

**LOCATION:** Penn State Behrend Knowledge Park Erie, PA

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Architectural Engineering Mechanical Option

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# Proposal

- Mechanical Depth
  - Geothermal System

- > Acoustical Breadth
  - Potential Solutions to Existing Noise Problems

- > Electrical Breadth
  - Solar Panel Design

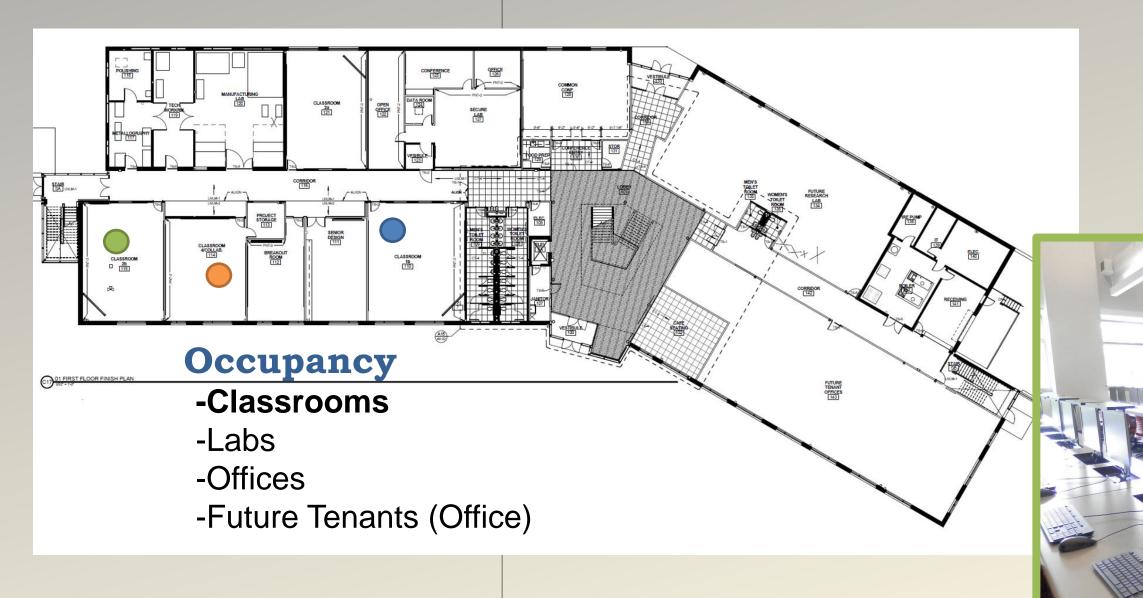
# Goals





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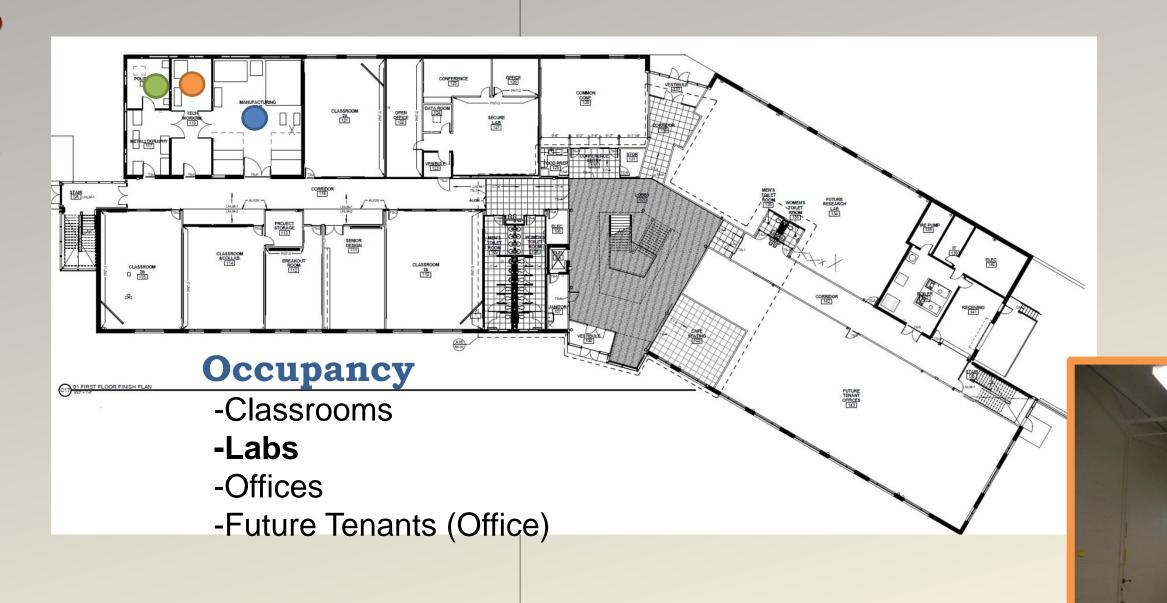
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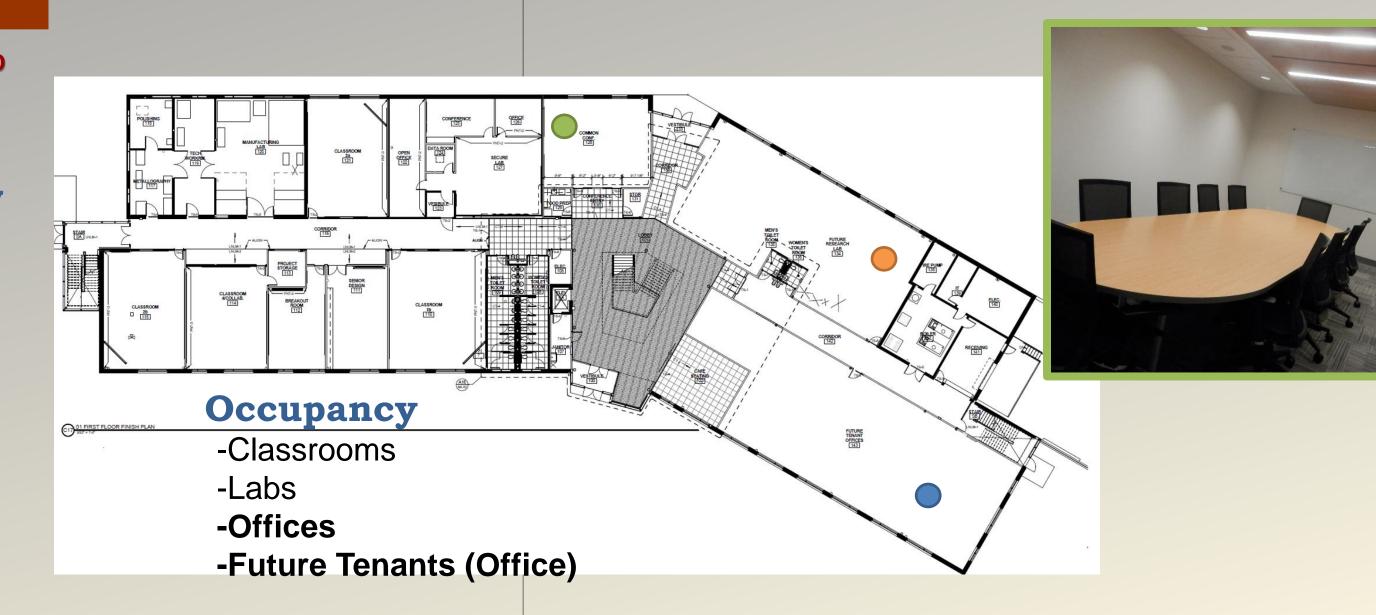






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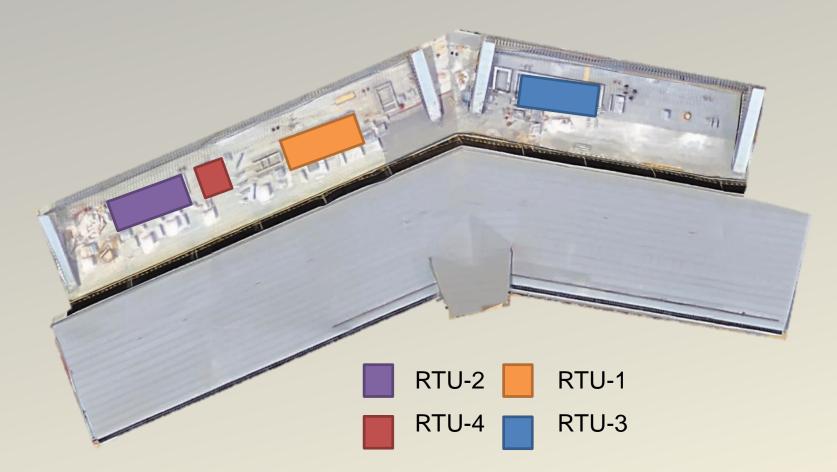
### Air Side:

4 RTU's to VAV boxes at each zone

### Water Side:

2 gas fired boilers to radiant wall panels and fin tubes

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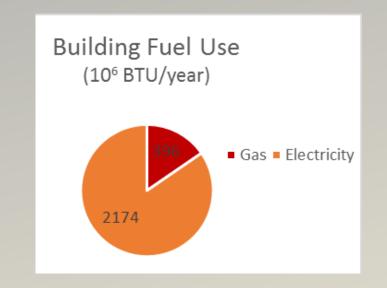


RTU-XX	LOCATION	MAX CFM	% OA
RTU-1	Left Wing First Floor	13,500	30
RTU-2	Left Wing Second Floor	16,800	26
RTU-3	Right Wing	28,330	20
RTU-4	Secure Lab	3,000	10



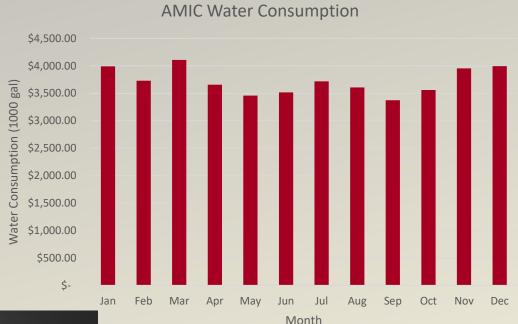
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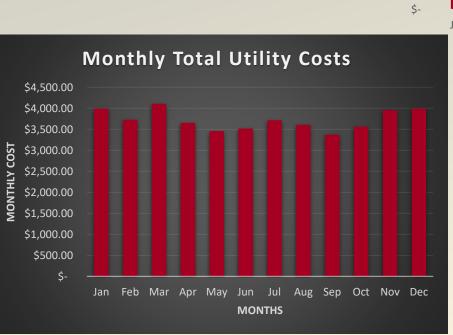
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Annual Electric Cost: \$85,364

# **Existing Mechanical System**







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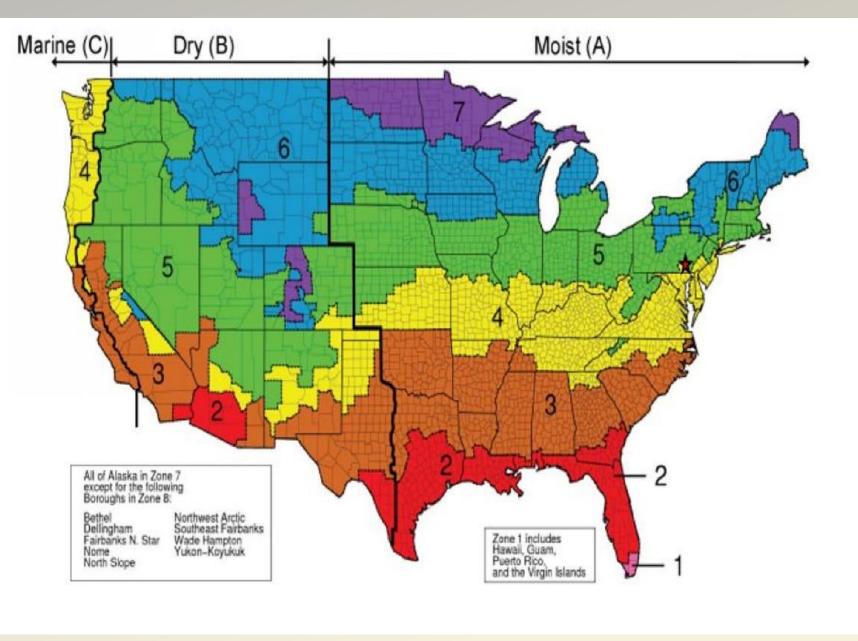
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# Climate Zone 5-A

**Ground Temperature** 

# Geothermal System



# **Ground Source Heat Pump System**

- Location
  Erie, PA
- Climate
  Cool and Humid
- Year-round 52 °F

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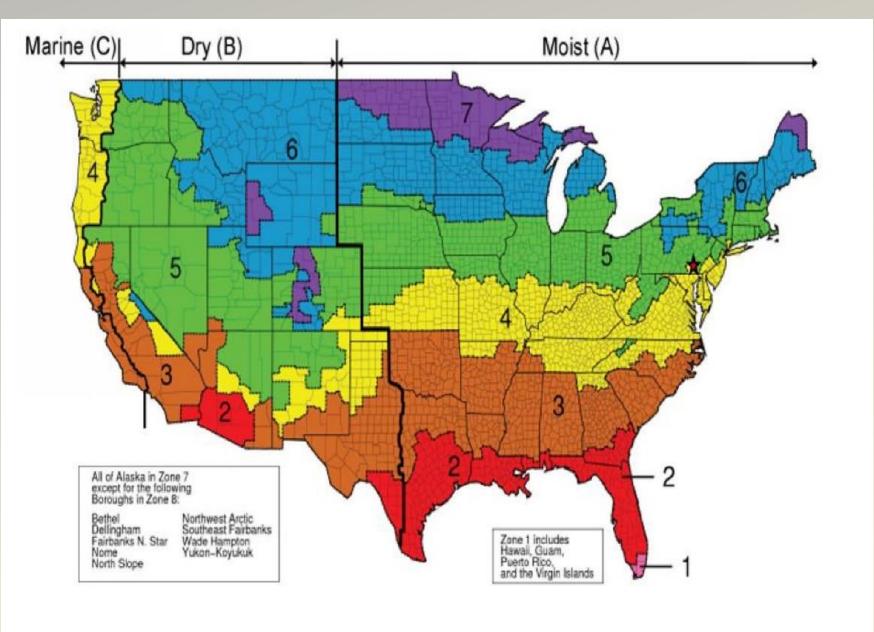
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# **Ground Temperature**

Year-round: 52 °F

# Geothermal System



# Ground Source Heat Pump System

Advantages vs Disadvantages

# ➤ Open Loop

- Lower initial cost
- Consistent entering water temperature
- Water quality
- Environmental concerns at the discharge location
- Increased well pump usage
- Required discharge location

# Closed Loop

- + Control over water quality
- + Less overall maintenance
- + Zero energy consumption from the well pump
- High initial cost
- Large area for system
- Lower entering water temperature

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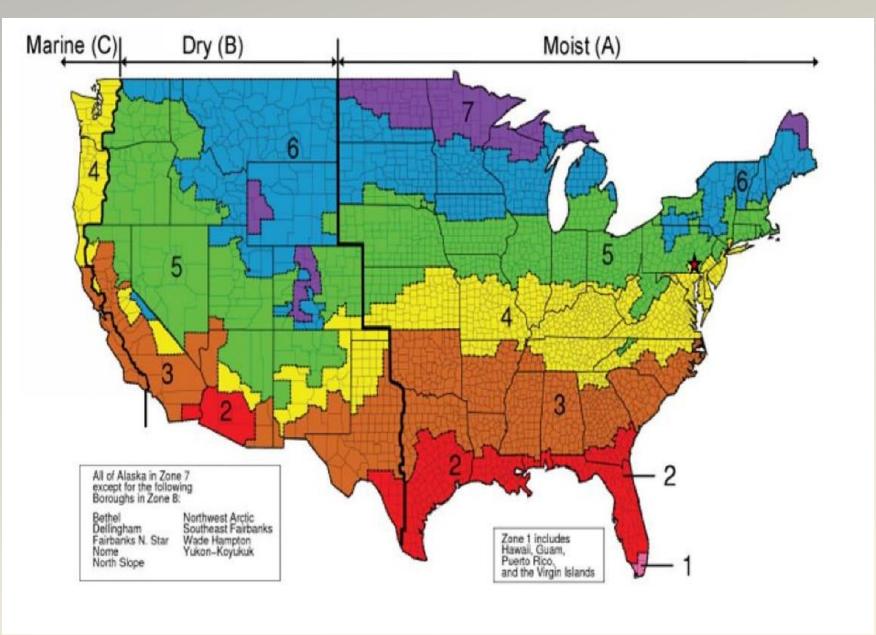
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# **Ground Source Heat Pump System**

Advantages vs Disadvantages

# **→** Horizontal System

- Lower initial cost
- Less Effective
- Consumes more energy
- Could freeze depending on system

# Vertical System

- + More efficient
- + Consumes less energy
- High initial cost

Closed Loop-Vertical Bore field Ground Source Heat Pump System

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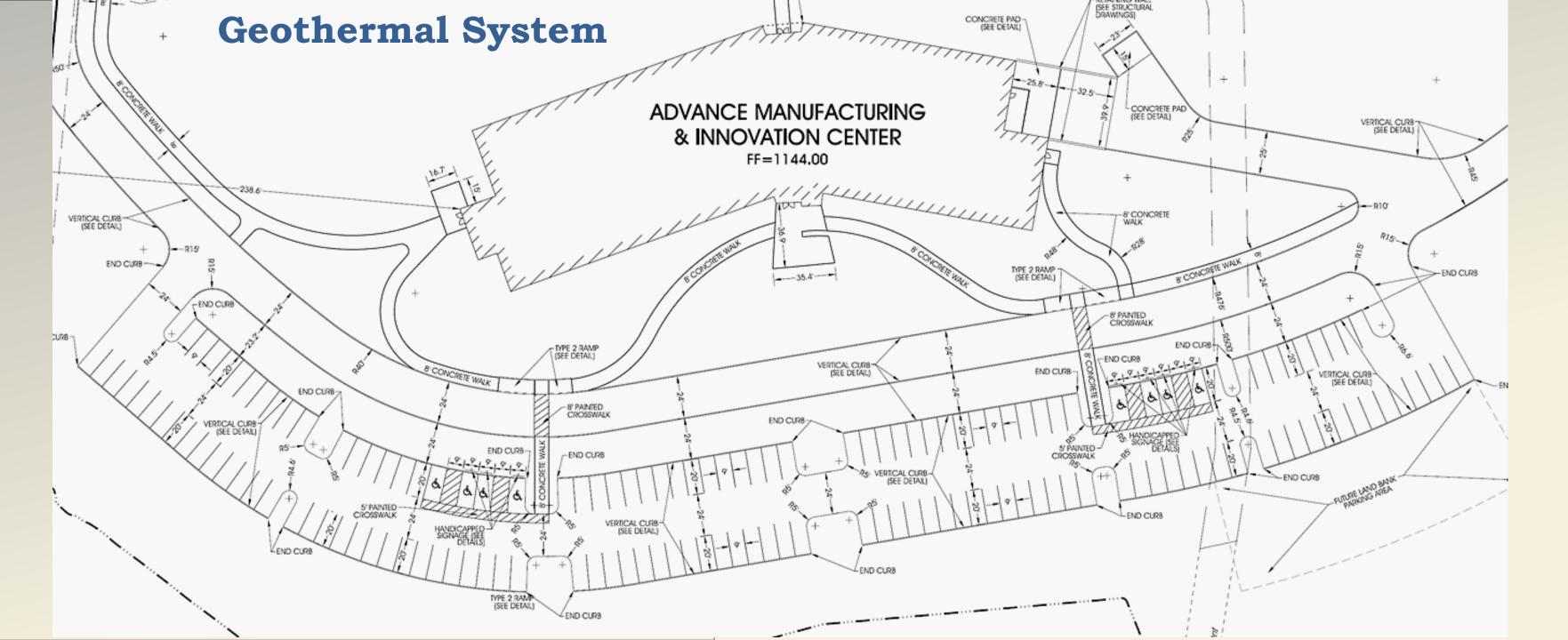
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# Bore Field:

64 Boreholes
Potential of 19 more

20' Spacing

Trane Trace Bore Field Results	
Design Flow	153 GPM
Boreholes Required	64
Borehole Depth	400 ft.
Borehole Radius	2.25 in



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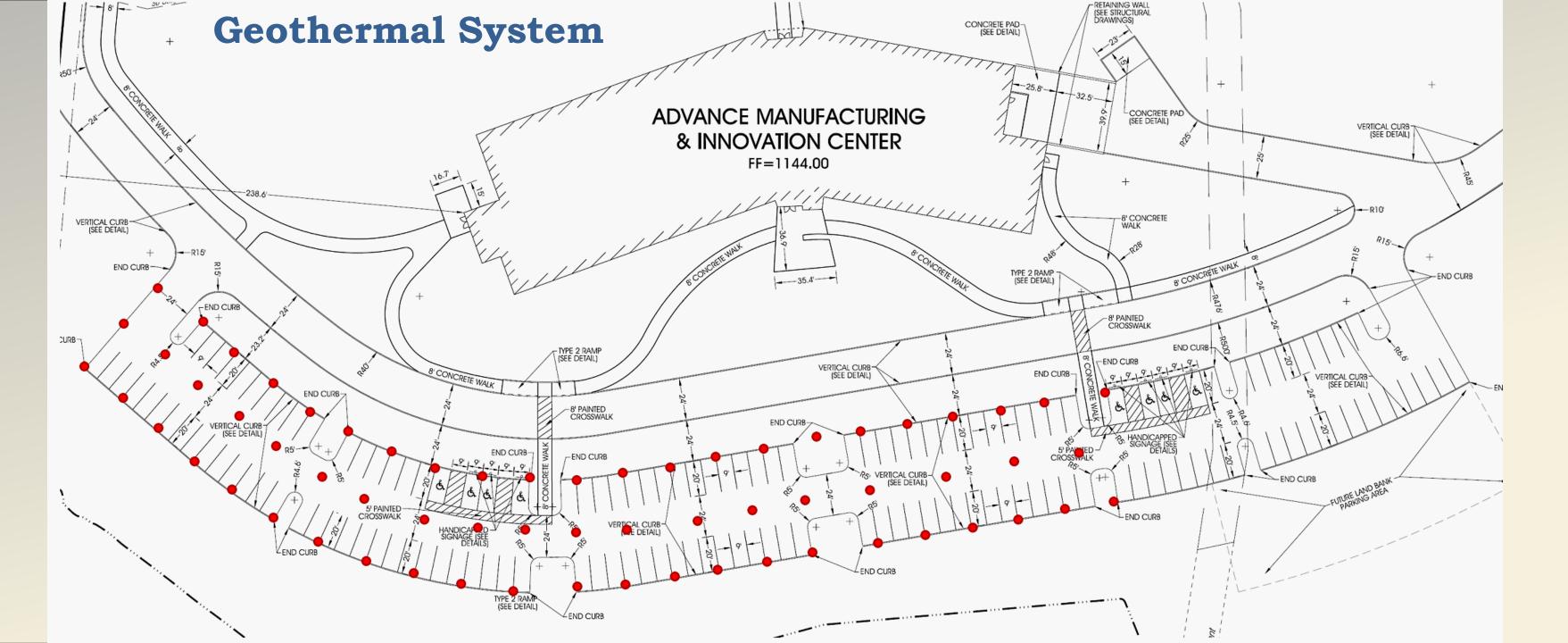
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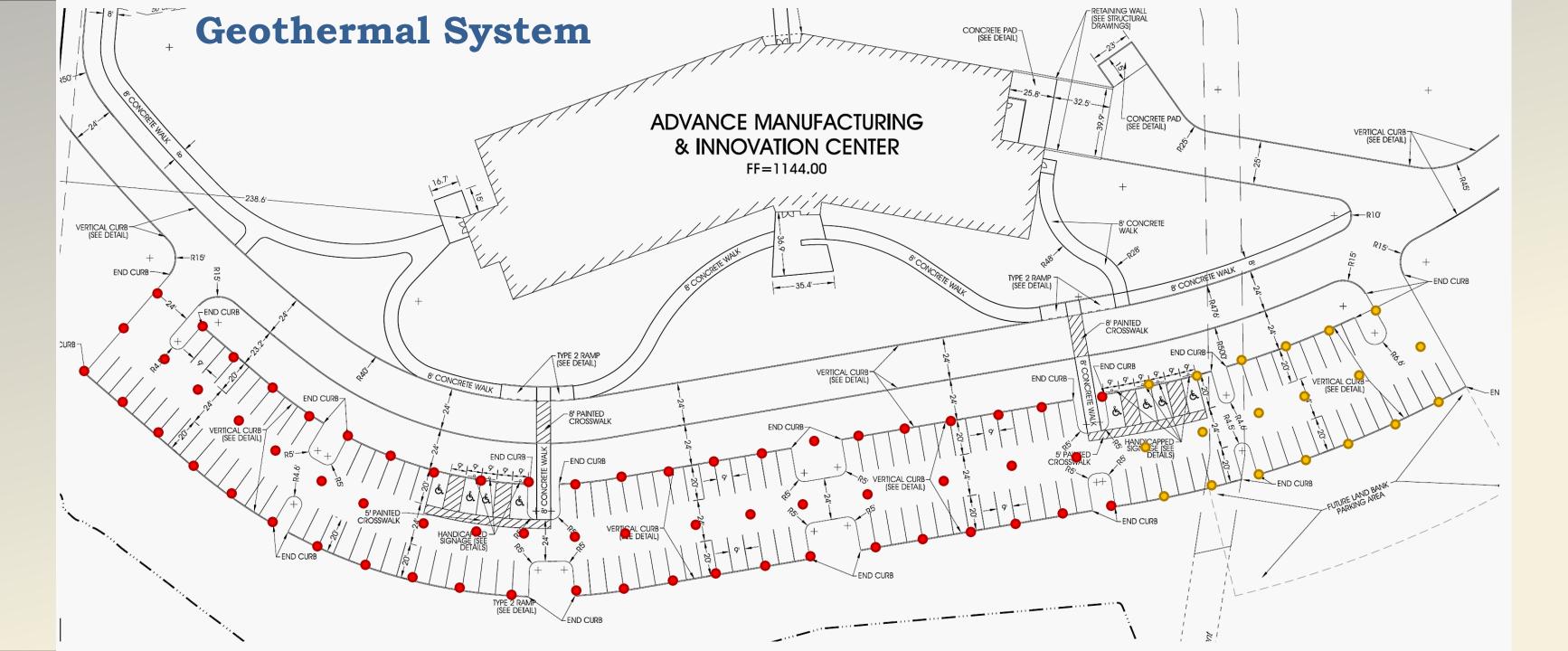
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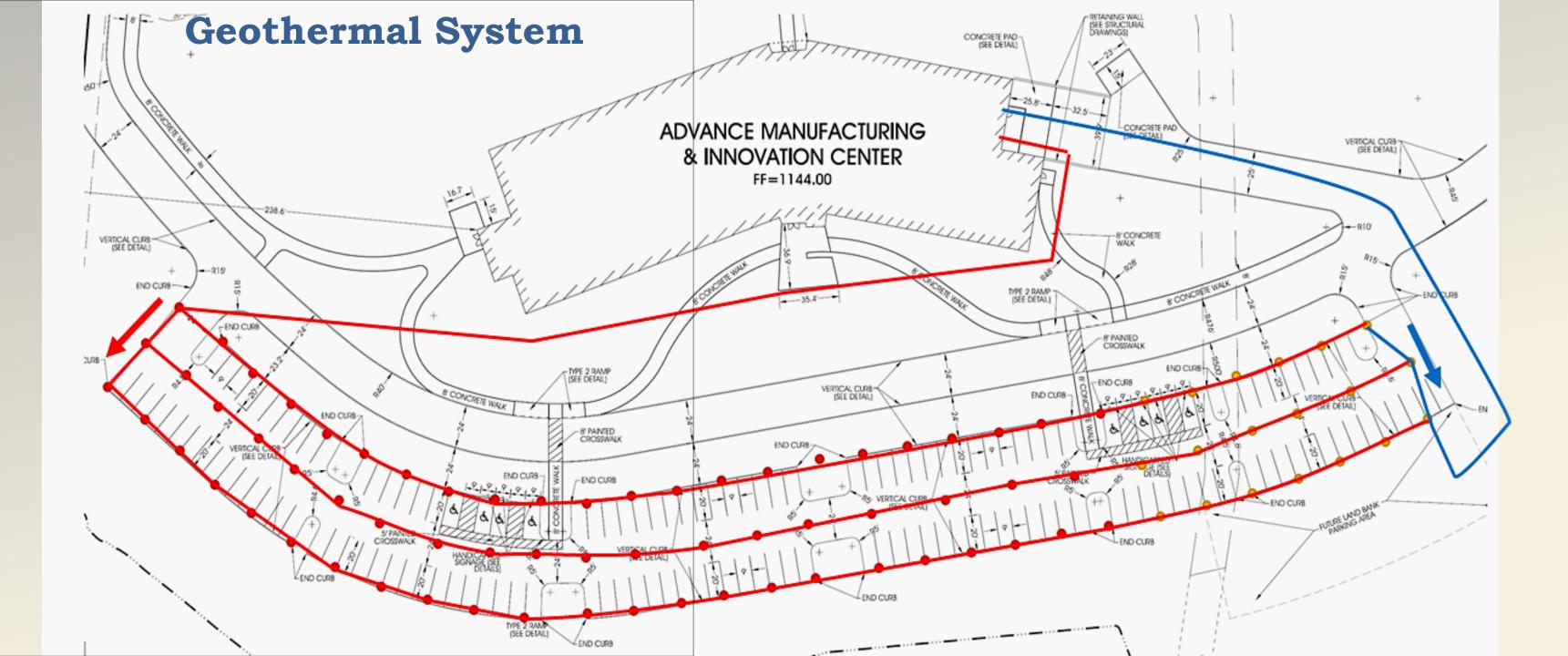
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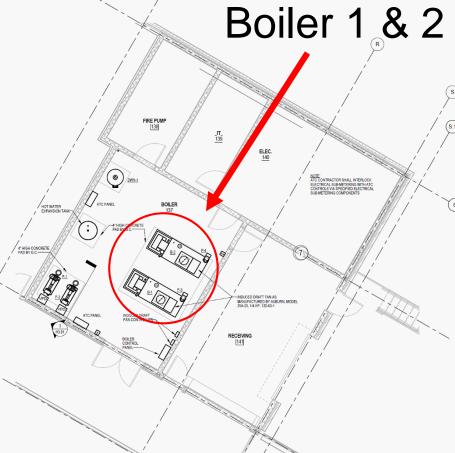
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# Geothermal System Adequate Space Allowance

- ✓ AMIC's Parking Lot
- ✓ Mechanical Room





# Geothermal System Equipment

	G	eotherma	l Pump			
Make/ Model	Impeller Size	Motor HP	ВНР	Motor RPM	GPM	Efficiency
Bell and Gossett 1510 Series	9.5"	15	8.75	1750	320	74.5 %



Note: Consistent with existing pump

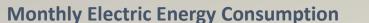
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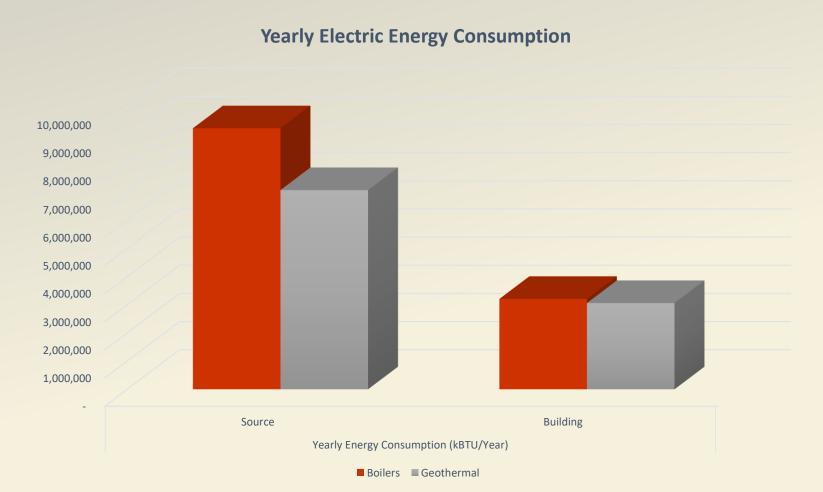
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	Emissic	ons	
	CO2 (lbm/year)	SO2 (gm/year)	NOX (gm/year)
Boilers	1,140,698	8,875	1,706
Geothermal	704,524	5,481	1,053

# Geothermal System Energy Consumption



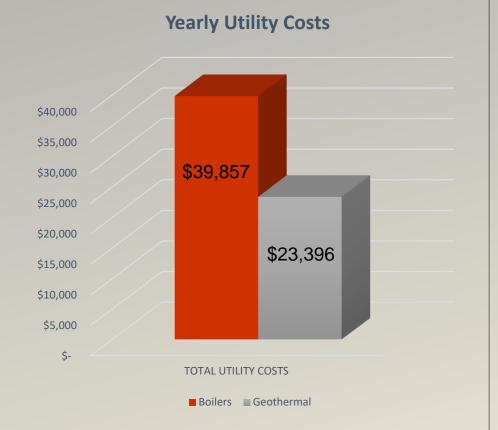




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# Geothermal System Cost Comparison

			Cost Com	nparison					
	Location	Туре	Building Area (SF)	Occupancy (people)	Туре	# Boreholes	Ft/bore	Total Feet	GPM
Case Study (2007)	Sandy Valley, OH	Elementary School	78,800	682	Vertical	128	305	39,040	576
AMIC (2016)	Erie, PA	School/University	59,300	592	Vertical	64	400	25,600	492

### Case Study:

\$1.6371 million dollars or 11.97 \$/ft-bore

### **AMIC Mechanical System Initial Cost:**

\$1.6 million dollar

**Existing System Cost** ≈ **Geothermal System Cost** 

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### Note:

Geothermal systems increase the ground temperature by 1 to 5 °F over time

# Geothermal System Plausibility

# > Must Meet Requirements

- Adequate space requirements
- ★ Adequate equipment space

### > Should Meet Criteria

- Reduced annual energy consumption
- Reduced annual emissions
- Reduced annual utility Costs
- ★ Reduced initial cost

# Geothermal System Conclusion

Therefore a Geothermal System is Plausible

\*\*However it is not plausible on an exiting building.

The redesign costs would not be worth the efforts.

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## **AMIC Noise Concerns**

Noise Caused by the 4 Rooftop Air Handling Units

- > Air-borne Noise
- > Structure-borne Noise
- > Vibration Noise



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# Air-borne Noise (insertion loss)

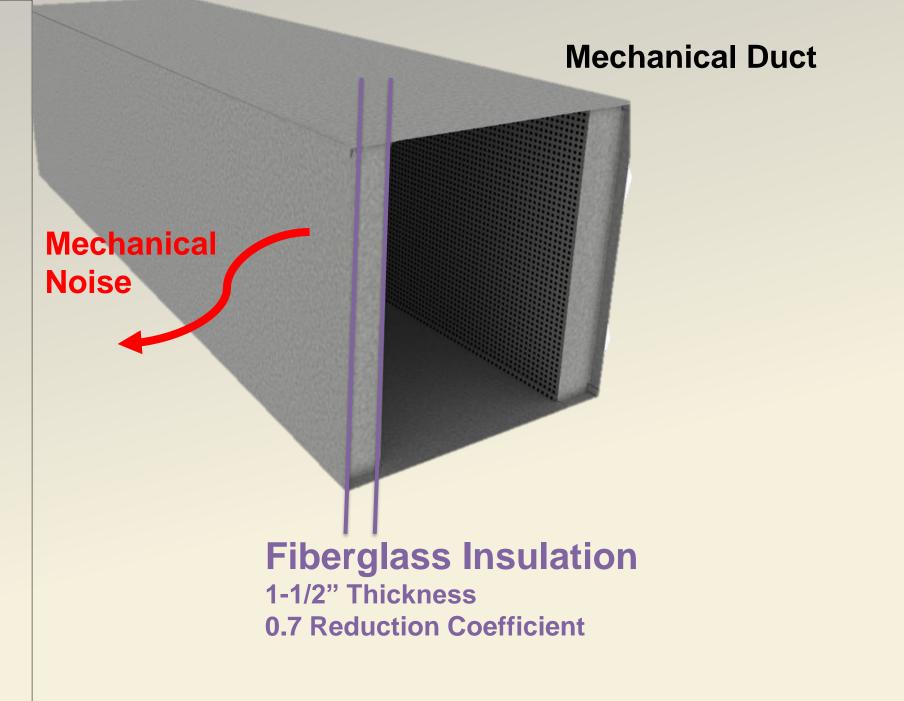
Increase the Fiberglass Lining in Ductwork

- Thickness
- Density

# Will Reduce:

Total HVAC Duct Noise's Occupant Noise Complaints

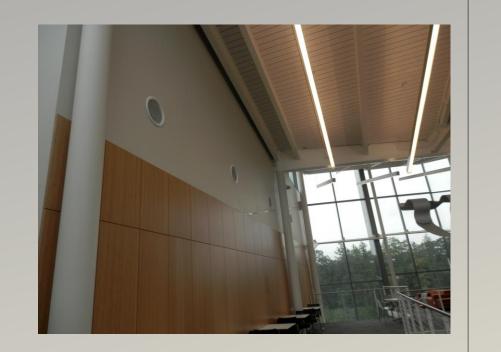
\*Not feasible to redesign all the ducts in an existing building



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# Structure-borne Noise

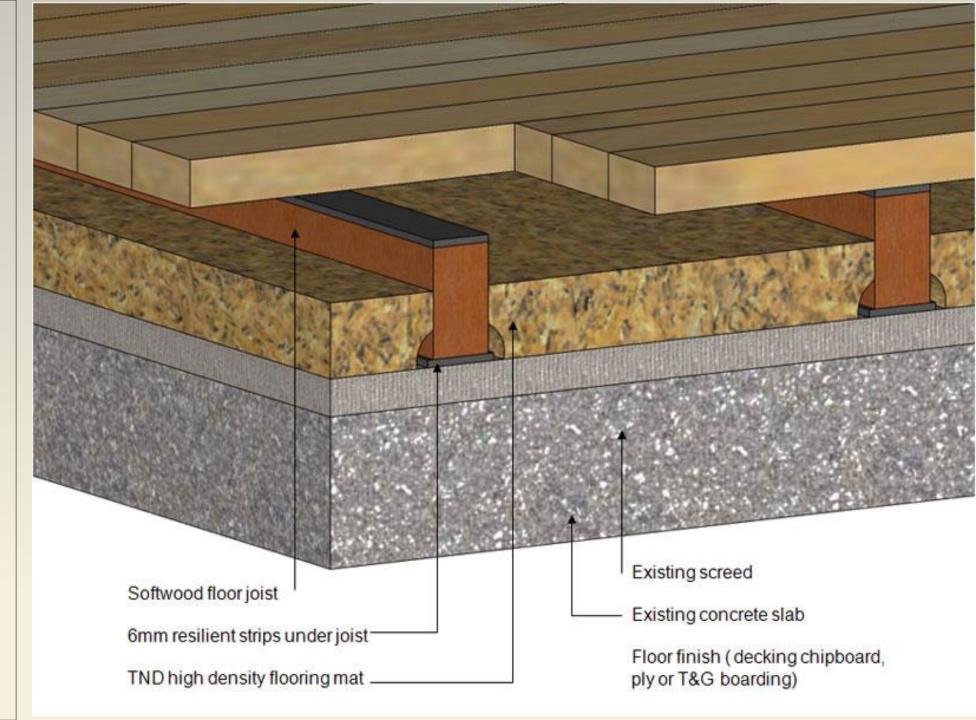
\*usually largest contributor to buildings noise

# Make AMIC's Roof a Floating Floor

# Will Reduce:

Total HVAC Noise
Total Building Vibrations
Occupant Noise Complaints

\*Not feasible to redesign the roof of an existing building



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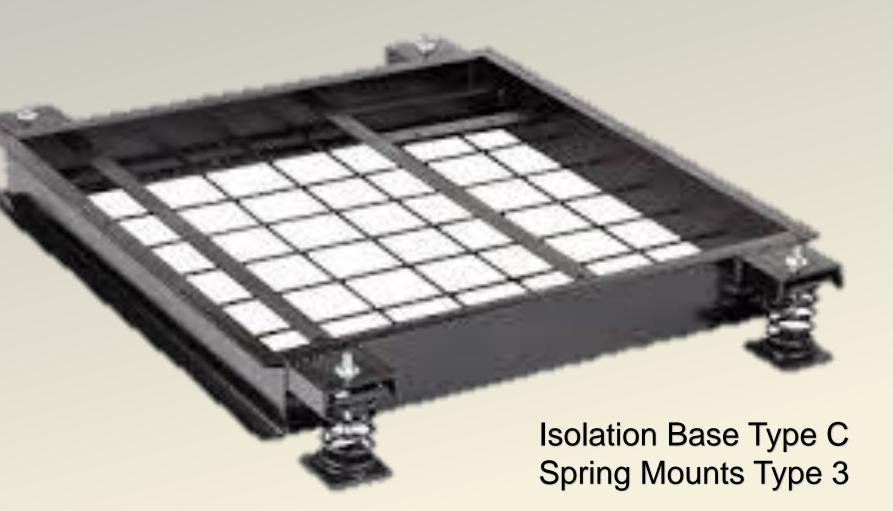
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Total HVAC Noise
Total Building Vibrations
Occupant Noise Complaints

Will Cost More Money
-Cheaper then other option

# **Vibration Isolation**

Inertial Base For RTU's





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## Conclusion

- Air-borne Noise (insertion loss)
   Too Expensive & Not Plausible
- Structure-borne Noise (floating floor)
  Too Expensive & Not Plausible
- Vibration Noise (inertial base)
  Least Expensive, Plausible
- Alternative Option: Equipment Relocation Expensive (best option preconstruction)

# **Best Option**

Cheapest and Most Plausible Option





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### **Initial Concerns:**

- Location (sun availability)
- Placement of panels
- Cost (payback)

# **Solar Panels** Location Flat Roof

5,445 SF Potential of 315 Panels



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# Solar Panels

# Energy

1000V DC System 327 Solar Panel Sun Power Model SMA 20,000 W inverte

 $V_{oc} = 64.9 \text{ V}$  T= 176.6 mv/°C STC = 25°C Assume Annual Low Temp of -26°C  $\Delta T = -51^{\circ}C$ 

 $\frac{1000V}{64.9 \, V/mod} = 15.4 \, modules \rightarrow 15$ 

$$AV = \left(-0.1766 \frac{V}{^{\circ}\text{C}}\right) * (-51^{\circ}\text{C}) = 9 \text{ V}$$

$$Max \text{ V}_{oc} = 64.9 \text{ V} + 9 \text{ V} = 73.9 \text{ V}$$

$$\frac{1000V}{73.9 V/mod} = 13.5 modules/string \rightarrow 13$$

$$1 string * (13 modules) * \left(0.327 \frac{\text{kw}}{\text{module}}\right) = 4.25 \text{ kw/string}$$

$$\frac{25 \text{ kw/mv}}{4.25 / \text{string}} = 5.56 \text{ string/inverter } \rightarrow 6 \text{ strings}$$

$$6 * 4.24 \, kw = \left(\frac{25.5 \, \text{kw}}{20 \, \text{kw}}\right) = 1.26$$

6 strings \* (13 modules) = 78 modules

$$\frac{315 \max modules}{78 \ module/inverter} = 4.04 \ inverters \rightarrow 4$$

4 inverters \* (78 modules) = 312 modules

4 20kw inverter 25.1 kw DC 6 strings of 13 modules 312 Total Modules

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MORE ENERGY, FOR LIFE?

### E-SERIES COMMERCIAL SOLAR PANEL



### · 20.4% efficiency

Captures more sunlight and generates more power than conventional panels.

Delivers excellent performance in real world conditions, such as high temperatures, clouds and low light. 1,2,3

#### Commercial grade

Optimized to maximize returns and energy production, the E-Series panel is a bankable solution for commercial solar applications.



Maxeon® Solar Cells: Fundamentally better. Engineered for performance, designed for reliability.

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### HIGH PERFORMANCE & EXCELLENT RELIABILITY



E20 - 327 PANELS

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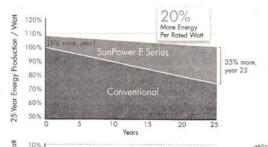
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# Solar Panels

Energy

1 BTU = 0.293 Watt-Hours

Solar Panels

(312 modules) \* 
$$(327 \frac{Watts}{Module-hour})$$
 \*  $(10 \frac{hours}{Day})$  \*  $(200 \frac{days}{year})$   
= 204,048,000  $\frac{Watt-Hour}{year}$ 

Building

$$\left(\frac{3,209,342,000\ BTU}{year}\right) * \left(\frac{0.293\ Watt-hour}{BTU}\right) = 940,337,206\ Watt-Hour/year$$

$$\frac{204,048,000 Watt-hour}{940,337,206 Watt-hour}$$
 = 22% of yearly energy

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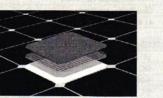
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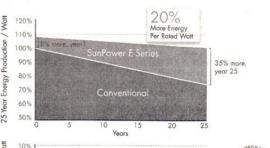
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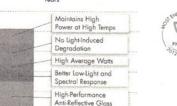
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Solar Panel Life Span 25 to 30 years

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Installation Cost 1 Watt = \$7

(312 modules) \* (327 
$$\frac{Watts}{Module-hour}$$
) = 102,024 Watts

\$7 \* (102,024 Watts) = \$714,168

$$(204,048,000 \frac{Watts}{hour}) * 12 (\frac{cents}{KWatt-hour}) * (\frac{1 KWatt}{1000 Watts}) * (\frac{$1}{100 cents}) =$$
 \$24,485 savings per year

$$\frac{\$714,168 (instalation)}{\$24,485 (savings)} = 29 \text{ years payback}$$

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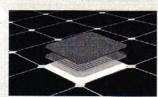
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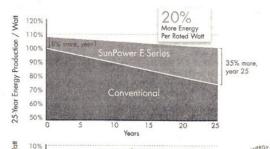
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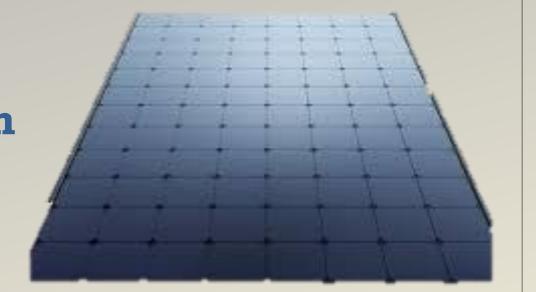
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# **Solar Panels**

312 Modules

**Saves 22% of Annual Energy** 

Saves \$24,485 Annually

Payback = 29 Years

Note: The roof would have to be analyzed in order to account for the added dead load of the solar panels

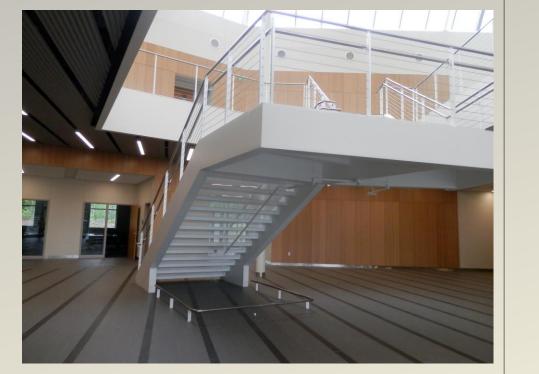
(41 lbs./module) \*(312 modules) =12,792 lbs.

of dead weight added to the roof



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- ➢ Geothermal System
  Would reduce total energy
  - Not Plausible
- ➤ Noise Concerns

  Best option would be a vibration isolation base
- Solar PanelsWould reduce total energy
  - Plausible if roof can support added dead load



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### **Design Team**

Architects	Bostwick Design Partnership
Structural	Atlantic Engineering Services
Engineers	
MEP Engineers	CJL Engineering
Civil Engineers	Stanford Surveying and Engineering,
	P.C.
Landscape	Dahlkemper Landscape Architects
Architects	and Contractors



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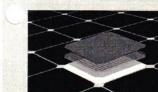
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Optimized to maximize returns and energy production, the E-Series panel is a bankable solution for commercial solar applications.



Maxeon® Solar Cells: Fundamentally better. Engineered for performance, designed for reliability.

### Engineered for peace of mind

Designed to deliver consistent, trouble-free energy over a very long lifetime.4.5

### Designed for reliability

Paula K. Schuller

The SunPower Maxeon Solar Cell is the only cell built on a solid copper foundation. Virtually impervious to the corrosion and cracking that degrade Conventional

#1 Ranked in Fraunhofer durability test, 10 100% power maintained in Atlas 25+ comprehensive PVDI Durability test.11

### HIGH PERFORMANCE & EXCELLENT RELIABILITY





#### E20 - 327 PANELS

### HIGH EFFICIENCY

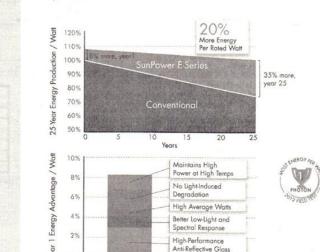
#### Generate more energy per square foot

E-Series commercial panels convert more sunlight to electricity producing 36% more power per panel, 1 and 60% more energy per square foot over 25 years. 3,4

#### HIGH ENERGY PRODUCTION?

#### Produce more energy per rated watt

More energy to power your operations. High year one performance delivers 7-9% more energy per rated watt.3 This advantage increases over time, producing 20% more energy over the first 25 years to meet



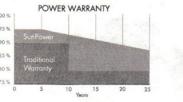
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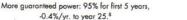
### SUNPOWER

MORE ENERGY, FOR LIFE

### E-SERIES COMMERCIAL SOLAR PANELS

#### SUNPOWER OFFERS THE BEST COMBINED POWER AND PRODUCT WARRANTY





ELECT	RICAL DATA		0
	E20-327-COM	E19-310-COM	Temperatu
Nominal Power <sup>12</sup> (Pnom)	327 W	310 W	
Power Tolerance	+5/-3%	+5/-3%	Max load
Avg. Panel Efficiency <sup>13</sup>	20.4%	19.3%	Impact res
Rated Voltage (Vmpp)	54.7 V	54.7 V	Appearan
Rated Current (Impp)	5.98 A	5.67 A	Solar Cell
Open-Circuit Voltage (Voc)	64.9 V	64.4 V	Tempered
Short-Circuit Current (Isc)	6.46 A	6.05 A	Junction B
Max. System Voltage	1000 V UL	& 1000 V IEC	Connector
Maximum Series Fuse		0 A	Frame
Power Temp Coef.	-0.38	8% / °C	Weight
Voltage Temp Coef.		5 mV / °C	
Current Temp Coef.		nA/°C	F. 188.2
Concession of the Contestion o			Standard

- 1 All comparisons are SPR-E20-327 vs. a representative conventional panel:
- 240W, approx. 1.6 m², 15% efficiency. PVEvolution Labs "SunPower Shading Study," Feb 2013.
- 3 Typically 7-9% more energy per watt, BEW/DNV Engineering "SunPower
- 4 SunPower 0.25%/yr degradation vs. 1.0%/yr conv. panel. Campeau, Z. et al. "SunPower Module Degradation Rate," SunPower white paper, Feb 2013; Jordan, Dirk "SunPower Test Report," NREL, Oct 2012.
- 5 "SunPower Module 40-Year Useful Life" SunPower white paper, Feb 2013. Useful life is 99 out of 100 panels operating at more than 70% of rated
- 6 Out of all 2600 panels listed in Photon International, Feb 2012.
- 7 8% more energy than the average of the top 10 panel companies tested in 2012 (151 panels, 102 companies), Photon International, March 2013. 8 Compared with the top 15 manufacturers. SunPower Warranty Review, Feb 2013.
- 9 Some exclusions apply. See warranty for details.
- 10 5 of top 8 panel manufacturers were tested by Fraunhofer ISE, "PV Module Durability Initiative Public Report," Feb 2013.
- 1 Compared with the non-stress-tested control panel. Atlas 25+ Durability test report, Feb 2013.
- 12 Standard Test Conditions (1000 W/m2 irradiance, AM 1.5, 25° C). 13 Based on average of measured power values during production

# Traditional Warranty 0 5 10 15 20 25

Combined Power and Product defect 25 year coverage that includes panel replacement costs.

OPERATING	G CONDITION AND MECHANICAL DATA	
ature	- 40°F to +185°F (- 40°C to +85°C)	
d	Wind: 50 psf, 2400 Pa, 245 kg/m² front & back Snow: 112 psf, 5400 Pa, 550 kg/m² front	
esistance	1 inch (25mm) diameter hail at 52 mph (23 m/s).	
once	Class B	
ells	96 Monocrystalline Maxeon Gen II	
ed Glass	High transmission tempered Anti-Reflective	
Box	IP-65 Rated	
ors	MC4 Compatible Connectors	
	Class 2 silver anodized	
	41 lbs (18.6 kg)	

	TESTS AND CERTIFICATIONS
andard tests	UL1703, IEC 61215, IEC 61730
ality tests	ISO 9001:2008, ISO 14001:2004
S Compliance	RoHS, OHSAS 18001:2007, lead free
nmonia test	IEC 62716
It Spray test	IEC 61701 (passed maximum severity)
test	Potential-Induced Degradation free: 1000V <sup>10</sup>
ailable listings	UL, CEC, CSA, TUV, JET, KEMCO, MCS, FSEC



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Electrical Breadth
Energy | Cost | Plausibility
Conclusion

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1000V DC System
327 Solar Panel Sun Power Model
SMA 20.000 W inverter
                                                      STC = 25°C Assume Annual Low Temp of -26°C
V_{oc} = 64.9 \text{ V} T= 176.6 mv/°C
\Delta T = -51^{\circ}C
\frac{1000V}{64.9 \, V/mod} = 15.4 \, modules \rightarrow 15
                                            AV = \left(-0.1766 \frac{V}{^{\circ}C}\right) * (-51^{\circ}C) = 9 \text{ V}
                                               Max V_{oc} = 64.9 V + 9 V = 73.9 V
                                        \frac{1000V}{73.9 \, V/mod} = 13.5 \, modules/string \rightarrow 13
                           1 \ string * (13 \ modules) * \left(0.327 \frac{\text{kw}}{\text{module}}\right) = 4.25 \ \text{kw/string}
                                  \frac{25 \, kw/mv}{4.25 \, / string} = 5.56 \, string/inverter \rightarrow 6 \, strings
                                              6 * 4.24 \ kw = \left(\frac{25.5 \ \text{kw}}{20 \ \text{kw}}\right) = 1.26
                                          6 strings * (13 modules) = 78 modules
                                        \frac{315 \max modules}{78 \ module / \ inverter} = 4.04 \ inverters \rightarrow 4
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4 inverters \* (78 modules) = 312 modules

6 strings of 13 modules

4 20kw inverter

312 Total Modules

25.1 kw DC

(312 modules) \* (327  $\frac{Watts}{Module-hour}$ ) \* (10  $\frac{hours}{Dav}$ ) \* (200  $\frac{days}{vear}$ ) 1 BTU = 0.293 Watt-Hours = 204,048,000  $\frac{Watt-Hour}{year}$ Solar Panels (312 modules) \* (327  $\frac{Watts}{Module-hour}$ ) \* (10  $\frac{hours}{Day}$ ) \* (200  $\frac{days}{vear}$ ) Installation Cost 1 Watt = \$7 = 204,048,000  $\frac{Watt-Hour}{vear}$ (312 modules) \* (327  $\frac{Watts}{Module-hour}$ ) = 102,024 Watts \$7 \* (102,024 Watts) = \$714,168 Building  $(204,048,000 \frac{Watts}{hour}) * 12 (\frac{cents}{KWatt-hour}) * (\frac{1 KWatt}{1000 Watts}) * (\frac{$1}{100 cents}) = $24,485$ savings per year  $\left(\frac{3,209,342,000\,BTU}{vear}\right) * \left(\frac{0.293\,Watt-hour}{BTU}\right) = 940,337,206\,Watt-Hour/year$ 204,048,000 Watt-hour 940,337,206 Watt-hour = 22% of yearly energy \$714,168 (instalation) \$24,485 (savings) = 29 years payback

(41 lbs./module) \*(312 modules) =12,792 lbs.

of dead weight added

to the roof