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Upcoming Events

- March 14th Joint meeting with
 Lower Hudson Valley AIA
- April | Ith Save the date
- May 9th -Save the date
- June 13th Golf Outing

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Meeting Wednesday February 8, 2012

Presentation: Analysis of Bills by James Coyle of ARCADIS

A complete analysis of a facility's energy bills requires a detailed knowledge of the rate structures in effect for the facility. To determine accurate costs of operating individual pieces of equipment, separate energy bills into their components. E.g. demand charge and energy charges for the electric bill. This breakdown also allows more accurate savings calculations for Energy Management Opportunities (EMOs) such as high-efficiency equipment, rescheduling of some on-peak electrical uses, etc.

Place: Casa Rina, 886 Commerce Street, Thornwood, NY 10592

Program: 5:30 - 6:00 PM Attitude Adjustment Time

6:00 - 7:30 PM Buffet Dinner 7:30 - 8:30 PM Main Presentation

\$25 Members, \$30 Non-Members

Engineering students: complimentary admission

The general public is invited and encouraged to attend.

Directions to Casa Rina

From Saw Mill Parkway - North or South Exit at Marble Avenue - Exit # 27 Make right - continue to second traffic light Make right onto Commerce Street Casa Rina is the second house on your left. Parking is on your right.

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President's Message

By Nicholas Salomone

I would like to thank everyone who came out for January's meeting to start off the New Year. The February meeting will change the pace of the normal MEP focus to utility bill analysis. The March meeting will be a joint venture between the Lower Hudson Valley AIA and ASHRAE Bi-State, so stay tuned for more details! The end of the year will be approaching fast, so be sure to look for Golf Outing details and scholarship recipient awards.

Nicholas Salomone Bi-State Chapter President

2011 Version of Green Standard Now Available from ASHRAE, USGBC, IES

Changes to help make buildings and systems more sustainable are part of the newly published version of the high performance green building standard from ASHRAE, the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) and the Illuminating Engineering Society (IES). ANSI/ASHRAE/USGBC/IES Standard 189.1-2011, Standard for the Design of High-Performance, Green Buildings Except Low-Rise Residential Buildings, provides a green building foundation for those who strive to design, build and operate high performance buildings. It covers key topic areas of site sustainability, water-use efficiency, energy efficiency, indoor environmental quality and the building's impact on the atmosphere, materials and resources. When first introduced in 2009, the standard was the first code-intended commercial green building standard in the United States.

"Since Standard 189.1 was first published, we have received much input from the industry offering suggestions on how to strengthen it in all areas," chair Dennis Stanke said. "This 2011 version incorporates much of that input. More importantly, the 2011 version incorporates updated connections to its referenced standards – primarily ANSI/ASHRAE/IES 90.1-2010 and ANSI/ASHRAE 62.1-2010. Compliance with these updated provisions will result in further improvements to indoor environmental quality, while further reducing energy use and environmental impact through high-performance building design, construction and operation."

The most significant change in energy-related provisions results from new requirements in ANSI/ASHRAE/IES Standard 90.1-2010, Energy Standard for Buildings Except Low-Rise Residential Buildings, adding to and superseding requirements in the 2007 version. In October 2011, the U.S. Department of Energy found that the 2010 version of Standard 90.1 contains significant energy savings over the 2007 standard. The energy savings in the Standard 90.1-2010 provisions also result in energy savings for building projects complying with Standard 189.1, according to Stanke.

In addition, mandatory and prescriptive renewable energy requirements were clarified to reduce confusion and simplify calculations; now both mandatory provisions to prepare for on-site renewable energy and provisions to produce prescribed levels of renewable energy must be met. Additionally, buildings that meet the prescriptive requirement for renewable energy production are now deemed to comply with the mandatory requirement for renewable energy site-preparation.

The standard also updates the performance option for energy efficiency (Appendix D) so that it refers to Appendix G of Standard 90.1-2010, which is now a normative appendix. Appendix G of 90.1 applies to projects seeking to reduce annual energy cost more than would be possible by merely meeting the requirements of that standard. Appendix D in Standard 189.1, on the other hand, provides a performance option for compliance as an alternative to the less-complex prescriptive option; it must show that the project design results in annual energy cost equal to or less than would be possible by meeting the mandatory plus prescriptive requirements of the standard, according to Stanke.

Additional changes to the 2011 standard include:

- More stringent Lighting Power Density allowances due to the change in reference to Standard 90.1-2010. Both interior and exterior values are now set as a percentage of the Standard 90.1 allowances, based on building, space or area type.
- Automatic controls are now required for lighted signs visible during daytime hours; controls must reduce the lighting power to 35 percent of full power. For other outdoor signs, automatic controls must now turn off lighting during daytime hours and reduce the lighting power to 70 percent of full power after midnight.
- Open-graded (uniformed size) aggregate and porous pavers (e.g., open-grid pavers) qualify as a hardscape surface for heat island mitigation with no further testing. Permeable pavement and permeable pavers must meet a minimum percolation rate rather than a minimum solar reflectance index (SRI).

Standard 189.1 is currently a jurisdictional compliance option in the International Green Construction Code developed by the International Code Council, ASTM International and the American Institute of Architects.

ASHRAE Recognizes Outstanding HVAC&R Industry Achievements

Thirty-six people were recognized by ASHRAE for their contributions to the Society and the building industry at the Society's 2012 Winter Conference held in Chicago recently.

The Hall of Fame honors deceased members of the Society who have made milestone contributions to the growth of HVAC&R technology. The recipient is Presidential Member Roderick Kirkwood, Fellow ASHRAE, Life Member.

Fellow ASHRAE is a membership grade that recognizes distinction in the arts and sciences of environmental technology and is earned through achievement as a researcher, designer, educator or engineering executive. The Society elevated 13 members to the grade of Fellow ASHRAE:

- Constantinos Balaras is research director, Institute for Environmental Research and Sustainable Development, National Observatory of Athens, Greece.
- Van Baxter is senior research and development engineer, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Oak Ridge, Tenn.
- Vin Gupta is senior principal engineer, 3M Company, St. Paul, Minn.
- Mark Modera is professor, civil environmental engineering, mechanical and aerospace engineering, and director, Western Cooling Efficiency Center, University of California at Davis.
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- Jianshun Zhang is professor and director, building energy and environmental systems lab, department of mechanical engineering and aerospace engineering, Syracuse University, Syracuse, N.Y.

The ASHRAE Technology Awards recognize outstanding achievements by members who have successfully applied innovative building designs, which incorporate ASHRAE standards for effective energy management and indoor air quality. Six projects received first-place ASHRAE Technology Awards:

- Roland Charneux, P.Eng., ASHRAE Fellow, ASHRAE Certified Healthcare Facility Design Professional, Pageau Morel & Associates, Montreal, Quebec, Canada in the new commercial buildings category for Mountain Equipment Co-op, Longueuil, Quebec, Canada. The building is owned by the co-op
- Ken Sonmor, Ecovision Consulting, Montreal, Quebec, Canada in the existing commercial buildings category for the IKEA Brossard Distribution Center, Quebec, Canada. The building is owned by IKEA Distribution Services.
- René Dansereau, Dessau, Longueuil, Quebec, Canada the new educational facilities category for the Université de Sherbrooke—Campus de Longueuil, Quebec, Canada. The building is owned by the university.
- Paul Marmion, Stantec Consulting, Ltd., Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada in the new health care facilities category for Abbotsford Regional Hospital and Cancer Centre, British Columbia, Canada. The building is sponsored by Laing Investments Management Services and owned by the hospital.
- Blake Ellis, P.E., Burns & McDonnell, Kansas City, Mo. in the new industrial facilities or professes category for thermal energy storage at Texas Medical Center, Houston, Texas. The owner is Thermal Energy Corp.
- Luc Simard, Compressor Systems Control (CSC), Inc., Les Coteaux, Quebec, Canada in the existing industrial facilities or presses category for the Arena Marcel Dutil, St-Gédéon-de-Beauce, Quebec, Canada. The building is owned by the Municipalite St-Gédéon-de-Beauce.

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- Learn about the latest technologies presented in the program sessions
- Attain continuing education credits
- Meet industry associates and discuss local concerns
- Network amongst designers, installers, vendors, educators, in your local area to help improve business for all
- Share experiences with others
- Enjoy a social hour
- Carry out ASHRAE's mission on a local level

"To advance the arts and sciences of heating, ventilating, air conditioning and refrigerating to serve humanity and promote a sustainable world."

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DOE Reports Show Major Potential for Wave and Tidal Energy Production Near U.S. Coasts

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) recently released two nationwide resource assessments showing that waves and tidal currents off the nation's coasts could contribute significantly to the United States' total annual electricity production, further diversify the nation's energy portfolio, and provide clean, renewable energy to coastal cities and communities. These new wave and tidal resource assessments, combined with ongoing analyses of the technologies and other resource assessments, show that water power, including conventional hydropower and wave, tidal, and other water power resources, can potentially provide 15% of our nation's electricity by 2030. The reports represent the most rigorous analysis undertaken to date to accurately define the magnitude and location of America's ocean energy resources. The information in these resource assessments can help to further develop the country's significant ocean energy resources, create new industries and new jobs in America, and secure U.S. leadership in an emerging global market.

The United States uses about 4,000 terawatt hours (TWh) of electricity per year. DOE estimates that the maximum theoretical electric generation that could be produced from waves and tidal currents is approximately 1,420 TWh per year, approximately one-third of the nation's total annual electricity usage. Although not all of the resource potential identified in these assessments can realistically be developed, the results still represent major opportunities for new water power development in the United States, highlighting specific opportunities to expand on the 6% of the nation's electricity already generated from renewable hydropower resources.

The two reports—"Mapping and Assessment of the United States Ocean Wave Energy Resource" and "Assessment of Energy Production Potential from Tidal Streams in the United States"—calculate the maximum kinetic energy available from waves and tides off U.S. coasts that could be used for future energy production, and which represent largely untapped opportunities for renewable energy development in the United States.

The West Coast, including Alaska and Hawaii, has especially high potential for wave energy development, while significant opportunities for wave energy also exist along the East Coast. Additionally, parts of both the West and East Coasts have strong tides that could be tapped to produce energy.

Earlier this year, DOE <u>announced</u> the availability of its national tidal resource database, which maps the maximum theoretically available energy in the nation's tidal streams. This database contributed to the "<u>Assessment of Energy Production Potential from Tidal Streams in the United States</u>" report, prepared by Georgia Tech.

The wave energy assessment report, titled "Mapping and Assessment of the United States Ocean Wave Energy Resource," was prepared by the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI), with support and data validation from researchers at Virginia Tech and DOE's National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL). The report describes the methods used to produce geospatial data and to map the average annual and monthly significant wave height, wave energy period, mean direction, and wave power density in the coastal United States.

The Energy Department's National Renewable Energy Laboratory incorporated the data from the wave resource assessment into its <u>U.S. Renewable Resource atlas</u>, where viewers can pan, zoom, and filter through graphically displayed data layers. In the future, 30 years of wave and weather data will be incorporated into the database to inform technological requirements and risks associated with wave energy development projects.

Georgia Tech's tidal streams database displays online maps that allow the public, policy makers, and water power developers to easily explore potential marine and hydrokinetic power-producing regions in the United States.

For more information about other <u>water power resource assessments</u>, visit the Energy Department's <u>Water Power Program</u> website.

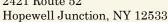
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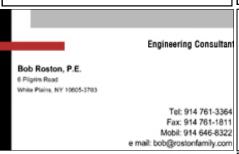






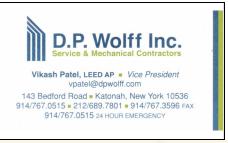








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Upcoming Meetings

Month	Date	Promotion	Main Presentation	Tech Session
February	2/8/2012	Research Promotion	Analysis of Facility's Energy Bills	\
March	3/14/2012	Membership Promotion	Joint Meeting with Lower Hudson Valley AIA	1/
April	4/11/2012	Sustainability		.) \
May	5/9/2012	Student Activities		
June	6/13/2012	Student Scholarships	Golf Outing	

U.S. Regains Position as Largest Investor in Clean Energy

The United States in 2011 invested more in clean energy programs than China for the first time since 2008, according to a new report by analysis company Bloomberg New Energy Finance. Total new investment in clean energy increased by 5% to \$260 billion from 2010 to 2011. This enabled the U.S. to regain its position as the world's largest clean energy investor. A 36% increase in U.S. solar energy investment led the growth. Last year also saw the one trillionth dollar invested in clean energy globally since Bloomberg started compiling data in 2004.

'Melting' Buildings to Save Energy

A new building on the campus of the University of Washington was built with phase-change materials (PCMs) that solidify at night and melt with the heat of the day, which is expected to cut the amount of energy needed to cool the building by 98 percent. PCMs can absorb and release large amounts of energy while maintaining a stable temperature, so it melts ice with the same amount of energy it takes to heat it. The UW building has in its walls and ceilings a "bioPCM" gel derived from vegetable oils that is charged each night when the windows are opened to bring in cool night air. It then melts the next day as it absorbs heat, similar to the way thick concrete or adobe walls control temperature but with much less material required. The gel is just 1.25 centimeters thick but behaves as if it were a 25-centimeter slab of concrete. Some other uses of PCMs include the use of carbon dioxide to keep data centers cool and boosting solar power capabilities by replacing the liquid salts currently used to store heat with PCMs that can reduce the volume of storage material by up to two-thirds. A recent report from Lux Research predicted that sales of PCMs, which are currently zero, could bloom to \$130 million by 2020.

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