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## 1.0 ACRONYMS/DEFINITIONS

<b>ASHRAE 90.1</b>	ANSI/ASHRAE/IESNA 90.1, Energy Standard for Buildings Except Low-Rise Residential Buildings. Depending on the requirement below, the version required may not be the latest ( <i>may be 2007, 2010, or latest depending on driver/context</i> ).
<b>EPP</b>	environmentally preferable products
<b>HPSB</b>	high-performance, sustainable building
<b>LEED</b>	U. S. Green Building Council's <i>Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED)</i> green building rating systems
<b>SD</b>	sustainable design (or green building)

## 2.0 REQUIREMENTS

**NOTE:** The high-level sustainable design requirements that appear in this section are significant and will need to be incorporated early in the project planning and programming phases.

A. **Alterations and Repairs: Building and system alterations and repairs** meeting International Existing Building Code (IEBC) definitions of same<sup>1</sup> shall meet energy conservation requirements of the IEBC and International Energy Conservation Code (IECC). *As required by ESM Chapter 1 Section Z10, use more stringent of IECC and the New Mexico version of it adopted by LANL by ESM [Ch. 16](#) Section IBC-GEN Att A.*<sup>2</sup>

1. Design review: Documentation (calculations, product information, etc.) showing compliance with the IECC (or the underlying ASHRAE 90.1 requirements) must be submitted for LANL acceptance.

B. **New Buildings and Additions**

1. General
  - a. The building energy use shall be modeled with analysis tool meeting ASHRAE 90.1 requirements and model submitted to LANL for acceptance (IECC and other prescriptive methods not sufficient).<sup>3</sup>
  - b. Life cycle cost analysis, when required, shall be performed per 10CFR436 (*Guidance in ESM Ch 1 Z10 App E*).

<sup>1</sup> LANL-centric IEBC definitions are in ESM Ch 16, [IBC-GEN](#) form 5 (eff. Sept 2013) for preliminary project determinations.

<sup>2</sup> When extensive modifications and new buildings meet the more stringent requirements (30% goal, LEED, etc.), compliance with IECC is automatic.

<sup>3</sup> Several tools listed [here](#). See also Selecting Appropriate Building Energy Simulation Software [here](#).

2. **Design office, lab-type, and other commercial-like buildings and additions to achieve 30% better than ASHRAE 90.1-2010.**<sup>4</sup>
    - a. If project believes that 30% is not life-cycle cost (LCC) effective, then this chapter's POC shall be consulted; given properly prepared LCC analysis, a reduction in this requirement will be allowed through a formal process (e.g., 2176 form). As a minimum, ASHRAE 90.1-2010 shall be met (2007 met for buildings with code of record date prior to July 9, 2014).
    - b. Designer shall include laboratory fume hoods and kitchen ventilation systems as part of the ASHRAE-covered HVAC loads subject to the 30 percent savings requirements, rather than as process loads.<sup>5</sup>
  3. For all **other building types than "2" above**, design for lowest lifecycle energy cost.
- C. **HPSB: Ensure that new construction and major renovations of buildings over 5000 sq. ft. -- but less than \$5M<sup>6</sup> Total Estimated Cost (TEC<sup>7</sup>) or otherwise unable to meet LEED Gold<sup>8</sup> -- comply with applicable [Guiding Principles](#) established in the Memorandum of Understanding on Federal Leadership in High Performance and Sustainable Buildings (HPSB) [here](#).**
1. Screen the HPSB criteria for applicability, determine necessary measures to achieve applicable goals, and document these decisions and their ultimate completion during construction to the satisfaction of the Engineering Services-Design Engineering Sustainable Design Lead Reviewer or Ch 14 POC. *Templates are available from the POC.*
- D. **LEED: New buildings and major renovations and additions in excess of \$5M TEC:**
1. Obtain LEED-Gold rating through the U.S. Green Building Council (including registration, submission of documentation, verification, and installation of

<sup>4</sup> 10 CFR Part 433 requires this when life-cycle cost effective. CFR revision issued 7/9/2013 updated the baseline federal commercial standards to the 2010 version of the ASHRAE Standard 90.1, effective 7/9/2014; see Appendix A or [EERE](#) or [Fed Register](#). Certain industrial (non-commercial) facilities (e.g., nuclear or processing) with once-through air HVAC would not cost effectively meet ASHRAE 90.1. Consultation with POC ensures latest available data is utilized and CFR requirements for LCCA are followed. Meeting above requirement supersedes and satisfies any other ESM chapter whole building requirements suggesting ASHRAE 90.1 latest edition is required. Consolidated previous Final Rule text at FEMP site [here](#) (12/21/2007). FYI: Meeting 2010 is roughly 18.2% better than 2007 and equal to 2004+30%: Per [here](#), for a medium office building (20kft<sup>2</sup>, a common project at LANL), 90.1-2007 was 4.4% better than 2004, and 2010 was 24.4% better than 2007.  $1.044 \times 1.244 = 1.298$  (30% better).

<sup>5</sup> 10CFR433 circa Aug, 2011 (attached)

<sup>6</sup> Originally DOE O [430.2B](#) CRD (Att 1), now subsequent HPSB guidance via DOE O 436.1-driven LANL SS Plan.

<sup>7</sup> TEC is Total Estimated Cost. This is less all costs associated with the programmatic equipment such as project management, design, procurement, installation, commissioning, and readiness acceptance. From DOE G 430.1-1, 03-28-97, Chapter 6 pg 2, TEC is defined as all engineering design costs (after conceptual design), facility construction costs, and other costs specifically related to those construction efforts. These are typically capitalized. TEC will include, but not be limited to: project and construction management during Titles I, II, and III [preliminary & final design, construction]; design and construction management and reporting during design construction; contingency and economic escalation for TEC-applied elements; ED&I during Titles I, II, and III; contractor support directly related to design and construction; and equipment and refurbishing equipment.

<sup>8</sup> Supports DOE HPSB requirement for SSPs that a percentage of total building portfolio meet HPSB.

plaque).<sup>9</sup> *Guidance: LEED version is dictated by USGBC based on registration date.*

- a. LEED Gold rating gets an automatic 100% HPSB Guiding Principles (GP)<sup>10</sup> compliant ranking.

#### E. Offramps from LEED (“D” above)

1. **TEC under \$5M:** When the cost of programmatic equipment (design, procurement, related oversight, etc.) is excluded from the Total Estimated Costs (TEC) calculation and the result is under \$5M, obtaining LEED Gold certification is not required. However, the calculation must be made a project record document, available for review.<sup>11</sup>
2. **Minimum Program Requirements (MPRs):** LEED is only applicable where project/building meets [MPRs](#) (*For v2009, was minimum 5000 gross square footage; at least one FTE occupant; complete, permanent building or space; etc.*)<sup>12</sup>
3. **Renovations**
  - a. If planned renovations are less than either (i) 50% of building’s aggregate gross square footage or (ii) TEC under 25% of the replacement value of the building, then LEED is not applicable.<sup>13</sup>
  - b. If thresholds above are exceeded but the definition of **Major Renovation** from the USGBC selection [guidance](#) is seemingly not met, obtain formal interpretation (e.g., LANL Form 2176) regarding applicability of LEED. The Site Chief Engineer is the approval authority for these formal interpretations.<sup>14</sup>
4. **Unable to meet LEED or LEED Gold:** For any project which believes either (i) all LEED [prerequisites](#) cannot be reasonably met (e.g., energy efficiency upon

<sup>9</sup> Commitment of LANL’s SSP (FY12: UI-PLAN-20). Can be LEED for New Construction, Campus, etc. See USGBC [Rating System Selection Guidance](#). LEED off-ramps were with concurrence of DOE/NNSA/LASO Energy & Natural Resources Prgm Mgr, following input by DOE-HQ, per 4/4/2011 email. Ref ESM-CIR-2011-010.

<sup>10</sup> This will result in meeting the Guiding Principles of Executive Order (EO) 13423. Constructing to LEED Gold will generally ensure elements are met so this is not burdensome. Links for MOU and GPs above for HPSB. The Federal requirements are that all “new construction and major renovations” must follow the GPs.

<sup>11</sup> Outside of DOE and a few other situations, USGBC’s LEED rating systems are voluntary and generally focused on traditional building sustainability, not programmatic equipment matters. Were such equipment costs included, some very small scope or scale projects might be subject to LEED whereas they would never be considered for LEED elsewhere as it would not be cost-effective. Programmatic equipment is as designated by the Facility DAR (e.g., TA-55 may consider gloveboxes facility whereas another facility might consider them programmatic).

<sup>12</sup> Failing to meet MPRs guarantees USGBC rejection. Square footage increased from USGBC’s 1000 per DOE/Evelo direction (consistent with 2010 SSP guidance for HPSB threshold, which is based on OMB grading per Begley, NA-161).

<sup>13</sup> Projects below these thresholds would be rejected by USGBC. TEC of 25% from proposed 10CFR433 rulemaking published at 75 FR 29933. Floor area of 50% corresponds to an IEBC Level 3 Alteration and is also supported by the USGBC [Rating System Selection Guidance](#), Version 2, 11/24/10: “If a particular rating system is appropriate for 40% or less of the gross floor area of a LEED project building or space, then that rating system should not be used. If a particular rating system is appropriate for 60% or more of the gross floor area of a LEED project building or space, then that rating system should be used.”

<sup>14</sup> Projects not meeting this definition would be rejected by USGBC, who’s 2010 Selection Guide defined **Major Renovation as:** “Includes extensive [alteration](#) work in addition to work on the [exterior shell](#) of the building and/or [primary structural components](#) and/or the core and peripheral MEP [mechanical/electrical/plumbing] and service systems and/or site work. Typically, the extent and nature of the work is such that the [primary function space](#) cannot be used for its intended purpose while the work is in progress and where a new certificate of occupancy is required before the work area can be reoccupied.” Standards Program concurrence ensures consistent interpretation.

renovation meeting LEED-required edition of ASHRAE 90.1, etc.) or (ii) Gold-level credit count cannot be reasonably met, then obtain approval of LANL Standards Responsible Manager via Interpretation or Variance (*Form 2176 or 2137*), then NNSA Program (e.g., Federal Project Director/acquisition executive) and NNSA Field Office Manager concurrence for waiver or other direction (e.g., alternative certification of LEED Silver, LEED Certified, etc.) by written direction and/or concurrence via project execution plan.<sup>15</sup>

## F. Other SD Requirements

### 1. When LEED is mandated:

- a. To better ensure successful verification, design and construct to achieve two or more credits than the minimum. Ref [www.usgbc.org](http://www.usgbc.org). Project must have a plan (e.g., contract wording, etc.) for who will follow the project during and after construction and until LEED certification and plaque achievement is completed. *Guidance: Project must decide which party will register with USGBC, pay fees, and submit documentation -- and contract for same if AE. ConsensusDOCS 310 Green Building Addendum is a useful reference in crafting subcontract language. It is "appropriate for use on projects with green building elements, particularly those seeking a third-party green building rating certification such as LEED. It provides a contractual mechanism to identify clear objectives, and assign roles and responsibilities to achieve green goals. The parties designate a Green Building Facilitator (GBF) to coordinate or implement identified objectives, which can be a project participant or consultant. It contemplates that such services will be included in the underlying agreement with the project participant or in a separate agreement with a GBF."*<sup>16</sup>
- b. *Guidance: LANL Operations and Infrastructure Program Office – Infrastructure Planning [group](#) is increasingly providing a role in sustainability expertise -- e.g., providing awareness, information and direction on how to best meet LEED and DOE requirements. This, at times, will include opinions on the proper use of LEED, or not. They will not suggest relief from LEED and/or DOE requirements, in any form, for projects that are clearly intended for compliance.*

2. Ensure all new **roofs** have a thermal resistance of at least R-30. Install cool roofs for new construction or when replacing roofs unless determined uneconomical by a life-cycle cost analysis. [Secretarial Memo of June 1, 2010]
3. Install **solar hot water** supply in new buildings and major renovations if life-cycle cost effective).<sup>17</sup> *Normally, buildings that use natural gas for water heating will not find life-cycle cost effective. Contact chapter POCs for guidance which may preclude need to calculate.*

<sup>15</sup> DOE O 430.2B CRD 7.a empowered DOE Program/Site Office for same.

<sup>16</sup> Contact Ch 14 POC for details.

<sup>17</sup> Energy Independence and Security Act (EISA 2007) Section 523, through amendment of the Energy Conservation and Production Act, states, "if lifecycle cost-effective, as compared to other reasonably available technologies, not less than 30 percent of the hot water demand for each new Federal building or Federal building undergoing a major renovation be met through the installation and use of solar hot water heaters." Z10 design goal references give a 24 year life for a heat exchanger.

- a. Use the FEMP solar hot water [calculator](#) when performing initial simple payback analysis; use Albuquerque for nearest city. If simple payback period is greater than 24 years, solar water heating is not cost effective.
4. Develop and follow a **Waste Minimization Plan**. Develop prior to construction start and follow throughout project. *The goal is that constructor recycle or salvage at least 50 percent of construction, demolition and land clearing waste, excluding soil, where markets or on-site recycling opportunities exist.*
5. Projects constructing new **laboratories** shall follow Labs21 principles where life-cycle-cost-effective<sup>18</sup>. Refer to [Labs21](#) and Lawrence Berkeley Lab's [Design Guide for Energy-Efficient Research Laboratories](#) for additional SD guidance. Such projects shall consider using the Environmental Performance [Criteria](#) of Labs21.
  - a. *Guidance: Labs21 Best Practice Guides (may have value for non-lab applications, too): <http://www.labs21century.gov/toolkit/>*
6. **Green Purchasing/Environmentally Preferable Products (EPP)**<sup>19</sup>

Projects/tasks must purchase [products with EPA, DOE and USDA environmental or energy-attribute recommendations](#) per the following approach.

  - a. Several LANL master spec sections have been revised to require EPP products where appropriate.<sup>20</sup> The project's design agency is responsible for using said sections. In addition, for the additional project spec sections created, the design agency shall refer to the listing of other EPP products in Attachment 1 and appropriately incorporate those EPP products as follows.
    - i. When considering these products during the development of the Specifications, use the following criteria so that **benefit to environment outweighs negatives in AE's judgment (and LANL concurrence via design review)**:
    - ii. An item other than the Attachment 1 recommendation may be purchased if the Att 1 item<sup>21</sup>:
      1. Is not available at a reasonable price (code "CU"),
      2. Does not meet the Laboratory's performance standards ("DNMS"), or
      3. Is not available competitively within a reasonable period of time ("DNI").

<sup>18</sup> Achieving HPSB goals requires use of programs such as this.

<sup>19</sup> DOE O 436.1, Departmental Sustainability; CRD requires a LANL EMS that protects the environment and enhances mission accomplishment; LANL EMS and FY13 SSPP include environmentally preferable purchasing commitment derived from [the DOE Sustainability Performance Office webpage](#): "Numerous Federal laws and regulations outline specific agency energy consumption, renewable energy, and water efficiency requirements. The DOE Federal Energy Management Program (FEMP) offers information on these [laws and regulations](#). SPO focuses on the following high-level requirements... Ensure 95% of new purchases and contracts meet sustainable procurement requirements..."

<sup>20</sup> 03 3001 Reinforced Concrete; 22 4200 Plumbing Fixtures; 26 5100 Interior Lighting, etc. Attachment 1 will be updated periodically based on changing expectations by Ch 14 POC-only approval and without revision to chapter body.

<sup>21</sup> Codes are needed for LANL-internal iProcurement system only per LANL Green Purchasing/Sustainable Acquisition [webpage](#)

- iii. Once an EPP product category is identified for a project, it is best to look directly at the [EPA's listing](#) to get an unfiltered/latest info on those items.*
- b. EPA's products supplier directory [here](#)*
- c. For recommendations, consult the Federal Green Construction Guide for Specifiers at [WBDG](#).*

### **3.0 ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1, Environmentally Preferable Products for Design Agency Created Specifications

## APPENDIX A - GUIDANCE FOR SD

### 1.0 GENERAL

- A. Designing, constructing, and operating facilities in an efficient and environmentally sound manner is important to LANL. This approach to building design, construction, and operation is commonly referred to as sustainable (or green building) design and development (SD). The primary objectives of SD are to:
- minimize, during design, the anticipated waste generation and resource consumption of a facility in all of its life cycle phases: construction, operation, closure, and disposition,
  - provide, during design and construction, for the comfort, productivity well-being of building occupants,
  - decrease operating and maintenance costs,
  - limit, during design, operation, and construction, facility impacts on the surrounding environment and environmental processes (such as the water cycle).
- B. It is LANL's goal to apply sustainable design and development principles to all new buildings, additions, and HVAC renovation projects to provide a healthful, resource-efficient and productive working environment. To achieve this goal requires an awareness of and a commitment to sustainable design through an integrated, whole-building design approach.
- C. The [LANL Sustainable Design Guide](#) was created to provide guidance on incorporating the latest sustainable building strategies and technologies on LANL-specific projects. This resource should be applied to all new facilities and major renovation projects as appropriate
- D. ASHRAE offers 30% and 50% Advanced Energy Design Guides for **Small and Medium Office Buildings**" [here](#).
- E. **Large office buildings** 50% energy savings [technical report](#) recommendations.
- F. Guidance: The DOE et al has released a report titled "Contrasting the Capabilities of Building Energy Performance Simulation Programs." The report discusses 20 energy-modeling computer programs: BLAST, BSim, DeST, DOE-2.1E, ECOTECT, Ener-Win, Energy Express, Energy-10, EnergyPlus, eQUEST, ESP-r, HAP, HEED, IDA ICE, IES <VE>, PowerDomus, SUNREL, Tas, TRACE, and TRNSYS. Drawing from information provided by the program developers, the report compares the programs' handling of a range of parameters, including daylighting, renewable energy systems, and climate data availability. The report is online at <http://www.buildingtools.energy.gov>
- G. The [LEED](#) Rating System also has LEED-Multiple Buildings and On-Campus Building Projects, a certification and application guide that provides direction in applying LEED to projects in a campus or multi-building setting, such as corporate campuses, college campuses, and government installations (i.e. a single owner or common property management and control). It is intended for projects where a) several buildings are constructed at once or in phases, or b) a single building is constructed in a setting of existing buildings with common ownership or planning with the ability to share amenities or common design features.
- H. A How-To Guide to LEED Certification for New Mexico Buildings is to be available at [www.cleanenergyNM.org](http://www.cleanenergyNM.org) and <http://chapters.usgbc.org/newmexico/>

- I. The Whole Building Design Guide (<http://www.wbdg.org/>) has tools that can help ensure that sustainable elements are incorporated into the facility design.
- J. Data center projects should consider Best Practices Guidelines and other materials at <http://hightech.lbl.gov/datacenters.html>
- K. The GSA has documented which LEED credits are most easily achieved in their *GSA LEED Applications Guide, 2/1/2005*. <http://www.wbdg.org/ccb/GSAMAN/gsaleeda.pdf>
- L. New Buildings Institute's (NBI) Advanced Buildings initiative has a number of free resources for energy reduction through its PowerYourDesign.com [website](#). NBI's Core Performance method may be employed for LEED credits, however, modeling may be required anyway due to 10CFR433.
- M. Specific items for consideration as part of this sustainable design effort are referenced by specific discipline in other sections of the ESM. Additionally, key concepts and components of sustainable design, and suggested elements for consideration, are described below. The A/E is encouraged to suggest other measures and develop integrated solutions to meet the intent of sustainable design, and conduct a benefit/cost analysis of selected options. The A/E should coordinate with the ESM Discipline POCs with regards to green building materials, pollution prevention issues, and associated benefit/cost analysis. In all cases, it is essential to evaluate these items from a whole building (integrated) design approach (whole building design looks at how materials, systems and products of a building connect and overlap, and how the building and its systems can be integrated with supporting systems on its site and in its community). To demonstrate a commitment to LANL SD goals and objectives, the following strategies, as confirmed by the responsible LANL Project Manager, will be pursued for all new building and major renovation projects at LANL:
- Adopt energy and environmental performance goals to minimize energy consumption and reduce environmental impacts. General Note: energy efficiency also includes the office products and appliances purchased for new facilities. LANL has requirements to purchase Energy Star compliant equipment (covers offices, appliances, and conference rooms) <http://www.energystar.gov/><sup>22</sup>
  - Assess opportunities from a whole-building approach to maximize energy and water conservation through comprehensive, integrated evaluations of all components, systems, and, as appropriate, processes.
  - Use life-cycle-cost decision-making. See ESM Chapter 1 Section Z10 (App E) on LCC. Also consider FEDS 6.0, which calculates lowest life cycle cost-effective energy systems for all building types. [www.pnl.gov/FEDS](http://www.pnl.gov/FEDS)
  - Commission equipment and controls in all new construction and major renovation projects as an integrated effort during design and construction to verify building system performance and functionality for the Users and for Facilities operations and maintenance. Reference ESM Ch 15, Commissioning.
  - Develop environmental performance objectives to minimize waste generation (low-level waste, hazardous waste, etc) from the mission operations going into the new facility.
  - Employ a broad range of advanced energy and water efficiency strategies, including but not limited to central plant optimization, airside supply and exhaust distribution

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<sup>22</sup> DOE O 430.2B

optimization, energy recovery methods, lighting design optimization, and water use reduction measures.

- Site selection, minimizing site disturbance, and comfort and well-being of building occupants are covered in other areas of this document.
- Measure energy and water consumption using direct digital control (DDC) monitoring systems or by other means if DDC not available.
- Enhance indoor environmental quality by including features such as daylighting, low emitting materials, indoor air quality protection measures and practices during the construction process, and controllability of individual occupant spaces for temperature, lighting, and air flow.

## 2.0 ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE BASED ON HISTORICAL LEED CATEGORIES

This section provides suggestions that are either generic or more specific to the LANL situation than usual SD guides. Designers should consider the following to the design of all new facilities and major renovation projects:

### A. SUSTAINABLE SITES

1. General: The location of a building affects a wide range of environmental factors such as the energy consumed by occupants for commuting, the impact on local ecosystems, and the extent to which existing structures and infrastructures are utilized. Site planning should consist of a whole system approach that seeks to reduce environmental impacts, and protect habitat and open space. A separate site analysis will be conducted as part of Line Item projects. Optimize potential of selected site through site planning, which evaluates solar and wind orientation, local microclimate, drainage patterns, utilities and existing site features to develop optimal building site design and low maintenance landscaping.
2. Specific: Protect and/or develop sustainable site conditions by:
  - Providing erosion and sedimentation control during construction
  - Appropriately managing storm water runoff and its contact with potential pollutants
  - Minimizing the extent of site clearing, excavations, and material and equipment storage activities on previously undisturbed land.
  - Designing onsite collection, conveyance, and storage capacity for storm water that enables infiltration into the subsurface,
  - Reducing heat islands through use of highly reflective materials for impermeable surfaces (such as roof, walkways, parking lots, etc.)
  - Minimizing light pollution from exterior lighting fixtures, preventing light trespass beyond the project boundary, and specifying shielded or full cutoff-type fixtures.

### B. WATER EFFICIENCY

1. General: Reducing water consumption and improving water quality are key objectives of Sustainable Design. To the maximum extent feasible, projects should increase their dependence on water that is collected, used, treated (if applicable), and reused on site. The protection and conservation of water will be considered throughout the life of the building, and be incorporated within the whole building-integrated design approach. Where appropriate, consider rain

- gardens, bioretention, infiltration planters, porous pavements, green roofs, trees and tree boxes, pocket wetlands, rainwater harvesting for use (e.g., irrigation, HVAC make-up, non-potable indoor uses per Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007, Section 438 Stormwater Runoff Requirements.
2. Indoor Water. Employ strategies that in aggregate use a minimum of 30 percent less potable water than the indoor water use baseline calculated for the building, after meeting the Energy Policy Act of 1992 fixture performance requirements.<sup>23</sup> WaterSense, an EPA sponsored partnership makes it easy to find and select water efficient fixtures, and ensures consumer confidence in those [water efficient products](#) with a label backed by third party, independent, testing and certification.
  3. Outdoor Water. Use water efficient landscape and irrigation strategies to reduce outdoor potable water consumption by a minimum of 50 percent over that consumed by conventional means (plant species and plant densities). Employ design and construction strategies that reduce storm water runoff and polluted site water runoff.<sup>24</sup>
  4. Specific: Protect and conserve water through design considerations, including:
    - Use of roof runoff and/or gray water to irrigate landscaping.
    - Use of only native, drought tolerant plants for landscaping.
    - Use of recycled content water for cooling tower feed.
    - A minimum of 5 cycles of concentration for cooling tower operation.
    - Exceeding the requirements of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 for plumbing fixtures.
  5. Water Efficiency Guide for Laboratories: Labs21 has published a Water Efficiency Guide for Laboratories, a new Best Practice Guide outlining opportunities for laboratories to make cost-effective improvements in water efficiency, especially with respect to the amount of water used in cooling towers and for special process equipment. This guide, as well as others on related topics, can be accessed at [http://www.labs21century.gov/#tool/bp\\_guide.htm](http://www.labs21century.gov/#tool/bp_guide.htm)

### C. ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION

1. General: To successfully design and construct an energy-efficient building it is necessary to design from the outside in. Therefore, the building envelope is the first item of concern in the design process. Once energy conservation features (i.e. insulation levels, spectrally selective glazing, daylighting, etc.) have been determined, equipment (i.e. HVAC, lighting) can be right-sized to meet the building's energy requirements. Energy analysis software is an extremely useful tool to evaluate alternatives. Software, tools, and data guidance at <http://www.eere.energy.gov/topics/buildings.html>
2. *Guidance: Energy efficiency also includes the office products and appliances purchased for new facilities. LANL has requirements to purchase Energy Star Compliance Equipments (covers offices, appliances, and conference rooms)* <http://www.energystar.gov/>

<sup>23</sup> [MOU](#) Among The Undersigned Federal Agencies For Federal Leadership In High-Performance Sustainable Buildings Circa February, 2006, FEMP.

<sup>24</sup> Ibid.

3. Specific: Minimize energy consumption through Building orientation and massing, natural ventilation, day lighting and other passive strategies that can lower a facilities energy demand. Exceed Federal energy performance standards for energy efficiency (10CFR435). Consider the following measures:
  - Effectively employ daylighting technologies and associated daylighting controls to reduce artificial (dimnable) lighting when possible.
  - Select energy-efficient products and equipment such as Energy Star products, multi-stage boilers and chillers, etc.
  - Orient building's major axis on an east-west line to maximize passive solar heating on the long south face. Provide a Trombe wall, integrated as part of the building design, to provide passive solar heating of the building.
  - Building-integrated photovoltaics (BIPV) to meet a pre-selected amount of non-critical building power needs. This analysis should be coordinated with the ESM Electrical POC and may be considered a demonstration project.

#### D. MATERIALS AND RESOURCES

1. General: Building materials affect the environment throughout their life-cycle starting with the extraction of raw materials and manufacturing the final product through transporting, installing, using and finally disposing of the product. In fact, construction debris accounts for over half the volume of America's landfills. Environmentally preferable building materials minimize life cycle environmental impacts and minimize impact on occupant health.
2. Specific: Projects should seek to meet environmentally preferable products requirements and use environmentally preferable products and processes that do not pollute or unnecessarily contribute to the waste stream and do not deplete limited natural resources, by:
  - Maximizing the recycled content of all new materials, especially from a post-consumer perspective. To the extent feasible, consider materials containing recycled content and salvage/recycle of construction waste during construction. Consult 40 CFR 247, Comprehensive Procurement Guide for Products Containing Recovered Materials. <http://www.epa.gov/cpg/products.htm>. *Guidance: Consider use of "P2-EDGE" Software for design and construction evaluation. Free BEES software is useful for product evaluations* <http://www.bfrl.nist.gov/oae/software/bees.html>.
  - Specifying materials harvested on a sustained yield basis such as lumber from certified forests.
  - For EPA-designated products, use products meeting or exceeding EPA's recycled content recommendations. For other products, use materials with recycled content such that the sum of post-consumer recycled content plus one-half of the pre-consumer content constitutes at least 10% (based on cost) of the total value of the materials in the project.
  - Encouraging the use of USDA-designated biobased products. Use products meeting or exceeding USDA's biobased content recommendations. For other products, use biobased products made from

rapidly renewable resources and certified sustainable wood products. See <http://www.biopreferred.gov/ProductCategories.aspx>

- Encouraging the use of recyclable assemblies and products that can be easily "de-constructed" at the end of their useful lives and encouraging the reuse of materials. Limiting construction debris and encouraging the separation of recyclable waste streams during the construction process. A construction waste management plan is useful in achieving this aim.
  - Eliminating the use of materials that pollute or are toxic during their manufacture, use or reuse.
  - Eliminating the use of ozone depleting compounds during and after construction.
  - Giving preference to locally produced products and other products with low embodied energy content.
  - Providing a dedicated area for the collection of materials for recycle.
3. A reasonable goal is to use materials with recycled content such that post-consumer recycled content constitutes at least 10 percent of the total value of the materials in the project or combined post-consumer and 1/2 post-industrial recycled content constitutes at least 20 percent.<sup>25</sup>

#### E. INDOOR ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

1. General: The ultimate success or failure of a project often rests on the quality of its indoor environment, because healthy, comfortable employees are invariably more satisfied and productive. Projects should be designed and constructed to provide high-quality, interior environments for all users. A construction Indoor Air Quality plan is helpful to ensure construction methods and practices result in a building is healthy for occupancy.
2. Protect Indoor Air Quality during Construction. Follow the recommended approach of the Sheet Metal and Air Conditioning Contractor's National Association IAQ Guidelines for Occupied Buildings under Construction, SMACNA 1072. After construction and prior to occupancy, conduct a minimum 72-hour flush-out with maximum outdoor air consistent with achieving relative humidity no greater than 60%.<sup>26</sup>
3. Specific: Enhance indoor environmental quality through appropriate ventilation, moisture control, and the avoidance of materials and products with high VOC emissions will enhance occupant health and comfort. The integrated design approach for projects should seek to:
  - Value aesthetic decisions, such as the importance of views and the integration of natural and man-made elements.
  - Provide thermal comfort with a maximum degree of personal control over temperature and humidity.
  - Supply adequate levels of ventilation and outside air to ensure indoor air quality;

<sup>25</sup> MOU Among The Undersigned Federal Agencies For Federal Leadership In High-Performance Sustainable Buildings Circa February, 2006, FEMP.

<sup>26</sup> Ibid.

- Avoid the use of materials that emit pollutants, such as volatile organic compounds (VOCs) or other toxins.
- Assure acoustic privacy and comfort through the use of sound absorbing material and equipment isolation.
- Control disturbing odors through contaminant isolation and careful selection of cleaning products.
- Create a high performance luminous environment through the thoughtful integration of natural and artificial light sources.

F. **GENERAL**

1. Utilize the “LANL Sustainable Design Guide” described above.

## APPENDIX A

## 10 CFR PART 433

## Energy Efficiency Standards for the Design and Construction of New Federal Commercial and Multi-Family High-Rise Residential Buildings

## August 2011 Text

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**Authority:** 42 U.S.C. 6831–6832, 6834–6835; 42 U.S.C. 7101 *et seq.*

**Source:** 71 FR 70281, Dec. 4, 2006, unless otherwise noted.

**§ 433.1 Purpose and scope.**

This part establishes an energy efficiency performance standard for the new Federal commercial and multi-family high-rise buildings, for which design for construction began on or after January 3, 2007, as required by section 305(a) of the Energy Conservation and Production Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 6834(a)).

**§ 433.2 Definitions.**

[Link to an amendment published at 78 FR 40953, July 9, 2013.](#)

For purposes of this part, the following terms, phrases and words are defined as follows:

*ANSI* means the American National Standards Institute.

*ASHRAE* means the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers.

*ASHRAE Baseline Building 2004* means a building that is otherwise identical to the proposed building but is designed to meet, but not exceed, the energy efficiency specifications in ANSI/ASHRAE/IESNA Standard 90.1-2004, Energy Standard for Buildings

Except Low-Rise Residential Buildings, January 2004 (incorporated by reference, see § 433.3).

*ASHRAE Baseline Building 2007* means a building that is otherwise identical to the proposed building but is designed to meet, but not exceed, the energy efficiency specifications in ANSI/ASHRAE/IESNA Standard 90.1-2007, Energy Standard for Buildings Except Low-Rise Residential Buildings, December 2007 (incorporated by reference, see § 433.3).

*Commercial and multi-family high-rise residential building* means all buildings other than low-rise residential buildings.

*Design for construction* means the stage when the energy efficiency and sustainability details (such as insulation levels, HVAC systems, water-using systems, etc.) are either explicitly determined or implicitly included in a project cost specification.

*DOE* means the U.S. Department of Energy.

*Federal agency* means any department, agency, corporation, or other entity or instrumentality of the executive branch of the Federal Government, including the United States Postal Service, the Federal National Mortgage Association, and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation.

*IESNA* means Illuminating Engineering Society of North America.

*Life-cycle cost* means the total cost related to energy conservation measures of owning, operating and maintaining a building over its useful life as determined in accordance with 10 CFR part 436.

*Life-cycle cost-effective* means that the proposed building has a lower life-cycle cost than the life-cycle costs of the baseline building, as described by 10 CFR 436.19, or has a positive estimated net savings, as described by 10 CFR 436.20; or has a savings-to-investment ratio estimated to be greater than one, as described by 10 CFR 436.21; or has an adjusted internal rate of return, as described by 10 CFR 436.22, that is estimated to be greater than the discount rate as listed in OMB Circular Number A-94 (Guidelines and Discount Rates for Benefit-Cost Analysis of Federal Programs.)

*Low-rise residential building* means any building three stories or less in height above grade that includes sleeping accommodations where the occupants are primarily permanent in nature (30 days or more).

*New Federal building* means any building to be constructed on a site that previously did not have a building or a complete replacement of an existing building from the foundation up, by, or for the use of, any Federal agency which is not legally subject to State or local building codes or similar requirements.

*Process load* means the load on a building resulting from energy consumed in support of a manufacturing, industrial, or commercial process. Process loads do not include energy consumed maintaining comfort and amenities for the occupants of the building (including space conditioning for human comfort).

*Proposed building* means the building design of a new Federal commercial and multi-family high-rise building proposed for construction.

*Receptacle load* means the load on a building resulting from energy consumed by any equipment plugged into electrical outlets.

[71 FR 70281, Dec. 4, 2006, as amended at 72 FR 72570, Dec. 21, 2007; 76 FR 49284, Aug. 10, 2011]

#### § 433.3 Materials incorporated by reference.

[Link to an amendment published at 78 FR 40953, July 9, 2013.](#)

(a) *General.* The Department of Energy incorporates by reference the energy performance standards listed in paragraph (b) of this section into 10 CFR part 433. The Director of the Federal Register has approved the material listed in paragraph (b) of this section for incorporation by reference in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51. Any subsequent amendment to a standard by the standard-setting organization will not affect DOE regulations unless and until DOE amends its energy performance standards. Material is incorporated as it exists on the date of the approval, and a notice of any change in the material will be published in the FEDERAL REGISTER. All approved material is available for inspection at the U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Building Technologies Program, Sixth Floor, 950 L'Enfant Plaza, SW., Washington, DC 20024, (202) 586-2945. Also, this material is available for inspection at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of this material at NARA, call 202-741-6030, or go to: [http://www.archives.gov/federal\\_register/code\\_of\\_federal\\_regulations/ibr\\_locations.html](http://www.archives.gov/federal_register/code_of_federal_regulations/ibr_locations.html).

(b) *ASHRAE.* American Society of Heating Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers, Inc.,

1791 Tullie Circle, NE, Atlanta, GA 30329, (404) 636-8400; or go to, <http://www.ashrae.org/>.

(1) ANSI/ASHRAE/IESNA 90.1-2004, ("ASHRAE 90.1-2004"), Energy Standard for Buildings Except Low-Rise Residential Buildings, January 2004, ISSN 1041-2336, IBR approved for §§ 433.2, 433.4, 433.5;

(2) ANSI/ASHRAE/IESNA Standard 90.1-2007, ("ASHRAE 90.1-2007"), Energy Standard for Buildings Except Low-Rise Residential Buildings, 2007, ISSN 1041-2336, IBR approved for §§ 433.2, 433.4, 433.5.

[76 FR 49284, Aug. 10, 2011]

#### § 433.4 Energy efficiency performance standard.

[Link to an amendment published at 78 FR 40953, July 9, 2013.](#)

(a) (1) All Federal agencies shall design new Federal buildings that are commercial and multi-family high-rise residential buildings, for which design for construction began on or after January 3, 2007, but before August 10, 2012, to:

(i) Meet ASHRAE 90.1-2004, (incorporated by reference, see § 433.3); and

(ii) If life-cycle cost-effective, achieve energy consumption levels, calculated consistent with paragraph (b) of this section, that are at least 30 percent below the levels of the ASHRAE Baseline Building 2004.

(2) All Federal agencies shall design new Federal buildings that are commercial and multi-family high-rise residential buildings, for which design for construction began on or after August 10, 2012, to:

(i) Meet ASHRAE 90.1-2007, (incorporated by reference, see § 433.3); and

(ii) If life-cycle cost-effective, achieve energy consumption levels, calculated consistent with paragraph (b) of this section, that are at least 30 percent below the levels of the ASHRAE Baseline Building 2007.

(b) Energy consumption for the purposes of calculating the 30 percent savings shall include space heating, space cooling, ventilation, service water heating, lighting and all other energy consuming systems normally specified as part of the building design except for receptacle and process loads.

(c) If a 30 percent reduction is not life-cycle cost-effective, the design of the proposed building shall be modified so as to achieve an energy consumption level at or better than the maximum level of energy efficiency that is life-cycle cost-effective, but at a minimum complies with paragraph (a) of this section.

[71 FR 70281, Dec. 4, 2006, as amended at 72 FR 72570, Dec. 21, 2007; 76 FR 49284, Aug. 10, 2011]

#### § 433.5 Performance level determination.

[Link to an amendment published at 78 FR 40953, July 9, 2013.](#)

(a)(1) For Federal buildings for which design for construction began on or after January 3, 2007, but before August 10, 2012, each Federal agency shall determine energy consumption levels for both the ASHRAE Baseline Building 2004 and proposed building by using the Performance Rating Method found in appendix G of ASHRAE 90.1-2004 (incorporated by reference, see § 433.3), except the formula for calculating the Performance Rating in paragraph G1.2 shall read as follows:

Percentage improvement =  $100 \times ((\text{Baseline building consumption} - \text{Receptacle and process loads}) - (\text{Proposed building consumption} - \text{Receptacle and process loads})) / (\text{Baseline building consumption} - \text{Receptacle and process loads})$  (which simplifies as follows):

Percentage improvement =  $100 \times (\text{Baseline building consumption} - \text{Proposed building consumption}) / (\text{Baseline building consumption} - \text{Receptacle and process loads})$ .

(2) For Federal buildings for which design for construction began on or after August 10, 2012, each Federal agency shall determine energy consumption levels for both the ASHRAE Baseline Building 2007 and proposed building by using the Performance Rating Method found in appendix G of ASHRAE 90.1-2007 (incorporated by reference, see § 433.3), except the formula for calculating the Performance Rating in paragraph G1.2 shall read as follows:

Percentage improvement =  $100 \times ((\text{Baseline building consumption} - \text{Receptacle and process loads}) - (\text{Proposed building consumption} - \text{Receptacle and process loads})) / (\text{Baseline building consumption} - \text{Receptacle and process loads})$  (which simplifies as follows):

Percentage improvement =  $100 \times (\text{Baseline building consumption} - \text{Proposed building consumption}) /$

(Baseline building consumption – Receptacle and process loads).

(b) Each Federal agency shall consider laboratory fume hoods and kitchen ventilation systems as part of the ASHRAE-covered HVAC loads subject to the 30 percent savings requirements, rather than as process loads.

[71 FR 70281, Dec. 4, 2006, as amended at 76 FR 49284, Aug. 10, 2011]

#### § 433.6 Sustainable principles for siting, design and construction. [Reserved]

#### § 433.7 Water used to achieve energy efficiency. [Reserved]

#### § 433.8 Life-cycle costing.

Each Federal agency shall determine life-cycle cost-effectiveness by using the procedures set out in subpart A of part 436. A Federal agency may choose to use any of four methods, including lower life-cycle costs, positive net savings, savings-to-investment ratio that is estimated to be greater than one, and an adjusted internal rate of return that is estimated to be greater than the discount rate as listed in OMB Circular Number A-94 "Guidelines and Discount Rates for Benefit-Cost Analysis of Federal Programs."

**10 CFR Part 433 July 2013 amendment to 2011 version (ASHRAE 90.1-2010 effective July 2014)**

■ 1. The authority citation for part 433 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 42 U.S.C. 6831–6832; 6834–6835; 42 U.S.C. 7101 *et seq.*

■ 2. Amend § 433.2 by adding in alphabetical order the definition of “ASHRAE Baseline Building 2010” to read as follows:

**§ 433.2 Definitions.**

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*ASHRAE Baseline Building 2010* means a building that is otherwise identical to the proposed building but is designed to meet, but not exceed, the energy efficiency specifications in ANSI/ASHRAE/IESNA Standard 90.1–2010, Energy Standard for Buildings Except Low-Rise Residential Buildings, 2010 (incorporated by reference, see § 433.3).

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■ 3. Amend § 433.3 by adding paragraph (b)(3) to read as follows:

**§ 433.3 Materials incorporated by reference.**

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(b) \*\*\*

(3) ANSI/ASHRAE/IESNA 90.1–2010, (“ASHRAE 90.1–2010”), Energy Standard for Buildings Except Low-Rise Residential Buildings, I–P Edition, Copyright 2010, IBR approved for §§ 433.2, 433.4, 433.5.

■ 4. Section 433.4 is amended by revising paragraph (a)(2) introductory text and adding paragraph (a)(3) to read as follows:

**§ 433.4 Energy efficiency performance standard.**

(a) \*\*\*

(2) All Federal agencies shall design new Federal buildings that are commercial and multi-family high-rise residential buildings, for which design for construction began on or after August 10, 2012, but before July 9, 2014, to:

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(3) All Federal agencies shall design new Federal buildings that are commercial and multi-family high-rise residential buildings, for which design for construction began on or after July 9, 2014, to:

(i) Meet ASHRAE 90.1–2010, (incorporated by reference, see § 433.3); and

(ii) If life-cycle cost-effective, achieve energy consumption levels, calculated consistent with paragraph (b) of this section, that are at least 30 percent below the levels of the ASHRAE Baseline Building 2010.

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■ 5. Section 433.5 is amended by revising paragraph (a)(2) and adding paragraph (a)(3) to read as follows:

**§ 433.5 Performance level determination.**

(a) \*\*\*

(2) For Federal buildings for which design for construction began on or after August 10, 2012, but before July 9, 2014, each Federal agency shall determine energy consumption levels for both the ASHRAE Baseline Building 2007 and proposed building by using the Performance Rating Method found in Appendix G of ASHRAE 90.1–2007 (incorporated by reference, see § 433.3), except the formula for calculating the Performance Rating in paragraph G1.2 shall read as follows:

Percentage improvement = 100 X ((Baseline building consumption - Receptacle and process loads) - (Proposed building consumption - Receptacle and process loads))/(Baseline building consumption - Receptacle and process loads) (which simplifies as follows):

Percentage improvement = 100 X (Baseline building consumption - Proposed building consumption)/(Baseline building consumption - Receptacle and process loads).

(3) For Federal buildings for which design for construction began on or after July 9, 2014, each Federal agency shall determine energy consumption levels for both the ASHRAE Baseline Building 2010 and proposed building by using the Performance Rating Method found in Appendix G of ASHRAE 90.1–2010 (incorporated by reference, see § 433.3), except the formula for calculating the Performance Rating in paragraph G1.2 shall read as follows:

Percentage improvement = 100 X ((Baseline building consumption - Receptacle and process loads) - (Proposed building consumption - Receptacle and process loads))/(Baseline building consumption - Receptacle and process loads) (which simplifies as follows):

Percentage improvement = 100 X (Baseline building consumption - Proposed building consumption)/(Baseline building consumption - Receptacle and process loads).