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High-Rise Hot Water: The Future is Electric



Fri Apr 28, 2023, from 12- 1pm PDT Free Webinar I zebx.org





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Accelerate Solutions

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"connecting industry to solutions"

Designers Builders Academia Developers Manufacturers Government Coordinate Global Experts Mission-Aligned Organizations Industry Associations

SCALE Build Capacity

Case Studies

Program Delivery

Best Practices Training & Education

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ADVANCE ACCELERATE Remove Barriers & Identify Opportunities

Convene

Influence Decision Makers Facilitate We're in a climate emergency! We are a broad coalition working together to electrify buildings in British Columbia in order to reduce their climate impacts and reliance on fossil fuels.





Carbon Leadership Forum British Columbia

CLF British Columbia is British Columbia's Centre of Excellence for low carbon building design.

We seek to accelerate the reduction of embodied carbon in buildings, through the growth of knowledge, promotion of best practices, and fostering collaboration.

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A research program with generous incentives to accelerate the decarbonization of Metro Vancouver homes

Welcome to the NearZero website. This is for applicants to submit their details for the incentive streams which they may qualify for. Please click through on the streams you wish to apply for.





Tell us about yourself!

Three-part anonymous poll







"By 2030, all new buildings will be zero carbon, and all new space and water heating equipment will meet the highest standards for efficiency."– *CleanBC Roadmap to 2030*

Central Heat Pump Water Heating for Large Apartments

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Ecotope CHPWH engagement landscape

- + HPWH Design: Over 90 projects in various stages of delivery
- + Pilot projects and configuration deployment
- + Technology Innovation Model
- + Manufacturer Engagement: product development and optimization
- + AWHI: technical support to growing national initiative
- + Market Potential Analysis: PNW and National adoption potential
- + Code Proposals: SEC, WSEC, IECC
- + Load Shift: potential for major daily load shift
- + Refrigerant Transition
- + Utility program model for APPA
- + Numerous reports and resources

- + Design Guidance on configuration and performance implications
- + Performance Research: lab testing and on-site M&V
- + Evaluation of national performance standards
- + Temperature maintenance best practice
- + Sizing Tool: EcoSizer
- + Software: EcoSIM: development of rule-set for CBECC-Com; additional simulation options needed
- + AWHS: Prescriptive performance standard for program and policy adoption
- + **PADS/QPL:** pre-approved product resource
- + Training: 15 hours of training built, plus specific code official training program
- + Developing web resource

Targeting sectors by energy use

+ 4 building types represent over 75% of total DHW load in commercial and multifamily buildings Total DHW Energy Use (MWh/yr) by Building Type



Apartment Energy Savings

Ecotope Apartment Design Example ZEBx Case Study (All electric EUI -17 kbtu/sf/yr (56 kwh/m2)



Single-Pass vs Multi-Pass





Hot Water Storage Piping



Components of CHPWH sytem

- + Primary heat pump water heater
- + Primary HW storage tank
- + Temperature maintenance system

+ Control system





Single Pass + Swing Tank

Single Pass + Parallel Multi-Pass



System efficiency

- + Heat pump
- + Heat pump plus storage tank
- + Temperature maintenance system
- + Total system COP



PARALLEL TEMPERATURE MAINTENANCE TANK & MULTI-PASS HPWH

Advanced Water Heating Specification (AWHS)

https://neea.org/resources/advanced-water-heating-specification





Advancing the market for heat pump water heaters

Utilities, energy efficiency organizations and market partners developed the Advanced Water Heating Specification (AWHS) to advance higher performing electric and gas heat pump water heaters. While this specification is rooted in ensuring performance in cooler northern climates, its applicability and benefits extend well beyond the Northwest. The specification also enhances the end goals of NEEA's water heating programs - to influence the passage of federal standards requiring heat pump levels of performance for both gas and electric storage water heaters.

The latest version of the AWHS is version 8.0. Additional resources such as qualified products lists (QPLs) are available in the listed resources below.



Qualified Products List

https://neea.org/resources/commercial-hpwh-qualified-products-list

Advanced
Water
Heating
SpecificationProduct
Assessment
Data SheetEcosimQPL

Tools build on each other to deliver consistent and predictable results with manufacturer collaboration

Product Availability

Available in select U.S. markets

- 1. Origin by Steffes Skid
- 2. SanCO2 (CO2)
- 3. Waterdrop Skid (CO2)
- 4. Colmac (134a/513a)
- 5. Nyle (134a/513a)
- 6. Mitsubishi Heat20 (CO2)
- 7. AOSmith Commercial (134a)
- 8. Rheem Commercial (134a)
- 9. Lochinvar (134a/513a)
- 10.Lync Aesis (Large CO2)
- 11.Mayekawa (Medium CO2)

Coming to U.S. market soon

- 1. US Manufacturer (Large CO2)
- 2. US Manufacturer (Small/Large CO2)
- 3. US Manufacturer (Large CO2)
- 4. US Manufacturer (Medium CO2)
- 5. European Manufacturer (Medium CO2)



Market delivery models







Custom Engineered System

All the pieces are separate and come from multiple distributors and/or manufacturers.

Specified Built-Up System

All the pieces are separate but come from a single distributor or manufacturer.

Packaged / Skid

Everything is assembled and delivered in a single package.

DHW Plant Costs (2022)

	Plant Cost	Cost/Unit
HPWH System	\$204,820	\$2,410
Gas Boilers	\$129,790	\$1,527
Electric Boilers	\$119,130	\$1,402

- Actual bid for 85 Unit Apartment in PNW
- US Dollars

Multifamily end use load shape



DHW load shape w/CHPWH and Time of Use

- + Baseline electric resistance load shape directly aligned with DHW demand, while CHPWH has typical daily cycle that leverages storage to meet demand
- + Load Shift strategy modifies typical cycle to meet load shift criteria, achieving ~40% peak demand reduction
- + Technology deployment achieves ~\$20,000 annual energy savings, TOU rates with load shift adds ~\$1000 annual utility bill savings.



Load Shift Results - Bayview





Figure 5. Single-Pass Primary HPWH with Parallel Temperature Maintenance Tank System



Pasadena, CA 2022 Completion 77 Unit Senior Housing

Single Pass + Parallel Multi-Pass

Retrofit of an earlier problematic HPWH design



Figure 5. Single-Pass Primary HPWH with Parallel Temperature Maintenance Tank System



SINGLE-PASS PRIMARY HPWH SYSTEM WITH PARALLEL TEMPERATURE MAINTENANCE TANK & MULTI-PASS HPWH

Jackson Apartments Seattle, WA 2019 Completion 525 Units

Single Pass + Parallel Multi-Pass Located in BG Parking Garage. Discharge air is ducted out of the room



Figure 4. Single-Pass Primary HPWH with Series Temperature Maintenance Tank System (Swing Tank)



Lassen Apartments San Francisco, CA 2022 Completion 81 Unit Senior Housing

Primary Mitsubishi CO2Heat Pump and Swing Tank

Gas Retrofit





McClellan Apartments Seattle, WA 2017 Completion 130 Unit Market Rate

HPWH/Gas Plant in Greenhouse.

COP is high when sunny

Poor mans solar thermal



Figure 4. Single-Pass Primary HPWH with Series Temperature Maintenance Tank System (Swing Tank)



Bayview Apartments Seattle, WA 2022 Completion 100 Unit Senior Housing

Primary Heat Pump and Swing Tank

Electric Retrofit, 11 Story Apartment withLoad Shift





HPWH PLUG AND PLAY DEVELOPMENT

Ecotope

TOPE







What's Happening at BC Housing?

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WHO WE ARE



Subsidized Housing

Address Housing Gaps



License Residential Builders / Home Warranty Insurance



Research and Education











Project specific energy/GHG emissions targets



Design Guidelines and Construction Standards for BCH Projects



BC Housing Design Guidelines & Construction Standards



DG+CS Technical Bulletin No.1-2020: Energy & Environmental Design



DG+CS Technical Bulletin No.2-2022: Sections 1, 4 & 5



DG+CS Technical Bulletin No.3-2022: Sections 2 & 4



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TECHNICAL BULLETIN NO. 3-2023

- Climate Adaptation and Resiliency: Extreme Heat and Smoke Mitigation and Reduction of Greenhouse Gas Emissions Revisions to BC Housing Design Guidelines and Construction Standards 2019, Section 2 Energy and Environmental Design and Section 4 - 23 00 00 - Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning
- REFERENCE: BC Housing Design Guidelines and Construction Standards 2019, Technical Bulletin No. 1-2020

PURPOSE

This Technical Bulletin sets out to meet the following purposes:

 To ensure people's thermal safety while optimizing life cycle costs
 To mitigate the effects of extreme heat on BC Housing new construction and major retrofit projects due to rapidly increasing temperatures, smoke pollution from forest wildfires and other climate channe factors

3) To align BC Housing's energy performance targets with BC Building Code and Greenhouse Gas (GHG) reduction targets and the provincial Climate Change Accountability Act

Revision 2 of BC Building Code 2018 was amended effective December 12th, 2019 and the provincial Climate Change Accountability Act amended on November 28th, 2019. The BC Building Code 2018 Revision 2 includes changes to BC Energy Step Code to better reflect colder climate conditions outside of Climate Zone 4. The Province has also announced interim GHG reduction targets as well as upcoming requirements that all new buildings are to be zero-ration by 2030.

It is an undisputed fact that the weather in British Columbia (B.C.) is changing due to the global warming effect, resulting in warmer, wetter winters and hotter, drier summers. This is taking place as a result of human-induced climate change, with global temperatures already 1.2°C higher than pre-industrial levels. Temperatures in B.C. are increasing faster



Building and Energy Performance – Part 3 Projects

Part 3 Projects —Less than 7 Storeys:		Whole building	Suite airtightness	
Climate Zone¹	Step Code Level	GHGI (kgCO _z e/m²/year)	EALR _{N75} (L/s*m²@75 Pa)	IPALR_{№50} (I/s/m²@50 Pa)
4 ²	Step 4	5.5 3.0		
5 ³	Step 3	5.5 5.0	2.0	1.2
6 ⁴ , 7 ⁵ , 8 ⁵	Step 3	6.0		

Part 3 Projects —7 Storeys and Higher:

Climate Zone¹	Step Code Level	GHGI (kgCO ₂ e/m²/year)	EALR_{N75} (L/s*m²@75 Pa)	IPALR_{№50} (1/s/m²@50 Pa)
4² 5³,6⁴,7⁵,8 ³	Step 3	6.0 3.0		
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Building and Energy Performance – Part 9 Projects

Part 9 Projects:

Climate Zone¹	Step Code Level	GHGI (kgCO ₂ e/m²/year)	Airtightness Testing (ACH@50pa)
4 ²			
5 ³	Step 4	3.0	Refer to BC Energy Step Code
6 ⁴ , 7 ⁵ , 8 ⁵			

1 Climate Zone is based on Heating Degree Days (HDD) below 18°C for 25-year period ending in 2006 as per BC Building Code Appendix C -Division B Climatic And Seismic Information for Building Design in Canada

2 Less than 3000 HDD

3 3000 to 3999 Heating Degree Days (HDD)

4 4000 to 4999 Heating Degree Days (HDD)

5 Greater than 4999 Heating Degree Days (HDD)

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Thermal Comfort Evaluation (passively/partially cooled buildings)



Passive Design Strategies



Site and orientation

(Solar orientation, thermal layout)





Minimize Thermal Bridges



Optimize Insulation

Utilize Additional Passive Design Measures



Maximize passive cooling potential through window design



Low Carbon Mechanical Systems

All major systems should be fully electric wherever possible. Any gas systems must be reviewed and approved by BC Housing

Section 2.4.1 Energy Efficient Systems



ALT Hastings

11 storeys / 112 residential units132,000 sqft

Commercial rental space + underground parking + gathering space + healing space

Step 3

GHGI - 1.1 kgCO2e/m2/yr





POLL 1

What did you tell us about yourself?





ALT HOUSING HASTINGS

HEAT PUMP DHW



INTRODUCTION

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AME OVERVIEW

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Mechanical Engineering firm with 5 office locations.



- Single Discipline Mechanical Engineering firm
- 170+ people
- 100% employee owned
- **Over 45%** of employees are shareholders
- Small teams

- Building Performance team in-house
- **Commissioning** team in-house
- Building Energy Services team in-house
- **Experience** in countless sectors
- Sustainability focused



WHY HEAT PUMP?

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- BC Housing reducing GHG emissions and providing offsets to zero emission levels
- CleanBC incentives
- CoV Zero Emissions Building Plan GHGi Limit of 11.8 for whole building
 - This project hit a GHGi limit of 1.1



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CHALLENGES

- Capacity issues?
- Service size issues?

SOLUTIONS

- Substation slightly increased
- No service issues





FINANCIAL CHALLENGES

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CHALLENGES

- Capital costs
- Lifecycle costs

SOLUTIONS

- CleanBC incentives
- Funding through CMHC







SIZING STRATEGY

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WHAT DID WE DO/SOFTWARE USED?

• VBBL + Nyle water heating design workbook





SPATIAL CHALLENGES

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<u>Gas</u>







CLIMATE CHALLENGES

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CHALLENGES

- OA ambient temperatures
- Derating of equipment due to low OA temps/defrost

SOLUTIONS

• Pre-heat thru electrical room

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SOLUTIONS

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Regular Operation

- OA is pulled through parkade door and through dampers at floor of mechanical room
- Dampers to main electrical room closed





1 LEVEL 1 MECHANICAL ROOM LAYOUT SCALE: 1:100



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SOLUTIONS

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Heat Recovery Mode

- When OA temps are suitable, or if temperature in mechanical room is too low
- Dampers at floor of mechanical room are closed
- Dampers in/out of main electrical room are opened



SOLUTIONS

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DOMESTIC WATER SCHEMATIC CONTINUATION

M7.02 SCALE: NOT TO SCALE



THANK YOU

QUESTIONS?

