Emerging Technologies

GSA's Proving Ground and Pilot to Portfolio Programs | U.S. General Services Administration

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GSA: Largest Single U.S. Portfolio of Commercial Office Space

8,721	1,574		
PROPERTIES MANAGED, 377M ft ²	OWNED, 188M ft ²		

\$280M annual energy costs for owned real-estate.

At 52.2 kBTU/ft²/yr, GSA buildings are **33%** more efficient than typical U.S. commercial buildings.



Emerging Technologies' two programs — GSA Proving Ground (GPG) and Pilot to Portfolio (P2P) — enable GSA to make sound investment decisions in next generation building technologies based on their real world performance

Integrated Energy Solutions: Leading by Example

Emerging Technologies (ET) accelerates market acceptance by objectively assessing innovative building technologies in real-world environments (GPG), and deploying those that deliver (P2P)



GPG Objectives



Identify promising technologies at the edge of commercialization

Pilot technology installations within GSA's real estate portfolio

Partner with Department of Energy national laboratories to objectively evaluate real-world performance

Identify technologies with broad deployment potential for GSA, coordinate results with broader federal and CRE community

GPG Test Beds



Test-bed locations are representative of broad conditions

Technologies Tested by GPG with Published Results

Building	HVAC	Lighting	Energy	Water	On-Site
Envelope High-R Window Panel Retrofits	Condensing Boilers	Occupant Responsive Lighting	Management Wireless Sensor Networks	Weather Station for Irrigation Control	Renewables Photovoltaics
Thermochromic & Electrochromic Windows	Variable Refrigerant Flow	Integrated Daylighting Systems	Advanced Power Strips	Wireless Soil Moisture Sensors for Irrigation Control	PV Guidance
Vacuum Insulated Panels for Roofing	Variable-Speed Maglev Chiller	Wireless Advanced Lighting Controls	Control Optimization System for Chiller Plants	Non-Chemical Prevention of Hard Water Scale	Photovoltaic- Thermal System
Solar Control Films	Synchronous & Cogged Fan Belts	LED Fixtures with Integrated Controls	Socially Driven HVAC Optimization		Wood-Pellet- Fired Biomass Boiler
Electrochromic (EC) Windows for LPOEs	Multi-staged Indirect Evaporative Cooler	LED Downlight Lamps for CFL Fixtures			Honeycomb Solar Thermal Collector
EC Windows with Dynamic Controls for General Office Space	Variable-speed Direct-drive Screw Chiller	Linear LED Lighting Retrofits			
Low-e Window Films	Wireless Pneumatic Thermostats			Broad Dep	oloyment Potential for GSA
	Smart Ceiling Fans				

Technologies Under Assessment



2018 DOE/GSA Joint Program: "Beyond Widgets"

Focus: technologies that optimize building components and/or help operators better understand when buildings are not functioning within operational or design parameters



Behind-the-Meter Load Optimization Improving Overall Building Operations and Maintenance \$175B/YR commercial real-estate utility bills



Pilot to Portfolio supports the deployment of proven next generation technologies through process influence, portfolio analysis, project initiation support, and dynamic training

Transitioning Research into Practice

Providing actionable insights guides GSA's investment decisions in nextgeneration building technologies

63	33	20	13	\$7M
TECHNOLOGIES	REPORTS	TECHNOLOGIES	TECHNOLOGIES	ESTIMATED
EVALUATED	PUBLISHED	PROVEN FOR GSA	DEPLOYED	ANNUAL SAVINGS



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Technical Report & 4-Page Findings



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Influencing Internal Processes

GSA processes and guidance support the introduction of next-generation technologies at key lifecycle entry points—end-of-life replacement, retrofits and new construction

END-OF-LIFE REPLACEMENT	RETROFITS	NEW CONSTRUCTION		
Next time you buy that, buy this instead	Choose best in class performance and/or payback	Target technologies with the biggest impact		

Using Analytics to Drive Uptake

Work across GSA databases to identify buildings with aging, inefficient equipment and tenant comfort issues, provide decision makers with recommended technologies that solve these problems

Supporting Project Initiation

Provide project and property managers with technology specifications and cybersecurity approval needed to easily select innovative technologies

026 LED Downlight Lamps

Application	Recessed downlight, surface mount	
Ballast for 4-pin	ast for 4-pin Powered by Electronic-ballast	
Ballast for 2-pin	Powered by Magnetic ballast	
ELECTRICAL		
Operating Voltage	120-277V	
Power Factor	0.90 at full light output	
Total Harmonic Distortion	<20%	
Efficacy, lumens per watt	70 at full light output	
PHOTOMETRIC PERFORMAN	CE	
Light Output	Minimum 450 lumens	
Zonal Lumen Density	>75% of total initial lumens within the 0-60° zone	
CCT (Color Temp)	3000K, 3500K, 4000K or as specified by site	
CRI	80, R9>0	
Lifetime	Minimum 36,000 hours L70	
Controls	Look for "dimmable" products before considering daylight harvesting or task tuning.	
	Wired and/or wireless control systems shall not be accessible, networked or otherwise tied to external systems unless specified by the GSA.	
Warranty	Minimum 5 years	
Qualifications	UL Classified for U.S. and Canada	

Delivering Training

Provide training resources architects, engineers, asset managers and facility managers need to successfully program, engineer, and operate next generation technologies





For more information: gsa.gov/GPG

GSA Opportunity — Technologies with Broad Deployment Potential

Category	Technology	% Saved at Test Beds	Projected Payback (yrs)	Best Suited to
Energy Management	APS for Workstations	26%	2	Deploy broadly.
	Chiller Plant Control Optimization	35% Cooling	5	Chilled water plants with cooling loads > 3 million tons per year.
	Socially Driven HVAC	20% cooling, 47% heating	NA	Facilities where thermal comfort is an issue.
	Wireless Sensor Networks	48% Cooling	2	Data centers.
Lighting	LED Downlight Lamps	40%	3	Spaces where advanced lighting controls are not desired or useful.
	TLED Retrofit Kits	30%	5	Fixtures where lenses/sockets are in good condition and ALC is useful.
	LEDs with Integrated Controls	60%	9	Retrofits with EUI > 3.25 kWh/ft²/yr and utility rates > \$0.10 kWh.
Building Envelope	EC Windows for LPOEs	9%	NA	Facilities where window glare compromises mission-critical visibility.
	Hi-R Low-E Window Panels	41%	7	Cold climates; single-pane windows.
	Low-E Film	29% perimeter HVAC	2-6	All climate zones. Most cost-effective for single-pane clear windows.
HVAC	Condensing Boilers	14%	7	End-of-life replacement. Life-cycle cost effective when 3 -5 % more efficient than high-efficiency boilers.
	Fan Belts	2 - 20%	4	VAV Fans, retrofit with synchronous drive belts. CV Fans, replace at end-of-life with cogged V-belts.
	Magnetic Bearing Chiller (MBC)	42%	5	End-of-life replacement.
	Variable Speed Screw Chiller	11% compared to MBC	3	End-of-life replacement.
	Wireless Pneumatic Thermostats	20% cooling, 43% heating	6	Facilities with pneumatic control.
	Non-Chemical Water Treatment	NA	2	Facilities with hard water > 121 MG/L.
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