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#### Introduction

Midwestern State University (MSU) has been performing energy efficiency program audits through the SECO Energy Partnership Program since 2008. Energy reduction projects completed to date include:

- 1. LoanSTAR energy conservation project that was completed in 2012 and focused on electricity, natural gas and water reduction.
- From 2013 to 2018 MSU has analyzed, with the assistance of consulting engineers, all reasonable capital expense equipment modernization and system upgrade opportunities throughout the campus. The following is the result of that multi-year effort.
  - MSU replaced existing lighting at the athletic fields with new steel poles and new energy efficient high intensity discharge (HID) sports lighting fixtures.
  - b. MSU replaced 15 atrium lights in the student center with LED lights.
  - c. Continue efforts to educate personnel and students on the need to turn off lights when rooms are not in use and set dorm thermostats at reasonable values, particularly through email postmaster releases.
  - d. Modification of the existing free cooling heat exchanger to maximize the free cooling capacity.

#### The Resultant Energy Savings

From FY2012 to FY2019 the campus square footage expanded by 5.94% while the electrical kWh consumption increased by a normalized amount of 4.42%. Over the same period natural gas usage dropped by 8.3%.

#### **Energy Management Master Plan - Status Update**

Based on House Bill 3693 Section 388.008 (C) (Each political subdivision, institution of higher education, or state agency shall establish a goal to reduce the electric consumption by the entity by at least five percent each state fiscal year for



seven years, beginning September 1, 2019.) and the mandate to reduce energy usage by 5% per year for the next seven years, MSU has re-focused our energy reduction efforts to capitalize on emerging technologies that, just a few years ago, were not economically feasible as well as looking at more traditional energy saving strategies that may have been overlooked in the past.

LED lighting technology has advanced at a rapid rate over the last five years, both in lumen output per watt and affordability and availability of the light fixtures. Because of these two factors the years to breakeven on the initial investment has dropped to a normalized average, for higher education facilities, of approximately five years when converting T12 fluorescent fixture and nine years when converting T8 fixtures.

The following describes the detailed plan for implementation of LED lighting throughout the campus and other energy reduction projects.

#### **Campus Lighting Retrofit**

#### **Lighting Analysis**

MSU currently has a total of 68 building on campus built between 1937 and 2019 with a total of 1,788,766 square feet. LED retrofits have already been implemented on 9.6% of the campus equaling 172,218 square feet, leaving 90.4% (1,616,548 square feet) of the campus still needing LED retrofits, refer to Appendix A for a list of campus buildings and the current status of LED conversion for each building. MSU has 3 buildings with all 4 lamp T12 fixtures and one building with 33% at 3.8 watts per square foot and 28,027 square feet of lighting remaining to retrofit. All remaining buildings have T8 fluorescent lamps with 1.6 watts per square foot and 1,588,520 square feet remaining to retrofit. Comparatively, the same layout using current technology LED light fixtures the average watts per square foot would be 0.38.



MSU has an estimated total of 17,962 light fixtures that can be changed to an LED light fixture, representing one light fixture every 90 square feet of building space. At a projected cost of \$230.00 per fixture to retrofit each fixture and a one-for-one fixture replacement the total investment to replace the remaining fluorescent fixtures on campus is approximately \$4,131,260.00. Changing all remaining fluorescent fixtures to LEDs would result in an estimated annual energy savings of \$430,930.00.

#### HVAC Analysis Using Trane Trace 700 Modeling Software

Trane Trace 700 is an HVAC load modeling and energy usage software used in the HVAC design industry to calculate building heating and cooling loads and to estimate system operating costs. Summit engineers developed two campus models, one represented the current building square footage with the current fluorescent lighting, the other used the same square footage but modeled the buildings with LED lights. Comparing the two models showed that the change to LED lights reduced the load on the campus central utility plant by 330-tons.

Using the tonnage reduction and the current MSU electrical rate per kWh an energy model was run to generate the cost savings per year that will be realized when 330-ton of cooling is no longer required due to the lighting retrofit from fluorescent to LED fixtures the results from the energy model showed that a realized annual cost saving would be \$35,477.00.

#### Lighting Retrofit Annual Cost Savings

The lighting retrofit, when fully implemented, will result in an annual cost saving of \$466,406.00. This represents the direct savings from the reduced energy associated with the LED lights and the tonnage reduction on the central utility plant. House bill 3693 Section 388.008 states that MSU must reduce energy consumption 5% every year for the next 7 years having a total of 35% energy consumption reduction. The lighting retrofit will have a calculated 36% reduction in



energy consumption when fully implemented. An estimate of 17,962 lighting fixtures (one fixture every 90 square feet and a one for one replacement) need to be retrofitted over the next 7 years coming to 2,566 retrofits per year. At a total cost of \$4,131,260.00 for the entire 7 year program. MSU will need to invest \$590,180.00 a year to accomplish the 5.1% reduction in energy consumption per year. This energy conservation measure has a full payback period of 8.9 years.

#### Other Energy Conservation Strategies

Summit Consultants, Inc. has also considered several other conservation strategies along with the LED lighting retrofit. These conservation measures included:

#### Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) Conversions on Fleet Vehicles

MSU has a total of 66 fleet vehicles that have a range of production years from 2008 to 2018. MSU fleet records show a total 1,984,683 miles have been accumulated by all 66 vehicles and have consumed an estimated 64,470 gallons of gasoline during this time. MSU gasoline consumption is averaging 30 miles per gallon of gasoline; therefore, the energy savings and cost of changing all fleet vehicles to CNG does not have an acceptable return on investment.

#### Water Side Economizer

MSU currently has a water side economizer consisting of a plate and frame heat exchanger utilizing the cooling towers water to produce chilled water for the facilities on campus when ambient dewpoint temperature is 50°. The heat exchanger has a maximum capacity of 500-tons and maximum cooling required for times when the ambient temperature allows for economizer operation is 409-tons. Expanding the heat exchanger with more plates will not reduce energy consumption; so that was dropped from consideration.

Adding Chilled Water to Buildings with DX Systems



MSU currently has two 2300-ton chillers and maximum demand of 1300-tons. After considering the limited amount of possible expansion and the cost of expanding the utility tunnel and retrofitting air handlers with chilled water coils this conservation measure does not have a reasonable payback period and was dropped from consideration.

#### Lighting Controls (Occupancy Sensors)

MSU currently has 2,646 rooms that could use occupancy sensors throughout campus. Assuming the occupancy sensors in those rooms will reduce the usage by two hours every day of occupancy the sensors will save an additional 543,160 kWh a 2.6% total reduction in consumption. At a calculated cost \$608,580 to complete with a return on investment of 15.8 years. This conservation measure does not have a reasonable payback period and was dropped from consideration.

#### **Domestic Hot Water Setpoints**

MSU currently has three types of domestic hot water production electric, gas and steam. All electric water heaters have a campus wide setpoint of 120° F. Gas water heaters have a varying setpoints from 105° F to 120° F. Steam water heaters also have varying setpoints from 110° F to 132° F. The current setpoint for the MSU campus are reasonable and little to no reduction in energy consumption can be expected so this measure was dropped from consideration.



# Appendix A Campus Building Summary

## MIDWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY CAMPUS BUILDING SUMMARY

BUILDING	YEAR BUILT	SQ. FT.	% of LEDs	SQ.FT. W/OUT LEDs	# OF LIGHTS
HARDIN ADMINISTRATION BUILDING	1937	71594	0.00%	71594	795.5
GUEST HOUSE	1937	1530	0.00%	1530	17.0
SIKES HOUSE	1938	9626	50.00%	4813	53.5
ALUMNI CENTER	1938	2800	0.00%	2800	31.1
CARRIAGE HOUSE	1938	1080	0.00%	1080	12.0
UNIVERSITY PRESS	1940	4965	0.00%	4965	55.2
MEMORIAL BUILDING	1945	7019	0.00%	7019	78.0
FAIN HALL	1945	8060	0.00%	8060	89.6
MARTIN HALL	1946	9286	0.00%	9286	103.2
FERGUSON HALL	1947	16886	0.00%	16886	187.6
MCCOY ENGINEERING HALL	1949	28181	0.00%	28181	313.1
PAINT SHOP	1949	1987	0.00%	1987	22.1
MCCULLOUGH HALL	1949	9449	0.00%	9449	105.0
MCCULLOUGH ANNEX	1949	2469	0.00%	2469	27.4
COUNSELING CENTER	1949	3108	0.00%	3108	34.5
PROTHRO-YEAGER-BEAWOOD-ODONOHOE	1950	65060	5.00%	61807	686.7
CLARK STUDENT CENTER	1951	70890	20.00%	56712	630.1
2504 HAMPSTEAD	1951	3340	0.00%	3340	37.1
2527 HAMPSTEAD	1952	3201	0.00%	3201	35.6
2518 HAMPSTEAD	1954	3475	0.00%	3475	38.6
2514 HAMPSTEAD	1955	1950	0.00%	1950	21.7
MARCHMAN HALL	1959	8904	0.00%	8904	98.9
FRATERNITY COMMONS	1961	3395	0.00%	3395	37.7
WEST CAMPUS ANNEX	1961	31256	0.00%	31256	347.3
MOFFETT LIBRARY	1964	93676	0.00%	93676	1040.8
KILLINGSWORTH HALL	1965	68658	0.00%	68658	762.9
RESIDENCE HALL MECHANICAL BUILDING	1965	1296	0.00%	1296	14.4
BOLIN HALL	1966	93494	0.00%	93494	1038.8
PIERCE HALL	1966	49913	0.00%	49913	554.6
CENTRAL PLANT	1967	10789	0.00%	10789	119.9
D.L. LIGON COLISEUM	1969	117048	0.00%	117048	1300.5
PHYSICAL EDUCATION RESTROOMS	1970	2336	0.00%	2336	26.0
PHYSICAL TRAINING BUILDING	1970	1701	0.00%	1701	18.9
SIKES LAKE CENTER	1975	8836	0.00%	8836	98.2
BRYANT EDWARDS UPD	1977	3969	0.00%	3969	44.1



BUILDING	YEAR BUILT	SQ. FT.	% of LEDs	SQ.FT. W/OUT LEDs	# OF LIGHTS
FAIN FINE ARTS CENTER	1978	121356	5.00%	115288.2	1281.0
OUTDOOR RECREATION CENTER	1982	5000	0.00%	5000	55.6
SOCCER TICKET BOOTH	1982	34	0.00%	34	0.4
SOCCER PRESS BOX	1982	943	0.00%	943	10.5
BEYER GREENHOUSE	1983	2398	0.00%	2398	26.6
TENNIS CENTER	1984	560	0.00%	560	6.2
JAN THACKER FANTASY OF LIGHTS WKSHP	1986	7353	0.00%	7353	81.7
DANIEL BUILDING	1990	46335	0.00%	46335	514.8
MCCULLOUGH-TRIGG HALL	1994	46086	10.00%	41477.4	460.9
BRIDWELL HALL	1998	43761	0.00%	43761	486.2
SEISMOMETER BUILDING	2003	141	0.00%	141	1.6
SUNWATCHER VILLAGE CLUBHOUSE	2004	5164	15.00%	4389.4	48.8
SUNWATCHER VILLAGE BLDG 2	2004	7740	15.00%	6579	73.1
SUNWATCHER VILLAGE BLDG 3	2004	7740	15.00%	6579	73.1
SUNWATCHER VILLAGE BLDG 4	2004	11736	15.00%	9975.6	110.8
SUNWATCHER VILLAGE BLDG 5	2004	11736	15.00%	9975.6	110.8
SUNWATCHER VILLAGE BLDG 6	2004	11736	15.00%	9975.6	110.8
SUNWATCHER VILLAGE BLDG 7	2004	11736	15.00%	9975.6	110.8
SUNWATCHER VILLAGE BLDG 8	2004	7740	15.00%	6579	73.1
SUNWATCHER VILLAGE BLDG 9	2004	7740	15.00%	6579	73.1
WF MUSEUM AND ARTS AT MSU	2005	27824	75.00%	6956	77.3
SIKES LAKE RESTROOM	2005	612	0.00%	612	6.8
DILLARD COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMIN	2006	94336	15.00%	80185.6	891.0
REDWINE REC AND WELLNESS CENTER	2009	46855	20.00%	37484	416.5
SUNDANCE COURT	2009	149601	50.00%	74800.5	831.1
FAIN INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC HALL	2010	6587	0.00%	6587	73.2
REGIONAL SIMULATION CENTER	2010	14590	0.00%	14590	162.1
SOFTBALL LOCKER ROOM	2011	1873	0.00%	1873	20.8
DALQUEST RESEARCH BUILDING	2015	2000	0.00%	2000	22.2
DALQUEST UTILITY BUILDING	2015	837	0.00%	837	9.3
LEGACY HALL	2016	152944	5.00%	145296.8	1614.4
PARKER SQUARE	2018	31550	0.00%	31550	350.6
CENTENNIAL HALL	2019	80895	0.00%	80895	898.8
TOTAL		1788766		1616548.3	17961.6

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