# Retrofitting Existing Buildings for Demand Response & Energy Efficiency

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### Who is Cypress Envirosystems?

- Mission:
  - Save energy, enable demand response, improve productivity for older facilities.
  - Use technologies which minimize disruption, install in minutes, no retraining of staff.
  - Target payback of less than 18 months.
- Subsidiary of Cypress Semiconductor (\$1B company), sister company of SunPower
- CEO: Harry Sim, ex-Honeywell, 15yrs.



Cutting Edge Silicon Valley Technology



Applied to Legacy Facilities





### Cypress Envirosystems: Problems We Solve...



Pneumatic Thermostats



Dial Gauges



Steam Traps

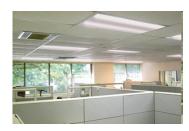
Need to save energy & improve uptime, but hindered by outdated facility?



Standalone Transducers, LED/LCD Displays



-80C Freezers



Legacy Fluorescent Lighting



Uninterruptible Power Supplies



Manual Instrumentation, Not Programmable, No Diagnostics... Equals: Wasted Energy, Higher Downtime, More Labor Required

#### What is our Solution?



#### WIRELESS PNEUMATIC THERMOSTAT

"Go from Pneumatic to DDC in minutes"



#### **WIRELESS GAUGE READER**

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**WIRELESS STEAM TRAP MONITOR** 

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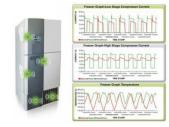


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"Reduce Electricity Use"



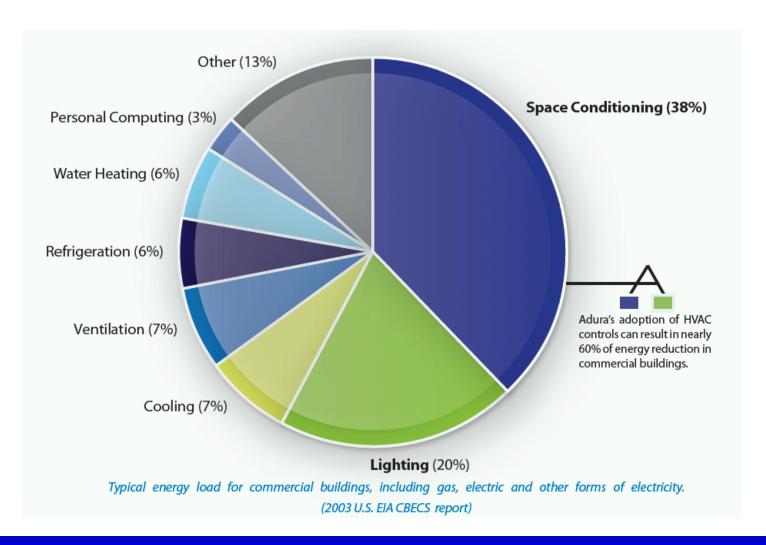
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Non-invasive, easy retrofit, energy and labor savings, payback under one year



### **Energy Use in Commercial Buildings**



**HVAC and Lighting.... More than 60% of Energy Use** 



### Regulation Drivers: California Example

#### Default Critical Peak Pricing

- Starting May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010, virtually all commercial office building customers will move to a default electricity pricing rate called Critical Peak Pricing www.pge.com/mybusiness/energysavingsrebates/demandresponse/cpp/
- This rate structure provides for discounted rates when no CPP events are called. However, on CPP event days, higher "critical peak" energy charges will be assessed for usage between noon and 6pm.
- Customers are notified by PG&E by 3pm the day prior to the critical event.
- Customers with Auto-Demand Response enabled buildings (e.g. communicating thermostats, lighting etc.) can automatically reduce usage using these high rate periods to avoid high charges.

#### Assembly Bill 1103 – Building Energy Efficiency Disclosure

 Starting January 1, 2010, all commercial building lease transactions must disclose the energy efficiency history and Energy Star rating of the facility. More efficient buildings will be able to attract premium tenants, and potentially command a rental premium.

Source: California Public Utilities Commission Decision, July 31st, 2008 (see page 21 and Attachment B) http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/word\_pdf/FINAL\_DECISION/85984.pdf

Peak Load 50% over Base Load – Mostly Commercial Buildings.

Peak Load Costs \$100-150/kW To Keep on Standby.



## Retrofit of Pneumatic HVAC Controls



### 70% of Commercial Buildings Still Pneumatic

#### Waste energy, more maintenance, unhappy tenants...

No Night Setback, No Zone Control, No Optimal Start/Stop,
 No Occupancy Override, No Demand Response...

#### High Cost to Retrofit

 Market rate of \$2500 - \$3000 per zone for traditional DDC retrofit

#### Disruptive to Tenants

- Open Walls, Ceiling, Exposure to Asbestos



Retrofitting Existing Buildings is a PAIN IN THE NECK!!



### **Wireless Pneumatic Thermostat (WPT)**

#### **EXISTING LEGACY STAT**

### CYPRESS ENVIROSYSTEMS WIRELESS PNEUMATIC THERMOSTAT



**DDC** in 20 Minutes!



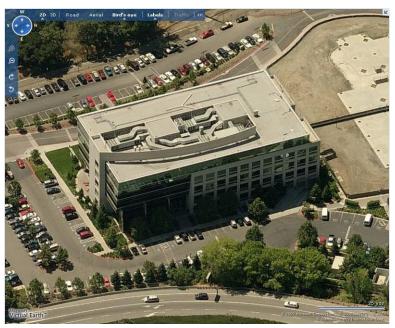
- Manual Setpoint Control
- No Remote Readings
- No Diagnostics
- Manual Calibration Required
- Cannot support Demand Response strategies

- Remote Wireless Setpoint Control
- Remote Monitoring of Temperature & Pressure
- Pager/Cell Notification of Excursions
- Automatic Self-calibration
- Programmable Temperature Setbacks
- Occupancy Override
- Enables Demand Response strategies
- BACnet Interface to BMS
- Compatible With Existing Johnson, Honeywell, Siemens, Robertshaw
- Minimum 2yr battery life

Get the benefits of Direct Digital Control (DDC) in less than 20 minutes, 80% Lower Cost



### **Enabling Smart Grid – Auto Demand Response**







- County of Santa Clara, Social Services Administration
- 2 Buildings, each 5 story, built 2000
- Total 300,000 sq-ft
- 350 Pneumatic Thermostats, non-communicating
- Estimated Demand Response load shed: 200kW
- Would like to participate in PG&E Auto-DR program, but challenging with pneumatic thermostats



### 15 Minute Replacement of Thermostat













#### 80% Lower Cost, 5% of the Time vs. Conventional DDC

#### Santa Clara County Government Project



	Cypress Envirosystems Wireless Pneumatic Thermostats Retrofit	Conventional Direct Digital Control Retrofit
Installed Price	350 x \$500 = \$175,000	350 x \$2,500 = \$875,000
Time Required	8 days	6 months
Disruption to Operations	Minimal	Significant
Potential Exposure to Toxic Substances in Walls	None	Unknown
Paid for by PG&E Auto DR Incentive	100% covered	31% covered

"Installation took only eight days and was one of the easiest, fast and most cost effective energy efficiency improvements we have ever made in our buildings" - Jeff Draper, Manager of Building Operations



### **Quantified Savings for Santa Clara County**

- 300,000 sq-ft facility, \$175,000 cost to retrofit (before utility incentives)
- Energy Savings: \$42,000 per year
  - 350,000 kWh per year base load reduction, at \$0.12 per kWh
  - Derived from enforcing Temperature Setpoint Policy and Retrocommissioning
- Demand Response Savings: \$7,500 per year
  - 10,700 kWh curtailed at peak rates \$0.70 per kWh
  - Based on 12 events per year, 4 hours each, 0.6kW shed per thermostat
- Maintenance Cost Savings: \$156,000 per year
  - Continuous commissioning data helped prioritize maintenance and reduced troubleshooting time
- Estimated Payback Period for Santa Clara County Project: 16 months BEFORE UTILITY INCENTIVES
  - Some savings kick in partially in first year, fully in subsequent years.

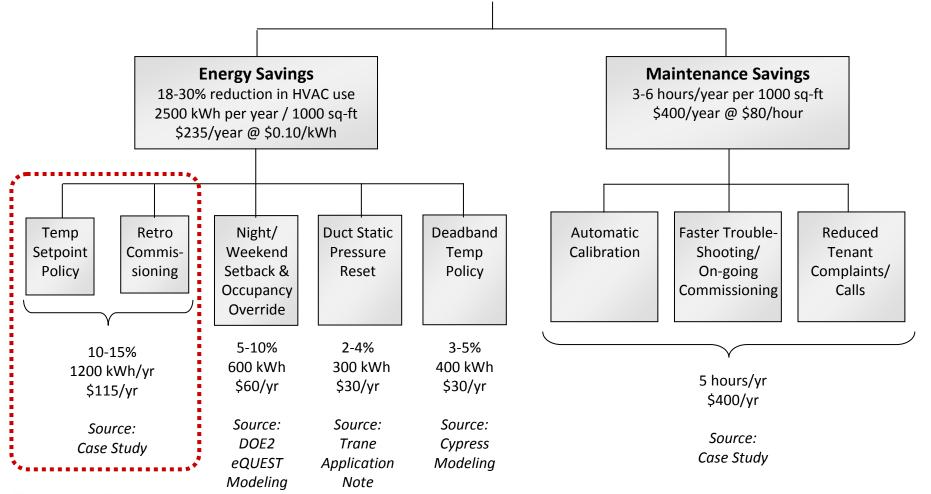


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### **Temp Setpoint Policy / Retrocommissioning Savings**

# **Enforcing Temperature Setpoint Policy**

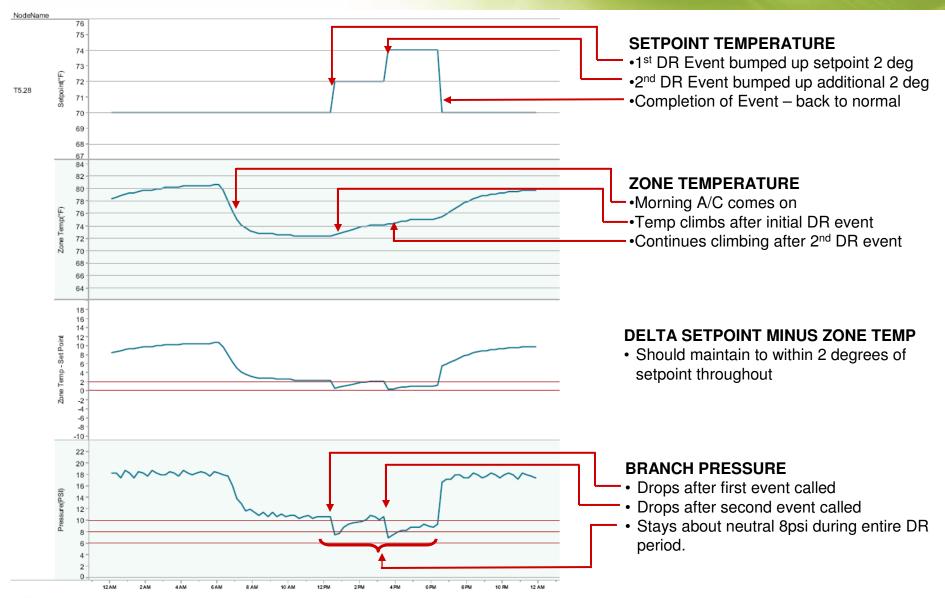
- Conventional Pneumatic Thermostats drift out of calibration, and are often set on max or min by occupants.
- Result: zones often over-cool or overheat, and even fight among each other, wasting energy.
- WPT Solution: Enforce thermostat setpoint remotely. Monitor constantly and set alarms if over/below limits.

#### Retrocommissioning

- Conventional Pneumatic Thermostats, do not provide any data for diagnostics
- Result: malfunctioning zones are not detected or corrected, wasting energy.
- WPT Solution: Monitoring data enable discrepancies to be quickly identified.
   Take Low-cost or no-cost retrocommissioning steps to correct.

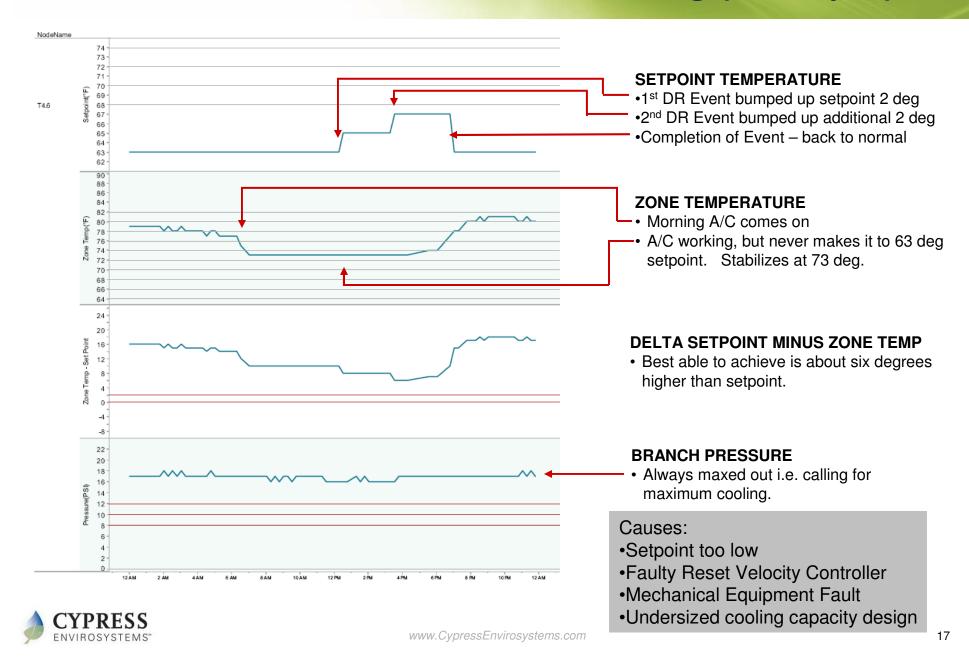


### Zone Behavior - Proper Response (example)

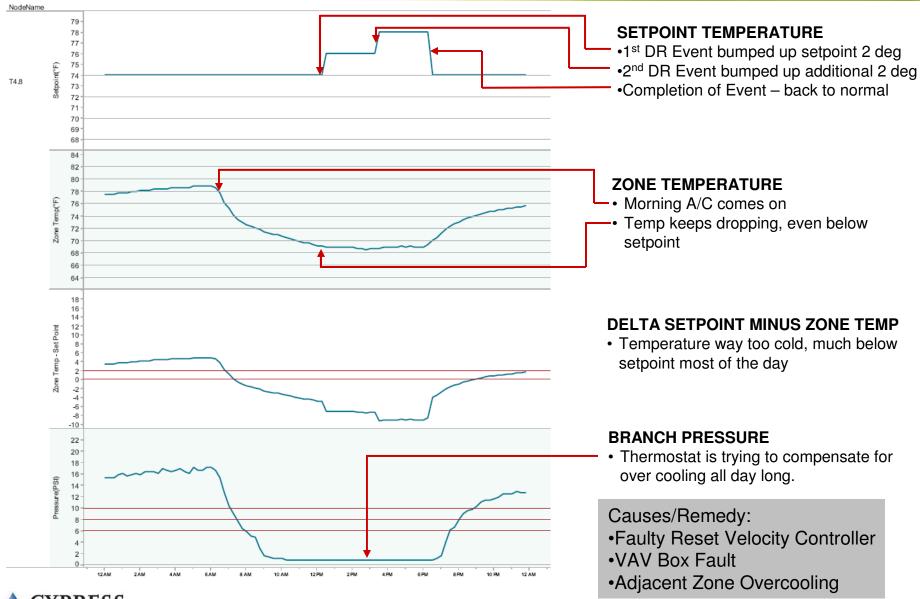




### **Zone Behavior – Insufficient Cooling (example)**



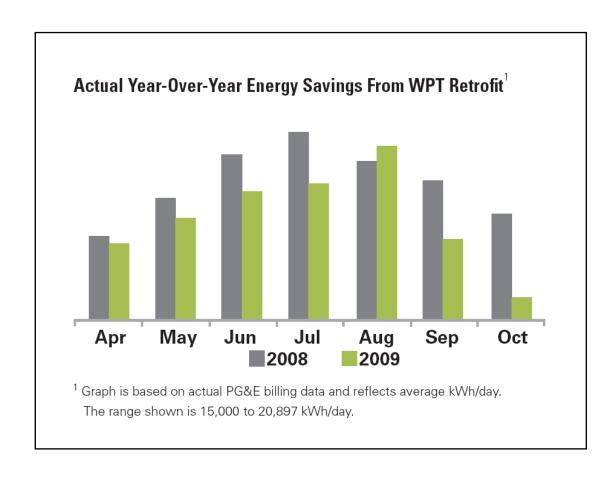
### **Zone Behavior - Too Much Cooling (example)**





### **Actual Case Study Results: 15% Savings**

- Santa Clara County
   Government Buildings –
   300,000 sq-ft retrofit
   completed in March 2009.
- Actual Post-retrofit energy use compared with same period in prior year, adjusted for deg-days.
- Reduction in HVAC energy use of 15% due to temperature setpoint policy and retrocommissioning.



Full case study available at: <a href="http://www.cypressenvirosystems.com/files/pdf/CountyofSantaClara">http://www.cypressenvirosystems.com/files/pdf/CountyofSantaClara</a> EnergySavings Final.pdf

Documented 15% Reduction on HVAC Energy Use vs. Prior Year Due to Retrocommissioning and Temperature Setpoint Policy Enforcement

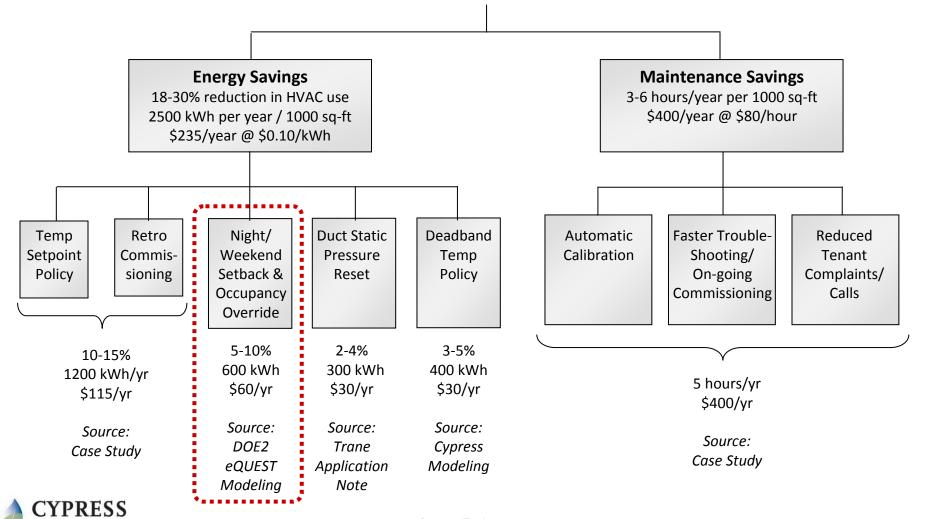


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#### Weekend/Night Setback

- Many buildings have mixed use occupants with different use schedules e.g. 24x7 data centers, vs. 9-5 offices
- Pneumatic Thermostats do not allow programmable zone controls.
- Result: Zones are cooled or heated even when they are not occupied.
- WPT Solution: Temperature Setbacks can be programmed for different zones to reduce unnecessary energy use.

#### **Occupancy Override**

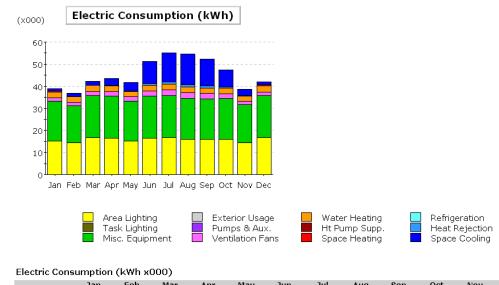
- Occupants may override programmed weekend or night setback if they are working late or on weekends.
- Front panel buttons on the WPT allow occupants to select override for temporary durations.
- Log of override zones are available to the building manager for optional billing allocation of costs.



### **Actual Case Study Results: 10% Savings**

Project/Run: LA Chamber of Com - Baseline Design

- Los Angeles Area
   Chamber of Commerce
   Building 80,000 sq-ft
   retrofit completed in Sept
- Calculated energy savings for night/weekend setback using DOE2 eQUEST tool from US Dept. of Energy.
- Predicted reduction in HVAC energy use of 10%.



	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jui	Aug	sep	UCT	Nov	Dec	lotai
Space Cool	0.85	1.55	1.78	2.98	3.87	10.08	13.27	14.05	12.24	7.87	3.00	1.14	72.67
Heat Reject.	0.03	0.07	0.08	0.16	0.21	0.68	1.00	1.07	0.92	0.55	0.15	0.04	4.96
Refrigeration	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Space Heat	0.61	0.06	0.04	0.01	0.00	-	-	-	-	-	0.01	0.57	1.30
HP Supp.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hot Water	2.51	2.40	2.77	2.75	2.46	2.61	2.56	2.42	2.41	2.45	2.28	2.68	30.31
Vent. Fans	1.49	1.53	1.83	1.99	1.88	2.39	2.58	2.60	2.46	2.10	1.54	1.65	24.06
Pumps & Aux.	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.52
Ext. Usage	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Misc. Equip.	18.06	16.80	19.11	18.86	18.06	18.86	19.11	18.59	18.34	18.59	17.30	19.11	220.79
Task Lights	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Area Lights	15.17	14.38	16.62	16.60	15.17	16.60	16.62	15.90	15.87	15.90	14.43	16.62	189.89
Total	38.76	36.83	42.28	43.40	41.71	51.28	55.18	54.68	52.29	47.50	38.74	41.85	544.49

Calculated 10% Reduction on HVAC Energy Using eQUEST Modeling Software from the US Department of Energy



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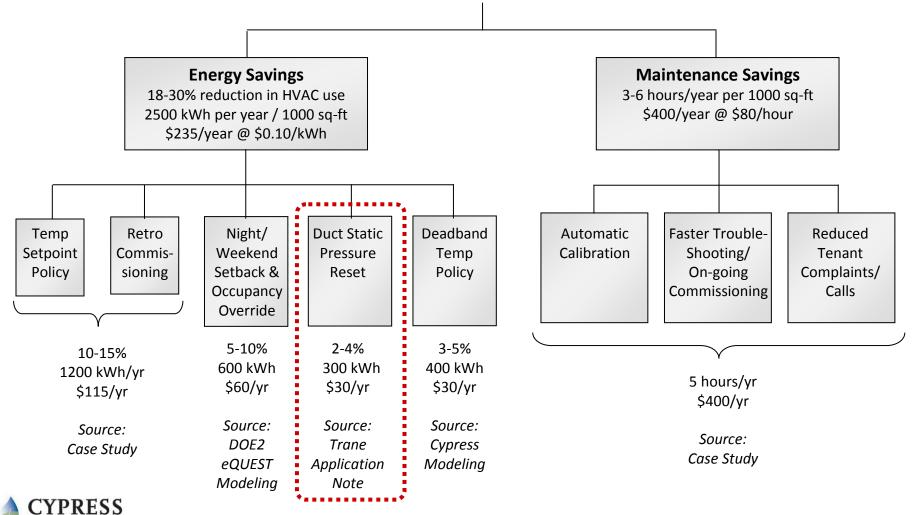
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#### **Duct Static Pressure Reset Savings**

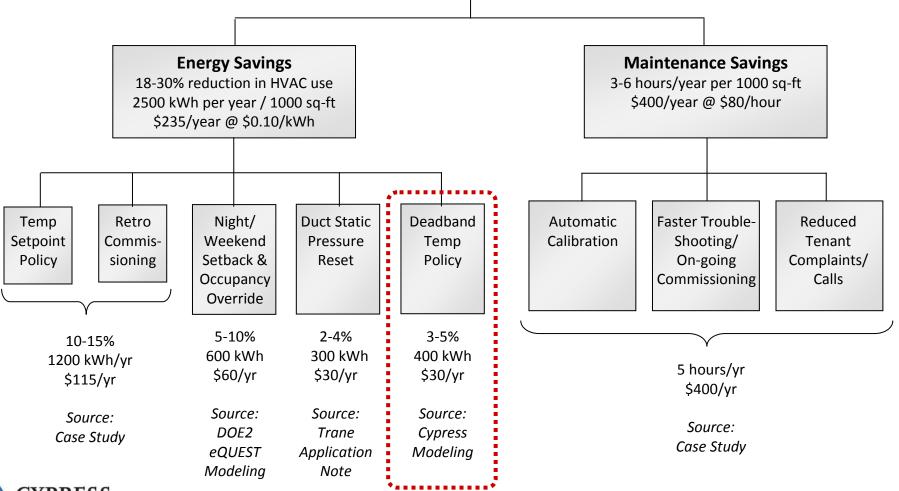
- Reduce Ventilation Fan Speed / Duct Static Pressure when heating/cooling not required. Keep at minimum for Indoor Air Quality
- When heating/cooling required, increase fan speed for proper temperature control
- Save energy by reducing fan load when not needed.
- WPT Solution: Built-in branch pressure sensor directly indicates heating or cooling load, and enables existing Building Management Systems to control fan speed appropriately.

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### **Deadband Temperature Setpoint Policy**

#### What is it?

- When zone temperature is within certain limits e.g. between
   68F and 78F, ALL HEATING AND COOLING IS DISABLED for that zone.
- When ambient temperature is outside these limits, heating and cooling is *ENABLED* to maintain basic comfort.

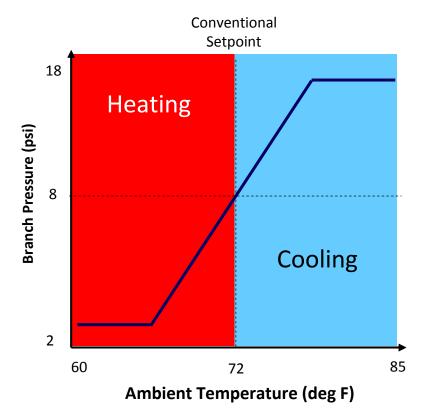
#### Why?

- Up to 60% energy savings potential, for occupants who can tolerate some range of temperature swing.
- Many universities and public institutions have mandated this type of temperature setpoint policy...the Deadband WPT enables and automatically enforces the policy.
- Benefits are INCREMENTAL to Night Setback, Occupancy Override,

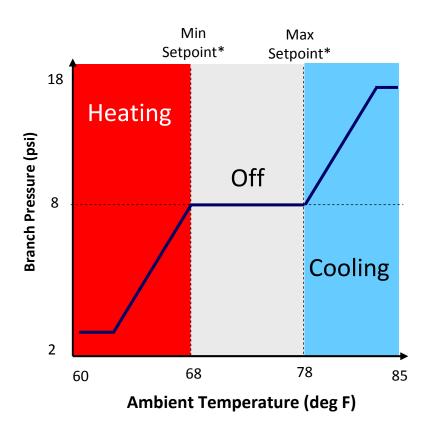
  YPRESMITS the standard WPT (and also available on deadband WPT)

#### Comparison: Standard Pneumatic vs. Deadband Function

Standard Pneumatic Thermostat Behavior (Typical, Direct Acting)



Deadband Pneumatic Thermostat Behavior (Typical, Direct Acting)

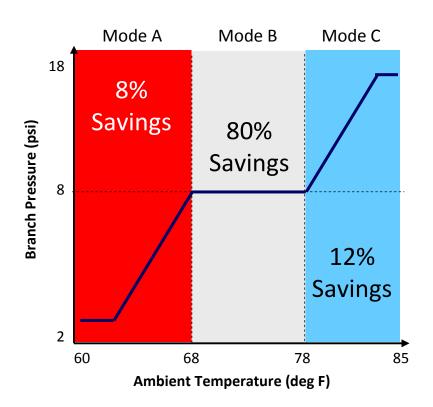


\*Minimum and Maximum Setpoints are selectable by user or building manager



#### **Energy Savings Enabled by Deadband**

Significant Savings!



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	Mode A   Mode B   Mo		Mode C	Energy Savings	
Location 1 (e.g. San Diego, CA)	20%	70%	10%	59%	
Location 2 (e.g. Fargo, ND)	75%	20%	5%	23%	
Location 3 (e.g. Miami, FL)	20%	50%	30%	45%	

#### **Deadband Savings By Mode vs. Standard Stat**

- Mode A Min Setpoint 4F below conventional Setpoint => 8% energy savings.\*
- Mode B Only ventilation fans running, no heat or cool => 80% energy savings.\*\*
- Mode C Max Setpoint 6F above conventional Setpoint => 12% energy savings.\*



<sup>\*</sup> Every degree of setback equals 2% energy savings. Source: ACEEE.

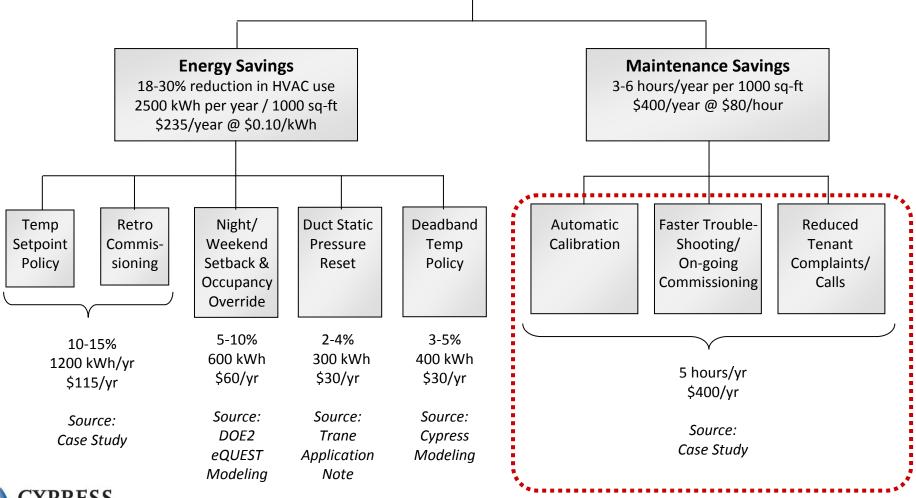
<sup>\*\*</sup> Ventilation uses about 20% of the energy in HVAC even when cooling or heating is not active. Souce: US Energy Information Administration processes and the second cooling or heating is not active.

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### **Savings from Reduced Maintenance**

- Auto-Calibration
- Reduced Tenant Hot/Cold Calls:

  Built-in BACnet and email alarm notification before tenants complain.
- Faster Troubleshooting/On-going Commissioning:

  Built-in branch pressure, zone temperature, and setpoint temperature sensors with trending, history, and alarming. Service strategy converted from Scheduled Maintenance to Condition Based Maintenance, and enable Ongoing Commissioning.
- Actual Case Study Results, Santa Clara County Government

   300,000 sq-ft retrofit
  - 60% reduction in maintenance service from \$25k/month to \$10k/month
  - Key learnings: predictively detect faults, dispatch service personnel only to zones with identified faults, and monitor to confirm fault is fixed post service call.

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#### **LEED Credits**



# LEED for Existing Buildings: Operations & Maintenance Registered Project Checklist

			Energy & Atmosphere, continued				
			Existing Buildi	ng Commissioning			
•	•	•	Credit 2.1	Investigation and Analysis	✓	2	
•	•	•	Credit 2.2	Implementation	$\checkmark$	2	
•	•	•	Credit 2.3	Ongoing Commissioning	$\checkmark$	2	
			Performance N	/leasurement			
-	•	-	Credit 3.1	Building Automation System	<b>√</b>	1	
•	•	•	Credit 3.2-3.3	System Level Metering		1 to 2	
			•	Credit 3.2 40% Metered		1	
				Credit 3.3 80% Metered		2	

Tenant Comfort and Satisfaction, Ability to Attract Top Tier Tenants, and Lower Lease Churn Rates Are Incremental to Energy Savings Benefits



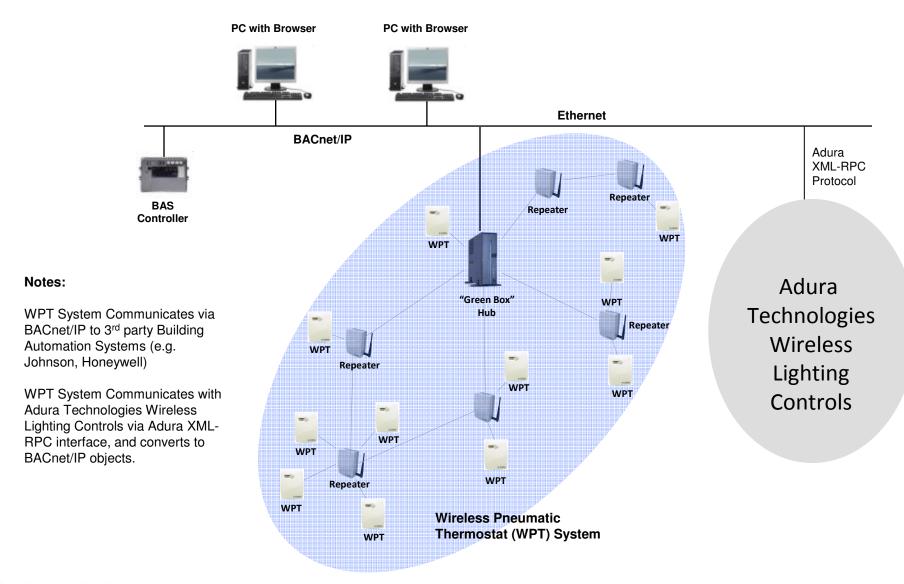
### **Compatible with Existing Systems**

VENDOR	BAS	TEST PARTNER	LOCATION
ALERTON'	BACtalk	Syserco	Fremont, CA
AUTOMATEDLOGIC	ALC	ACCO Engineered Systems	San Leandro, CA
Honeywell	Excel, Tridium	Honeywell Corp.	Golden Valley, MN Wixom, MI
Johnson Controls	Metasys	RSD-Total Control JCI Sensor Products	San Jose, CA Milwaukee, WI
SIEMENS	Apogee	Siemens Building Technologies	Hayward, CA
t.a.c	Andover Continuum	EMCOR Integrated Solutions	Pleasanton, CA
TRANE	Trane Tracer Summit BCU	Trane	Calgary, Alberta - Canada
<b>Delta</b> ™	ORCA	Cypress Semiconductor	San Jose, CA

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#### **Current Wireless Pneumatic Thermostat (WPT) Architecture**





#### **Authorized Channel Partners**

#### **GOLD CHANNEL PARTNERS**



Process Solutions



**Building Solutions** 











#### SILVER CHANNEL PARTNERS



















### Selected Cypress Envirosystems Customers















































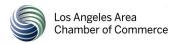




























### Selected WPT Customer Feedback

First and foremost, the work performed by the professional team at Cypress Envirosystems was seamless. The installation was very precise and strategic, the training both clear and complete, the knowledge and understanding of customer needs concise and competent. As a business partner Cypress Envirosystems is top notch and I will refer and recommend to all my company peers the same. Thanks again for a job well done and the support and training that was second to none. Thanks again for a great job.

Lawrence Riviera
Honeywell Building Solutions

In just five days, we went from zero control of our heating and air conditioning, to total control. It was amazing how easy it was to calibrate each WPT after installation. Now we control set points for all thermostats remotely and have programs in place to control them according to all sorts of variables. We now have a true wireless EMS system. We can go online and see every zone and control each one remotely. The WPT system also gives us very powerful diagnostic tools and troubleshooting tools.

Paul Becker, Facilities Manager Kaiser Permanente

We are excited about our new level of control on the 2 floors that were retrofitted!

Timothy D. Danz
Chief Engineer, The California Center
Cushman & Wakefield
San Francisco CA 94104

It was an outstanding and record setting installation of the wireless pneumatic thermostats and they are all working great.

Everyone in the Dean's Office is very happy and impressed.

So far everything is great. Thanks for your efforts and please send my best regards to your colleagues.

Emir José Macari, Ph.D. Dean of Engineering and Computer Science California State University, Sacramento

The whole project, including installation, cost about \$175,000 for retrofitting 350 thermostats," says Ortega. "We made the deadline and received the PG&E incentive of \$200,000. Talk about instant ROI. Plus, we figure that we are saving \$42,000 per year on electric cost for just those two buildings. And then there's maintenance. We used to be out there all the time tinkering with the system. Now we monitor it online. We figure our maintenance expense has been cut in half from \$25,000 annually to \$12,500.

Lin Ortega, Utilities Engineering Program Manager Santa Clara County, California

The new WPTs are working great. We now remotely control setpoints, set alarms, run diagnostics, perform zone control, and occupancy override. Of course, some of the tenants complain that they have lost control of their thermostats, but I point out that the university has a setpoint policy of 70 degrees for heating and 74 degrees for cooling. At night we go to 60 and 85 degrees. Thanks to the new WPTs, this is the first time we've been able to implement the policy in that building."

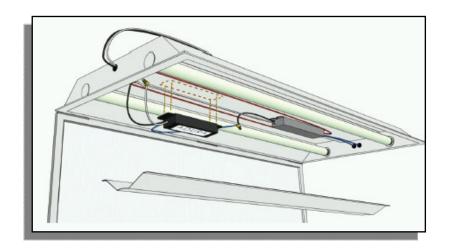
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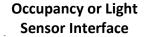


## **Easy Retrofit of Existing Fixtures**





**Lighting Controller** 





Wall Control Interface

Strategy Employed	Savings Expected
Smart Scheduling	10-40% Sam Spm
Daylight Harvesting	5-15% 6am 6pm
Task Tuning	5-20% Sam Spm
Presence Detection	25-50% 6am 6pm
Personal Control	5-15% 6am 6pm
Demand Management	5% 6am 6pm
Total	50-75% (Blended)

"Plus....sophisticated Enterprise Energy Management software designed to work with your lighting system to save energy"



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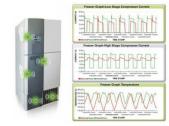


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## **Energy Audits, Continuous Commissioning**



**Typical Air Handler Units** 



Wireless Magnehelic Reader Monitors Filters and Airflow

- Chilled Water, Steam, Airflow are tough to measure in legacy buildings
- Most older Air Handler Units, Chillers, Boilers etc. are not monitored/automated
- Labor intensive to detect problems, check filters
- Manual gauges often the main means to check pressure, temperature, flow
- Solution: Wireless Gauge Reader clamps on in minutes and transmits reading wirelessly to BMS/BAS
- No downtime, no wiring, no leak checks
- Alarm notification and condition-based maintenance



Wireless Readers
Mounts Over Existing Gauges

**Enables Monitoring of Legacy Air Handlers for 70% Less Than Traditional Transducers** 



## Wireless Steam Trap Monitor (WSTM)





**Leaking Traps Waste Energy** 



**Typical Steam Trap** 

## CYPRESS ENVIROSYSTEMS WIRELESS STEAM TRAP MONITOR

- Necessary part of the steam distribution system, usually hundreds of units per site
- 15-20% average failure rate; leaks steam
- Failed traps lose \$5,000 per year (1/8" orifice)
- Manual inspection typically done annually labor intensive, do not catch problems in timely manner
- Solution: Wireless steam trap monitor detects faults and alarms on error, avoiding expensive leak loss
- Non-invasive installation: no breaking seals, wireless, integrates with BMS
- Battery life of 3+ years at typical sample rates
- IP65/NEMA 4 rated for outdoor use
- One year payback on investment

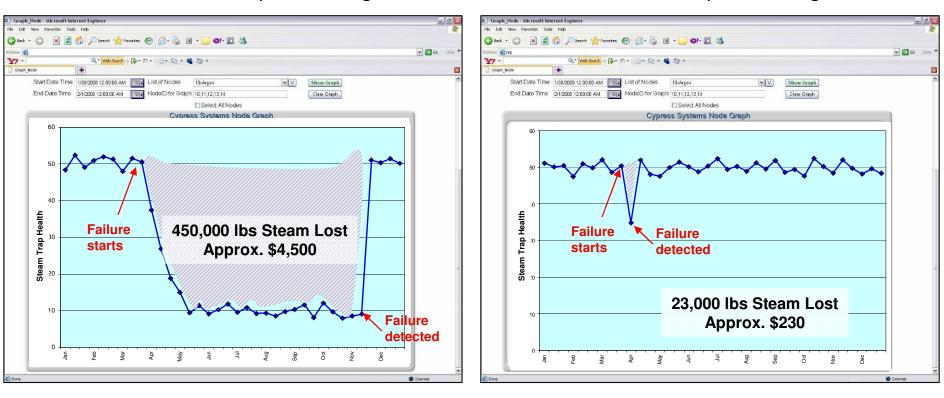
Save Energy and Time Locating Faulty Steam Traps



## **How Steam Trap Monitoring Saves Energy**

Without Steam Trap Monitoring

#### With Steam Trap Monitoring



Typical savings for 1/8" orifice steam trap

Timely Detection and Correction of Trap Failures Avoids Prolonged Costly Steam Leaks



## **Summary**

- Retrofit for Commercial and Industrial Plants for Energy Efficiency and Auto-Demand Response
- Key Principles:
  - Non-Invasive, Clamp-on Devices Which Install in Minutes
  - Compatible with Existing Infrastructure
    - DDC Integration
    - No new training of staff
    - No new systems software
- Typical Payback of 18 Months or Less



## Additional Backup Examples



## **Reduce Energy Consumption: Compressed Air**

#### **Customer Challenge:**

Compressors, pumps and fans often run at settings beyond what is needed e.g. 125psi for Compressed Dry Air instead of 85psi, wasting >20% energy.

Operators lack monitoring so they don't reduce pressure – avoid risk of process upset.

Installing transducers is very time-consuming & disruptive for multiple air branches and can introduce leaks.

#### **WGR Solution:**

Typically manual gauges are already installed throughout CDA systems or coolant loop systems.

WGR's can monitor and alarm pressure/flow to ensure process integrity and reduce energy use.

App note available: "Compressed Dry Air System Energy Savings"



Savings on 500hp Compressed Air System can be up to \$100K per year, with a 8 month payback.



## **Improve Asset Health and Uptime**

#### **Customer Challenge:**

Older equipment such as packaged heat exchangers, boilers, chillers, air dryers, hydraulic conveyors, water filters, HEPA filters, etc. often have little or no electronic monitoring outputs.

Adding new transducers require modifying the equipment package and may impact existing service/ warranty agreements.

#### **WGR Solution:**

Typically manual gauges are already installed on older packaged equipment.

The WGR can monitor, trend and alarm parameters for early fault detection and corrective action.

Case Studies Available: "Facilities Monitoring"

"Tri-State Power Asset Health Monitoring"



"In the first two weeks of using the WGR, we were able to detect and develop corrective measures for a potentially costly issue that we never suspected" – Mike Long, Control System Supervisor, Tri-State Generation and Transmission



## Reduce Consumables Usage

#### **Customer Challenge:**

Gas cylinders (e.g. cal gases), water filters, HEPA filters are often replaced at scheduled intervals rather than actual usage.

This results in more frequent changes than required, or results in downtime when not replaced in a timely manner.

Installing transducers may introduce leaks and require safety inspection.

#### **WGR Solution:**

Gas Cylinder regulators gauges, Magnehelic air flow gauges (for HEPA filters) are great examples of data which can be read and trended to optimize consumables use.

Reduces consumables cost, avoids downtime, and optimizes skilled labor.

Case Studies Available: "Micrel Gas Management Savings"



We saved \$215K per year on our 280 Gas Cylinders, a seven month payback.

- Ron Farry, Operations Manager, Micrel Inc.



## **Perform Faster Troubleshooting**

#### **Customer Challenge:**

When excursions occur, technicians inspect many gauges and equipment in the hope of finding the source of the problem...but the relevant data was often not captured and is not available.

Often, data from different subsystems or equipment needs to be compared and time-indexed to identify the root cause.

#### **WGR Solution:**

The WGR may be permanently or temporarily installed to log data, and notify on excursions.

The time-indexed historical record helps reduce troubleshooting time and confidence.



Minimize Troubleshooting Labor and Downtime with Non-Invasive Data Logging of Historical Data



## **Enhance Safety, Reduce Incidents**

#### **Customer Challenge:**

Many facilities perform manual rounds to inspect equipment and log gauge readings.

Some gauges are in awkward locations or may pose safety risks - high up on column, near heat sources, under floor etc.

Accurately reading gauges "face-on" (without parallax) are sometimes difficult or impossible.

#### **WGR Solution:**

Wherever there is a gauge in a hard-to-access location that needs to be read, the WGR is a fast and low cost candidate to do the job.

Reduce likelihood of safety incidents due to reading gauges in hard-to-access locations.



"I'm not getting more engineers, so I need to have them working smarter...using the WGR"
- Pat Ireland, Operations Manager, Novellus Inc.

