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TWO LIBERTY CENTER



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PRESENTATION OUTLINE

- Two Liberty Center Introduction
- Research Topic
- Façade Construction Analysis
- Mechanical System Analysis
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CLIENT INTRODUCTION

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The Shooshan Company

- Full service real estate development firm
- Washington, DC and surrounding areas
- Build, market, lease and manage
- Long-term investment in properties
- Focus on building relationships



BUILDING INTRODUCTION

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- 180,000 SF Class-A office building
- 8,600 SF ground-level retail spaces
- Structured underground parking, 1 space per 580 SF
- Detailed pre-cast concrete and glass façade
- Architectural glass tower at southwest corner
- Part of a sophisticated mixed-use development



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Liberty Center Development

- Commercial, retail, and residential development
- Central urban park with adjoining retail
- One Liberty Center
 - 330,000 SF office building built 2002-2005
- Residences
 - 530,000 GSF residential
 - 21-story, 234 luxury condominiums
 - 20-story, 235 luxury apartments

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Construction Details

- December 2005 September 2008 (planned)
- Modified design-bid-build delivery
- General contractor negotiated during design
 - Cost-plus-fee with a guaranteed maximum price
- Subcontracts competitively bid after design
 - Selected on lowest cost with most reliable scope

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RESEARCH TOPIC INTRODUCTION

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Critical Industry Issue

- PACE Roundtable discussion
 - Rising energy costs
 - MEP decision making building efficiency
- Two Liberty Center
 - Building driven by business model
 - Tenants benefit from efficiency

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RESEARCH GOALS

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- Research impacts of energy trends on development market
- Relate impacts to types of development
- Identify methods for managing these impacts
- Predict future changes to development market



ENERGY TRENDS

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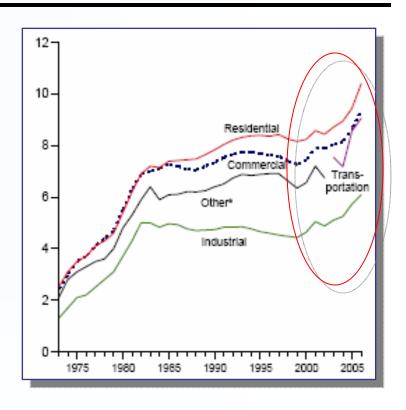
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Cost of electricity

- 25% increase since the year 2000
- Residential and Commercial sectors are highest





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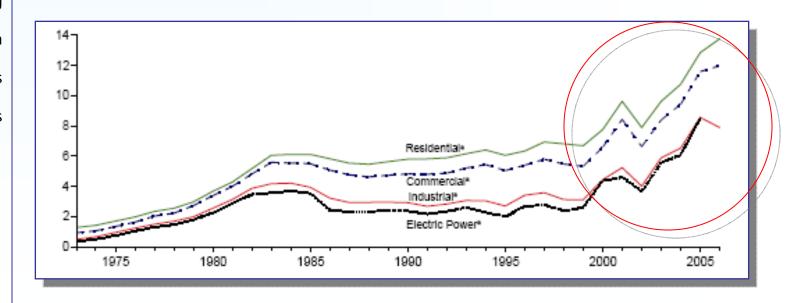
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- Cost of natural gas up 100% since 2000
- Residential and Commercial sectors highest



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DEVELOPMENT TYPES

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Types of development considered

- Commercial / Office space
- Multi-family residential
- Utility cost responsibility
 - Triple-net: tenant pays for everything
 - Full-service: all costs included in rental rate
 - Hybrid

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BUSINESS OF BUILDING EFFICIENCY

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When tenants are responsible for utilities:

- Efficient buildings are in higher demand
- Vacancy rates below averages
- Higher rental rates can be offset by savings
- Profits increase for building owner
- Maintain higher resale values

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When owner is responsible for utilities:

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MARKETING

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Sustainable Design Aspects

- Day-lighting and Air Quality
 - Improved employee productivity
 - Higher job satisfaction
 - Reduced absenteeism
- Efficient Systems
 - Lower operating costs for tenants
- Status symbol

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FUTURE OF DEVELOPMENT

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- Developers are continuing to make decisions based on the same business model, but the outcomes are changing
- Marketability factors will push for a change in the business models
- Lowering prices of new technologies will allow for more efficient and sustainable designs

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 Developers can profit from building efficient and sustainable buildings

- Proper marketing can offset additional costs
- Efficient technologies becoming more affordable
- More valuable buildings at resale
- More responsible development



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Problem Statement

- Priority placed on occupancy schedule
- Phased turnover by floor
- Tenant fit-out following turnover
- Earlier occupancy leads to earlier payback
- Façade re-sequencing offers acceleration

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Façade Construction Details

- Architectural pre-cast concrete panels
 - Aluminum framed windows
 - Architectural details
- Glass curtain wall systems
 - Retail store-fronts
 - Glass tower

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Existing Sequence

- Complete erection of each face in sequence
- Mobile crane utilized
- Window installation begins during installation of the fourth and final face of panels
- Windows installed per floor bottom to top

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Alternative 1

- Existing methods utilized
- Façade erection can begin during 8th floor concrete work
- Floors 1-5 of each face erected
- Floors 6-9 follow completion of lower floors
- Window installation starts during final face of lower floors
 - Installed per floor from bottom to top

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• Alternative 2

- Tower crane utilized
- Façade starts during 6th floor concrete
- Each floor of panels installed bottom to top
- Window installation can follow each floor of panels
 - Installed per floor from bottom to top

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TURNOVER SCHEDULE

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Floor	Existing	Alternative 1	Alternative 2
1 st	9 August 2007	13 June 2007	30 April 2007
2 nd	24 July 2007	28 May 2007	11 April 2007
3 rd	27 July 2007	4 June 2007	18 April 2007
4 th	1 August 2007	11 June 2007	25 April 2007
5 th	14 August 2007	18 June 2007	2 May 2007
6 th	17 August 2007	25 June 2007	9 May 2007
7 th	15 August 2007	2 July 2007	16 May 2007
8 th	30 August 2007	9 July 2007	23 May 2007
9 th	8 September 2007	16 July 2007	30 May 2007
	Average Savings:	40 Days	72 Days

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4-D ANIMATION

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View 4D Animations

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- Alternative 2
 - Requires second shift work
 - Added construction cost and planning
- Implement Alternative 1
 - Schedule savings with minimal impacts
 - Accelerated occupancy

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Centralized HVAC for offices

- Simplified construction
- Allows for earlier building enclosure
- Opportunity for schedule and cost savings

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Centralization of AHU's for offices

- 8 15,000 CFM chilled water AHU
 - Located in core mechanical rooms
- 2 51,500 CFM chilled water AHU
 - Located on rooftop
 - Duct riser through existing mechanical rooms

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Cost Analysis			Bare Costs		Total Costs	
	Qty.	Size (CFM)	Material	Labor	Base	Including O&P
Existing						
AHU	8	15000	\$88,800.00	\$20,200.00	\$109,000.00	\$128,000.00
Alternate						
AHU	2	51500	\$74,800.00	\$16,350.00	\$91,150.00	\$107,000.00
Duct	1700	N/A	\$646.00	\$5,049.00	\$5,695.00	\$8,500.00
	Savings:		\$13,354.00	-\$1,199.00	\$12,155.00	\$12,500.00

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Schedule Analysis

	Qty.	Size (CFM)	Labor Hours	Total	Scheduling Days
Existing					
AHU	8	15000	78	620	78
Alternate					
AHU	2	51500	246	492	62
Duct	1700	N/A	0.084	142.8	18
			Savings:	-15	-2

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- Desired conditions still achieved
- Alternative system offers cost savings
- Minimal scheduling impacts
- Construction simplified
- Allows for building enclosure acceleration

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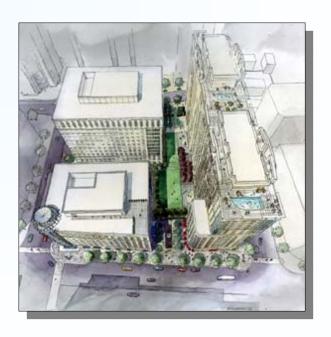
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- Building efficiency
 - Responsible development
 - Profitable opportunities
- Façade Sequencing
 - Opportunity for substantial acceleration
 - Applicable to many projects
- Mechanical Alternative
 - Simplified construction process
 - Reduced upfront costs

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QUESTIONS



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