

Making Your Green Clear: Marketing Your Sustainability Accomplishments

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Best In Class: A Sustainability Roadmap





Whole Foods Market Declaration of Interdependence 1985

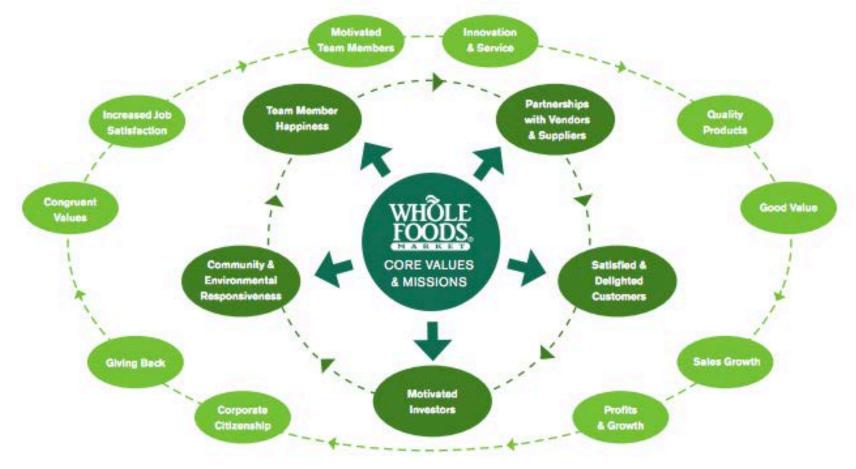
"It is our dissatisfaction with the current reality, when compared with what is possible, that spurs us toward excellence and toward creating a better person, company, and world."

1985 – Whole Foods Market unveils the "Declaration of Interdependence," which affirms its commitment to customers, Team Members, investors, suppliers, the **environment**, and local communities.

Sustainability Is Deep In Our DNA: Our Efforts



The Whole Foods Market Conscious Business Model: Stakeholder Interdependence



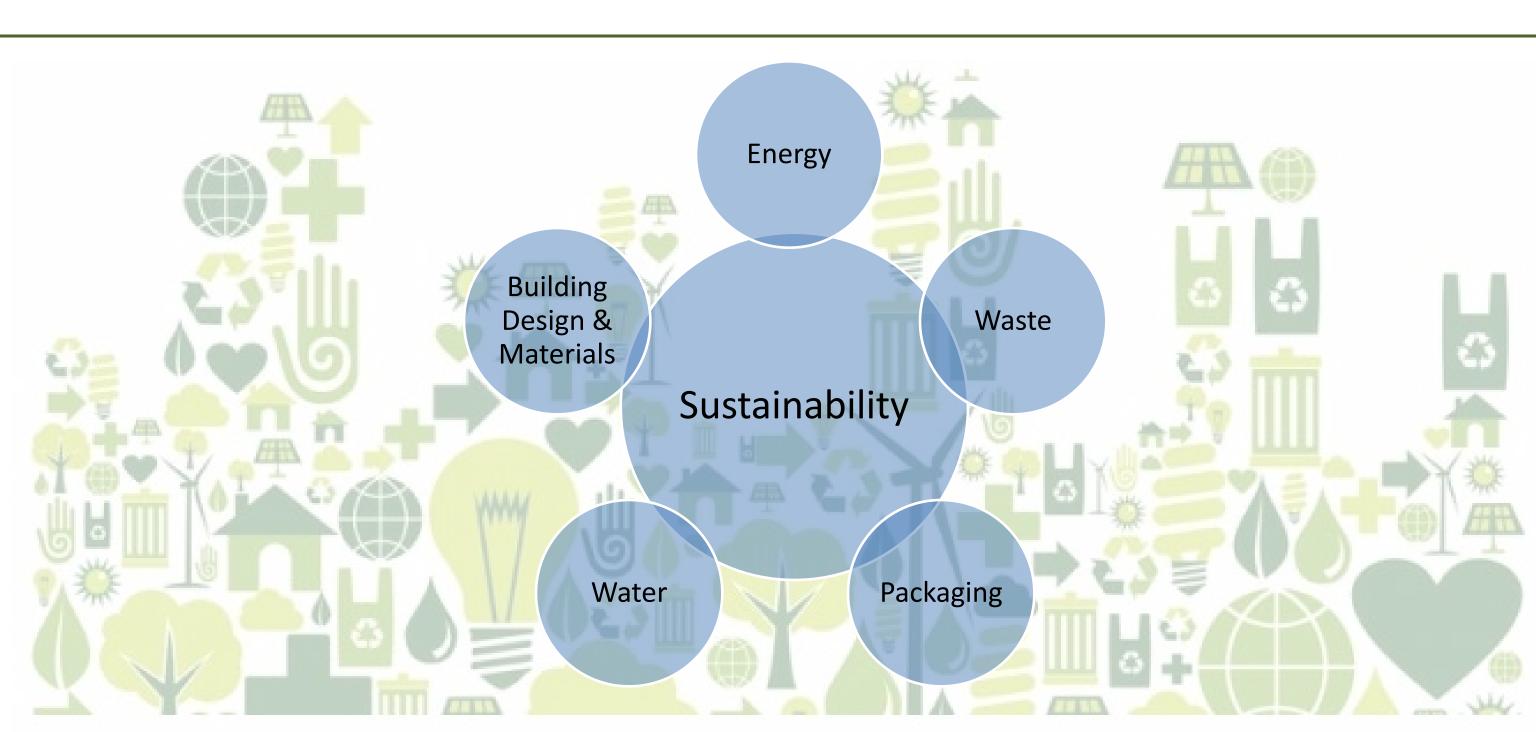






Programs





Historical Initiatives: A Spectrum Of Impact



Distributed Renewable Energy

• CHP: 6

Solar Arrays: 25

• EVCS: 76

- Waste Cooking Oil Generator at NA Commissary
- Wind Turbines at Brooklyn

Green Building Frameworks

Green Globes Certifications: 33

LEED Certifications: 12

REC Offsets

- Purchased over 4.3 billion megawatt hours of wind-based RECs from 2005-2012
- Earned 6 EPA Green Power Awards

Advanced Refrigeration

- EPA Green Chill Certifications: 20
- Most natural refrigerant stores in the industry!

6 Zero Waste certified stores



Historical Initiatives: A Spectrum Of Impact



- 1993: 5% Community Give Back Days implemented
- 1998: FORTUNE Magazine includes Whole Foods Market on its inaugural 100 Best Companies to Work for List
- 1999: Partnership with the Marine Stewardship Council to provide customers with sustainable seafood choices
- 2002: Whole Foods Market became the first retailer to introduce solar power as a primary lighting source
- **2003**: America's first national certified organic grocer
- 2004-2007: Earns EPA Green power awards through 2007 for our renewable energy purchasing
- 2005: Whole Planet Foundation is launched
- 2007: Adoption of Global Animal Partnership 5-Step Animal Rating Standards
- 2008: The first US supermarket chain to eliminate disposable plastic grocery bags
- 2011: Whole Kids Foundation is launched





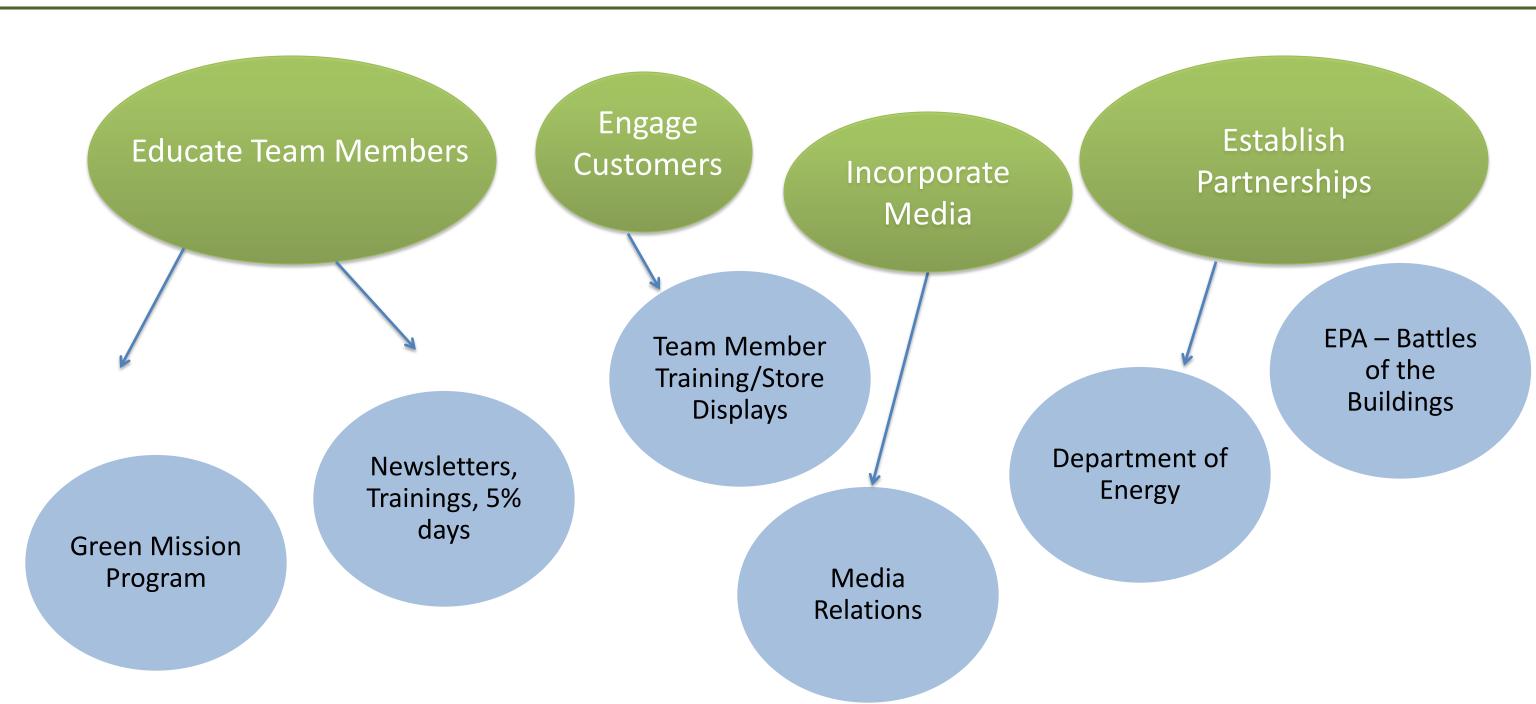






GOAL: Drive awareness of your work by communicating with ALL of your stakeholders





Sustainable Story Telling: Educate Employees

- Internal Communications

- Trainings

- Empowerment





MIDWEST GREEN MISSION COMMITMENT 2 0 1 4 Practicing and Advancing Environmental Stewardship is an important Core Value at Whole Foods Market. Fulfilling the promise of this Core Value requires individual commitment and consistent, responsible action from each and every Team Member.

WE ARE ASKING EACH MIDWEST TEAM MEMBER TO COMMIT TO THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS:





CONSERVING ENERGY

The Midwest Region is focusing on making significant strides toward our company-wide's 2015 goal of reducing our energy consumption by 25% per square foot. To achieve our 25% goal, we need everyone to help trim our energy use.



GOING ZERO WASTE

Whole Foods Market goal is for all stores to be as close to Zero Waste as possible. In order to achieve this goal we need all Team Members to make responsible waste stream decisions each day. Sort and dispose of waste with the goal of as little as possible going to the landfill.



REDUCING WATER USE

The Midwest Region is committed to reducing our water consumption. Do your part by planning ahead and thawing product in the cooler instead of in the sink, turn water faucets off when not in use, and report any water leaks to your Store Leadership.





DID YOU KNOW?

Less than 1% of all the water on Earth can be used by people. The rest is salt water or frozen.



Junderstand that I am EMPOWERED & EXPECTED

to suggest changes to our daily operations WHEN I SEE OPPORTUNITIES to make Whole Foods Market a more SUSTAINABLE COMPANY

Sustainable Story Telling: Engage Customers



- In-store signage/displays
- 5% Days Community giving
- Employee/Customer engagement: 'I Love my Fuel Cell'







Sustainable Storytelling: Incorporate Media



FORTUNE

CHANGE THE WORLD



2015

30. Whole Foods

Prev Company

Next Company

Whole Foods helped create the market for natural, healthy food—and in doing so "set a standard for grocery stores," says New York University food studies, nutrition, and public health professor Marion Nestle. The Austin-based grocer prompted giants from Walmart to Kroger to up their organic game. Whole Foods continues to push for change through initiatives like its animal-



Produced is displayed at a Whole Foods Market Inc. store in

Photograph by David Paul Morris - Bloomberg via Getty Images

Forbes The World's Most Innovative Companies



5 No-Cook Recipes for Energy **Awareness Month**

Save energy this these easy no-cook dishes

Whole Foods Market® earns EPA's GreenChill Environmental Award for **Most Improved Emissions Rate**

Sustainable Storytelling: LEVERAGING PARTNERSHIPS



























Partnerships





- Integrated Energy Project
 - EE, DR/Storage/NaturalRefrigerants Conversion
 - Energy & Envr. Benefits





- Demand Response and Refrigeration Control Study
 - Leveraged funding & expertise
 - Refrigeration control & thermal storage testing
 - Better peak demand control capability
 - Better food quality control

Better Buildings Initiative



What is Better Buildings?

In February 2011, President Obama announced the **Better Buildings Initiative** to:

- make buildings 20% more energy efficient over the next 10 years
- accelerate private sector investment in energy efficiency.









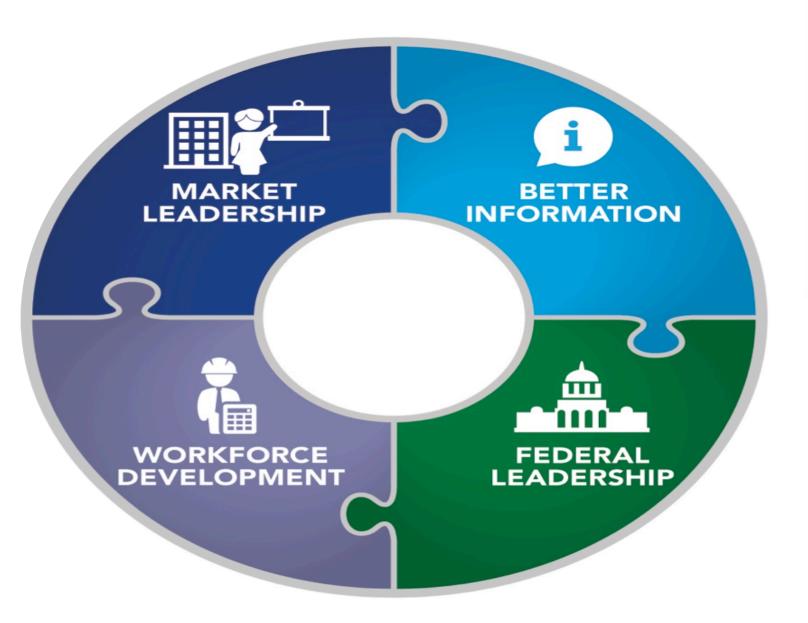


- Better Buildings Challenge
- Better Buildings Alliance
- Better Buildings, Better Plants
- Better Buildings Accelerators
- Better Buildings Residential
- Superior Energy Performance



Better Buildings
 Workforce Guidelines







- Building Performance Database
- Building Energy Data Exchange Specification
- New Financing Solutions
- Building Energy Asset Scoring Tool
- Home Energy Score
- Appraisal Foundation Memorandum of Understanding



- New Executive Order
- President's Performance Contracting Challenge
- DOE Leadership

Better Buildings Alliance



BBA exists to help members achieve their energy efficiency goals

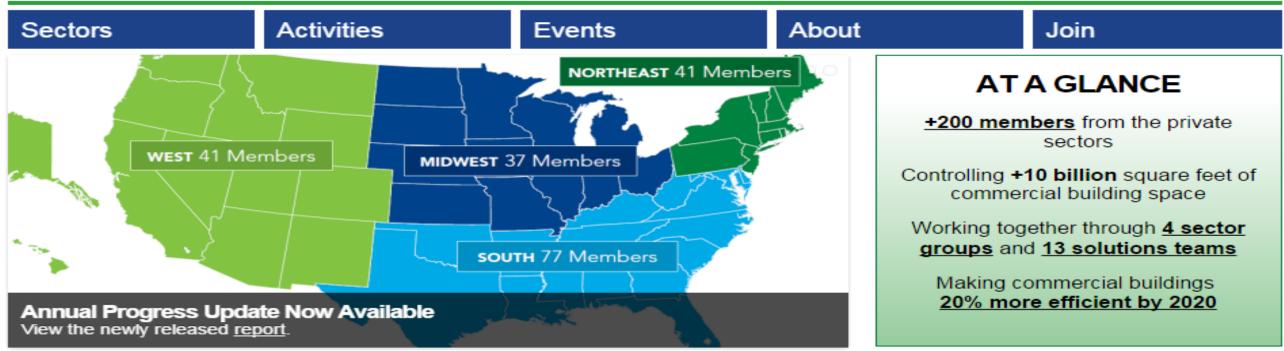


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BETTER BUILDINGS ALLIANCE



Commercial buildings—our offices, schools, hospitals, restaurants, hotels and stores—consume nearly 20% of all energy used in the United States. We spend more than \$200 billion each year to power our country's commercial buildings. Unfortunately, much of this energy and money is wasted; a typical commercial building could save 20% on its energy bills simply by commissioning existing systems so they operate as intended. Energy efficiency is a cost-

BETTER BUILDINGS BULLETIN

Enter email address



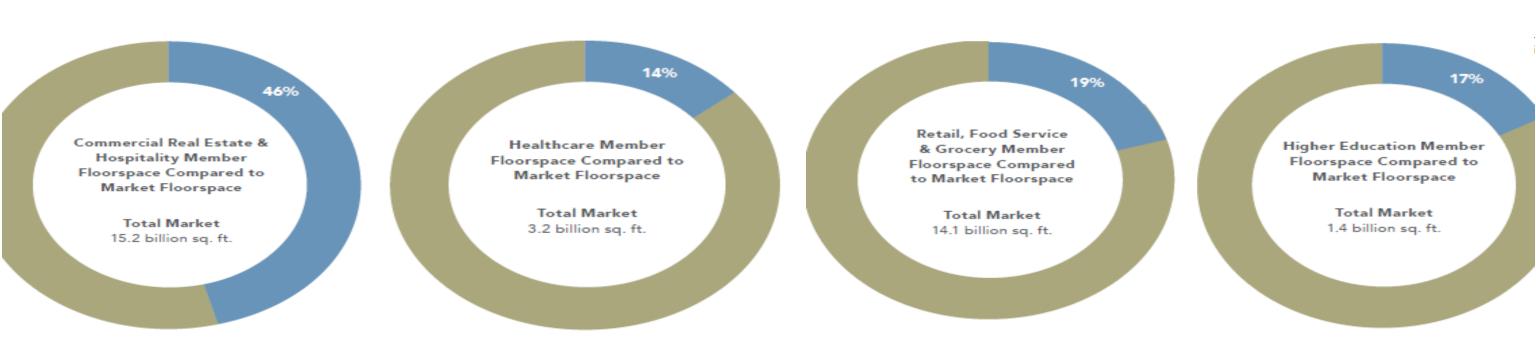
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Better Buildings Alliance: Who is Involved?

>200 member organizations | >500 individual participants | > 10 billion sq.



Commercial Real Estate & Hospitality

Healthcare
450 million sq. ft.
14% of sector

Retail, Food Service & Grocery 2.6 billion sq. ft. 19% of sector Higher Ed 242 million sq. ft. 17% of sector





Grocery BBA Members

- BJ's Wholesale Club, Inc.
- CEFCO Convenience Stores
- Costco Wholesale Corporation
- Food Lion
- Fresh & Easy Neighborhood Market
- Hannaford Bros. Co.
- Harris Teeter
- Publix
- Safeway
- SUPERVALU
- Walmart
- Wawa
- Whole Foods Market*





Better Buildings Alliance: How is it organized?











Commercial Real Estate

Food Service, Retail & Grocery

Healthcar e

Hospitality

Higher Education

Technology Solutions Teams



Lighting



Space Conditioning



Plug & Process Loads



Refrigeration



Energy Information Systems



Renewables Integration

Market Solutions Teams



Financing Strategies



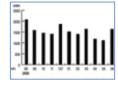
Leasing and Tenant Engagement



Training / Workforce



Appraisals and Valuation



Data Access





What's in it for you?

- Peer networking opportunities
- Energy efficiency resources
 - Guide: <u>Retrofitting Medium Temperature Display Cases</u> with <u>Doors</u>
 - Webinar: <u>Energy Management Information Systems: Crash</u>
 <u>Course for Retail, Food Service and Grocery</u>
 - Technical Specifications: LED lighting troffers, wall packs
- Technology demonstration opportunities





What do members commit to?

COMMIT

- Set an organization-wide energy reduction goal 2% per year or greater encouraged
- Assign a point of contact for DOE activities and outreach

ACT

- Participate in at least one workgroup or activity each year
- Monitor progress toward your goals through publicly available tools, such as the ENERGY STAR® Portfolio Manager

SHARE

- Share your successes
- Share progress toward meeting your goals

Join today: https://www4.eere.energy.gov/alliance





Better Buildings Challenge



Better Buildings Challenge: Leadership Circle



- Set a public goal of 20% or greater energy savings.
- Report annually on progress.
- Share best practices.





Better Buildings Challenge



Retail, Food Service & Grocery Partners in 2015

- Arby's Restaurant Group
- Best Buy
- CKE Restaurant Holdings, Inc.
- Havertys
- Kohl's Department Stores
- Macy's
- Sprint
- Staples
- Walgreens
- Walmart
- Whole Foods Market





Whole Foods Market and the BBC



CHALLENGE COMMITMENT

12.9

Million Square Feet

GOALS

20%

Reduction in Energy Intensity (i)

PROGRESS

9%

Cumulative (vs. Baseline)

SHOWCASE PROJECT

Brooklyn Third and 3rd

Whole Foods

IMPLEMENTATION MODEL

Customized Utility Incentives

For over 30 years, Whole Foods Market has striven to offer the highest quality natural and organic foods, while enhancing the experiences of customers and staff and improving local and global communities, and the environment. Whole Foods' commitment to the environment is embraced as a Core Value. Its dedication to a thriving, healthy planet is part of a long employed stakeholder

View details on Whole Foods' progress to date





Energy Performance Tracking

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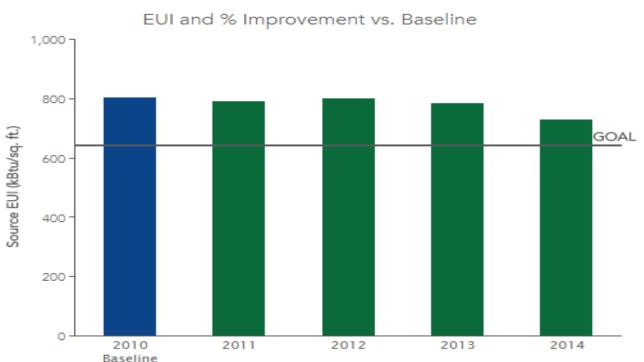
Energy Performance

Cumulative (vs. Baseline)	9%
Annual (2014)	7%



PORTFOLIO ENERGY PERFORMANCE

Better Buildings Challenge Partners strive to decrease portfolio-wide source energy use intensity (EUI) and to increase the percent improvement compared to a set baseline. Whole Foods Market's portfolio consists of more than 370 buildings and almost 13 million square feet. Energy savings have been achieved by implementing a wide portfolio of retrofit projects: from refrigeration controls and lighting upgrades, to motor retrofits, HVAC system improvements, and energy submetering and monitoring that resulted in avoided energy usage. Whole Foods Market also implemented an energy awareness program for store operations and added doors to open refrigerated cases in some stores. They will be continuing this plan moving forward.







Real Results: Whole Foods Market



BROOKLYN THIRD AND 3RD

Showcase Project: Whole Foods Market

LOCATION PROJECT SIZE

Brooklyn, NY 55,000 Square Feet

Annual Energy Use (Source EUI)

Baseline (ASHRAE STANDARD)

309 kBtu/sq. ft.

Expected (2015)

123 kBtu/sq. ft.

Actual

COMING IN 2015

Expected

Energy Savings:

60%

Annual Energy Cost

Baseline (ASHRAE STANDARD)

\$620,000

Expected (2015)

\$495,000

Actual

COMING IN 2015

Expected Savings:

\$125,000





Leading by Example: Customized Utility Incentives

BARRIER

Utility incentives for energy efficiency are often prescriptive and not always relevant to the grocery sector

SOLUTION

- Propose sector-specific incentive package to utility
- Enter into an agreement with utility specifying multi-site regional annual kWh consumption reduction targets with aggregate, streamlined incentive process for Whole Foods locations

OUTCOME

Whole Foods Market has received over \$1 million in utility incentives from NSTAR utility and saves over \$1.2 million per year in energy and maintenance costs from incentivized upgrades







NEW! Better Buildings Solution Center



125+ showcase projects

- Large and small buildings
- All sectors

75+ proven solutions for:

financing projects, engaging occupants and community and customer outreach

> Multi-faceted and applicable across sectors





What's in it for you?

 Elevates energy efficiency to company leadership

 Validation of internal energy reporting

 White House recognition events

In-store media events with DOE

Conferences and publications



GREEN RETAIL

RESEARCH

Foods Market, praising its



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Energy & Store E+SC

Q & A

Additional Slides: Resources & Opportunities for Grocery Stores



Interior Lighting Campaign (ILC): High Efficiency Troffer Lighting with Controls

- Launched at 2015 Better Buildings Summit
- Goal to replace 100,000 standard troffers with high efficiency troffers with controls by May 2016
 - Represents about 6.7 million kWh savings
- Resources to include:
 - troffer specification
 - utility incentives database
 - product lists
 - technical reports
 - case studies
 - free technical assistance.



Credit: Energywise.co





Exterior LED Lighting: Take the LEEP!

Lighting Energy Efficiency Parking Campaign

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CASE STUDIES

AWARDS AND RESULTS



It's easy to take the LEEP

Join the team Save electricity and money Get recognized for success

Join









http://www.leepcampaign.org/tools-amp-information.html





Roof-top Units (RTUs) – Retrofit or Replace

- Why are RTU's important?
 - RTUs cool over 60% of U.S. commercial building floor area
 - Consume 4.3 Quads annually
 - Large stock of 10 to 20 year old RTUs







Advanced RTU Campaign (ARC)

- Promotes highefficiency RTU solutions high-efficiency replacements, and new installations
- Advanced control retrofits
- Quality Installation and maintenance







www.advancedrtu.org





Data Center Accelerator

- Reduce energy use of at least one data center by 25% within 5 years
- Access to Center of Expertise in Data Center Energy
 Efficiency at Lawrence Berkeley National Lab (LBNL)
- Case studies, resources and training opportunities:
 http://energy.gov/eere/femp/data-center-energy-efficiency





