight Concrete  
Counter  
Modular Carpet.  
Furniture.  
Structural Metal Framing/Metal  
Fabrications/Ornamental Metals  
Concrete with Fly Ash (byproduct of coal  
combustion)*



# LEED Scorecard: Indoor Environmental Quality



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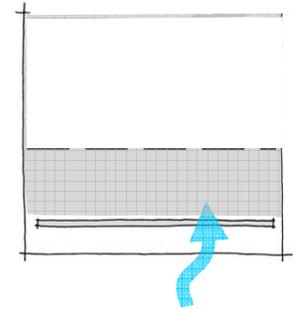
**Y M N Indoor Environmental Quality - 15 Points**

Y	M	N	
Y			Prereq 1 <b>Minimum IAQ Performance</b>
Y			Prereq 2 <b>Environmental Tobacco Smoke (ETS) Control</b>
X			Credit 1 <b>Carbon Dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) Monitoring</b>
X			Credit 2 <b>Ventilation Effectiveness</b>
X			Credit 3.1 <b>Construction IAQ Management Plan</b> , During Construction
X			Credit 3.2 <b>Construction IAQ Management Plan</b> , Before Occupancy
X			Credit 4.1 <b>Low-Emitting Materials</b> , Adhesives & Sealants
X			Credit 4.2 <b>Low-Emitting Materials</b> , Paints
X			Credit 4.3 <b>Low-Emitting Materials</b> , Carpet
X			Credit 4.4 <b>Low-Emitting Materials</b> , Composite Wood & Agrifiber
X			Credit 5 <b>Indoor Chemical &amp; Pollutant Source Control</b>
		X	Credit 6.1 <b>Controllability of Systems</b> , Perimeter
X			Credit 6.2 <b>Controllability of Systems</b> , Non-Perimeter
X			Credit 7.1 <b>Thermal Comfort</b> , Comply with ASHRAE 55-1992
X			Credit 7.2 <b>Thermal Comfort</b> , Permanent Monitoring System
X			Credit 8.1 <b>Daylight &amp; Views</b> , Daylight 75% of Spaces
X			Credit 8.2 <b>Daylight &amp; Views</b> , Views for 90% of Spaces
14	0	1	<b>15 Possible</b>





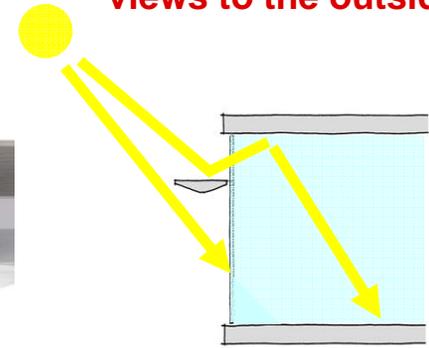
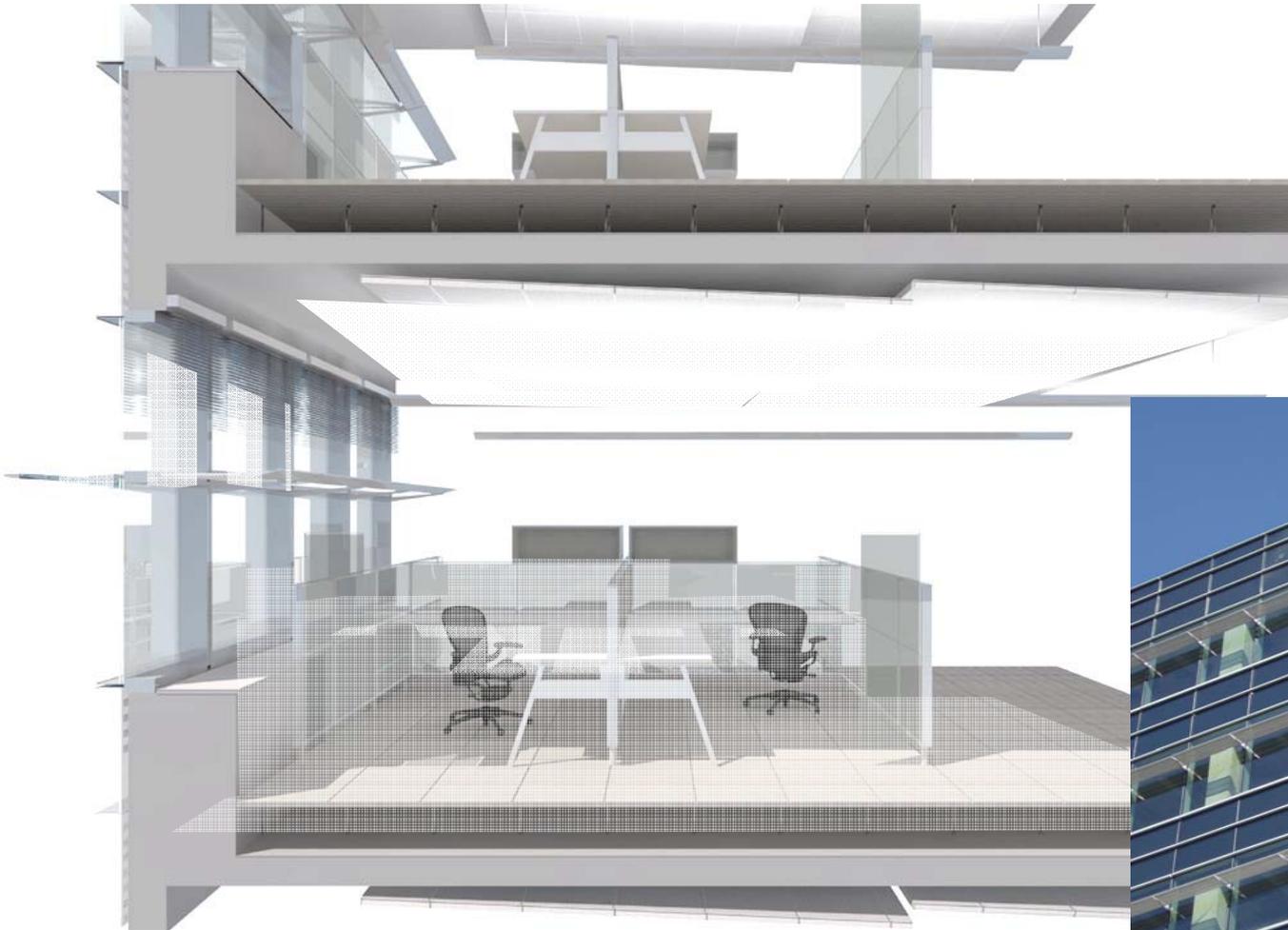
## underfloor air distribution





section

penetration of light  
views to the outside





# LEED Scorecard: Innovation & Design Process



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**Y M N Innovation & Design Process - 5 Points**

X		
X		
X		
X		
1		

- Credit 1.1 **Innovation in Design** SSc7.1 Covered Parking Exceedance
- Credit 1.2 **Innovation in Design** Eco-Pass Bus Passes for All Employees
- Credit 1.3 **Innovation in Design** Green Housekeeping
- Credit 1.4 **Innovation in Design** 100% Green Power
- Innovation in Design** Green Housekeeping
- Innovation in Design** Energy Star Equipment Purchase Program
- Innovation in Design** Green Guard Furniture
- Innovation in Design** Educational Outreach
- Innovation in Design** Jurisdictional Adjustment
- Credit 2 **LEED™ Accredited Professional**

**5 0 0**

*5 Possible*





# LEED Scorecard: Energy & Atmosphere



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### Y M N Energy & Atmosphere - 17 Points

Y			Prereq 1	<b>Fundamental Building Systems Commissioning</b>
Y			Prereq 2	<b>Minimum Energy Performance</b>
Y			Prereq 3	<b>CFC Reduction in HVAC&amp;R Equipment</b>
5		5	Credit 1	<b>Optimize Energy Performance</b>
		X	Credit 2.1	<b>Renewable Energy, 5%</b>
		X	Credit 2.2	<b>Renewable Energy, 10%</b>
		X	Credit 2.3	<b>Renewable Energy, 20%</b>
X			Credit 3	<b>Additional Commissioning</b>
X			Credit 4	<b>Ozone Depletion</b>
X			Credit 5	<b>Measurement &amp; Verification</b>
X			Credit 6	<b>Green Power</b>
9	0	8	<b>17 Possible</b>	





## EAp1, EAc3 – Commissioning Activities

**CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS PHASE COMMISSIONING REVIEW LOG**

Date: 09/08/05  
 Engineer: William Thompson  
 Project: EPA Region 8 Headquarters  
 Reviewed Divisions: Division 15, 16 drawing and specifications

ISSUE #	SPEC SECTION OR DWG. NO.	SPEC/DWG DESCRIPTION	CX COMMENTS & SUGGESTIONS	DISCUSSION & VERIFICATION
1	16721	Fire Alarm System	This specification section should cross reference mechanical section 15940 for sequence on how the smoke control is being accomplished.	
		Fire Alarm System	This specification section should cross reference Automatic Sprinkler & Standpipe Systems 13325 for interface with that system. Major BAS panels to be powered from e-power are shown. Assuming the future EM circuit in the drawings is once mechanical gives	

**PRE-FUNCTIONAL & FUNCTIONAL CHECKLIST**  
**UNIT SUBSTATION**

EQUIPMENT TAG: XXXX

ITEM	COMMENT	SIGN OFF	DATE
audible sound pressure test for compliance with standards			
e angle check			
ACTUAL OPERATING DATA			
Input Voltage			
Output voltage			
Input Hz			
Output Hz			
Phase e			

**SECTION 01810**  
**COMMISSIONING GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

**PART 1 - GENERAL**

**1.01. RELATED DOCUMENTS**

- A. Construction Drawings and general provisions of the contract, including general supplementary conditions, and Division 1 specification sections, apply to this section.
- B. Basis of Design/Design Intent documents
- C. Divisions 1, 15, and 16 sections requiring functional performance testing.
- D. Refer to sections 15995 and 16995 for additional mechanical and electrical division commissioning responsibilities.

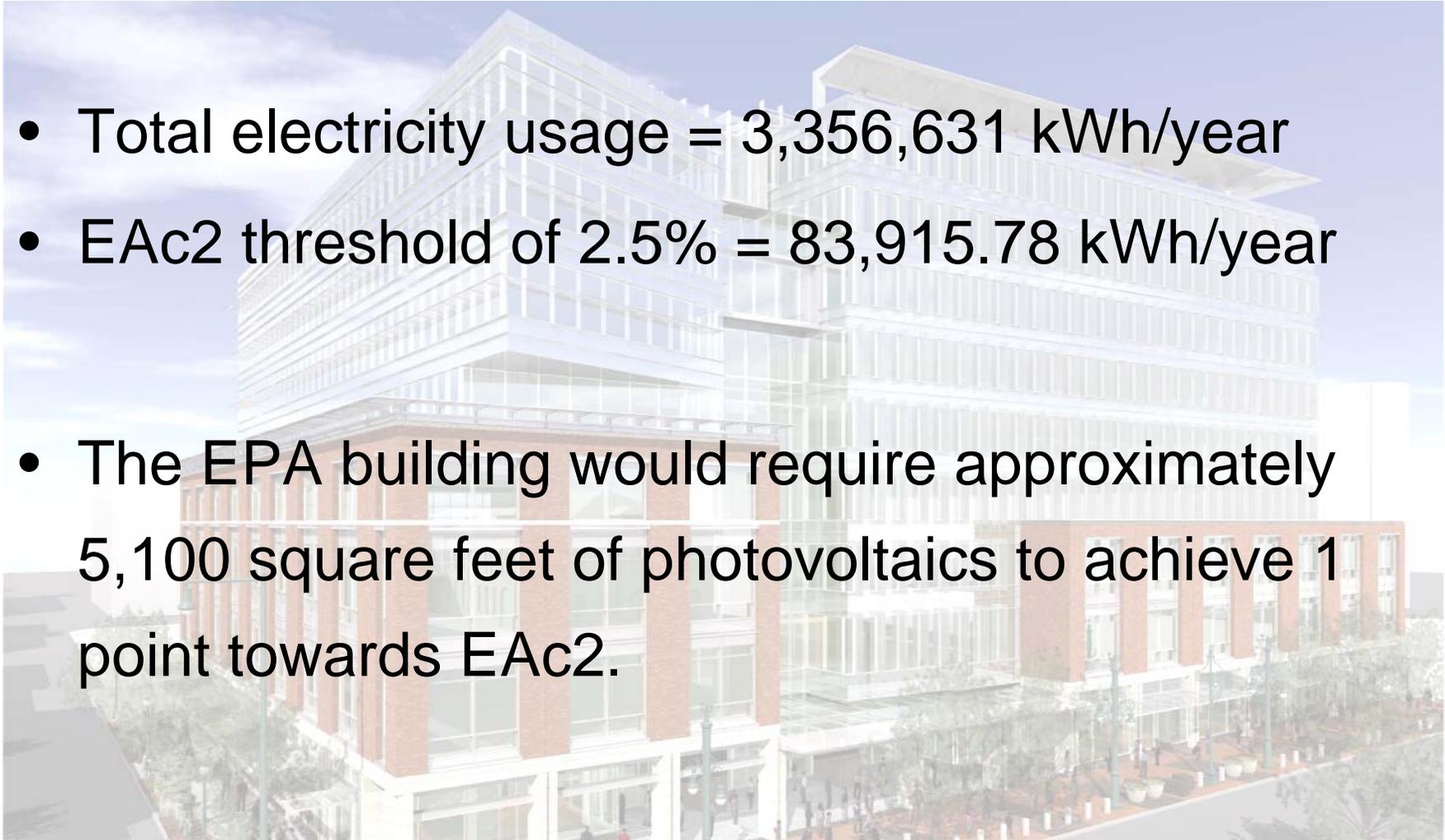
**1.02. SUMMARY**

- A. The Commissioning Authority shall be contracted directly to the Owner (or to the GC or Architect as directed by the Owner). The process of commissioning as defined here-in goes well beyond typical HVAC system start-up both in detail of testing and in detail of documentation. The director of the commissioning process is the Commissioning Authority (CxA).
- B. Commissioning is a systematic process of ensuring that all building systems perform interactively according to the design intent, basis of design, construction documents and Owner's system operational needs. This is achieved by beginning in the design phase, documenting design intent/basis of design and continuing through construction, building acceptance and the warranty period with actual verification of performance. The commissioning process shall coordinate what have traditionally been separate functions of system documentation, equipment startup, control system calibration, testing and balancing, performance testing and Owner training.
- C. Provide the services of a qualified Commissioning Authority (CxA) with commissioning expertise as described in this section with the following general requirements:
  1. Furnish labor and material to accomplish building commissioning as specified herein.
  2. Requirements of this specification and associated specific commissioning procedures shall be accomplished by a qualified CxA, as specified in this document.
  3. Unless noted otherwise, functional performance tests (FPT's) described under equipment and systems identified under "Systems to Be Commissioned" shall be performed by the CxA.
  4. Acceptance Criteria in the various sections of this document apply to the equipment and systems identified under "Systems to Be Commissioned".
  5. Manage the quality, coordination, and documentation of the commissioning activities.



## EAc2 – Renewable Energy

- Total electricity usage = 3,356,631 kWh/year
- EAc2 threshold of 2.5% = 83,915.78 kWh/year
- The EPA building would require approximately 5,100 square feet of photovoltaics to achieve 1 point towards EAc2.





## EAc5 – Measurement and Verification

**The following systems will be metered for energy usage as part of the M&V Plan, following FEMP 2000 version 2.2, consistent with Option D:**

- Lighting systems and controls
- Constant and variable motor loads
- Variable frequency drive operation
- Chiller efficiency at variable loads
- Cooling load
- Air and water economizer and heat recovery cycles
- Air distribution static pressures and ventilation air volumes
- Indoor water risers and outdoor irrigation systems



## EAc6 – Green Power

**The EPA project will be purchasing 100% of their energy from Renewable Energy sources for a minimum of 2 years.**

- The purchase contributes to reducing 6,138,720 pounds of CO<sub>2</sub> production per year.
- This is equivalent to removing 536 cars from the road or removing the burden of 837 acres of trees from soaking up that much CO<sub>2</sub>.



# Whole Building Design

## Efficient design alternatives

- Building envelope
- Glazing
- Day lighting
- Lighting & Lighting Controls
- HVAC Equipment & Systems
- Energy Efficient Tenant Equipment





- **Analysis: Various Energy Simulations**  
Factors: Weather  
Solar Path  
Wind Direction & Speed

Compared-Energy Consumption Over One Year  
(12 hours daily/ 5 days per week or 8760 hours)

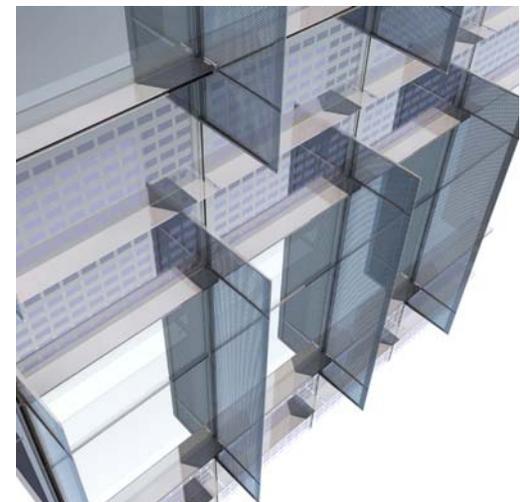
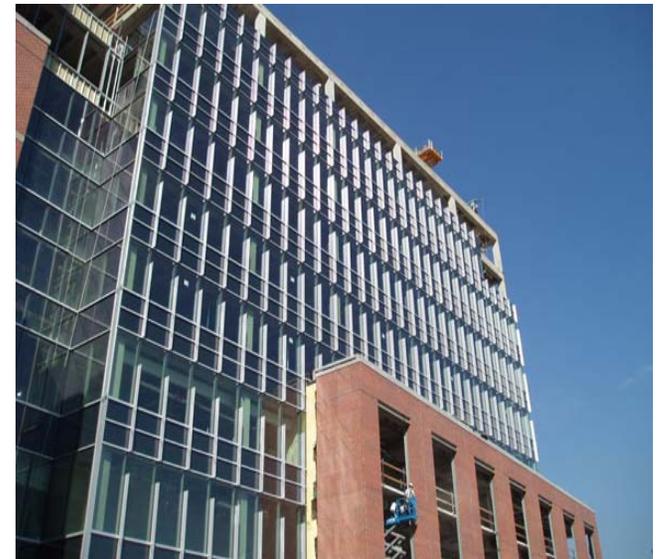
Seven-Bldg Design Alternatives  
Five-HVAC Design Alternatives





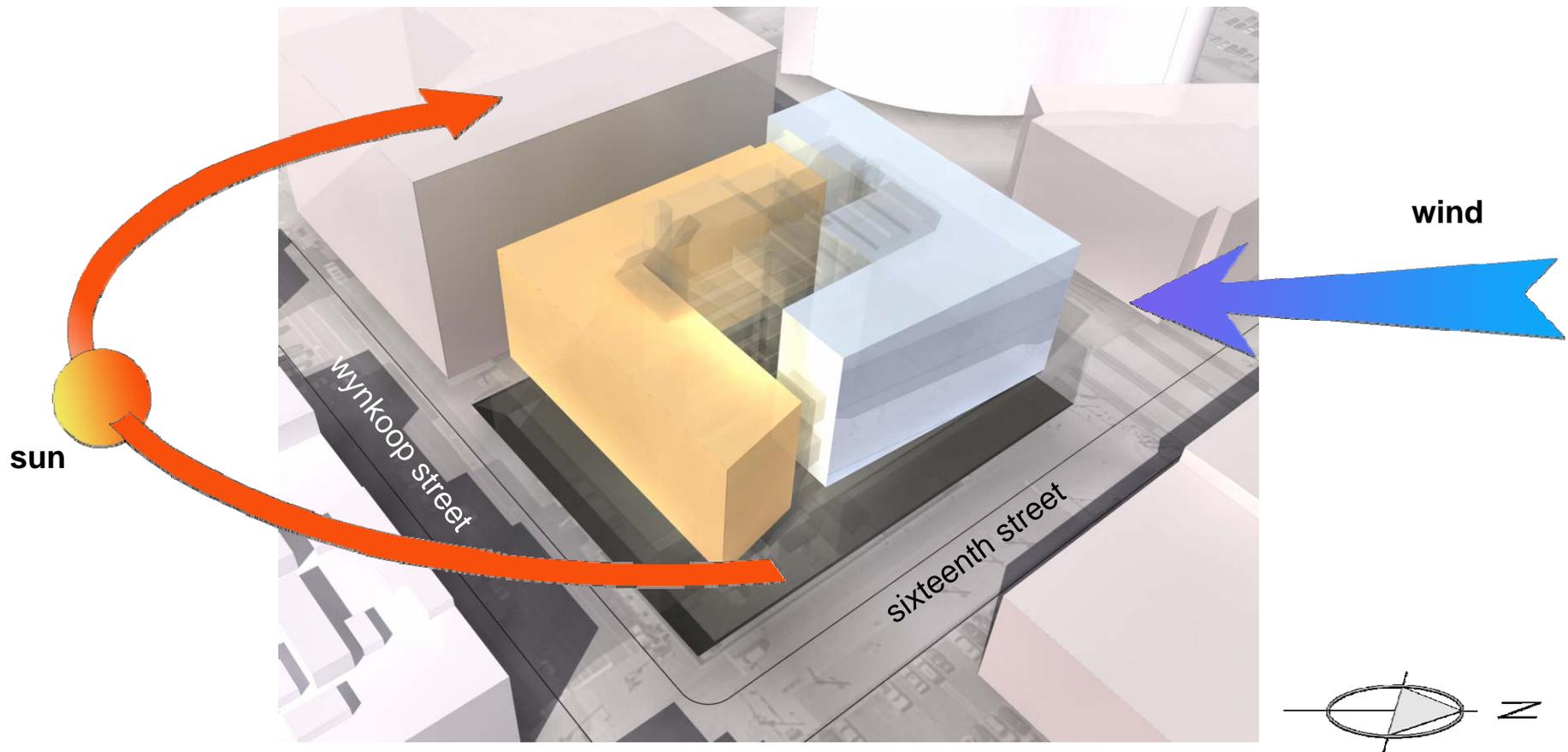
heat loads from low  
summer sun angles

**northwest elevation**



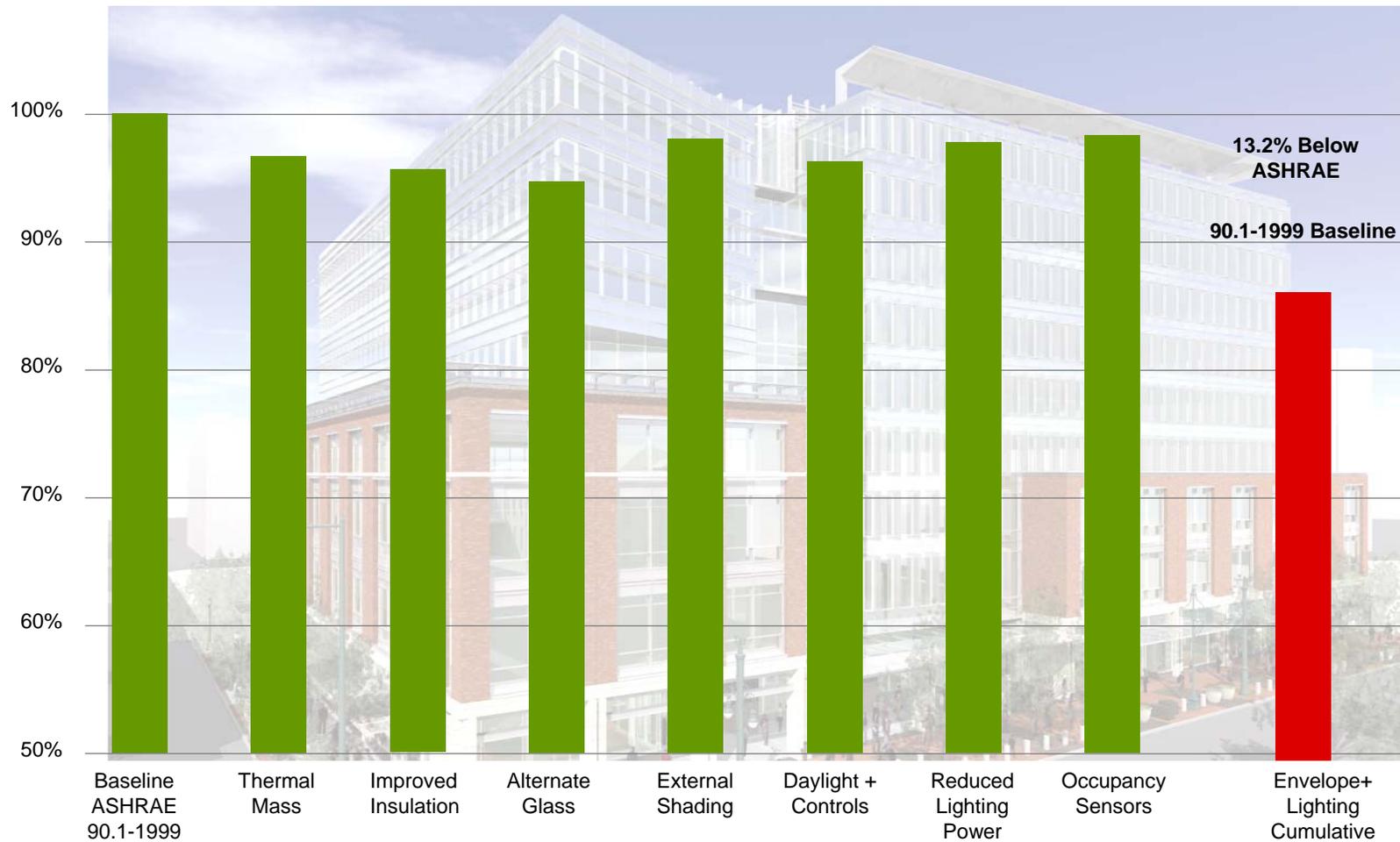


double L scheme  
environmental and urban influence



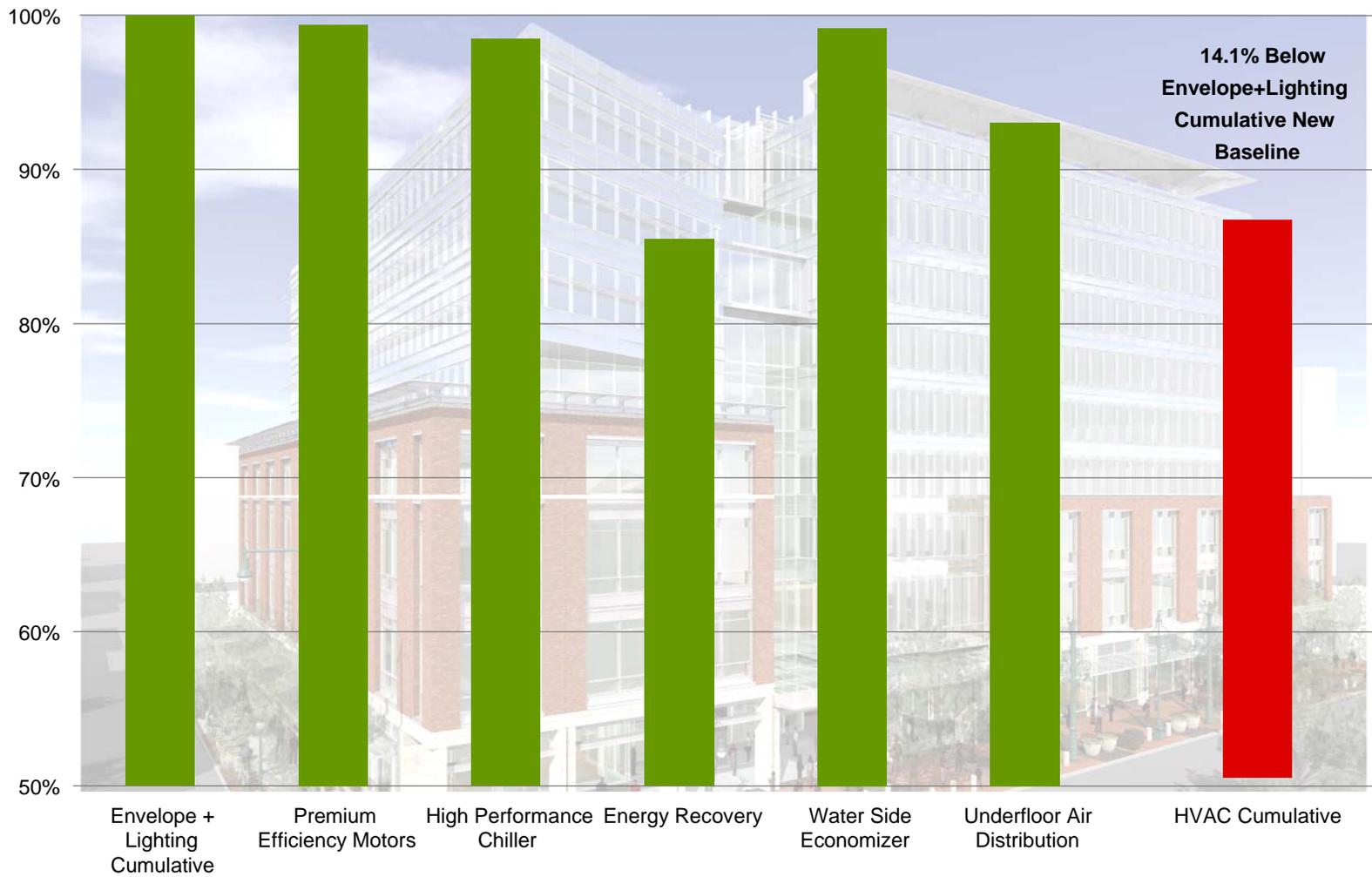


## preliminary energy performance of envelope and lighting/daylighting strategies



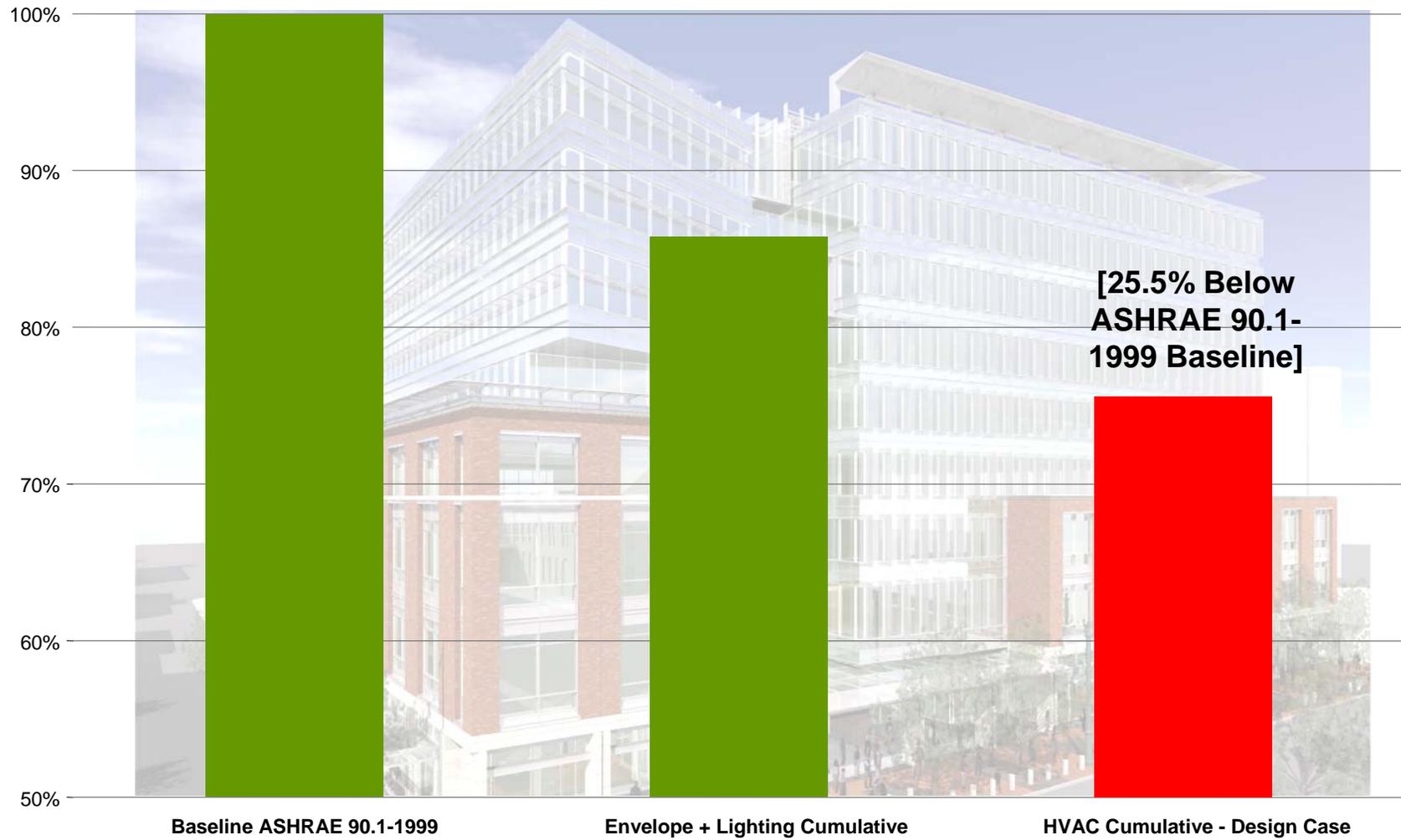


preliminary energy performance  
of HVAC strategies





energy performance summary





# Energy Performance Outcomes

- Annual Energy Consumption Reduced 25.5%  
Below ASHRAE Standard 90.1
- Annual Energy Costs Savings of 35.7%  
Compared to Equivalent ASHRAE 90.1  
Baseline Building





## Federal Goal Est 2006:

- 30% better energy performance than ASHRAE 90.1-2004 requirements





**PARTNERSHIPS**



## Private/ Public Partnership Similarities of Project

- Both desire a State of the Art Building
  - ‘Represent Leadership in Energy & Environmental Building Design’
- Both have Limited Resources
- Both have a Mandate:  
Finish on Time and Within Budget







## Team Approach Benefits

- Offered Different Kinds of Expertise
- Offered Better Decision-making
- Saved Time & Costs in Project Support
- Aids in Reducing Unexpected Resulting in Delays or Financial Costs





# Message on Collaboration

## Collaboration of Ideas Can Result in Greater/ Higher Outcomes





**BEST PRACTICES/LESSONS LEARNED**



# Working with Building Codes

- Explain why the technology (or material) is important
- Identify where it's been used successfully (inside & outside the US)
- Identify Code Jurisdictions where allowed
- Provide reliable supporting documentation to the technology
- Offer lists of knowledgeable national experts





## **Tenant Perspective of Leased Competition SFO:**

### **Do Again:**

**Competition – Need time and commitment but potential to get added value.**

**One Site – Keeps level playing field for the building design and is one less factor in the building selection process.**

**Team Qualifications Review/Short List for Design- Saves cost for bidders and reviewers. Get teams with understanding of project goals and better integration of trades.**

**Penalties For Not Meeting LEED/Energy Star- Yet to be seen if they are not met.**

### **Do Differently:**

**LEED scorecard Listing Preferences – Put in a few more mandatory points since LEED points are not weighted by difficulty or expense to achieve.**

### **Future Considerations:**

**Green Globes  
LEED CI, EB**



## Owner's Perspective of Leased Competition Phase for EPA Region 8

- \*Site Selection Separate: Good Approach for both parties
  
- \*Finalists:
  - Recommendation for stipends to “losing” teams
  - Narrow Finalists further (i.e. 3 instead of 5)
    - ~Better Product
    - ~Absorbed into “winner’s” budget
  
- \*Design-Build vs. Design-Bid-Build
  - Performance vs. Prescriptive
  - Know which approach is wanted at the beginning
  - Difference between concept & engineered process
  
- \*Increased Staff Size- Documentation
  
- \*Option Selections



## **Sustainability Lessons Learned EPA Region 8**

\*Working with Neighborhood / Government Entities:

- Flexibility with Lighting Requirements
- Flexibility with Tree/Irrigation Requirements



**QUESTION AND ANSWER**