

Benchmarking Industrial Plant Energy Efficiency

How EPA's ENERGY STAR[®] Program **Helps Industry Improve Energy** Efficiency

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ENERGY STAR



- Voluntary government partnership
 - Goal: reduce carbon dioxide emissions
 - Introduced by EPA in 1992 to enable companies to improve in energy efficiency
- The national symbol of energy efficiency and environmental protection
 - Awareness exceeds 70% of U.S. households
 - A brand owned and managed solely by the government
- Focused on improving energy efficiency of:
 - Products
 - Homes
 - Plants & buildings



• For industrial businesses, EPA helps manufacturers improve strategic energy management.

ENERGY STAR & Industry



• EPA's goals:

- "Shift the curve" of energy performance for manufacturing industries
- Identify the transformative practices to achieve top energy performance
- Help companies succeed in achieving top performance



Barriers to energy efficiency prevent progress



- Lack of objective measurement methods

- Scarce information on how to improve

- Lack of corporate commitment



ENERGY STAR provides business a clear pathway to succeed



1. Evaluate risks, prepare energy strategy with senior management

- 2. Build company-wide energy program, using ENERGY STAR guidelines for energy management
- 3. Look to suppliers and customers



Step 1 - energy strategy





Energy Strategy for the Road Ahead

- helps companies prepare a strong energy strategy
- developed with 20 leading companies and their senior managers

•Report at:

www.energystar.gov/energystrategy

Step 2 - guidance for managing energy

ENERGY STAR Guidelines for Energy Management

 help to put in place a strong energy management program

- help to benchmark energy use
 & practices
- consulted by thousands of organizations
- based on the successful practices of ENERGY STAR's partners
- <u>www.energystar.gov/guidelines</u>





Step 3 - help in managing energy across the value chain





Supplier

Internal Implementation Strategies Customer Engagement Strategies

ENERGY STAR designed to address the barriers



<u>Barrier</u>

 Lack of a bearing on efficiency



Solution

 Benchmarking is an objective measurement method







- Benchmarking
 - The process of comparing to something similar or the best
- *Energy* benchmarking

 The process of comparing the energy performance of facilities, processes or equipment to something similar or the best



Types of benchmarking



Internal

compares performance against internal baseline or benchmark

External

- compares performance against a metric "outside" of the organization
- identifies "Best in Class" performance

Quantitative

- data-driven; compares actual numbers

Qualitative

based on best practices; compares actions



Benchmarking's place in energy management



- Fundamental practice
- Energy reductions and project measurement are nice but only benchmarking proves improvements have had an effect
- Can be based on comparison of management practices or energy data
 - practice benchmarking gives an idea of where to improve by identifying best energy management practices
 - energy data benchmarking informs how well an entity might perform and improve and the position of that entity in terms of energy performance

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ENERGY STAR Guidelines for Energy Management



Variety of benchmarking in energy management

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Energy	Scope			
Management Objective	Scale	Focus	Time Frame	
Assess equipment efficiency	Equipment or process	Internal – comparison against other owned equipment or process External – comparison to industry standard or cooperative study with other organizations	 Peak demand period Three month sample Weekly Monthly Annual Continuous from baseline 	
Assess facility performance	Whole facility or sub-metered portion	Internal – comparison of single facility over time. Comparison of similar facilities within single organization External – comparison of facility against national performance rating	 Continuous from baseline Monthly Quarterly Annual 	
Assess department or divisional energy use	Facilities or sub-metered portions of facilities	Internal – comparison against internal sub- divisions	 Continuous from baseline Weekly Monthly Quarterly Annual 	
Assess organizational performance	All facilities	<u>Internal</u> – comparison over time or towards goal. <u>External</u> – Comparison of portfolio average against a national performance rating	 Continuous from baseline Monthly Quarterly Annual 	

ENERGY STAR benchmarks



- External
- Define "best in class" for an industry or building type
- Industry sector-specific at 6 digit NAICS code (or more refined)
- Energy data at the whole facility level
- Source energy intensity
- Normalized for key variables



ENERGY STAR Industrial Focuses

Delivering energy management to specific industries through ENERGY STAR



ENERGY STAR's industrial sector-specific focuses



Collaborative process to develop:

- Energy Performance Indicator (EPI) to benchmark/rate plant energy performance
- Energy Guide

Facilitates:

- Sharing of best practices
- Networking
- Development of stronger company energy programs

Results in:

- Sophisticated plant benchmarking tool
- Recognition for energy-efficient plants with the ENERGY STAR
- Increased momentum for continued improvement
- Improved efficiency within an industry sector
- Prevention of carbon emissions



Benchmarking plant energy use: Facility energy performance ratings







Benchmarking drives performance

Answers: "If all plants in the industry use energy as this one, what percent of plants in the country would be better, and what percent would be worse?"

Standardized measurement: the plant EPI



- Plant energy performance indicators (EPI)
 - Enable a higher level of energy management
 - Compare how efficiently a plant uses energy relative to those of its industry
 - Enable goal setting
 - Empower management to require greater energy performance from plants
 - Score plants on a percentile basis (0-100), normalized to a plant's unique configuration
 - ENERGY STAR defines score of 75 or above to be energy-efficient; 50 is average
 - <u>www.energystar.gov/epis</u>
 - <u>www.energystar.gov/industrybenchmarkingtools</u>



What EPA's national level plant energy benchmarking accomplishes



- Empowers industry to shift the curve of energy performance
 - For most companies, the ENERGY STAR EPI is the first time they are able to see how their plants' energy performance compares to that of their industry
- Enables companies in the benchmarked industry to set competitive goals for plant improvement
- Enables EPA to gauge improvement of an industry's energy performance over time



Enabling companies to make informed energy investment decisions





More help to improve: Energy Guides



Practices and technologies available now to improve energy efficiency in an industry

- Identify existing & promising emerging technologies
 - provide brief overview of technology or practice
 - review its limitations
 - quantify potential energy and cost savings
 - estimate payback periods
 - provide case study from application
 - highlight industry success stories



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Example: Cement Industry Energy Guide



Over 40 efficiency measures for cement plants

No Capital Cost	\$hort Payback	Capital Projects
Preventative maintenance	Energy & Process Controls: - Kiln	Efficient Grinding Mills
Seal Replacement (kiln)	Raw materialFinish Grinding	Roller Mill
Shell heat loss reduction	High-efficiency Classifier	Grate Cooler
Optimization of compressed		Low-Pressure Drop
air systems	Improve Combustion System	Preheaters
Low-Carbon Fuels	·	Multi-Stage Preheaters
Intergrinding Limestone	Indirect Firing	Precalciner
	Optimize Grate Cooler	
Reduced fineness cement	High efficiency Motors	
Increased Alkali Content	Adjustable Speed Drive	
	Blended Cement	
	Slags in Clinkermaking	

Case study



- Example: U.S. cement plant
- Initial cement plant ENERGY STAR EPI score: 61
- Upgraded in 2002, EPI verified energy reductions of 40%
 - Energy efficiency improved by 2.5 mmBtu/short ton of clinker
- Commercially available technologies employed (described in Energy Guide) :
 - Improved grinding mills
 - Roller mills
 - Improved preheaters
 - Indirect firing
- New ENERGY STAR EPI score: <u>98</u>
 - national energy efficiency scoring system demonstrated this plant is now one of the most efficient cement plants in the U.S.



Results – EPA experience with US auto assembly plants



- Based on ENERGY STAR benchmarking of auto assembly plants, EPA has seen fuel usage in the industry improve by 12 percent over a five year period.
- The level of inefficiency has also dropped by 1.0 mmBtu/vehicle.
- The range of performance has also narrowed.
 - This means that while the best auto assembly plants have improved, the others have more than "kept up" with this improvement.



ENERGY STAR benchmarking resources



- Plants use ENERGY STAR's Energy Performance Indicators (EPIs)
- **Commercial Buildings** use ENERGY STAR's **Portfolio Manager**

Industrial EPIs		
Motor Vehicle Assembly		
Wet Corn Milling		
Cement Manufacturing		
Petroleum Refining (private system recognized)		
Pharmaceuticals		
Food Processing (variety)		
Glass Manufacturing (variety)		
Petrochemicals (draft)		
Pulp and Paper (drafts)		

Steel (draft)

Portfolio Manager	
Office Buildings	
Hospitals	
K-12 Schools	
Hotels	
Supermarkets	
Retail Stores	
Warehouses	
Bank Branches	
Residence Halls	
Waste Water Treatment	
Court houses	
Medical Office Buildings	

ENERGY STAR Benchmarking: Auto Assembly 2000-2005





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EPA, Duke University





- It is possible to benchmark plants and help industry improve
- Benchmarking takes data (lots of it) and time
- Benchmarked entity should be homogeneous.



Energy Management Systems



- Growing interest in the role of management systems to promote and ensure energy efficiency.
 - EPA's ENERGY STAR program has been promoting a systems approach since 2003.
- Energy Management Systems (EnMS) can help organizations achieve greater savings.
- EnMS can help organizations build capacity and focus on continuous improvement
- EnMS provide a <u>means</u> (not an end) towards increasing efficiency
- EnMS do not measure or guarantee energy savings or CO₂ reductions on their own.



Management Systems Approaches



Management systems promote continuous improvement through:

- Organizational practices
- Organizational policies
- Team development
- Planning & evaluation
- Tracking & Measurements
- Communication & employee
 engagement

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Standardization of Energy Management



Current efforts to create standards for energy management:

- ISO 50001 Draft Energy Management Systems underdevelopment
- EN 16001 European Energy Management Standards
- ANSI MSE 2001:2008 Energy Management Standard
- DS 2403:2001 Danish Energy Management Standard
- NSAI IS 393 Irish Energy Management Standard
- KATS KSA 4000:2007 Korean Energy Management Standards
- ASTM standards being developed for:
 - Compressed systems, motors, steam systems, etc.



Considerations



- Elements of an EnMS can be applied without achieving certification
 - E.g: ENERGY STAR Guidelines & Partners
- EnMS Standards (ISO, EN, etc) are designed to be flexible
 - Scope, boundaries, etc. are defined by the user
 - A single processes / production lines can be certified within a plant to meet the standard
 - Determination of applicability of standard is done by paid Auditor
- Certification is not based on efficiency or savings
 - ISO 50001, etc. do not establish performance standards
 - Achieving a target or maintaining a level of performance is required for certification or re-certification
- Certification is expensive
 - Internal personnel costs
 - Auditor and registry expenses
 - Few companies have pursued certification to date



Summary



- A systems approach to energy management is good to promote:
 - Organizational & facility-wide EnMS are the most effective
 - Shifts thinking from "projects" to "programs" to achieve greatest benefit
- There are multiple pathways for promoting & implementing an EnMS.
- The effectiveness of an EnMS is tied to its scope, goals, and the benchmarks are used.
- Energy performance (efficiency, reductions etc.) <u>ultimately</u> reflects the effectiveness of an EnMS and corporate energy program.



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All resources found at:

www.energystar.gov/industry

