



## Metering- Output Management

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QEEENE

Technical Roundtable on Metering

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# Presentation Overview:

Data is the driver  
Justifying Metering  
Goals for Energy Metering  
Output Management  
Managing and Viewing Data  
Analytics  
Issues Faced  
Meter Health Monitoring and  
Recommissioning

# About GreenerU

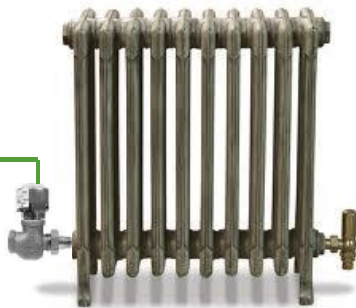
- GreenerU is an energy efficiency and sustainability solutions company focused exclusively on higher education. We collaborate with our customers to design, build and optimize energy and engagement challenges

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# Simple

Heating



Ventilation



Temperature Control

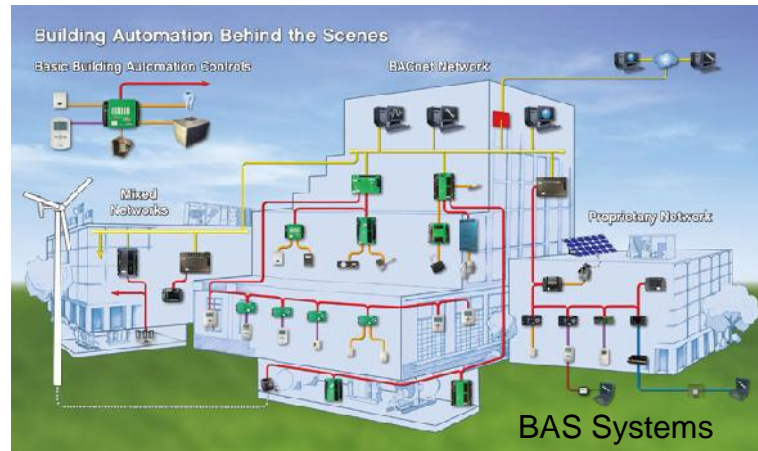


## More complicated... and more comfortable

### Chilling



### Air Conditioning



## Data is the Driver

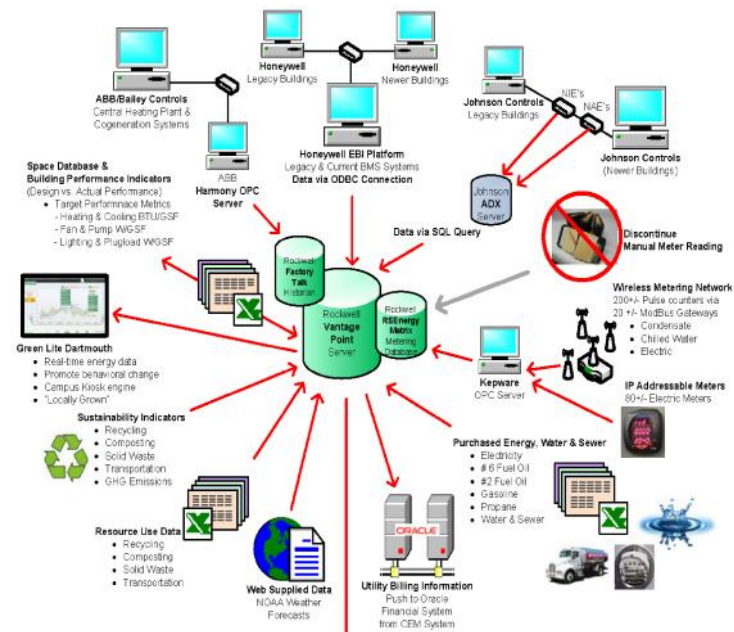
- We now have access to data... *lots of it!*
  - Building automation system data
  - Utility data
  - Metering data
  - Equipment/asset data
  - IP/web connected automation systems and smart devices
  - Standard protocols
  - Standard data formats
- How can we turn the data into useful information?



Hidden in this data are the keys to better building performance

## Integration is getting more complicated

- Utility Data
- BMS
- Dashboards
- Analytics



Network map Courtesy Dartmouth College

# Justifying Metering

## Justifying the Cost of a Metering System

Not every facility warrants a metering system, and a simple way to cost-justify a utility meter was developed by the U.S. Department of Energy:

$$\left( \frac{\text{Installed Cost}}{\text{Desired Simple Payback}} + \text{Annual Cost} \right) \div \text{\% Annual Savings} = \text{Minimum Annual Electric Bill}$$

where

*Installed Cost* is the total cost to purchase, install and commission the meter.

*Desired Simple Payback* represents the number of years it will take the metering system to produce the cost savings equal to the installed cost. In the federal sector, the simple payback period should be 10 years or less.

*Annual Cost* is the total annual cost of the fees and expenses to cover communications, data collection and storage, data analysis, as well as meter operations and maintenance.

*Percent Annual Savings* is the estimated cost savings benefits to be realized from the productive use of the metered data (typically a minimum of 2%).

Action	Observed Savings
Installation of Meters	0% to 2% The Hawthorne Effect
Bill Allocation Only	2.5% to 5% Improved Occupant Awareness
Building Tune-Up And Load Management	5% to 15% Improved Awareness, Identification of Simple Operations and Maintenance Improvements and Managing Demand Loads Per Electric Rate Schedules
Ongoing Commissioning	15% to 45% Improved Awareness, Ongoing Identification of Simple Operations and Maintenance Improvements and Continuing Management Attention

**Table 1:** Expected energy savings from utility metering.

Estimates of savings have ranged from 1% to 20%. The low-end savings of 0% to 2% is generally attributed to “The Hawthorne Effect” a phenomenon whereby individual behaviors may be altered as a result of individuals knowing that there are being studied. These savings quickly erode if occupants realize that the meter data is not being used. To maximize energy savings, the meter data must be used to drive action.



## Data Acquisition And Monitoring Plan

- Think strategically
- Have a data acquisition and monitoring plan

## Goals for Energy Metering

- Controlling energy consumption / costs
- Improve equipment use / reliability
- Occupant awareness

## What are you going to do with this data?

- Why do you need metering?
  - Tenant Billing
  - Student Engagement
  - Measuring Impact
  - I don't know...
- What do you do with all this information?
  - Manage client billing
  - Dashboards
  - Student competition
- Who manages this data?
  - BAS Shop
  - HVAC Techs
  - Energy manager
  - Sustainability Office
  - Students
  - No one
- How do you currently collect and view this data?
  - Dashboard
  - Spreadsheet
  - Other software
  - My meters are not working

# Having standards is important

## SECTION 26 09 01 – CAMPUS CENTRAL METERING SYSTEM DESIGN CRITERIA

### PART 1 - GENERAL

#### 1.1 SUMMARY:

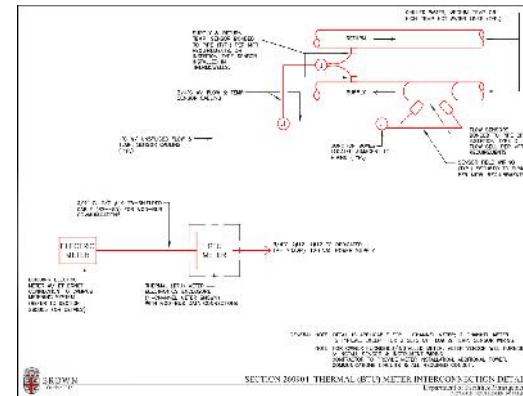
A. This section details the general requirements for metering of building electrical, standby power, Chilled water, Hot water (Medium temperature and High Temperature) and natural gas services, and related metering system accessories.

#### 1.2 RELATED SECTIONS

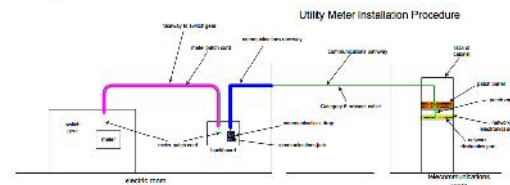
- A. Section 01301- Design Guidelines for Energy and Environment
- B. Section 01771 - Contract Record Documents
- C. Section 260010 – Electrical Design Criteria

#### 1.3 GENERAL:

- A. Electrical consumption and usage data for buildings connected to the Brown campus electrical distribution systems, as well as other selected buildings, is monitored by a Siemens-brand, web-based campus metering system. This system is generally comprised of individual building meters and submeters, which are interconnected via the campus Ethernet to a central computer server and software. The metering system is presently configured to operate on Siemens "WinPM" supervisory software.
- B. High Temperature Hot Water, Medium Temperature Hot Water and district cooling system Chilled Water consumption and usage data for select buildings connected to the campus central heating systems and district chiller systems is also monitored by the campus metering system. This information is provided by thermal (BTU) meters, which includes interval and totalized flow rates and BTU consumption, and instantaneous supply and return water temperature information. This system is separate and distinct from the Johnson Controls and Andover (TAC) building automation and control systems.
- C. Natural gas consumption for select buildings is also monitored by the campus metering system.
- D. Emergency generators are monitored and supervised by the campus metering system for energy usage and alarm monitoring.

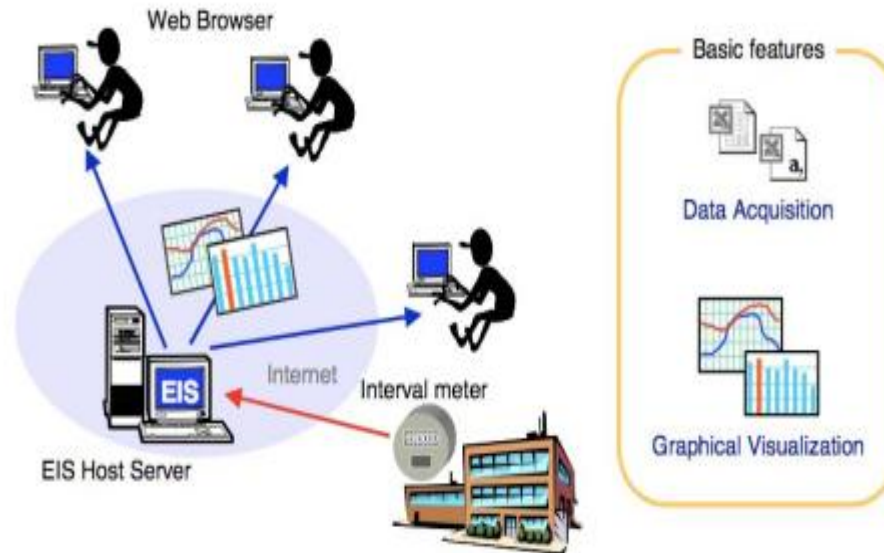


## SECTION 26 09 02 – CAMPUS METERING NETWORK CONNECTION CRITERIA



Courtesy : Brown University

# Output Management



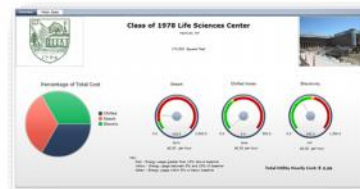
## Types of Outputs

- 4-20 mA, 0-10V or 0-5V
- Pulse Output
- BACnet IP or MS/TP
- Metasys N2
- LON works
- Ethernet / IP
- Modbus TCP/IP
- ..... And a lot more
- You need to understand before buying your meter – what kind of output is best for you.



## Different ways of managing and viewing the data

- Robust Enterprise level Energy Management System
- Dashboards
- Building Automation System\*
- Analytics



## **Analytics with Utility Data**

- Weather adjusted comparison
- Set your baseline year
- Key Performance Metrics ( KPI)
- Look at Utility data along with Equipment Operations
- Write rules to detect anomalies
- Demand Reduction
- Easy Reporting

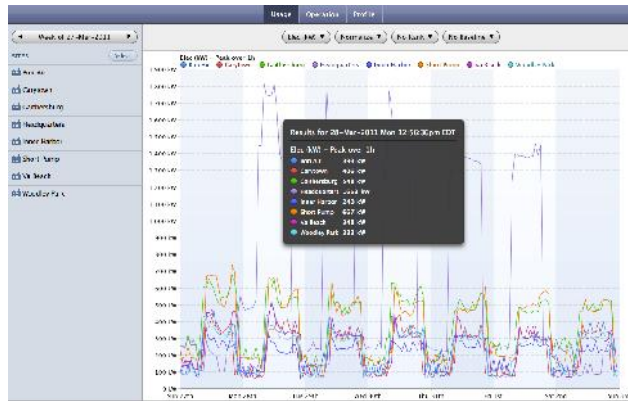


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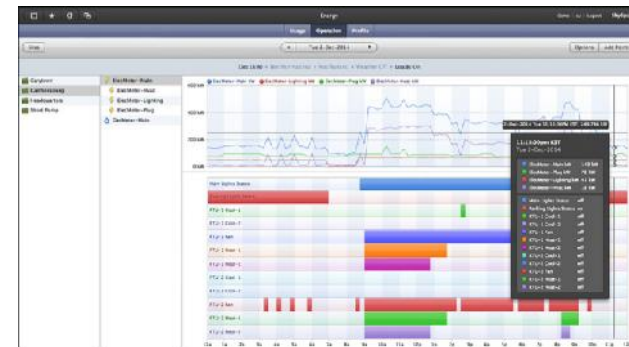
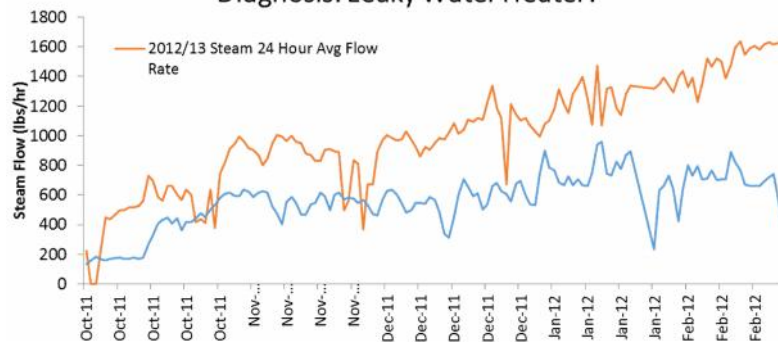


## The Essential Energy Reports in One Simple Tool

Consumption, demand, runtime, rank and exception reports. Normalize by area, degree days and user defined parameters



Dormitory Steam Flow, Winter '11/'12 vs. '12/'13.  
Diagnosis: Leaky Water Heater!



# Analytics



## KPI Presentation of Key Performance Metrics

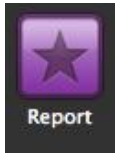
KPI - demo Ben Lirus | Logout SkySpark

Sites: All Select Today KPIs ⚙️

Site	kW	kW Norm	kWh	kWh Norm	Spark Cost	Sparks Count	watts/sq ft
📍 Carytown	75  346	0.001  0.005	3k	0.041	\$0	1	23.8  110
📍 Gaithersburg	88  493	0.001  0.003	4k	0.024	\$0	4	11  61.5
📍 Headquarters	196  659	0  0	7k	0.002	\$0	0	1392  4.68
📍 Short Pump	139  543	0  0.002	5k	0.014	\$24	1	8.118  31.7
📍 Woodley Park	49  285	0  0.002	2k	0.015	\$0	0	6.906  40.2

You can  
define  
virtually any  
KPI you want  
to display

# Analytics



Reports– should be a one click operation

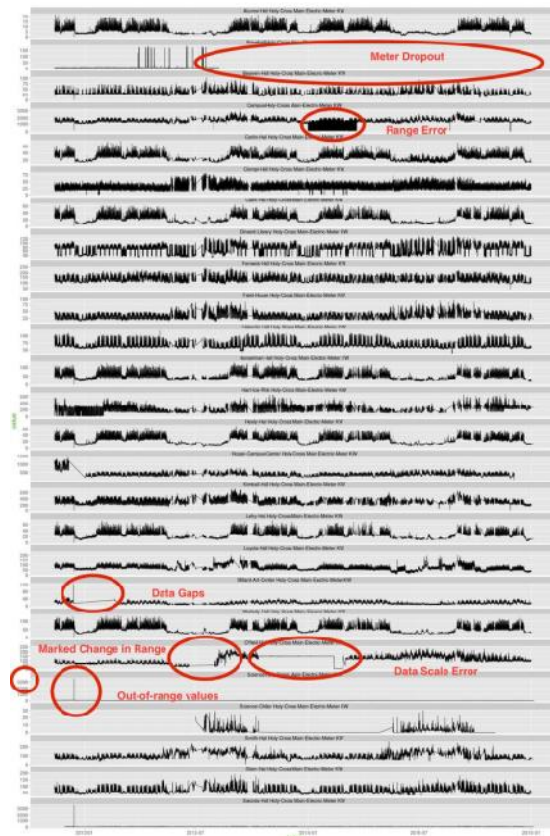


TimeRange	Cayman Facilities-Main Demand	Sant Fermo Facilities-Main Demand	Geltnerburg Facilities-Main Demand	Wendy Park Facilities-Main Demand
1 Nov 2011 Tue 12:00:00AM EDT	108 kW/M²	002 kW/M²	001 kW/M²	048 kW/M²
2 Nov 2011 Wed 12:00:00AM EDT	091 kW/M²	003 kW/M²	006 kW/M²	051 kW/M²
3 Nov 2011 Thu 12:00:00AM EDT	116 kW/M²	002 kW/M²	002 kW/M²	041 kW/M²
4 Nov 2011 Fri 12:00:00AM EDT	108 kW/M²	015 kW/M²	012 kW/M²	045 kW/M²
5 Nov 2011 Sat 12:00:00AM EDT	119 kW/M²	014 kW/M²	006 kW/M²	034 kW/M²
6 Nov 2011 Sun 12:00:00AM EDT	111 kW/M²	012 kW/M²	003 kW/M²	043 kW/M²
7 Nov 2011 Mon 12:00:00AM EDT	108 kW/M²	003 kW/M²	007 kW/M²	043 kW/M²
8 Nov 2011 Tue 12:00:00AM EDT	111 kW/M²	002 kW/M²	002 kW/M²	041 kW/M²

## Issues faced

- Communication
- Verification of data
- Units of measure
- Scaling
- Commissioning
- Proper Documentation
- Accountability

# Energy Management Tools: Meter Health Monitoring & Recommissioning



Meter Inspector Tool

- Monthly Utility Billing
- Ongoing System Changes and Additions
- Assess meter health and data integrity
- Preventive Maintenance

# Summary - Value Proposition

- You can't manage what you don't measure
- Driving energy efficiency and cost reduction through data is proven
- Analytics enables you to know how your buildings and systems are actually operating
- Validate against industry benchmarks and internal goals
- Savings can be in the range of 2 – 20%
- You most likely have already made the investment to get the data
- *Its time to generate value from it!*

# Q&A



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