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MONEY MATTERS – OR DOES IT?

A Study of Alternative
Incentive Strategies

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Agenda

- Baseline study background
- Methods
- Non-financial incentive – Energy saving recommendation reports
- Results – Which commercial segment is most likely to accept non-financial incentives?
- Conclusion - Does money matter?



Baseline Study Background

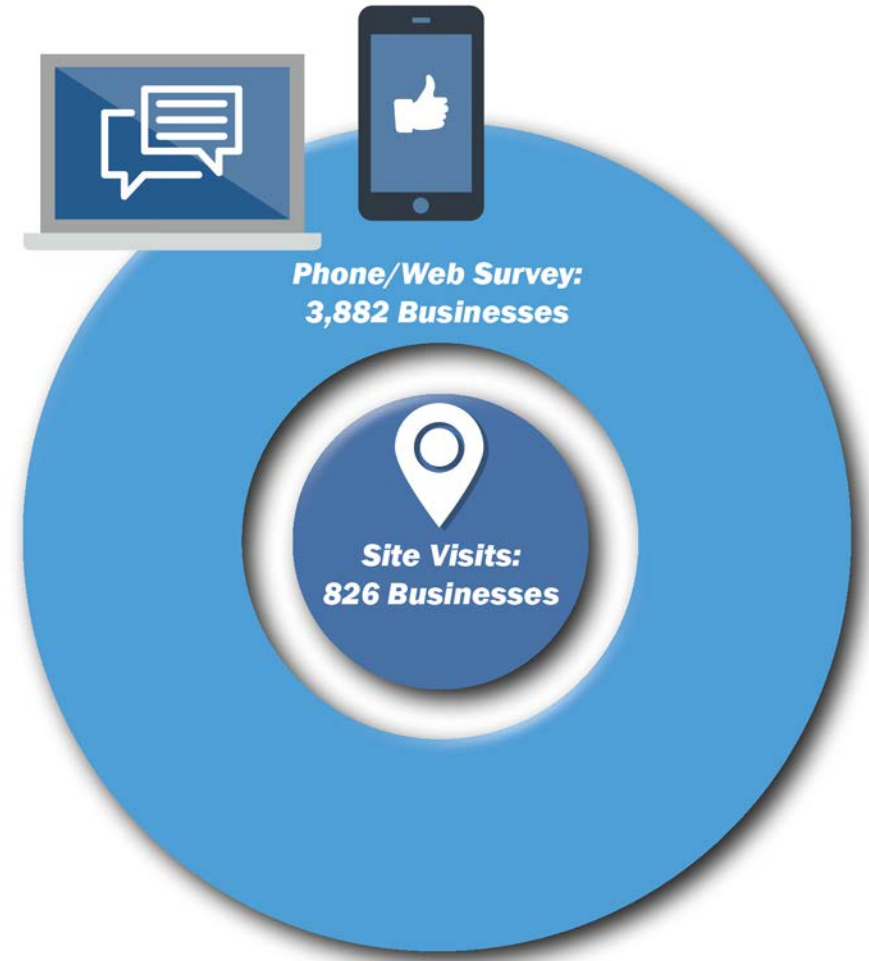
- Large commercial baseline study in NY
 - 826 sites
 - 3 main sample dimensions
 - Extensive data collection
- Choice of incentive:
 - \$150
 - Custom energy savings recommendation (ESR) report




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Baseline Study Background (cont.)

- Extensive data collection effort
 - June 2018 – January 2019
- Two components
 - Surveys with commercial businesses
 - Site visits of nested sample of survey completes
 - Focus here



Methods: Baseline Study Sample Dimensions




Region

Upstate
(NYSEG, RG&E, NGrid)

Long Island/Hudson Valley
*(PSEG Long Island, O&R,
Central Hudson)*

Downstate
(ConEd)



Usage Category

Medium/Large
(≥75 MWh/Year)

Small
(<75 MWh/Year)



Segment

-  Food Service
-  Grocery
-  Lodging/
Hospitality
-  Education
-  Retail
-  Warehouse
-  Health Services/
Hospitals
-  Office

Methods: On-Site Data Collection

- Auditors collected information on:
 - Business/Building Characteristics
 - Square footage
 - Space types (% Overall SF, conditioned)
 - Occupancy hours
 - Major Equipment
 - Presence
 - Type
 - Quantity
 - Characteristics (e.g., efficiency, size/capacity)
 - Hours of Use

- Two options for incentive
 - \$150 gift card
 - Site-specific energy savings recommendations (ESR)

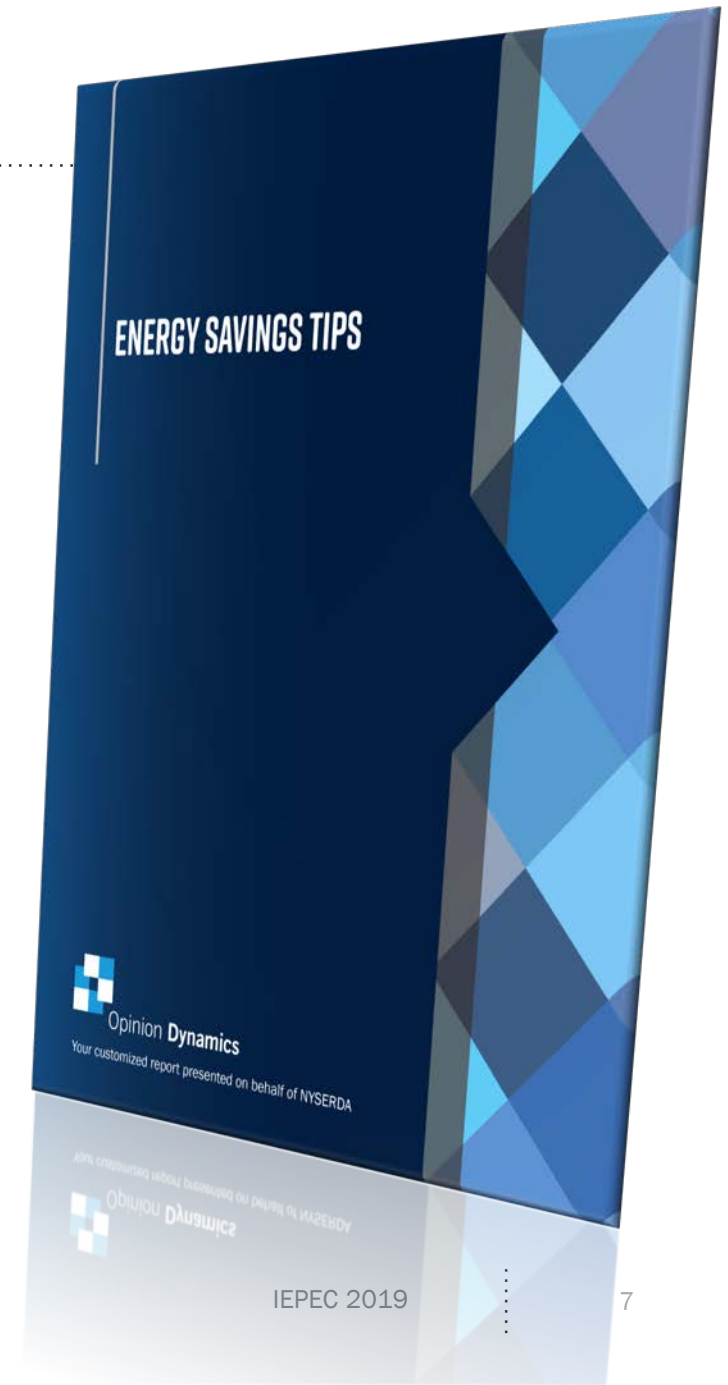


Creating the ESR Reports

- Use of primary data gathered
- Speed/cost of data processing and development of recommendations
- Engineering analysis leveraging site-specific inputs:
 - Location
 - Hours of use
 - Equipment characteristics (efficiency and capacity etc.)
 - Quantities
- Developed recommendations spanning most end-uses



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Example Recommendation Calculations

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A 30-year-old, inefficient boiler found on site



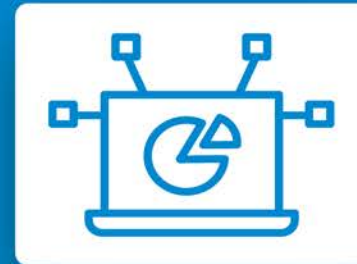
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Energy savings calculation triggered



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NY TRM, existing equipment characteristics & weather data



04

Recommendation to upgrade boiler provided



Energy Saving Recommendations Example

ENERGY SAVINGS TIPS:

Existing Equipment Found at Your Facility	Efficient Alternative	Energy Savings Tips
T12 fixtures	Linear LED	Replacing linear T12 fixtures with linear LED fixtures could save up to 120 kWh per fixture per year.
T8 fixtures	Linear LED	Replacing linear T8 fixtures with linear LED fixtures could save up to 65 kWh per fixture per year.
HID fixtures	High output LED	
Incandescent or CFL lamps	Screw-in LED	
Manual-only lighting controls	Occupancy sensors	
Old central AC	ENERSTAR rated	
Inefficient boiler	Efficient thermal storage	
Old water heater	Heat pump	
Uninsulated hot water pipes	Hot water pipe insulation	
Standard flow faucets	Low flow	
Standard flow spray nozzle	Low flow spray nozzle	Installing pre-rinse spray nozzles could save up to 3,900 kWh per nozzle per year.
Poor building shell properties	Insulation/air sealing upgrades	Adding insulation and sealing air leaks will significantly reduce both heating and cooling energy consumption and cost.

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APPENDIX - TECHNOLOGY DESCRIPTIONS

The following descriptions provide detail on some of the energy efficient technologies that are recommended for you. Many of the descriptions have links to additional resources for more information.



LED Lighting

LEDs are a solid-state lighting technology that emit light when direct current passes through a semiconductor. Nearly every lighting application in commercial buildings, including task and overhead lighting, can be retrofitted with LED fixtures. Their long life and dimmability make LEDs particularly well suited to high-bay overhead applications such as large retail stores, warehouses, and manufacturing facilities, especially when utilizing daylighting strategies. Additional advantages of LEDs are their controllability and directionality. These features enable efficient use of light where it is needed. Additionally, ENERGY STAR certified LED lamps have a significantly longer lifespan than other lighting types, reducing maintenance costs associated with lamp switch-outs.

(National Renewable Energy Laboratory. Proven Energy-Saving Technologies for Commercial Properties. <https://www.nrel.gov/docs/fy15osti/63807.pdf>)



Lighting Occupancy Sensors

Occupancy sensors for lighting control use infrared motion detectors in combination with occupancy sensors. Most systems incorporate a combination of the two. Most systems incorporate a delay time before lights are switched off. This delay time is often user-selectable, but typically ranges from 15 to 30 minutes. This means that the sensor must detect no motion for the end of the delay time, but more sophisticated systems can reduce lighting slowly to a minimum level (or zero) to minimize the potential disruption in adjacent spaces. In most current systems, when an occupant re-enters a space, most current systems require a manual switch. However, vacancy sensors are designed to detect motion. Their potential for increased energy savings. They are typically off automatically with no occupancy and require a manual switch to turn on when they re-enter.

(U.S. Department of Energy. Advanced Energy Retrofit Guide for Grocery Stores. <https://buildingdata.energy.gov/cbrd/resource/16>)



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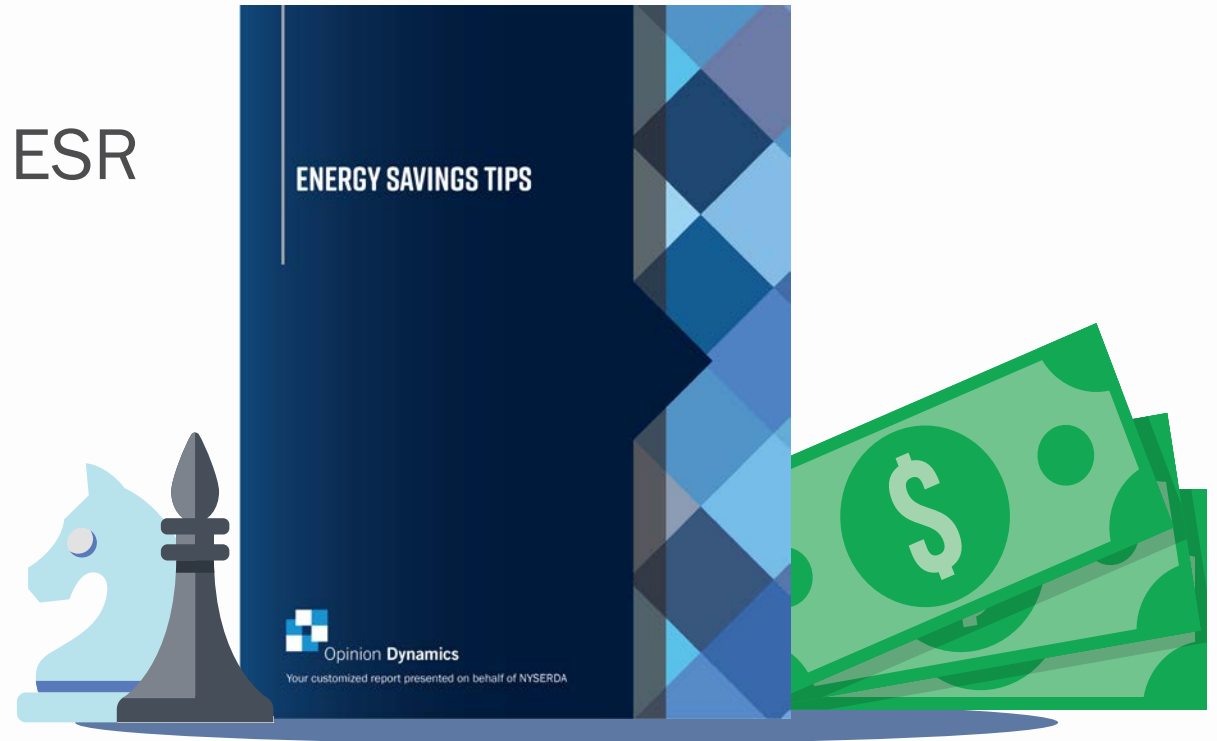
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What did we find?

- Completed 826 site visits
- Only 6% of participants chose the ESR
- Noteworthy differences between sample segments that chose the ESR



ESR Report Distribution by Customer Business Segment

Customer Business Segment	Number of ESR Reports [A]	Number of Sites Completed [B]	Percent of ESR Reports within Segment ([A]/[B])	Percent of Overall ESR Received ([A]/[Total A])	Percent of Site Visits ([B]/[Total B])
Office/Government	20	145	14%	43%	20%
Education	12	92	13%	26%	13%
Retail	5	144	3%	11%	20%
Food Service	3	136	2%	7%	19%
Lodging/Hospitality	3	49	6%	7%	7%
Warehouse	2	30	7%	4%	4%
Health Services/ Hospitals	1	58	2%	2%	8%
Grocery/Convenience	0	75	0%	0%	10%

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75 MWh and Greater	22	267	8%	48%	37%
Less Than 75 MWh	24	462	5%	52%	63%



ESR Report Distribution by Job Function of On-site Contact

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Business Owner/ Executive	25	452	6%	54%	62%
Facilities Manager or Engineering Employee	13	87	15%	28%	12%
Property/Office Manager	3	86	3%	7%	12%
Other/Don't Know	5	104	5%	11%	14%

Conclusion – Money Does Matter!

- Less participants opted for the report than originally anticipated (6%)
- Varied participation between segments:
 - More participation for:
 - Government and Education segments
 - Large Usage
 - Facilities/Engineering on site contact
- Channel customers into energy efficiency program
- Improve uptake of ESR report by:
 - Ensuring on-site contact understands value of ESR report
 - Associating dollar amount to ESR report





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