



**EMD SERONO RESEARCH CENTER – EXISTING**

**BILLERICA, MA**

**SHIYUN (SHARON) CHEN | MECHANICAL**

**AE SENIOR THESIS**





## Outline



### Overview

Existing Mechanical

Active Chilled Beam

Heat Recovery

Architectural

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**Building Overview**

**Existing Mechanical System**

**Dedicated Outdoor Air System/Active Chilled Beam**

**Heat Recovery Systems**

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## Building Overview

Building: **EMD Serono Research Center – existing**

Building Location: **Billerica, MA**

Building Size: **56,700 SF**

Number of Story: **Basement + 2 Stories + Penthouse**

Occupancy/ Function Type: **Pharmaceutical Lab**

Date of Construction: **Nov,1999 – Marc,2002**

Project Delivery Method: **Fast - Track**



## Design Team

**Owner:** EMD Serono, Inc.

**Architect:** Ellenzweig Associate, Inc.

**MEP Engineer:** Bar, Rao + Athanas Consulting Engineers, LLC

**Structural Engineer:** LeMessurier Consulting Engineers

**Landscape Architect:** John G. Crowe Associates, Inc.

**Contractor:** Linbeck/Kennedy & Rossi



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(2) 100% OA **Air Handling Units**

(1) OA + RA **Air Handling Unit**

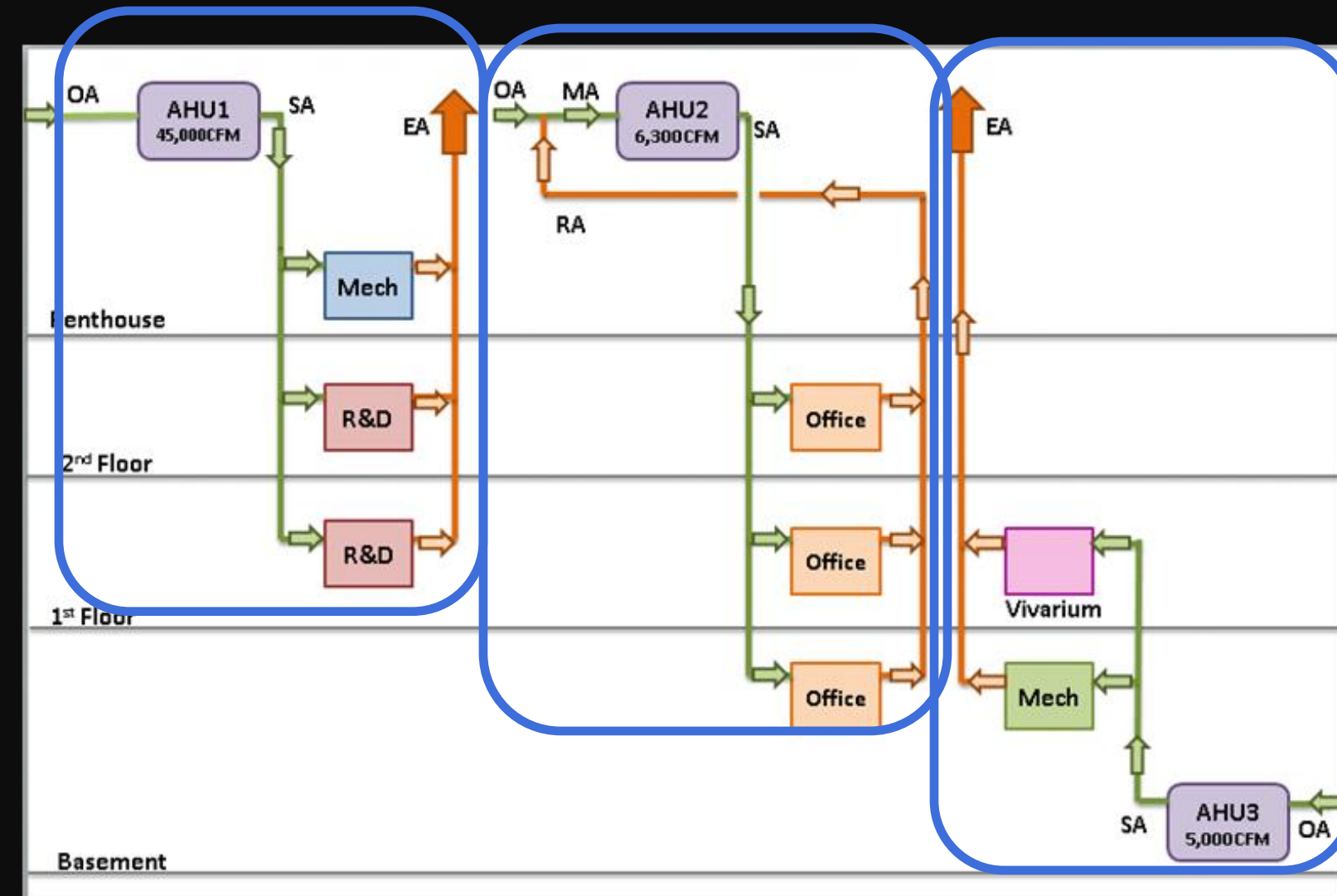
(1) 350 Ton **Centrifugal Chiller**

(1) 60 Ton **Air Cooled Chiller**

(2) **Low Pressure Steam Boilers**

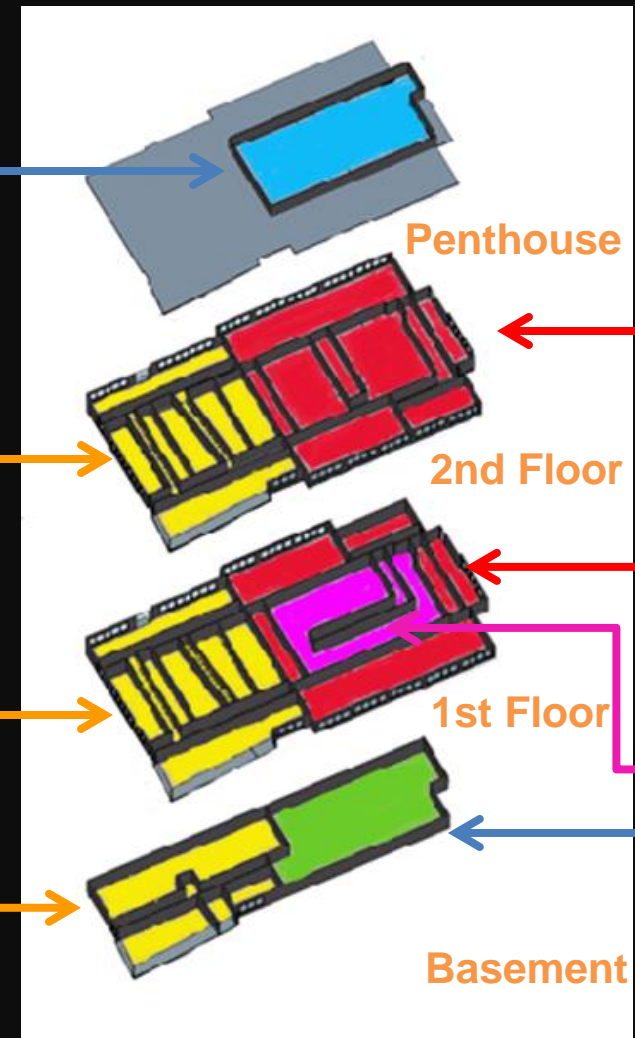
(2) **Heat Exchangers**

# Existing Mechanical System



Mechanical Room

Office



Lab

Vivarium

Mechanical

Building Division

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# Redesign Goals



**ENERGY CONSUMPTION**



**SYSTEM EFFICIENCY**



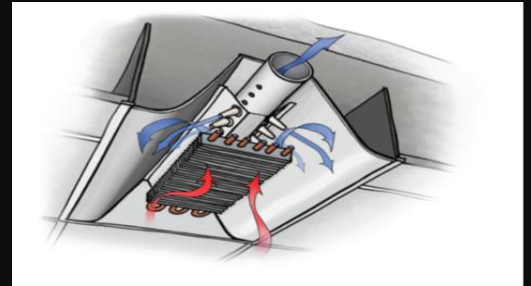
**INDOOR AIR QUALITY**



**THERMAL COMFORT**

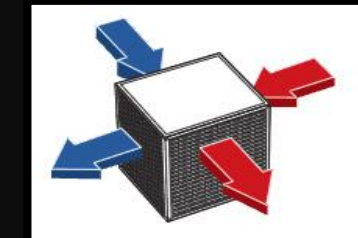
# Solution

**Dedicated Outdoor Air System**

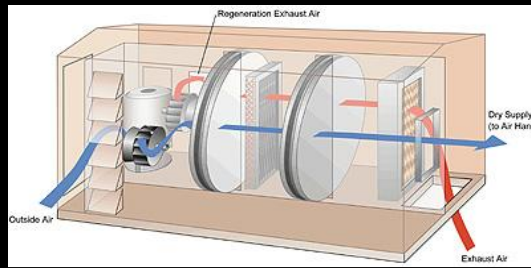
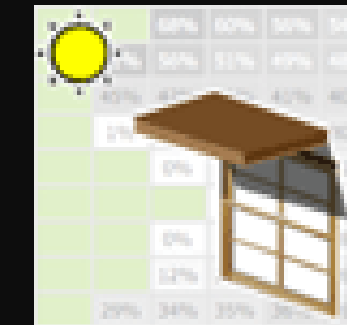


**Active Chilled Beam System**

**Heat Recovery System**



**Solar Shading System**







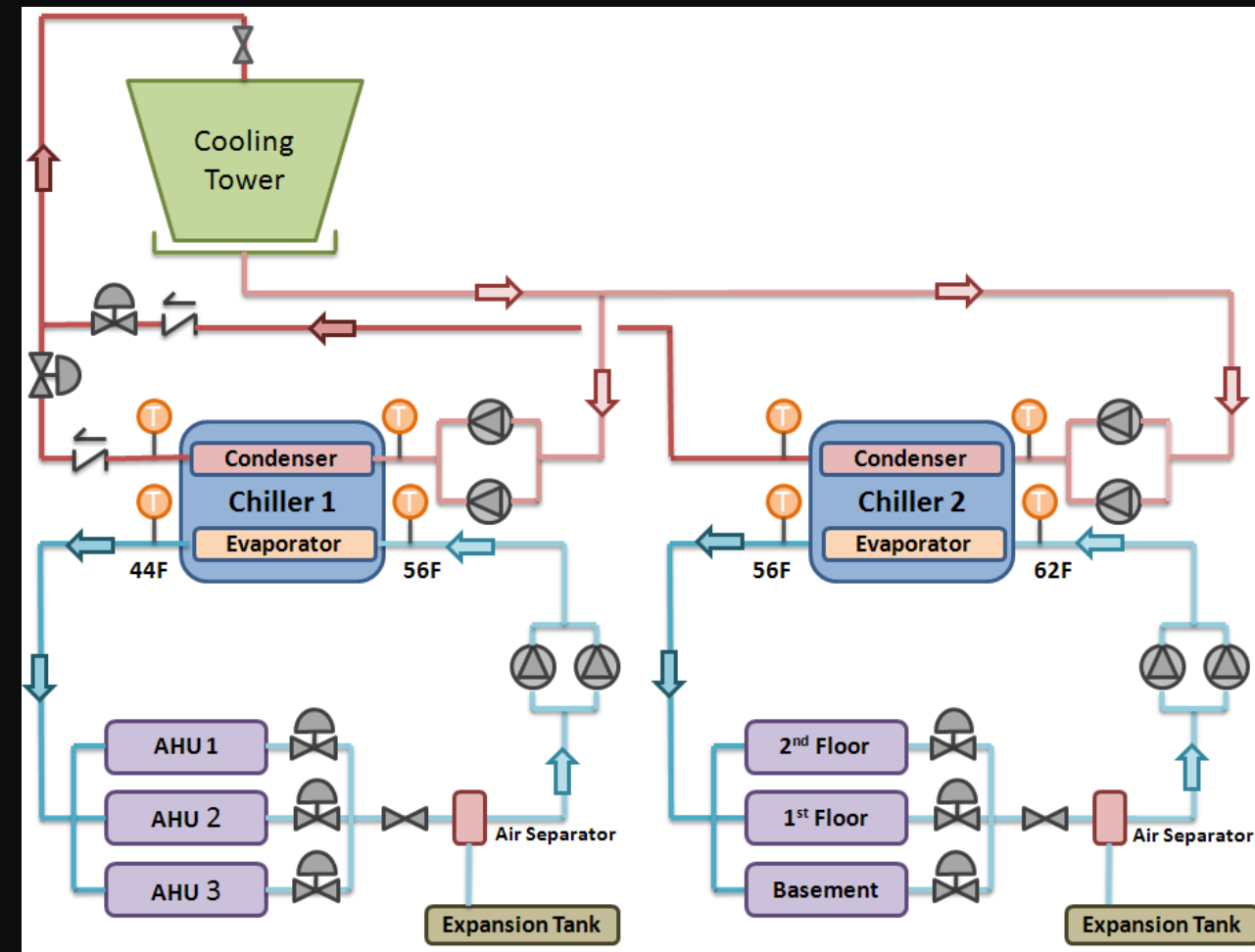
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### Active Chilled Beam Advantages

- Minimize** Outdoor Air Conditioning
- Eliminate** Reheat Energy
- More **Efficient** Chilled Water System
- Better Mixed** Air Distribution
- More Uniform** Temperature Distribution
- Improve** Indoor Air Quality
- Lower** Maintenance

### DOAS + Active Chilled Beam



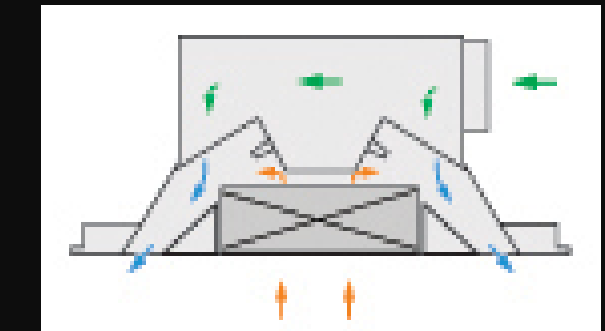
(1) 350 Ton Screw Chiller - AHUs

(1) 150 Ton Screw Chiller - ACBs

### Chilled Beam Selection

17CFM/LF | 665 BTU/LF

TROX Technic  
4 Pipe Chilled Beam, Model DID602, type "C" nozzle  
NC25



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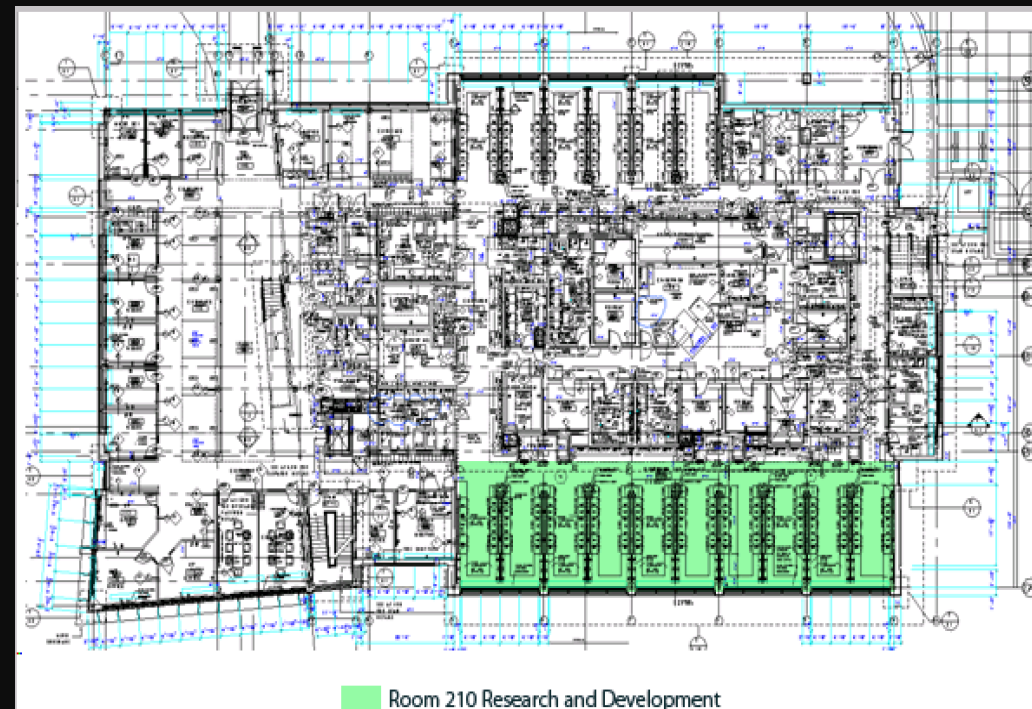
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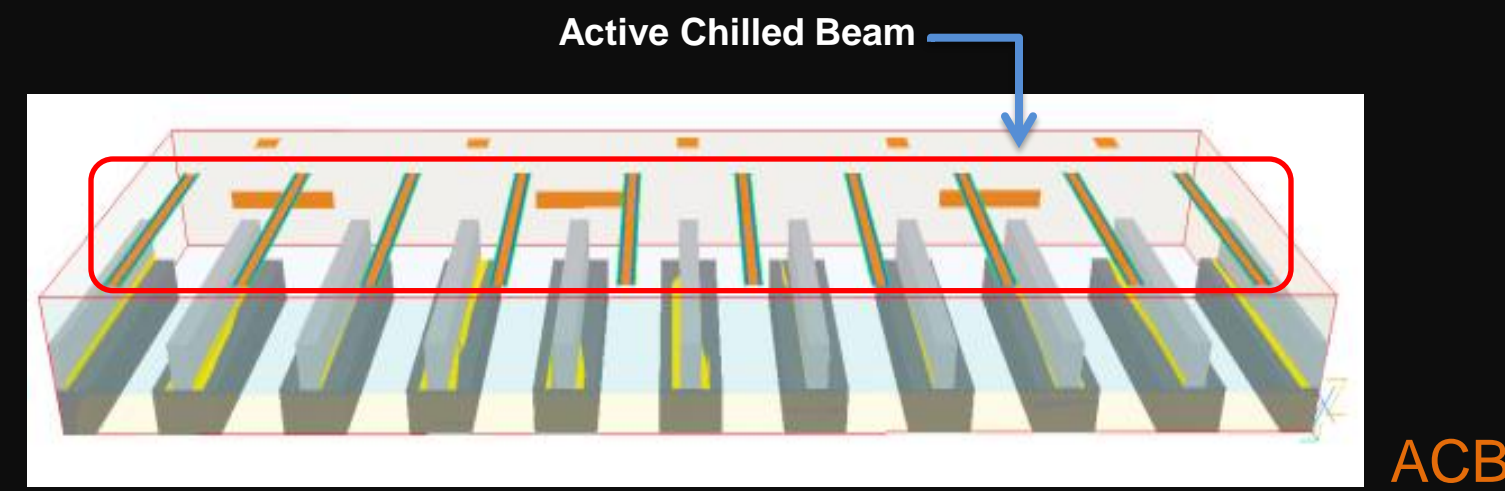
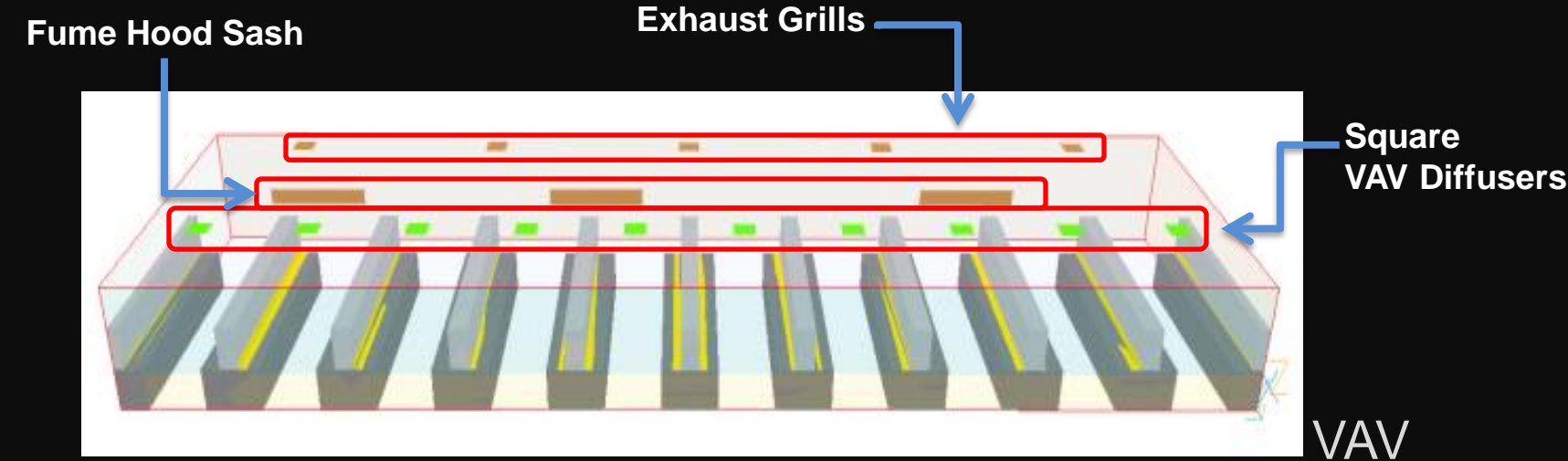
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# CFD Simulation



## Existing VAV

Supply Air = Outside Air = 6000cfm

SA Temperature: 13C = 55.4F

## DOAS+ACB

Supply Air = Outside Air + Recirculate Air

20,092cfm = 3,324cfm + 16,769cfm

SA Temperature: 19.64C = 67.4F

General Information					
	Grid Size	Turbulence Model	Numerical Scheme	Number of Iterations	Mass Residual
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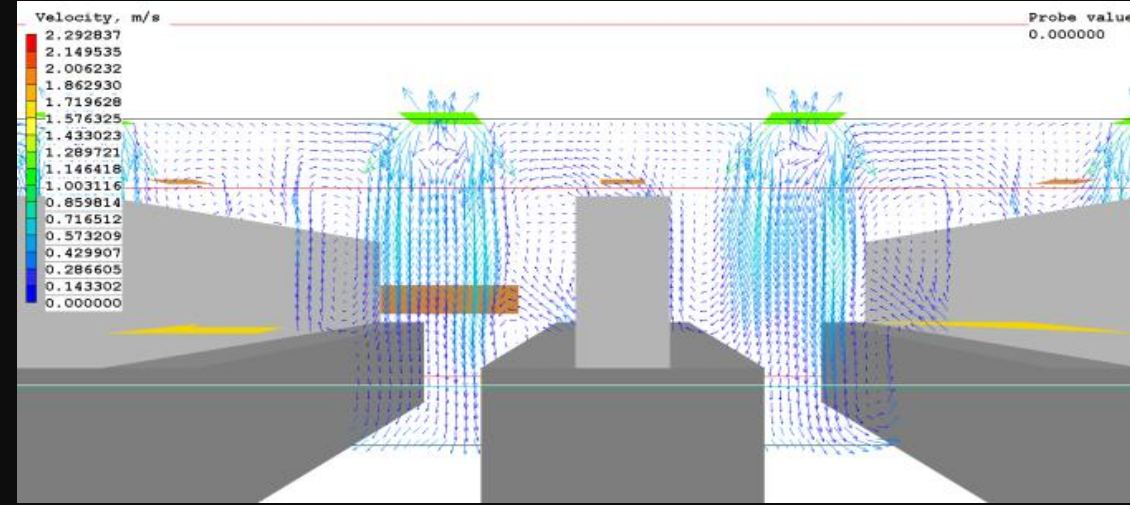
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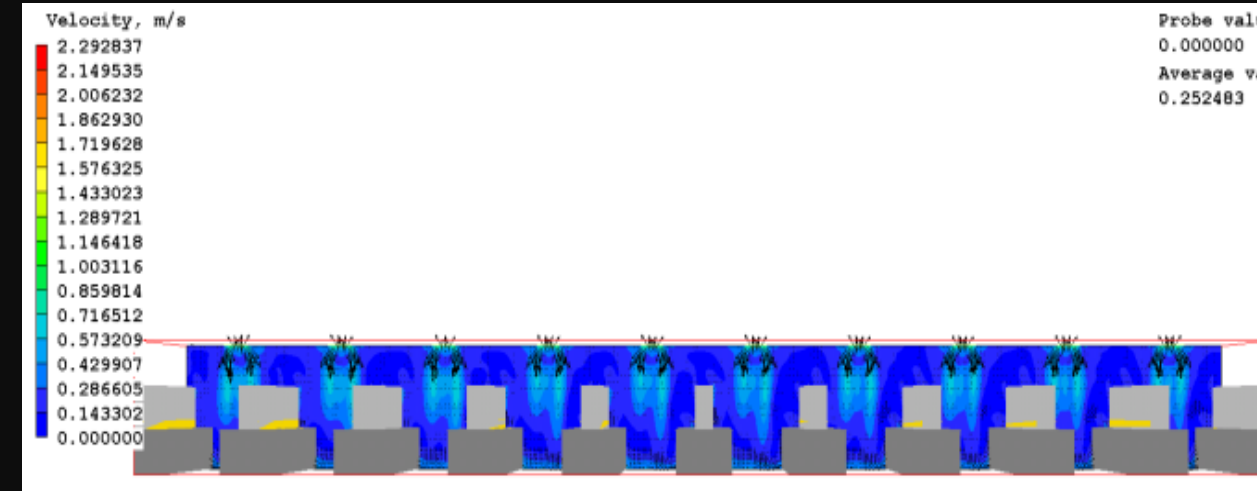


# Air Flow Comparison

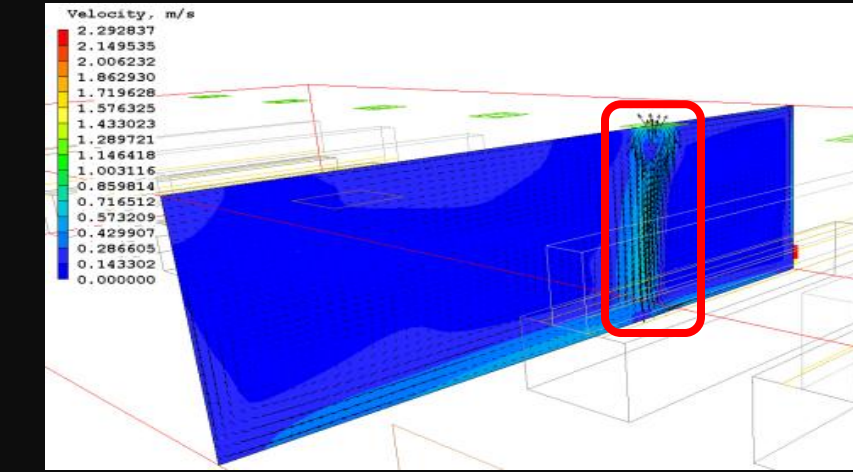
The **Active Chilled Beam** System provides a better mix **air distribution** than **VAV** system



VAV

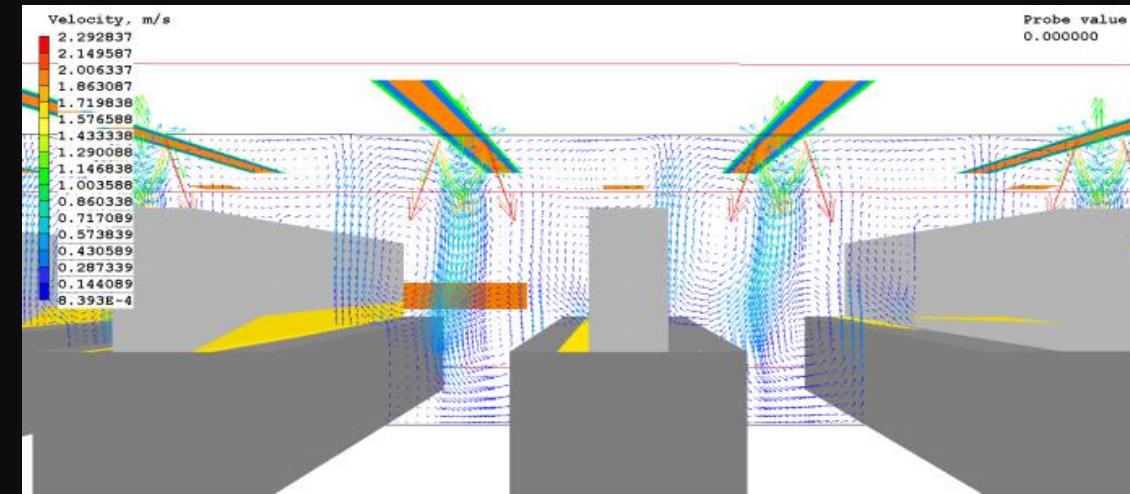


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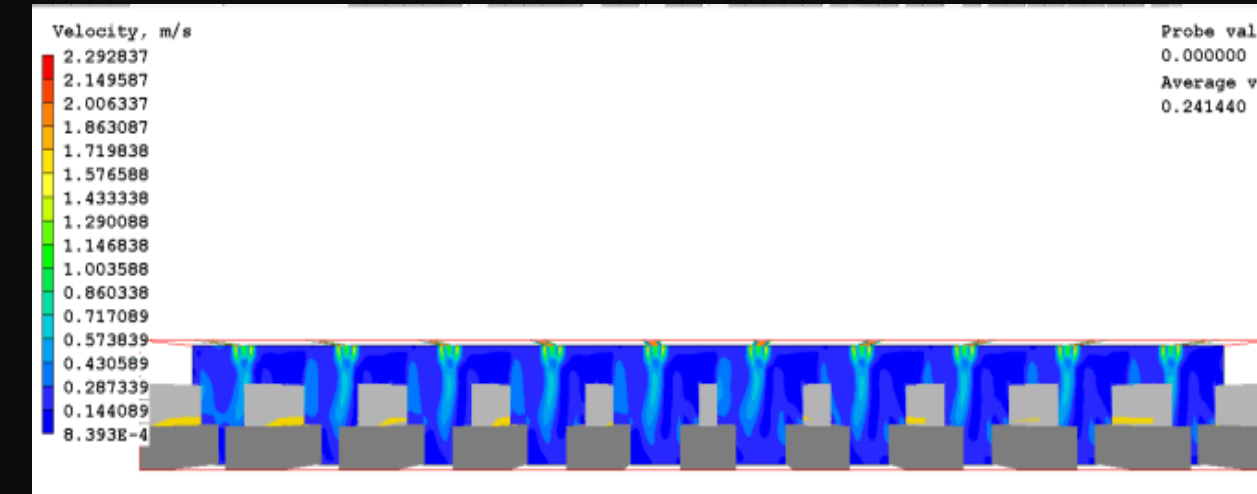


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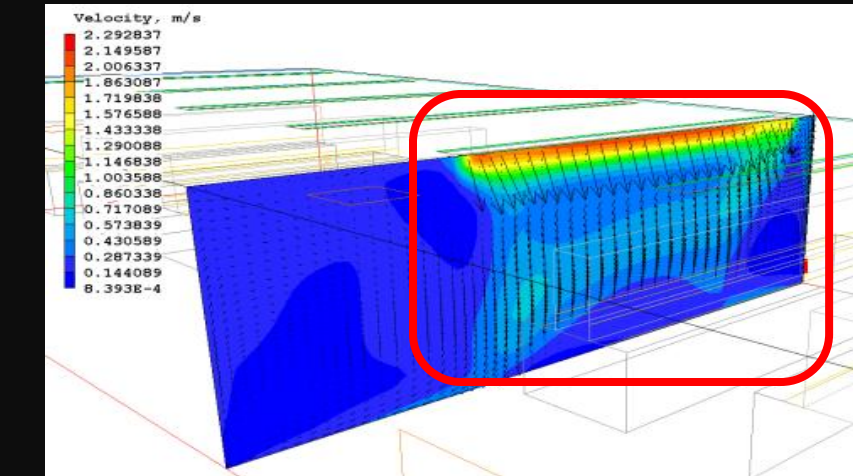
VAV : supply air is closely concentrated beneath the square diffuser



ACB



ACB



ACB

ACB : air flow along chilled beam to spread air around

Closer View

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Side View



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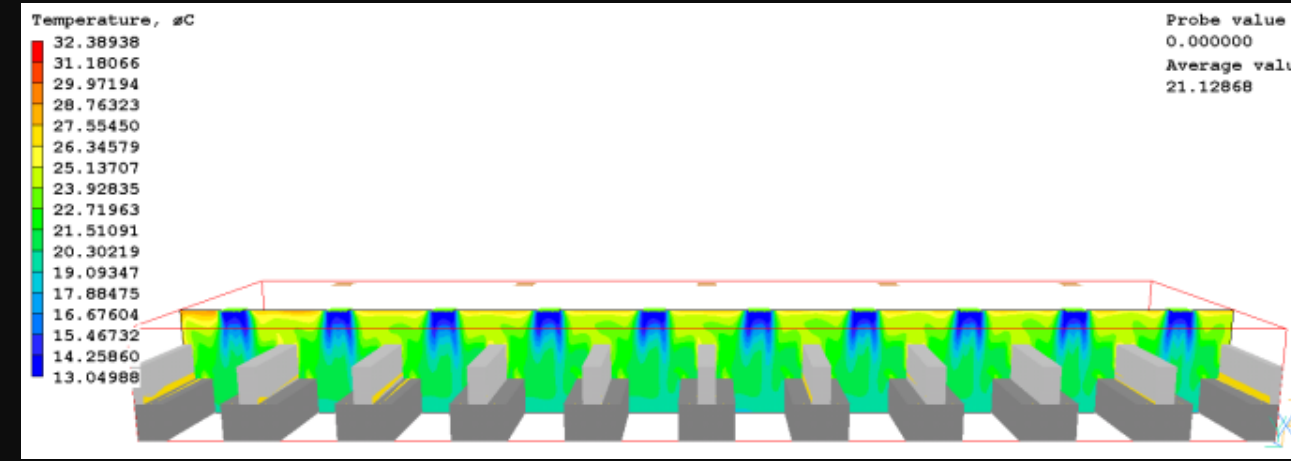
The **Active Chilled Beam** System provides a **more uniform temperature distribution** than **VAV** system

**ASHRAE**  
<5F (2C) difference from ankles to head  
To maintain **thermal comfort** and avoid **draft**

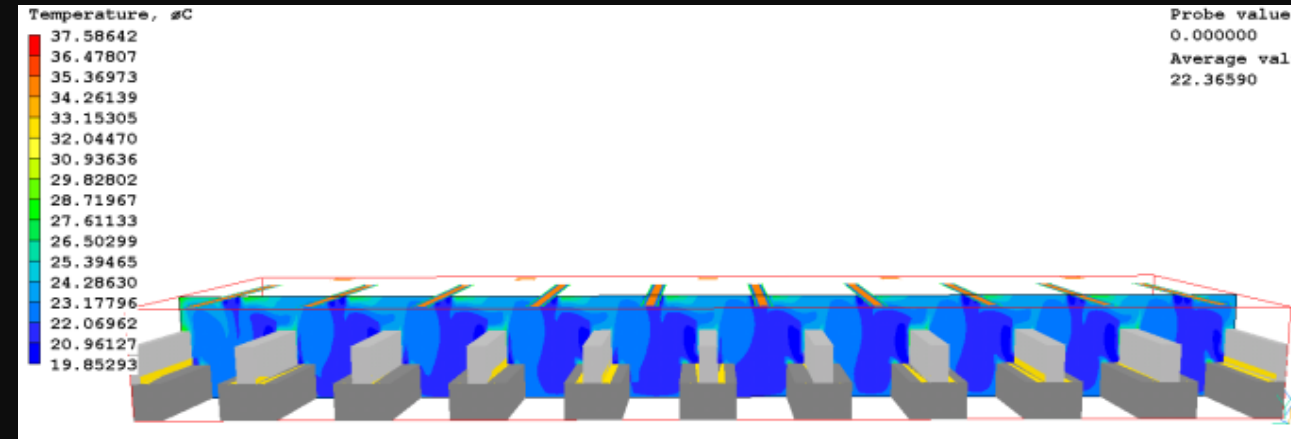
**VAV**  
3F (2C) difference from ankles to head

**ACB**  
0-2F (0-1C) difference from ankles to head

# Temperature Distribution Comparison



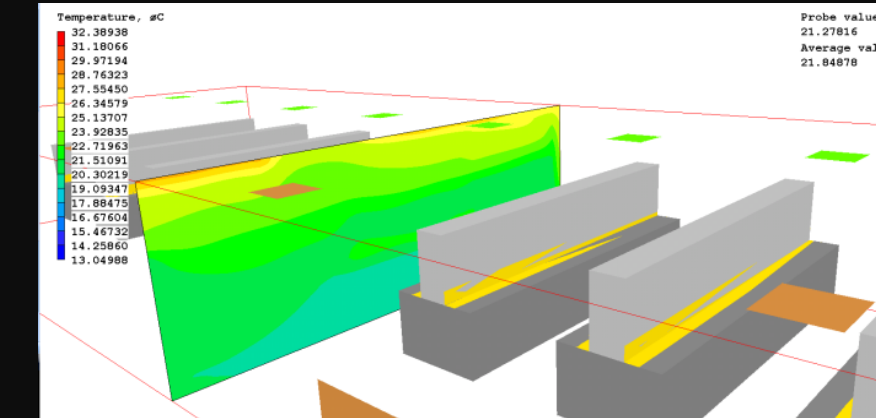
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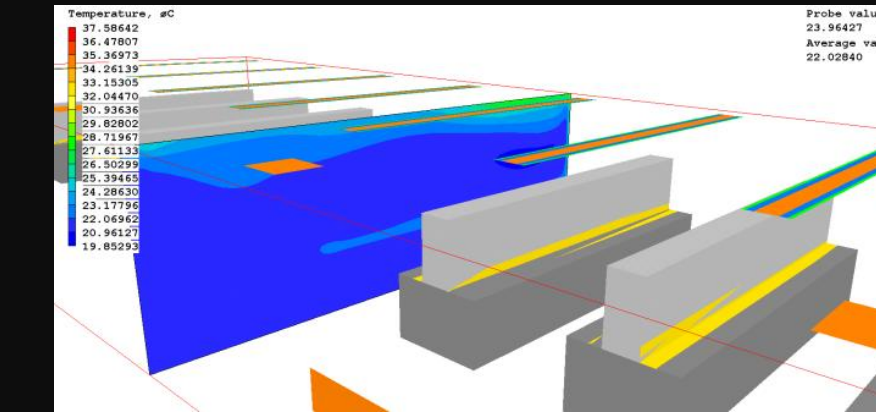
ACB

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The **Active Chilled Beam** System has a **smaller temperature gradient** than **VAV** system



VAV



ACB

Side View

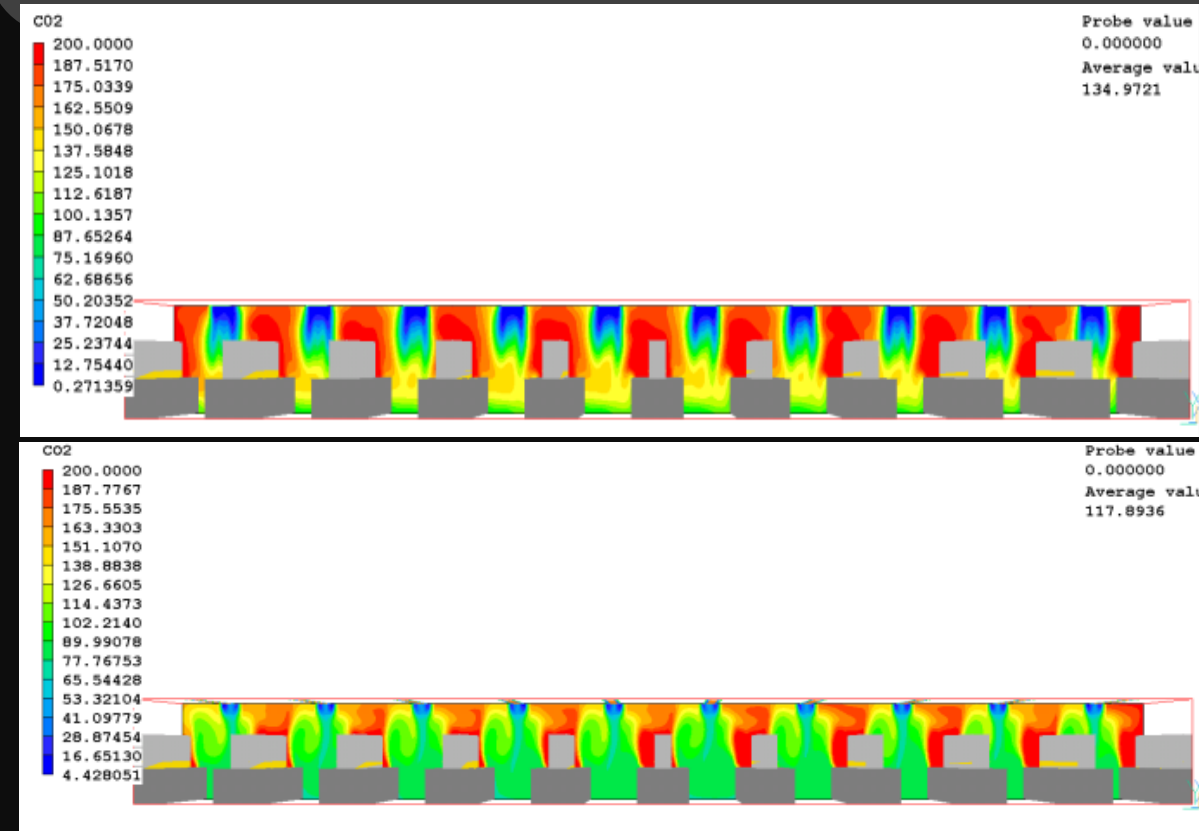


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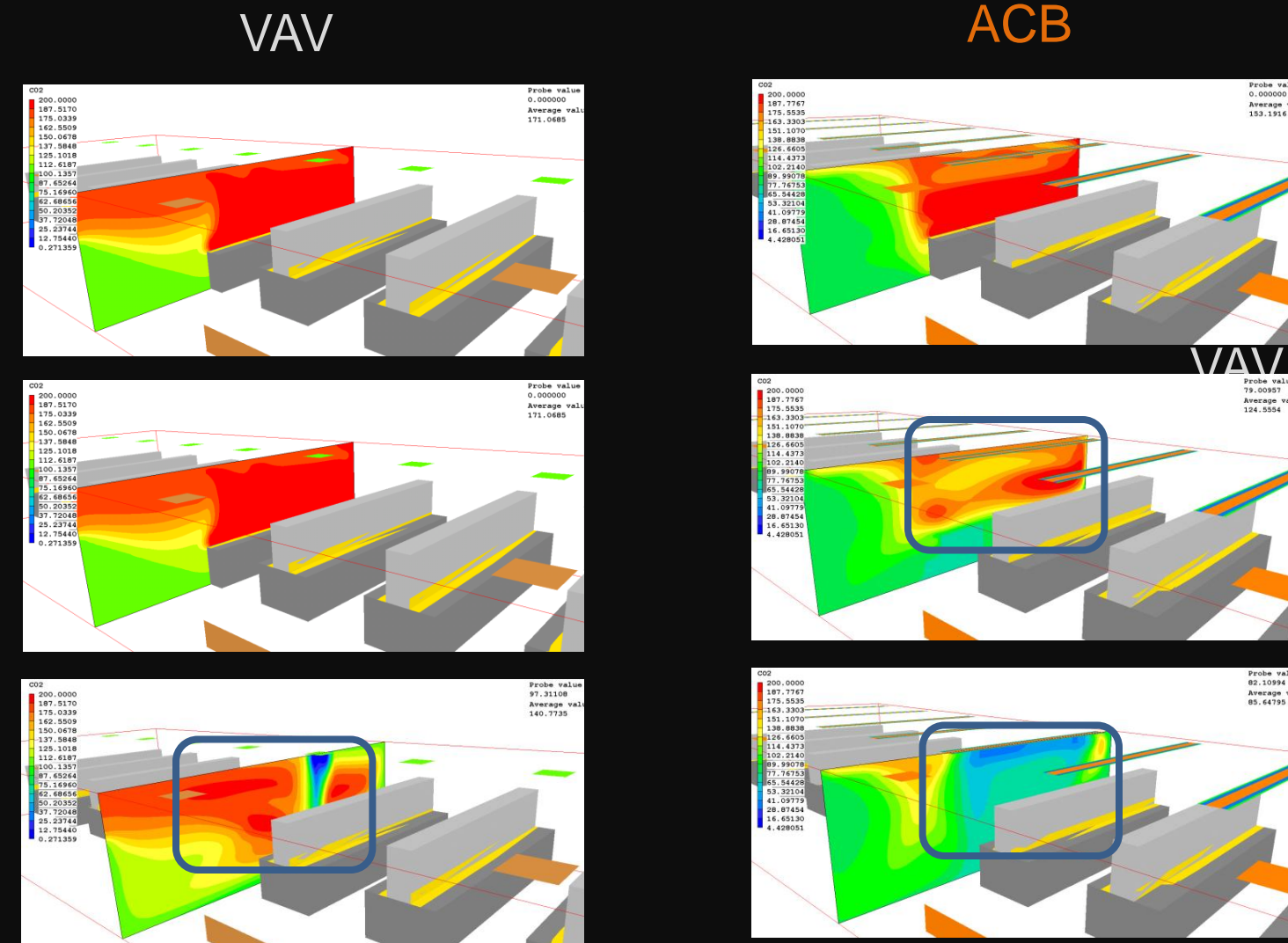
The **Active Chilled Beam** System provides **greater ability to remove airborne contaminant** from the space than **VAV** system

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# Contaminant Concentration Comparison



The **ACB** System achieves **75%** concentration reduction while **VAV** system has only **25%** reduction

	Source	Edge of Bench	Walkway
<b>VAV</b>	200 ppm	200 ppm	150 ppm
<b>ACB</b>	200 ppm	100-150 ppm	50 ppm



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The **DOAS + ACB** system cost **\$621,276** more in first cost than the **CAV/VAV** sys.

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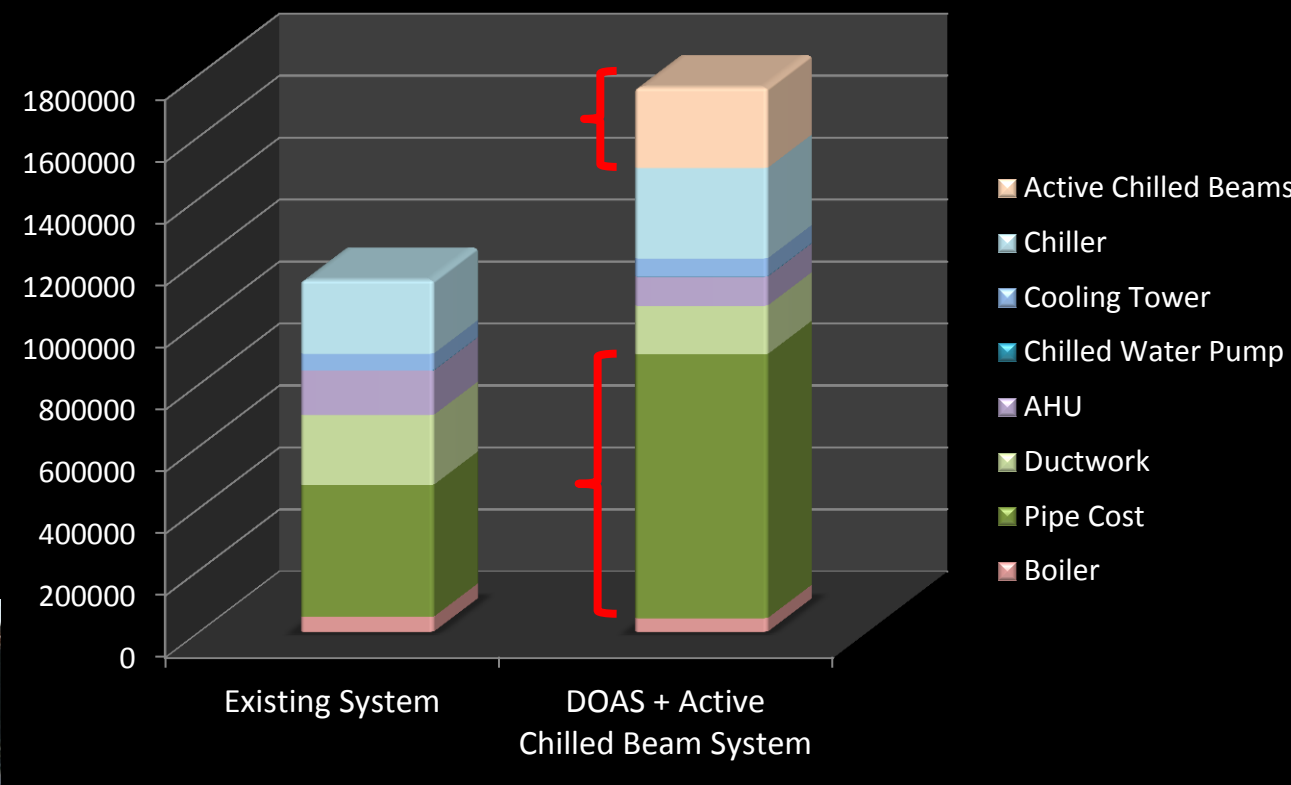
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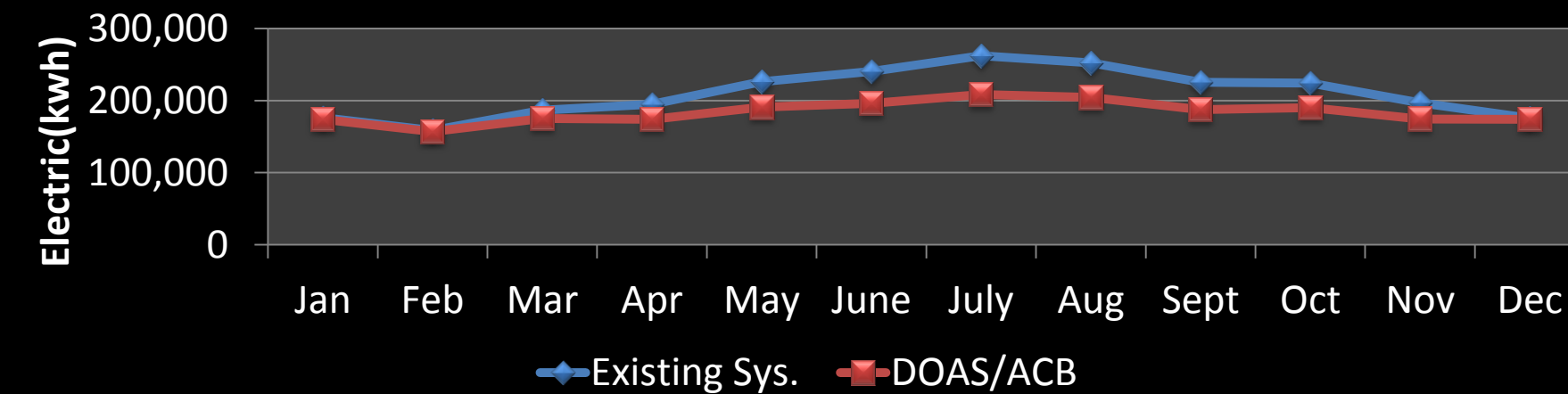
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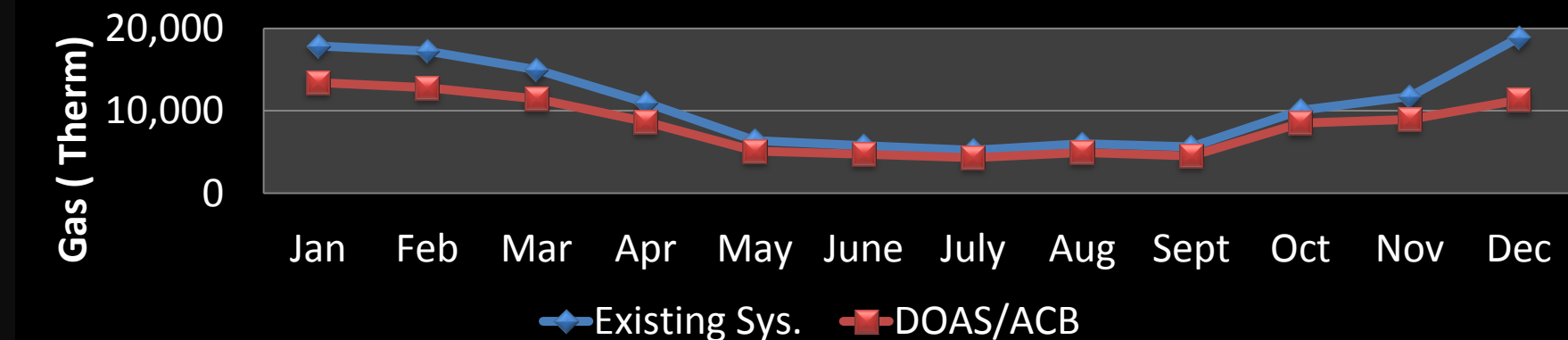
**First Cost**

The **DOAS + Active Chilled Beam** system Saves **12.5%** (313,789Kwh) **electricity** consumption in the summer & **24.5%** (32.098Therm) **gas** consumption in the winter when compared to the **existing CAV/VAV** system

## Electricity Consumption (Kwh)



## Gas Consumption (Therm)



The **DOAS + ACB** system has a simple payback period of **9 years 5 months**

**Initial Cost Difference: \$621,276**

**Annual Energy Saving: \$66,078**

**Simple Payback: 9 years 5 months**



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## Heat Recovery System Analyzed

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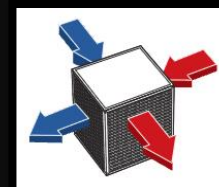
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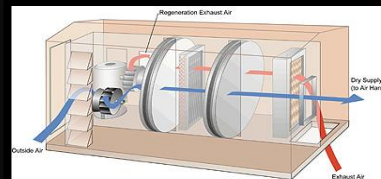
Heat Pipe



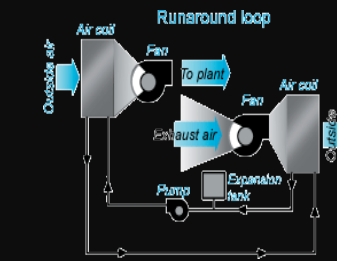
Fixed Plate



Enthalpy Wheel

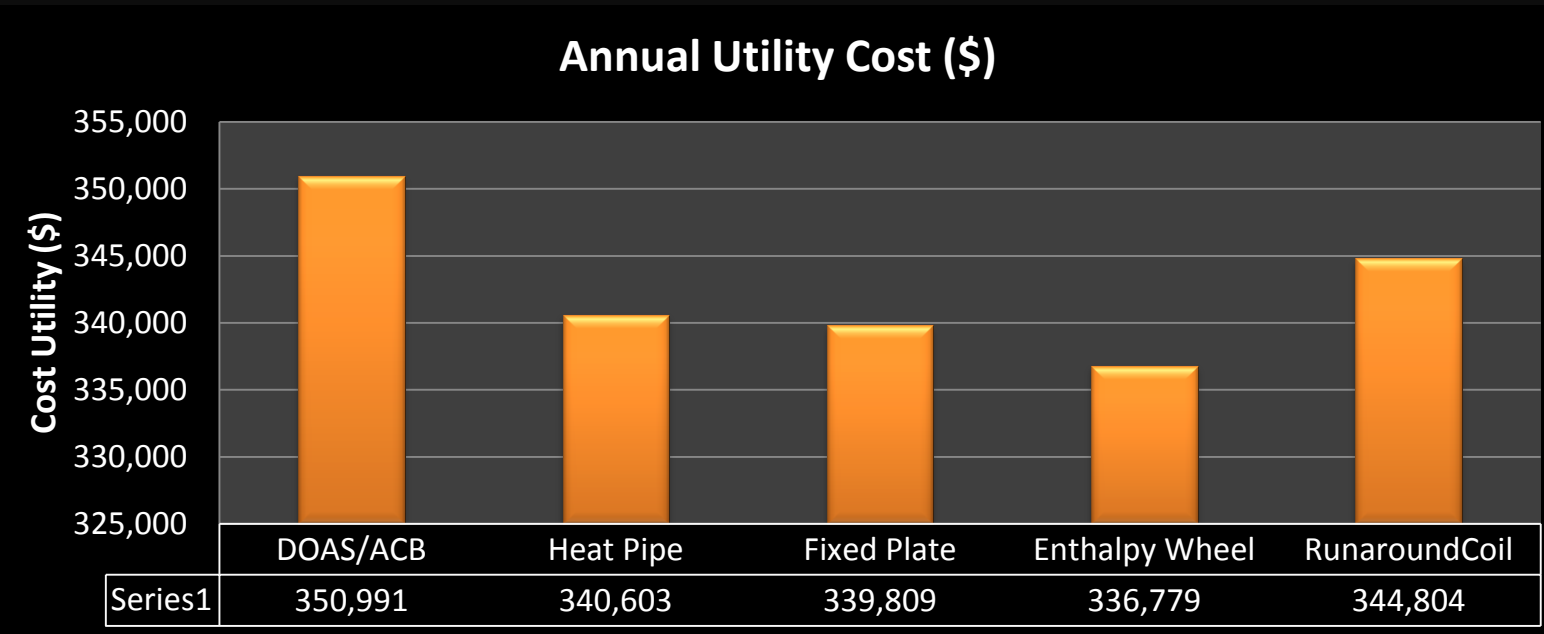


Runaround Coil Loop



## Utility Cost Comparison

All heat recovery systems are very **cost effective** with payback period of **0 to 5 months**



Simple Payback Calculation Comparison				
	DOAS + ACB Total Cooling Load (Ton)			
	Heat Pipe	Fixed Plate	Enthalpy Wheel	Run Around Coil
Simple Payback	5 months	0	0	0



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The **Runaround Coil** is chosen to be the **best suited** heat recovery system

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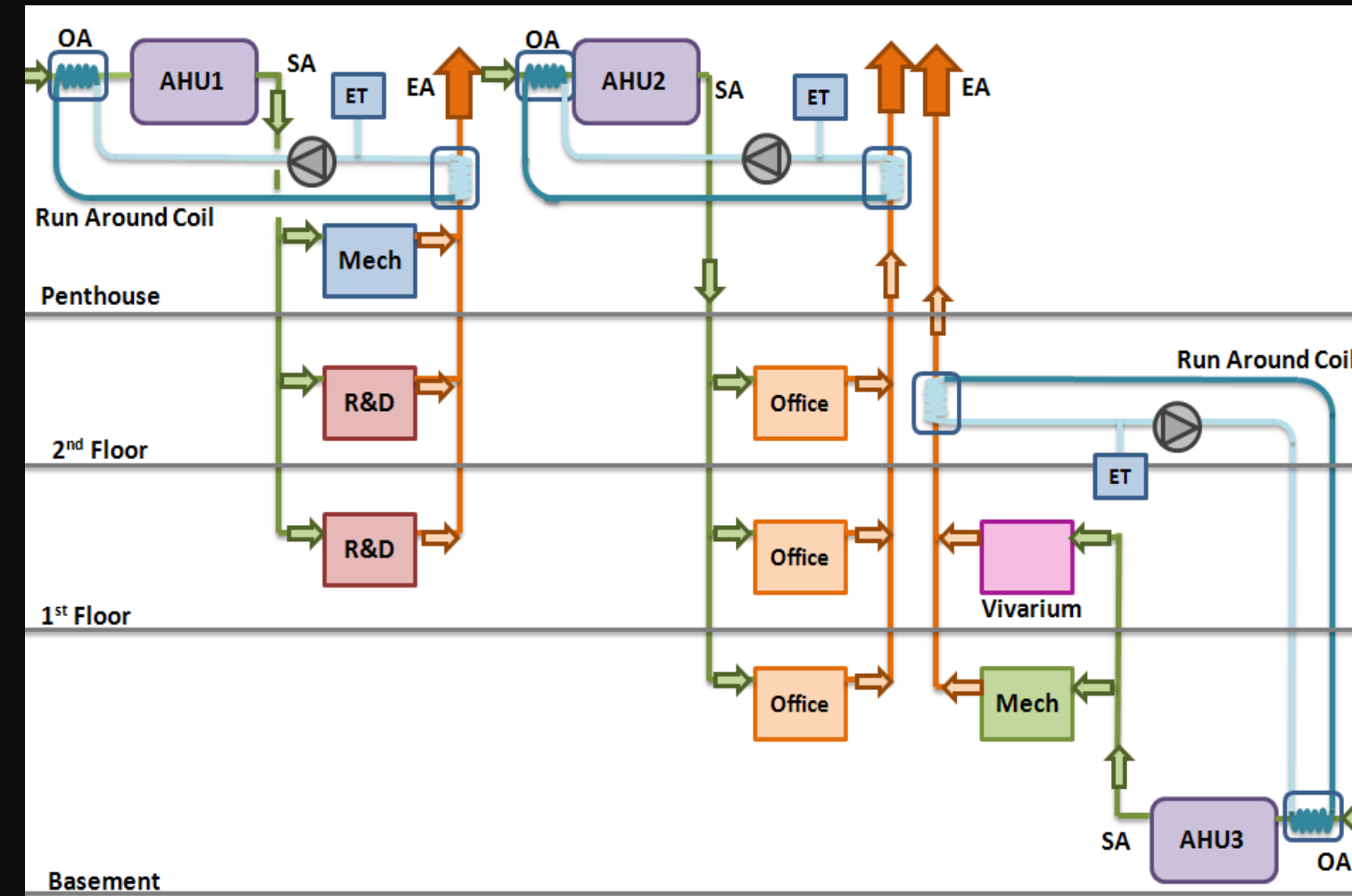
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### Systems Decision Matrix

	Heat Pipe	Fixed Plate	Enthalpy Wheel	Runaround Coil
Efficiency	48-53	64-67	71-79	50
Energy Recovered	Sensible	Sensible	S+L	Sensible
Cross Contamination	No	No	Yes	No
Duct Adjacencies	Needed	Needed	Needed	Not Needed
Maintenance (1:lowest – 4:highest)	1	3	4	2

## Runaround Loop Schematic



**Runaround Coil** system are chosen to implement on **all air handling units**

### Run Around Coil Loop System Simply Payback Calculation Comparison

	AHU1	AHU2	AHU3	AHU1,3	AHU1,2,3
Additional Cost(\$)	3,287	2,056	4,211	-48,702	-46,646
Operating Saving(\$)	3,743	9,320	4,143	6,188	12,524
Simply Payback	11 months	3 months	1 year	0	0



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East



North

South

West

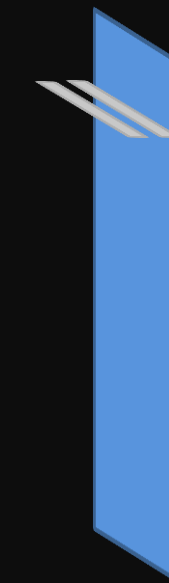
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Latitude:  $42^{\circ} 33' 29''$  N

Longitude:  $71^{\circ} 16' 9''$  W



# Solar Shading Systems



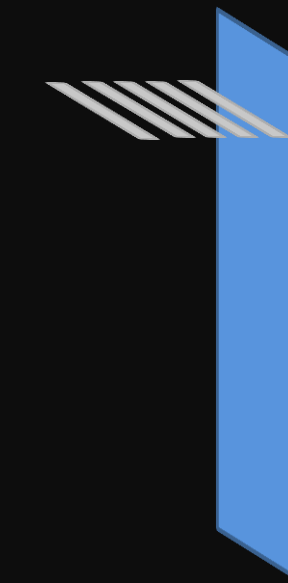
2ft



3ft



4ft



5ft



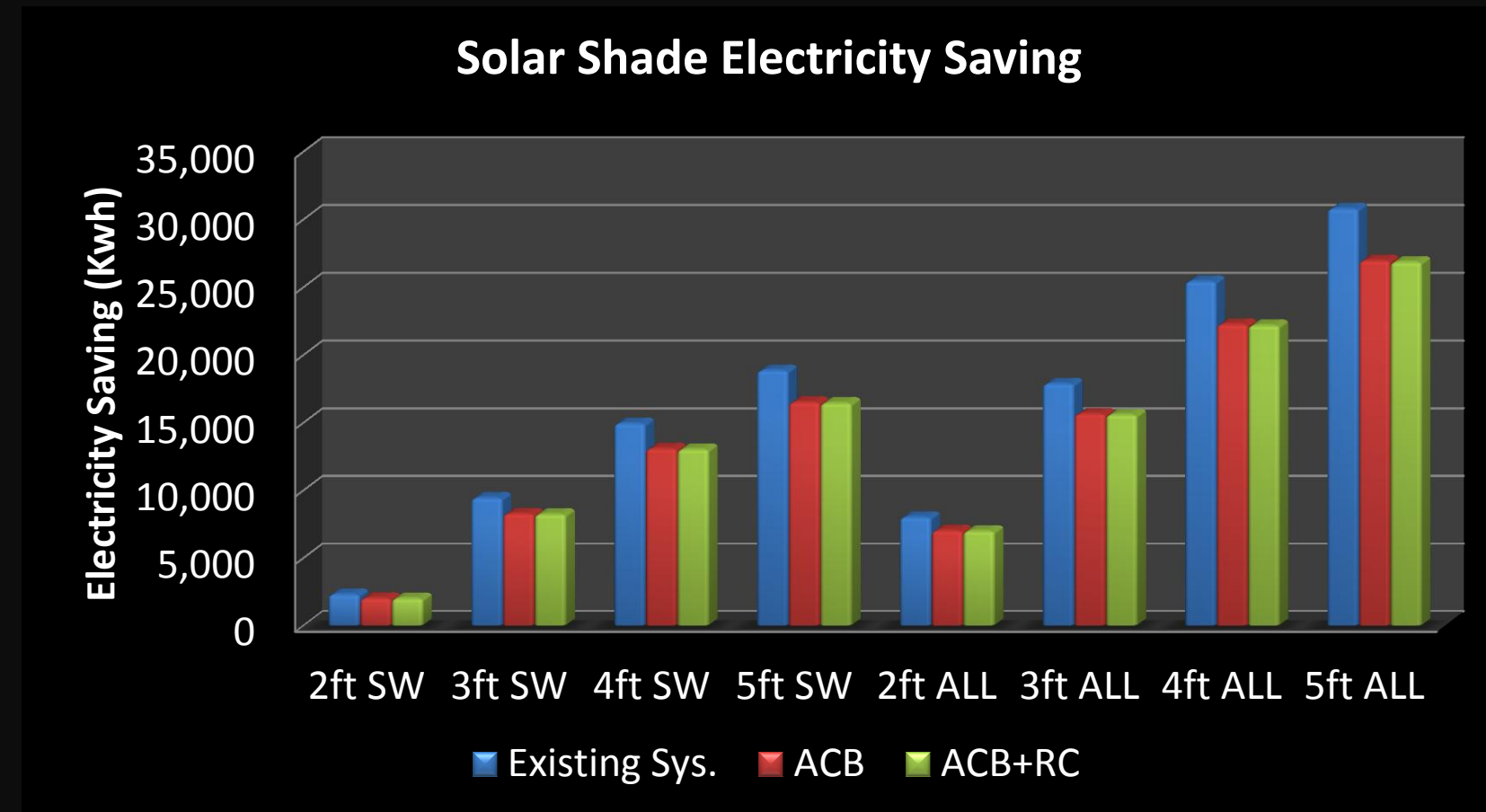
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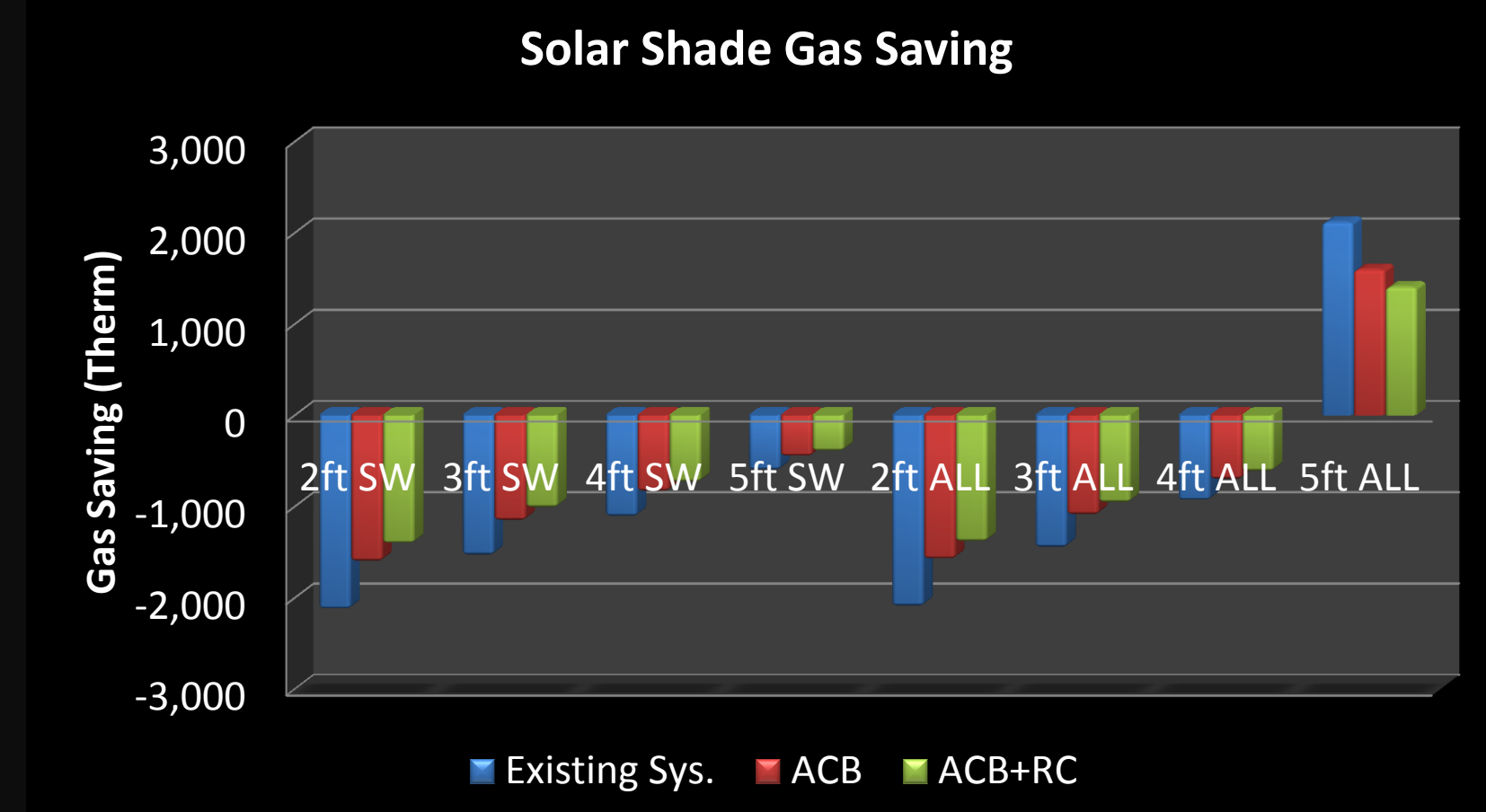
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Solar shading system reduces solar load in the summer  
→ **saves electricity** consumption



Solar shading system reduces solar parameter heating in the winter  
→ **penalty in gas consumption**

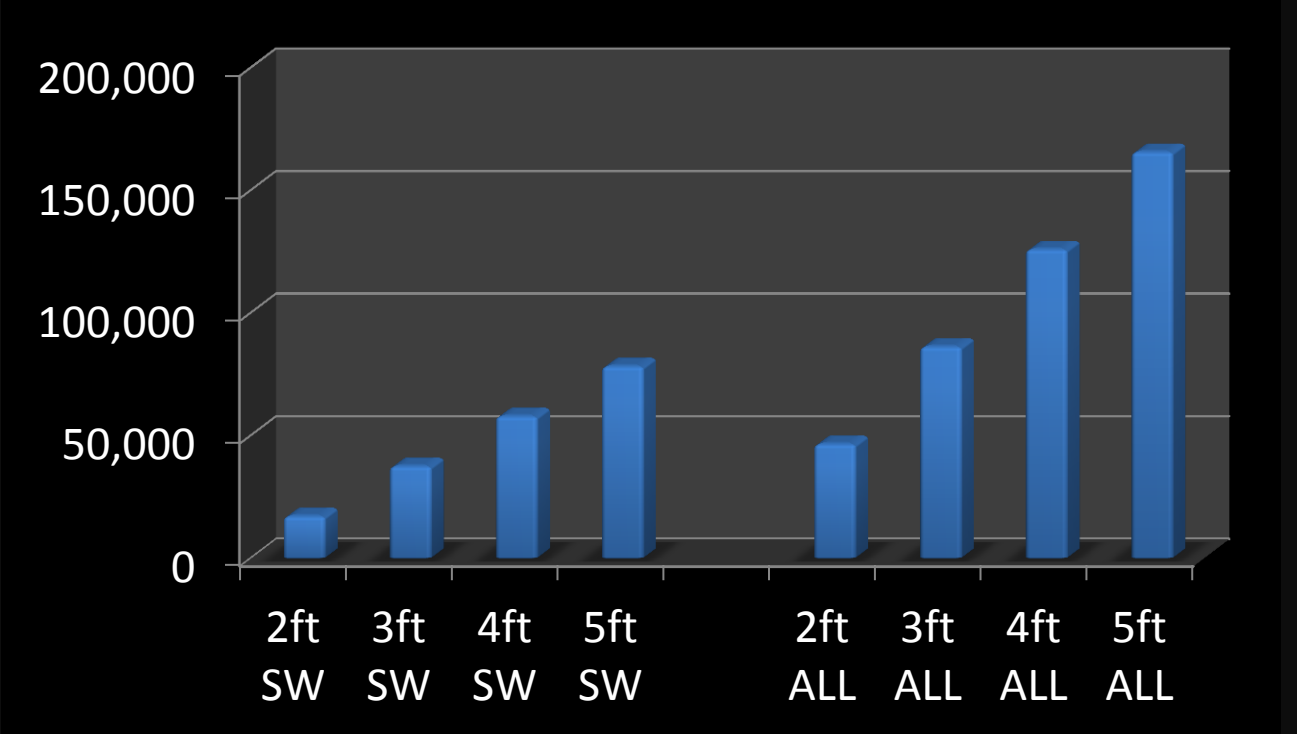


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**First costs** of solar shading system range from **\$17,066** to **\$165,568**

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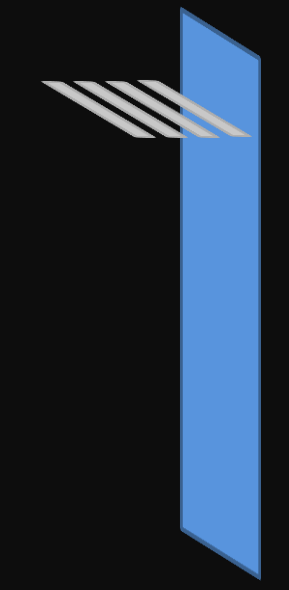


First Cost

**Payback Periods** of solar shading system range from **19 years** to **43 years**

Solar Shade System Simply Payback Period								
	Solar Shade on South & West Walls				Solar Shade on All Walls			
	2ft	3ft	4ft	5ft	2ft	3ft	4ft	5ft
Existing System	32	19	19	20	36	28	28	22
ACB	38	23	23	24	43	33	34	26
ACB + RC	40	24	24	25	45	35	35	27

**4ft** overhang is selected as the **optimal** system



4ft Overhang



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Existing



Solar Shade

North West Views

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Solar Shade

West Views



Existing



Solar Shade

South Views



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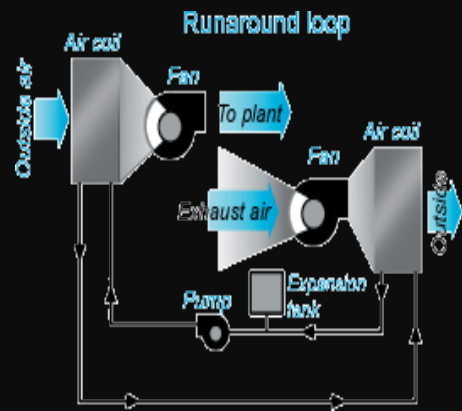
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4ft Overhang

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## Overall Simply Payback Calculation

	Existing System	DOAS/ACB	DOAS/ACB + Runaround Coil	DOAS/ACB + Runaround Coil + Solar Shade
Total	1,135,702	1,756,978	1,710,333	1,768,132
Cost Difference		621,276	574,631	632,430
Operating Saving		66,078	78,602	81,023
Simple Payback		9 years 5 months	7 years 4 months	7 years 10 months

## DOAS/ACB + Runaround Loop + Solar Shade

### 30-Year Life Cycle Cost Analysis

	Existing System	DOAS/ACB	DOAS/ACB + Runaround Coil	DOAS/ACB + Runaround Coil + Solar Shade
First cost (\$)	1,135,702	1,756,978	1,710,333	1,768,132
Maintenance Cost(\$)	4,044,980	56,235	57,935	57,935
Annual Natural Gas Cost(\$)	6,905,005	5,887,111	5,878,692	5,837,532
Annual Electricity Cost(\$)	2,449,416	2,098,641	1,932,969	1,919,440
Total	14,535,103	9,798,965	9,579,929	9,583,039

### DOAS + Active Chilled Beam

Minimize Outdoor Air Conditioning → Downsize Ducting and AHUs

Eliminate Reheat Energy → Downsize Hot Water System

More Efficient Chilled Water System

Better Air Mixing and Temperature Distribution

Greater Ability to Remove Airborne Contaminant → Better Indoor Air Quality

### Runaround Loop Heat Recovery System

No Cross-Contaminant Issue

3.5% Reduction in Energy Usage

Low Maintenance

### Solar Shading System

Energy and Cost Saving

Consistent and sustainable appearance to the Building





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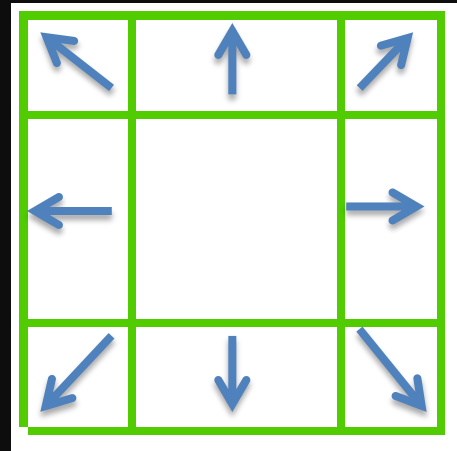
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## VAV Diffuser

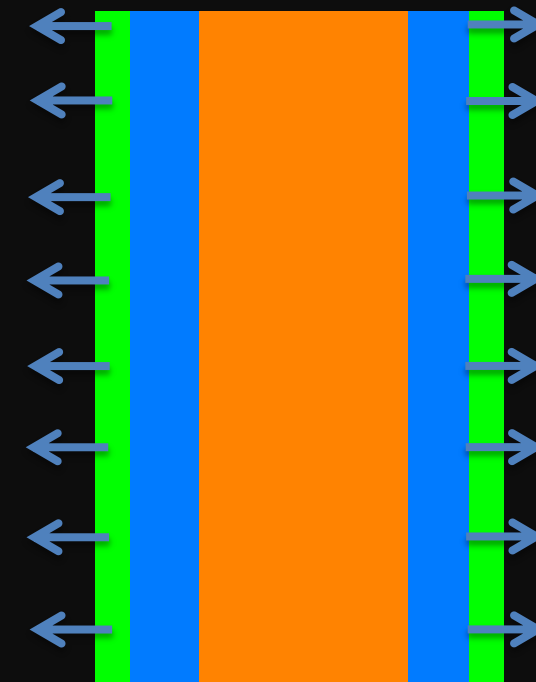


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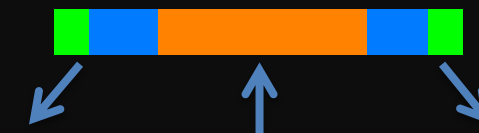


Cross Section

## Active Chilled Beam



Top View



Cross Section



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### Active Chilled Beam Selection Calculation

Primary Airflow (cfm)	Secondary Cooling (Btuh)	Available Length (ft)	CFM/LF	BTUH/LF
<b>3,324</b>	133,000	200	17	665

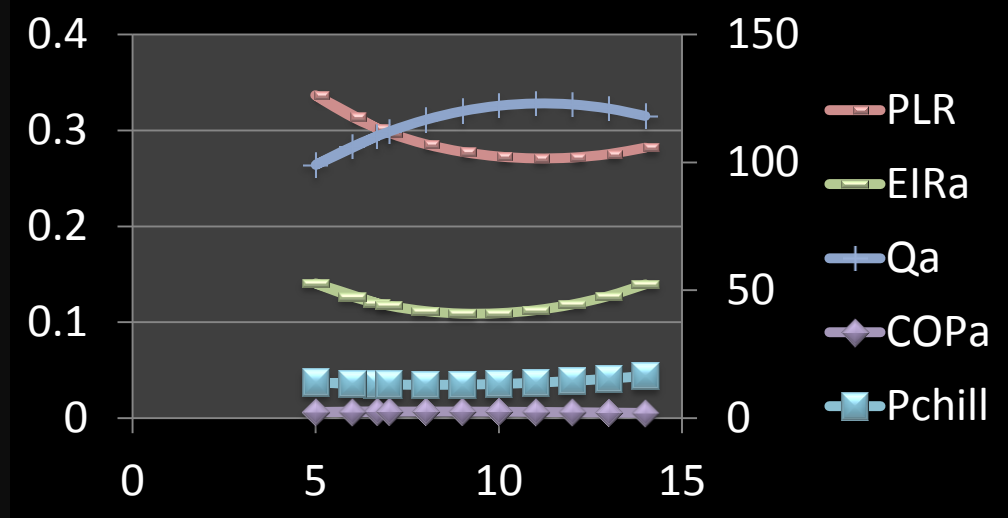
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## DOE2 polynomial model



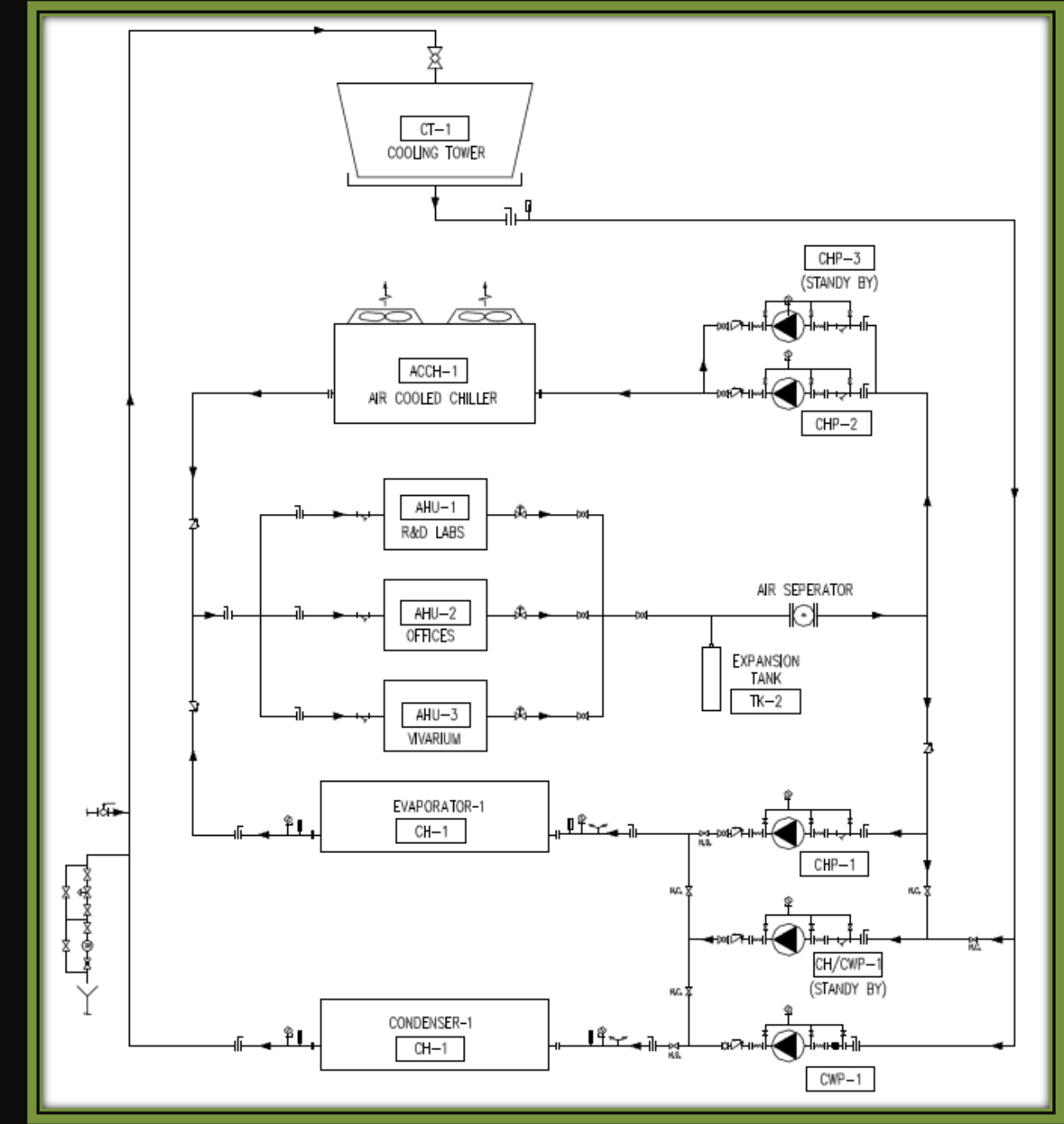
COP vs Tchwh and Tcond-e			Qr- 100 kV		100 COPr-2.75		0.363636	
	F1	F2	F3					
a	0.507883	1.03076	0.088065					
b	0.145228	-0.10354	1.137742					
c	-0.00626	0.007102	-0.22581					
d	-0.00112	0.009319						
e	-0.00013	0.000318						
f	-0.00028	-0.00104						

Tchwh	Tcond-e	Ql	Twb	Func 1	Func 2	Func 3	Qa	PLR	EIRa	COPa	Pchill
6.67	18	33.33	15	1.102258	0.801494	0.411448	110.2258	0.302379	0.119918	2.521562	13.218
5	18	33.33	15	0.990132	0.867348	0.445467	99.0132	0.336622	0.1405	2.395889	13.91133
6	18	33.33	15	1.061465	0.823156	0.423052	106.1465	0.314	0.126632	2.479628	13.44153
7	18	33.33	15	1.120286	0.793168	0.406571	112.0286	0.297513	0.117265	2.5371	13.13704
8	18	33.33	15	1.166593	0.777384	0.39469	116.6593	0.285704	0.111573	2.560689	13.01603
9	18	33.33	15	1.200388	0.775804	0.386562	120.0388	0.27766	0.109053	2.546099	13.09062
10	18	33.33	15	1.22167	0.788429	0.38166	122.167	0.272823	0.109423	2.493304	13.36781
11	18	33.33	15	1.230439	0.815258	0.379687	123.0439	0.270879	0.112561	2.406513	13.84992
12	18	33.33	15	1.226695	0.85629	0.380526	122.6695	0.271706	0.118488	2.293118	14.53479
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## System Decision Matrix

Item	Existing VAV/CAV System	DOAS/ACB System	Net for DOAS/ACB System
AHU	Large	Small	+
Ductwork	Large	Small	+
Riser	Large	Small	+
Ceiling Space	Large	Small	+
Pipework	Small	Large	-
Fan Energy	High	Low	+
Pump Energy	Low	High	-
Occupant Satisfaction	Low	High	+
Air Side System Cost	Low	High	+
Water Side System Cost	Low	High	-
Individual Control	Low	High	+
Thermal Comfort	Low	High	+
Noise Level	High	Low	+
Maintenance	High	Low	+
Risk of Condensation	Low	High	-
System Complexity	Low	High	+
Control System Complexity	High	Low	+
Overall			+





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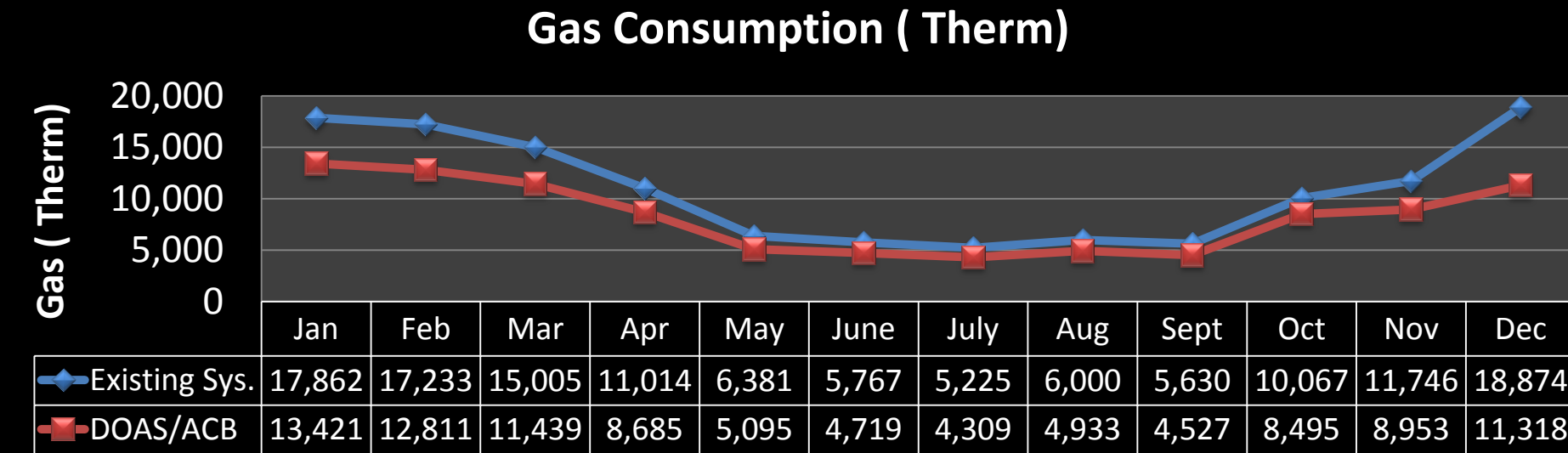
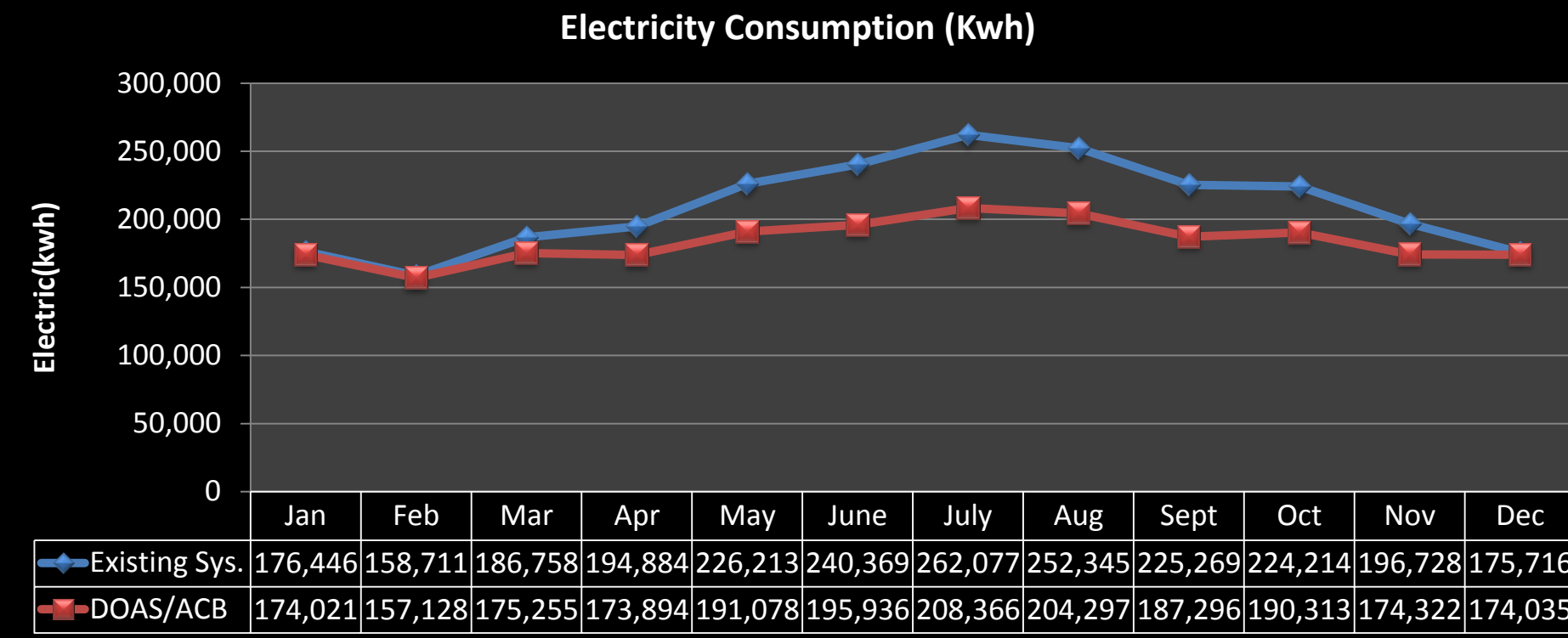
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The **DOAS + Active Chilled Beam** system Saves **12.5%** (313,789Kwh) **electricity** consumption in the summer

**24.5%** (32.098Therm) **gas** consumption in the winter when compared to the **existing CAV/VAV** system



### Air Flow Comparison

	Existing System	Active Chilled Beam System	
	Primary Airflow (cfm)	Primary Airflow (cfm)	Secondary Airflow (cfm)
AHU1	29,760	24,136	121,975
AHU2	34,876	12,679	70,411
AHU3	7,374	7,312	36,869
<b>Total</b>	<b>72,010</b>	<b>44,127</b>	<b>229,255</b>

**38%** (27883cfm) Outside Air Conditioning **Reduction**

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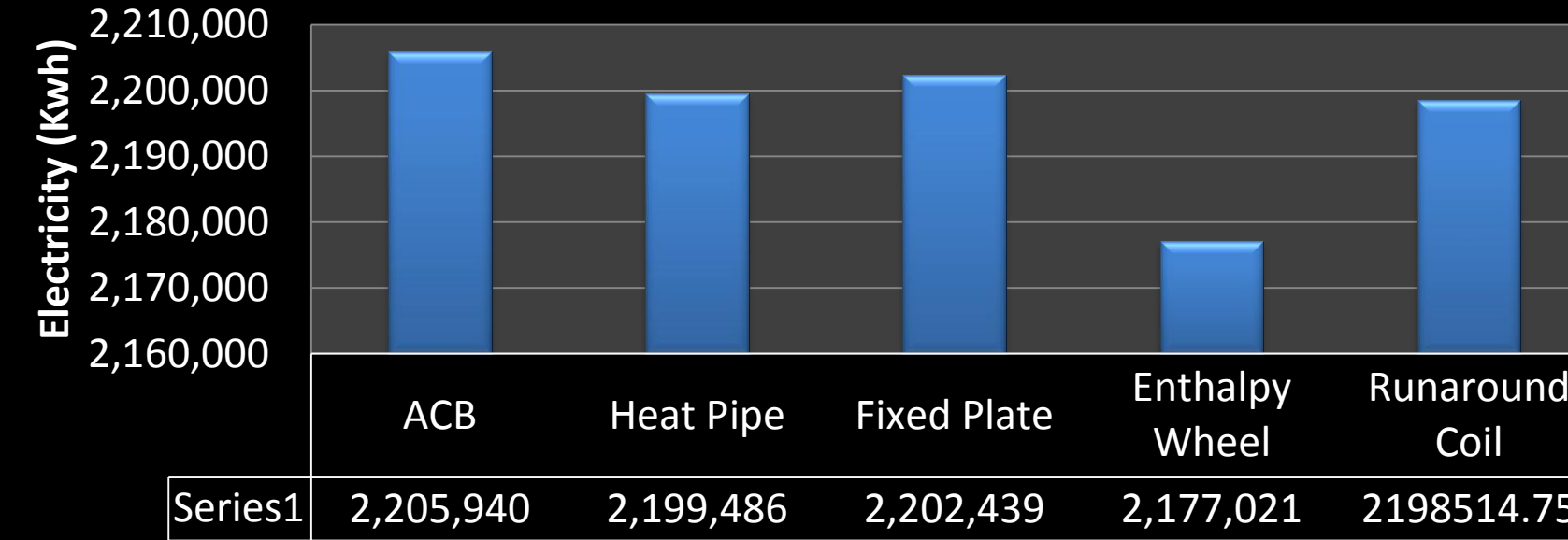
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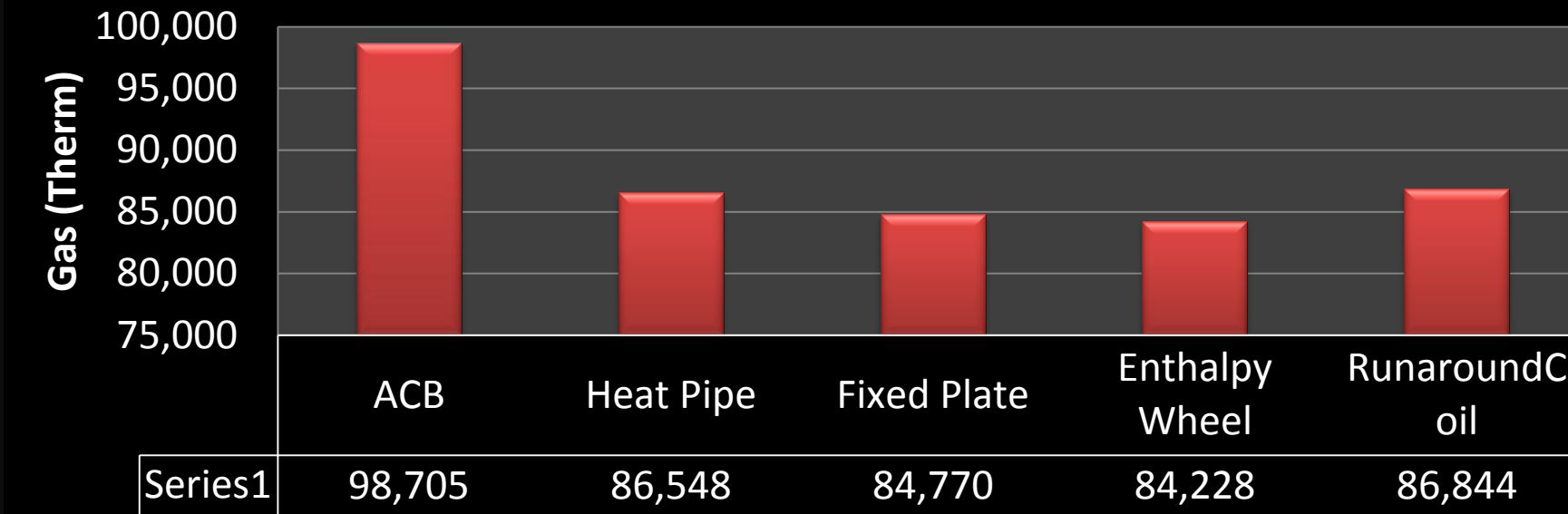
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### Annual Electricity Consumption (Kwh)



### Annual Gas Consumption (Therm)



### DOAS/ACB + Heat Recovery Systems Cooling Load Comparison

	DOAS + ACB Total Cooling Load (Ton)				
	No Heat Recovery	Heat Pipe	Fixed Plate	Enthalpy Wheel	Runaround Coil
AHU1+ACB	300	272	269	176	271
AHU2+ACB	87	87	87	87	87
AHU3+ACB	87	68	68	44	67
<b>Total</b>	<b>474</b>	<b>427</b>	<b>424</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>426</b>
<b>Difference</b>	-	47	50	166	48
<b>Difference %</b>	-	9.9%	10.5%	35.0%	10.1%

### DOAS/ACB + Heat Recovery Systems Heating Load Comparison

	DOAS + ACB Total Heating Load (Mbh)				
	No Heat Recovery	Heat Pipe	Fixed Plate	Enthalpy Wheel	Runaround Coil
AHU1+ACB	2221	1575	1425	1186	1603
AHU2+ACB	715	715	714	714	714
AHU3+ACB	640	349	316	258	353
<b>Total</b>	<b>3576</b>	<b>2639</b>	<b>2454</b>	<b>2157</b>	<b>2669</b>
<b>Difference</b>	-	937	1,122	1,419	907
<b>Difference %</b>	-	26.2%	31.4%	39.7%	25.4%



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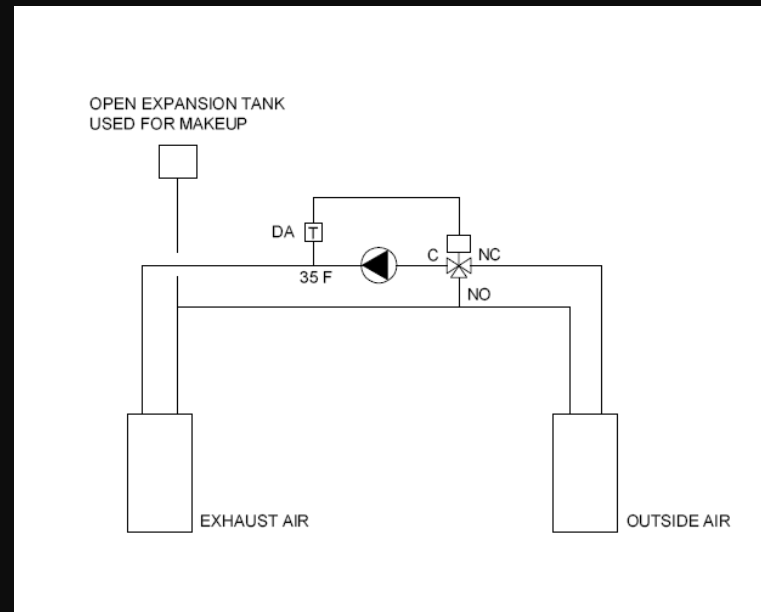
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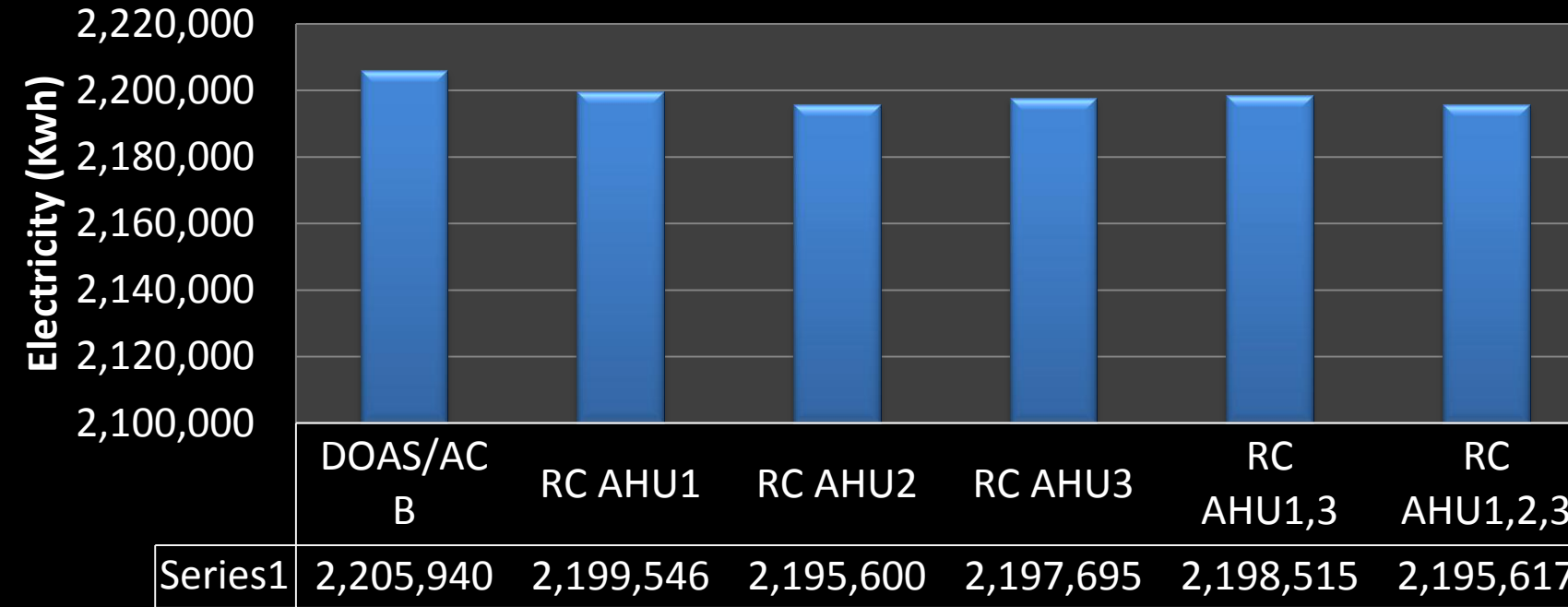
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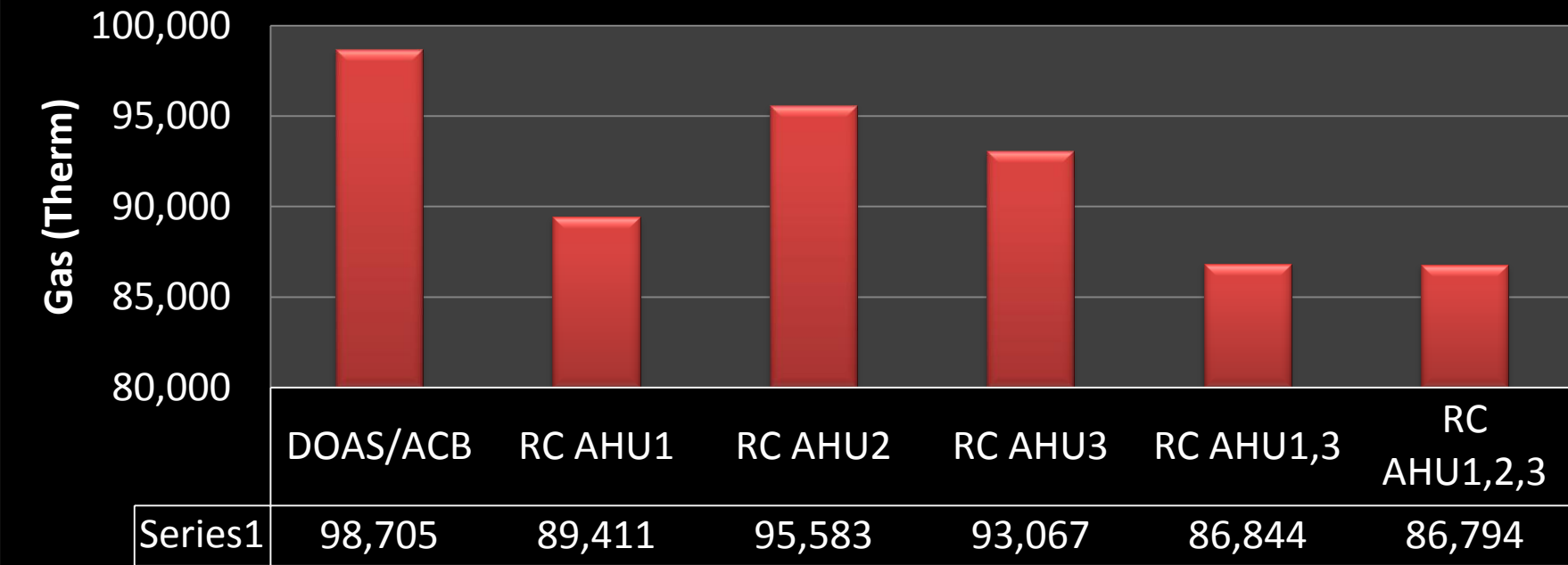
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## Annual Electricity Consumption (Kwh)



## Annual Gas Consumption (Therm)



## DOAS/ACB + Runaround Coil System Cooling Load Comparison (Ton)

	No Heat Recovery	With Run Around Coil Loop				
		AHU1	AHU2	AHU3	AHU1,2	AHU1,2,3
AHU1+ACBs	300	271	300	300	271	271
AHU2+ACBs	87	87	84	87	87	84
AHU3+ACBs	87	87	87	67	67	67
<b>Total</b>	<b>474</b>	<b>446</b>	<b>471</b>	<b>455</b>	<b>426</b>	<b>423</b>

## DOAS /ACB + Runaround Coil System Heating Load Comparison (Mbh)

	No Heat Recovery	With Run Around Coil Loop				
		AHU1	AHU2	AHU3	AHU1,2	AHU1,2,3
AHU1+ACBs	2,221	1,603	2,221	2,221	1,603	1,603
AHU2+ACBs	715	714	641	714	714	641
AHU3+ACBs	640	640	640	353	353	353
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,576</b>	<b>2,957</b>	<b>3,502</b>	<b>3,288</b>	<b>2,669</b>	<b>2,597</b>

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**621 Mbh** of energy can be **recovered** by the runaround loop system

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Recoverable Energy (Mbh)			
AHU1	AHU2	AHU3	Total
347	38	235	621

## Overall Simply Payback Calculation

	Existing System	Active Chilled Beam System	ACB with Run Around Coil	ACB + Run Around Coil + Solar Shade
Chiller	238,100	292,000	239,000	239,000
Cooling Tower	53,750	57,650	57,650	57,650
Chilled Water Pump	987	1,139	1,139	1,139
Ductwork (4\$/sf for VAV, 2.5\$/sf for ACB)	225,368	156,745	156,745	156,745
Active Chilled Beams (260 beams for ACB system, \$1000 each)	-	260,000	260,000	260,000
Runaround Loop Equipment	-	-	11,196	11,196
Solar Shading System (35\$/sf + 15% labor cost)	-	-	-	57,799
AHU	143,450	93,650	91,650	91,650
Pipe Cost (49.5\$/lf)	425,948	851,895	856,053	856,053
Boiler	48,100	43,900	36,900	36,900
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,135,702</b>	<b>1,756,978</b>	<b>1,710,333</b>	<b>1,768,132</b>
Cost Difference		621,276	574,631	632,430
Operating Saving		66,078	78,602	81,023
Simple Payback		9 years 5 months	7years 4 months	7 years 10 months

## Annual System Cost Analysis

	Existing System	DOAS/ACB	DOAS/ACB + Runaround Coil	DOAS/ACB + Runaround Coil + Solar Shade
First cost (\$)	1,135,702	1,756,978	1,710,333	1,768,132
Maintenance Cost (\$/yr. for existing system; \$/5years for redesign systems)	198,450	14,560	15,000	15,000
Annual Natural Gas Cost(\$)	296,098	252,449	252,088	250,323
Annual Electricity Cost(\$)	119,135	102,074	94,016	93,358

## 30-Year Life Cycle Cost Analysis

	Existing System	DOAS/ACB	DOAS/ACB + Runaround Coil	DOAS/ACB + Runaround Coil + Solar Shade
First cost (\$)	1,135,702	1,756,978	1,710,333	1,768,132
Maintenance Cost(\$)	4,044,980	56,235	57,935	57,935
Annual Natural Gas Cost(\$)	6,905,005	5,887,111	5,878,692	5,837,532
Annual Electricity Cost(\$)	2,449,416	2,098,641	1,932,969	1,919,440
<b>Total</b>	<b>14,535,103</b>	<b>9,798,965</b>	<b>9,579,929</b>	<b>9,583,039</b>

Uniform Present Value(UPV) discount factors adjusted for fuel price escalation for Massachusetts State OMB discount rate 1.9% from year 1 to 10, 2.7% discount rate from year 11 to 30.



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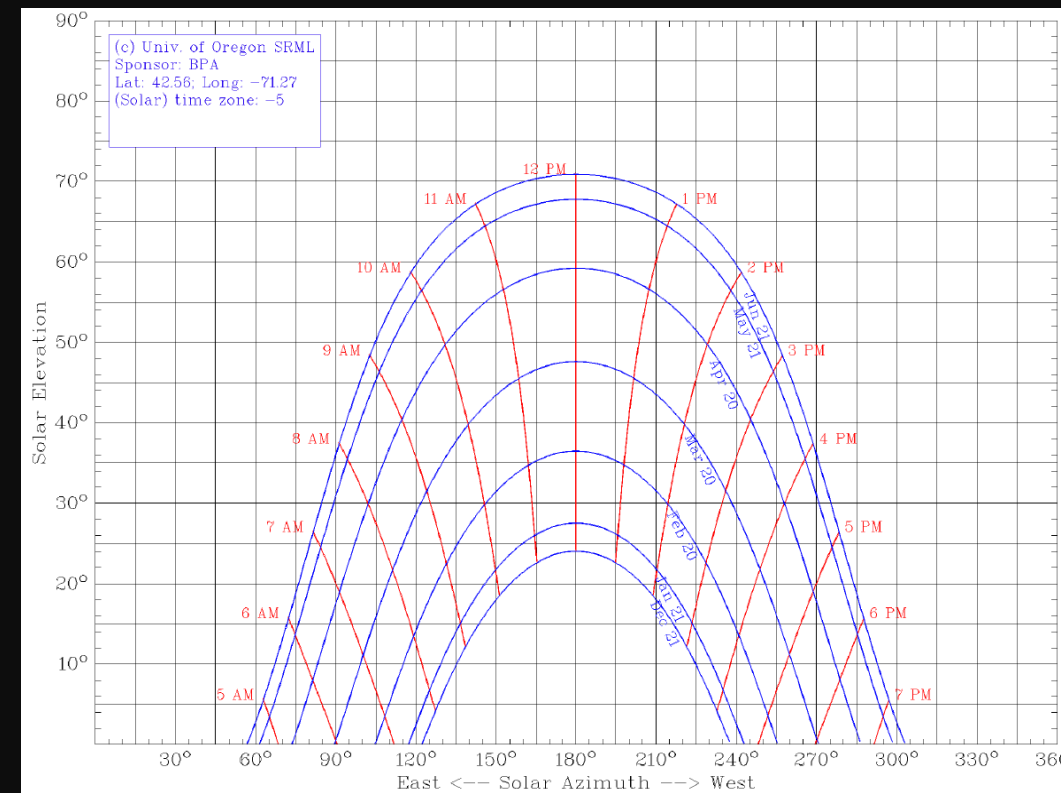
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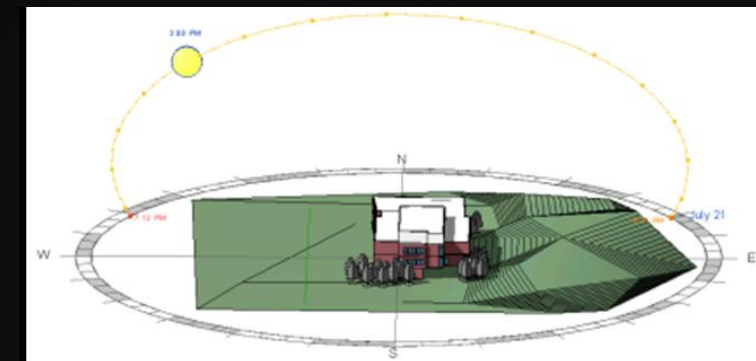
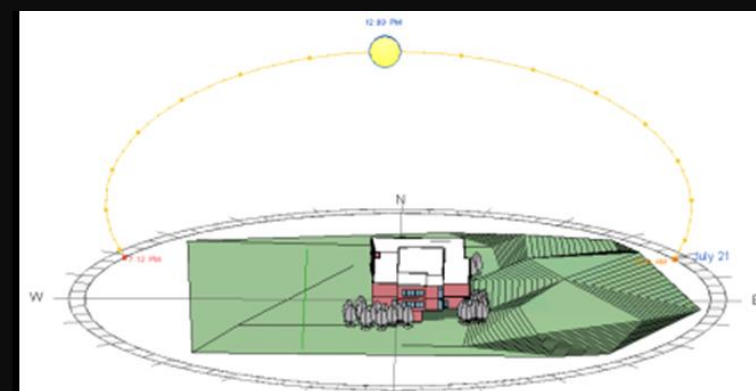
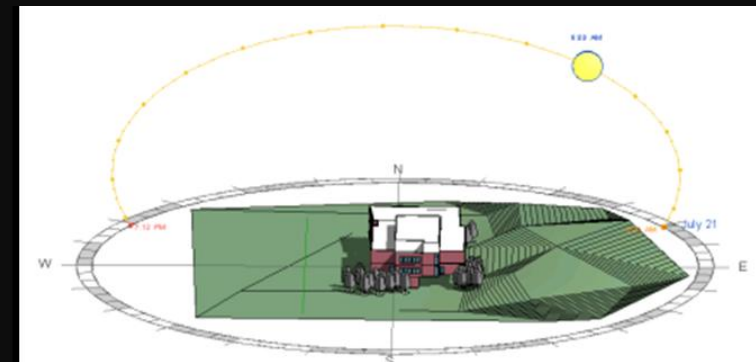
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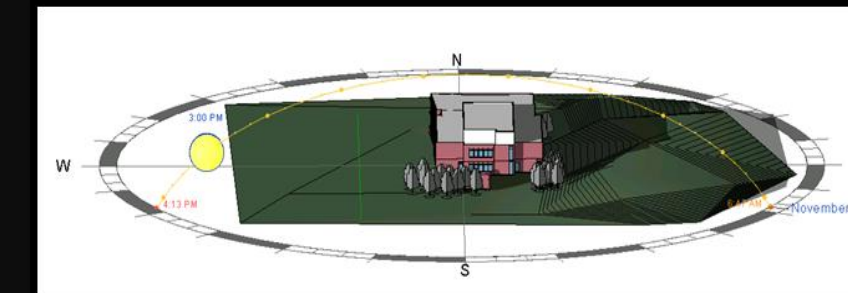
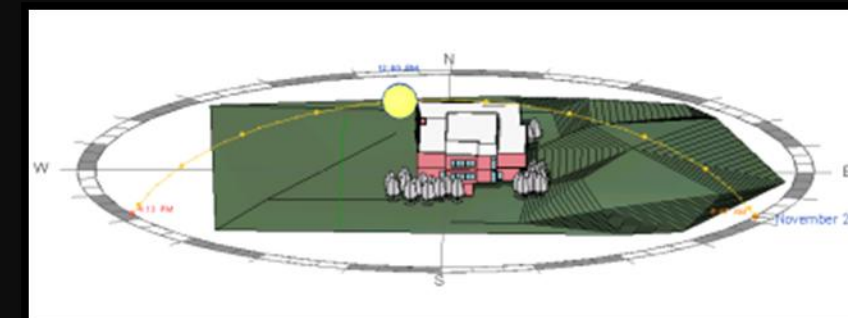
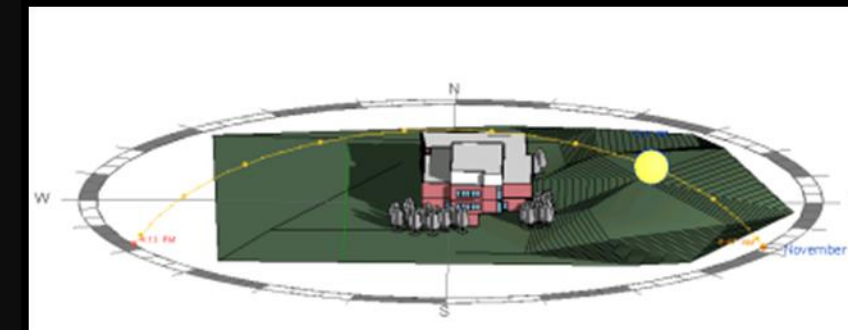
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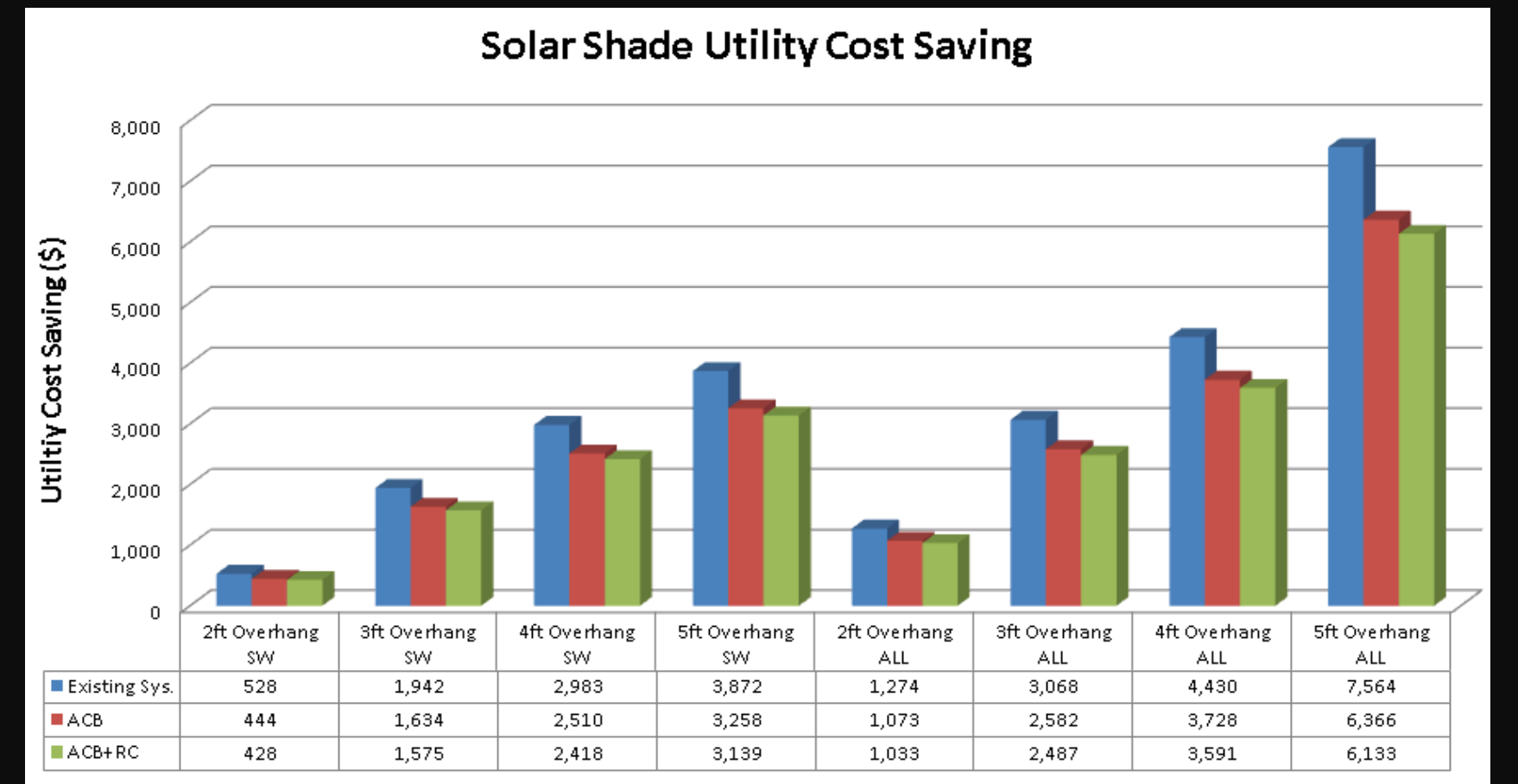
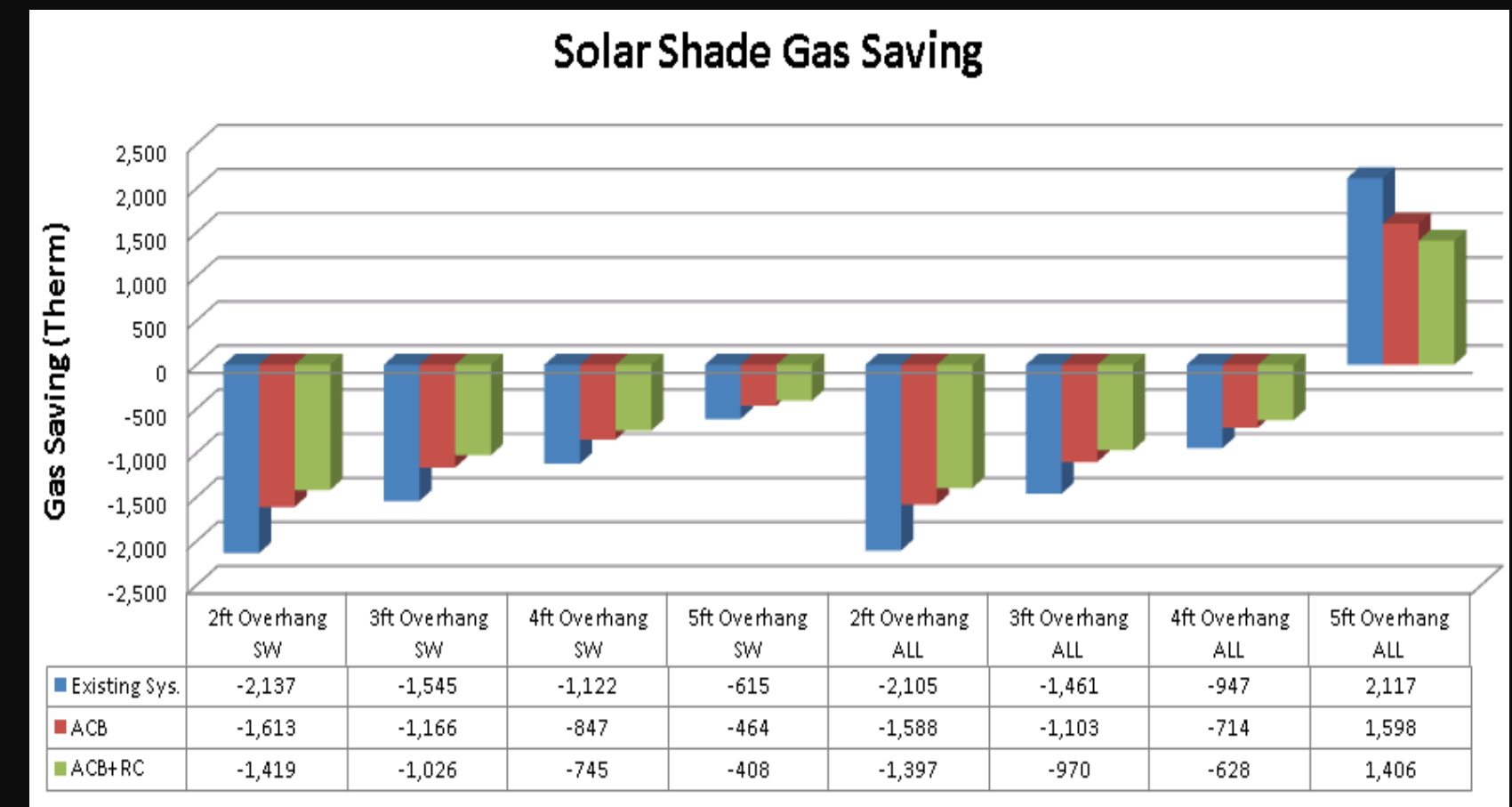
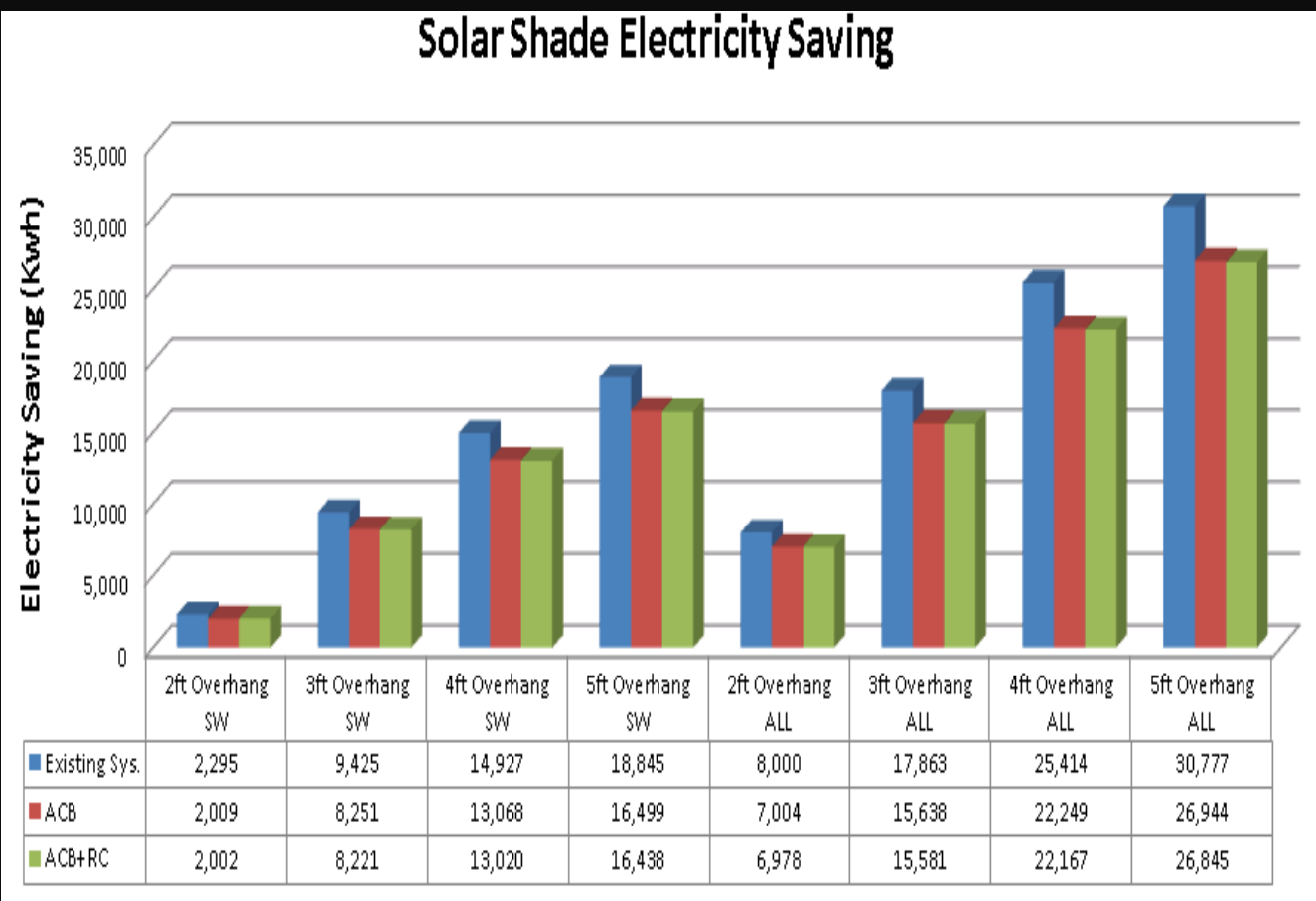
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### Solar Shade System Cost Analysis

	South & West Solar Shade				All Sides Solar Shade			
	2ft	3ft	4ft	5ft	2ft	3ft	4ft	5ft
<b>Total Length (ft)</b>	1,012	1,518	2,024	2,530	1,973	2,960	3,946	4,933
<b>Solar Shade Cost</b>	14,840	32,550	50,260	67,970	40,390	74,918	109,445	143,973
<b>Installation Cost</b>	2,226	4,883	7,539	10,196	6,059	11,238	16,417	21,596
<b>Total Cost (\$)</b>	<b>17,066</b>	<b>37,433</b>	<b>57,799</b>	<b>78,166</b>	<b>46,449</b>	<b>86,155</b>	<b>125,862</b>	<b>165,568</b>



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Optimize Energy Performance

Controllability of Systems – Thermal Comfort

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Measurement and Verification

Outdoor Air Delivery Monitoring

Thermal Comfort - Verification