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The BAT was designed to collect information to guide the design making process for retrofitting small health care facilities in the Caribbean. It was developed as part of Phase I of the Smart Health Care Facilities in the Caribbean Project funded by UKAID and implemented by PAHO.

This workbook is designed to assist in the application of the BAT by providing a detailed explanation of all the aspects of the tool and how it should be administered.

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OVERVIEW

The **Baseline Assessment Tool (BAT)** is designed to collect baseline information to guide the facility's retrofitting decision-making process. It complements the Hospital Safety Index (HSI) and the Green Checklist. It also includes the compilation of detailed information needed to prepare the designs and Scope of Works for retrofitting and new construction. This process requires a level of skill and use of specialized equipment.

The elements for data collection includes the facility's energy consumption (audit), water consumption (audit), Indoor Environmental Quality (IEQ), Building Components, Occupant survey, and Land Use (local zoning regulations). The Baseline Assessment Tool consists of:

- 1.0 Building/Property Components (Audit)
- 2.0 Energy Conservation (Audit)
- 3.0 Water Conservation (Audit)
- 4.0 Indoor Environmental Quality (IEQ)
- 5.0 Occupant Survey
- 6.0 Land Use



Figure 1 SMART Process Flow Chart

Always refer to local guidelines for energy conservation, water conservation, Indoor Air Quality and Land Use. Also local regulation to guide how much solar energy can be use and traded to the local grid.



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WHEN AND HOW SHOULD THE BAT BE APPLIED?

The Baseline Assessment Tool (BAT) helps to estimate the costs and benefits of sustainable investments and determines where to focus these costs in providing the greatest “green” impact. The tool is used following the application of the Green Checklist as shown as follows:

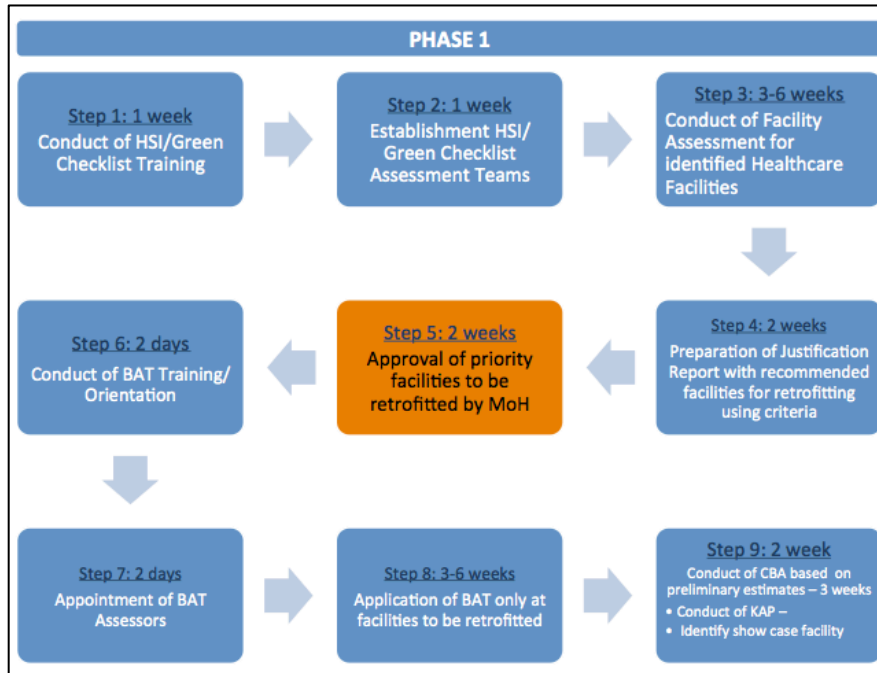


Figure 2 Baseline Assessment Tool Process Map Phase 1

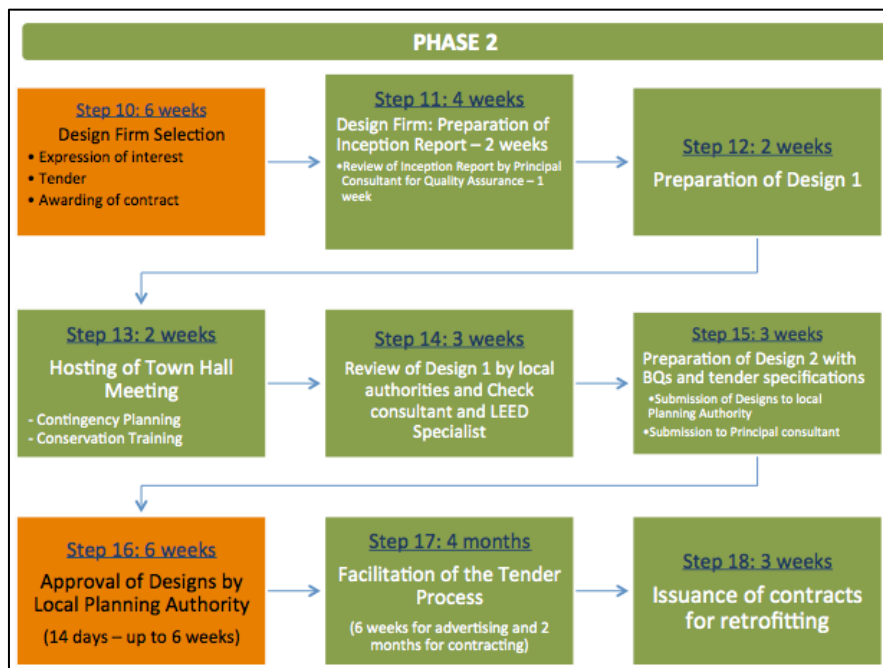


Figure 3 Baseline Assessment Tool Process Map Phase 2



The application of the BAT involves various aspects including:

- Site Visits – To observe the building during the walk-through and document the building physical characteristics, conduct interviews and collect records not previously provided during the HSI and green checklist assessments. If the HSI was not been applied, it should be noted that the BAT can also be applied without the HSI and can go along with the green checklist.
- Interviews – With the facility manager, operator, and/or key site personnel
- Records collection – Collect and compile the records necessary (energy and water consumption and costs, hours of operation, occupancy rates etc. over the previous two years (minimum. Facilities must be operating under an independent electricity and water meter
- Data capture – lighting and Carbon Dioxide levels as well as occupancy satisfaction levels etc.
- Records review and analysis – Review and analysis of records collected
- Report – Report on the findings related to building use and operating costs.

Who should apply the BAT?

A team of experienced professionals including an electrical engineer, architect/building inspector or technician should apply the BAT and should be able to undertake appropriate calculations to determine energy and water performance assessments and savings recommendations. These individuals must be able to capture indoor air quality data using basic tools and match the results against the standards defined in this workbook.





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Section 1 BUILDING/PROPERTY COMPONENTS (AUDIT)

1.1 General Building Information



INSTRUCTIONAL NOTE: Consider examining Occupancy Certificate, Planning Approval documents, Construction designs etc. to obtain this evidence. This information is necessary in order to allow the user to undertake the calculations needed to determine:



1. Space Requirements.
2. Water Capacity using HSI Standards.
3. Compliance with local planning and building standards and codes.
4. Determine airflow, illumination, ventilation of the building.
5. What kind of use (parking, circulation, access, etc.)
6. Exterior land usage.
7. Aesthetic Requirements (more Governments are now setting standards for uniformity in state owned buildings – e.g. commonality in designs, colour, landscaping, signage).



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GENERAL BUILDING INFORMATION FORM	
Name of Facility:	
Location:	
Property Block/Parcel no.	
Size of Property:	
Building Orientation:	
Building Floor Area:	
No. of Floors:	
No. of parking spaces: Visitors _____ Workers _____	
Building Capacity: - No. of Beds	
No. of Employees: Full-time _____ Part-time _____	
Year Constructed:	
Type of Building Construction:	
Type of Roof Construction:	
PAHO Hospital Safety Index (HSI) Applied: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
If yes, is the report available?	
Note any past damage to the facility:	

Figure 4 - Table F1 General Building Information Form

1.2 Building/Property Component Audit

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BUILDING/PROPERTY COMPONENT AUDIT				
NB. <u>As built drawings are needed to complete this section of the BAT.</u> Particularly to provide information pertaining to the measurements of the foundation				
Component	Systems	Quantity/ Square Area	Issues (Condition)	Additional Comments
1.0 Exterior Building Elements	1.1 Foundation/ Structure			
	1.2 Exterior Walls			
	1.3 Roof System/Drainage			
	1.4 No. of Windows			
	1.5 No. of Doors			
2.0 Interior Building Elements	2.1 Ceiling			
	2.2 Interior Walls			
	2.3 No. of Doors			
	2.4 Floors			
	2.5 Fixed Furniture/ Equipment (Built In, No. of Cupboards, No. of Cabinets)			
3.0 Safety Elements	3.1 Means of Exit			
	3.2 Fire Control			
	3.3 Fire Alarm			
	3.4 Emergency Lighting			
	3.5 Fire Resistance			
	3.6 Provisions for Handicap/ Accessibility			
	3.7 Perimeter Fencing/ Security			



INSTRUCTIONAL NOTE:

A component audit will be performed to capture critical data on various aspects of the building.

The Building Component Audit is used to produce a complete inventory of a building (including equipment) and is used to identify deficiencies and to determine the scope of works required for retrofitting. Areas to be examined include the structure, walls and roof, security and a review of safety issues.



Figure 5 - Table F2 Building /Property Component Audit



The purpose of this guide is to provide a set of detailed criteria to assist in the completion of the BAT and in understanding the type of information that needs to be collected. The Building/Property Component Audit is grouped into three (3) categories of building components; for example, exterior and interior building elements and safety/code compliance.

Exterior Building Elements

1.3.1 Foundation/ Structure

- Assess the foundation, columns, beams or structural walls for any signs of failure or distress such as settling, subsidence, severe cracking or crushing and document. Be sure to highlight the area of damage with photos for reference.

1.3.2 Exterior Walls

- Inspect the exterior wall surfaces (inside and outside) for any signs of water intrusion, surface cracks or separation issues. Be sure to highlight damaged areas with photos for reference.



Note: As built drawings are necessary to assess the foundation. Carefully consider colour requirement in conjunction with the owners of the facility to ensure conformity with Government local standards and or preferences.

1.3.3 Roof system /Drainage

- Inspect the roof system, flashing, downspouts, guttering and all its connections. Make note of any damage to the roofing membrane, displaced flashing, leaks and any visible cracks on any flat concrete roof sections. In addition, document the condition of all drains and culverts especially at invert locations where water enter from surface and roof run-offs.

1.3.4 Windows

- Make note of all window types, size (width x height), quantity, condition and any thermal characteristics and whether shutters or burglar bars are present. It is also important to document the existing window height from above the finish floor level. Also note if window shutters are available and if not, the quality of windows available, e.g. hurricane grade windows.

1.3.5 Doors

- Make note of all exterior door types, size (width x height), quantity, condition and direction of swing (Left Hand or Right Hand). Also document any issues affecting the operation of the doors including its hinges, jambs, locking devices and any failure of emergency devices (crash bar mechanisms).



Interior Building Elements

1.3.6 Ceiling

- Inspect the condition of the ceilings for any deficiencies or problems including soiling or discoloration by water damage or any cracks if it is an exposed concrete slab. It is important to document if the ceiling contains any hazardous materials (asbestos) or other unsafe conditions. Note if the ceiling is a drop/suspended ceiling and take its overall dimensions (Length X Width) for retrofitting purposes.

1.3.7 Interior Wall

- Document the condition of all interior walls (including any partitions) and their connections to each other. It is helpful to note that some countries have half a wall with glass in the partition walls etc.



Note: Carefully consider colour requirement in conjunction with the owners of the facility to ensure conformity with Government local standards and or preferences.

1.3.8 Interior Doors

- Make note of all exterior door types, size (width x height), quantity, condition and direction of swing (Left Hand or Right Hand). It is important to note if the doors provide any fire resistance and document any issues affecting the operation of the door including its hinges, jambs and locking mechanisms.

1.3.9 Flooring

- In addition to the HSI, it is important to document the condition of the buildings flooring and any issues relating to health and safety concerns including slipping or tripping hazards.



Note: Take note of the type of flooring, its location and corresponding square footage (length x width) for retrofitting purposes

1.3.10 Fixed Furniture /Equipment

- It is important to document fixed furniture such as countertop surfaces, and cabinets. All equipment being replaced should be well documented and categorised with recommendation for replacement (medical and non-medical type equipment).

Safety/ Code Compliance

1.3.11 Means of Exit

- Verify and document if all exit doors are easy to open and if equipped with panic bar locks and are visible with well-lighted exit signage above doors. Exit doors and exit access corridors should be well lighted with every area of the building providing at least two (2) means of exits. The width of the exit doors, staircases (two or more storey bldgs.) should be wide enough for evacuation and comply with local building codes.

1.3.12 Fire Control

- Be sure to document the availability, quantity and condition of all portable chemical fire extinguishers and any fire hoses and indicate their locations throughout the building. If



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available, verify if they have been inspected by the local fire department authorities and whether they have been checked annually and certified. Verify if extinguishers are located in or close to kitchen areas. Also check to determine if fire separation walls exist for shafts and corridors. All Halon fire extinguishers in the facility should be replaced since Halon as an extinguishing agent is no longer recommended.

1.3.13 Fire Alarm

- Document the availability, quantity and condition of all smoke detectors and if any fire alarm system exists. It is ideal for the building to be equipped with a fire alarm system that is supplied with emergency backup power and smoke detectors that are connected to a permanent and visible central fire alarm panel. It is recommended for the system to be connected to the local fire department system (if applicable). A voice communication system should also be integrated in the system with a sound alarm. If a sprinkler system exists, a hydraulic operated alarm bell, actuated by the flow of sprinkler water should be present.

1.3.14 Emergency Lighting

- Verify and document the availability, quantity and condition of all emergency lighting. Be sure to test the units and verify if they meet local and international standards. The equipment should be free from dust, rust and provides adequate illumination in large areas such as corridors and exits.

1.3.15 Fire Resistance

- Concrete constructed buildings provide some level of fire resistance. If there are timber columns, walls and metal stud walls present, verify if the walls are covered with gypsum board (all sides). Also check stairs to determine if they are concrete or fire proofed steel. Note: one hour rated fire separation walls for one-storey buildings and two hour rated for two-storey buildings.

1.3.16 Provision for Accessibility

- Document if the facility has accessibility ramp requirements for the physically challenged. It is important that all levels of the building are accessible. All doorways and corridors should have adequate width and all bathrooms and showers should be equipped with grab bars and other physically challenged equipment. Also document whether there is sufficient accessibility for abulance as well as the condition of parking areas, access roadways to and from the facility as well as the existance of any platforms or sidewalks and their condition.



Note: Equipment certified by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) or any other reputable Act is acceptable.

1.3.17 Perimeter Fencing/ Security

- Assess the condition and integrity of the perimeter fencing, gates and all its connections. It is essential that the facility provides some level of security and maintains control of all pedestrian and vehicular traffic entering the facility and compound. If security systems are present, document its condition and any improvements that can be made.



Note: Equipment certified by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) or any other reputable Act is acceptable.



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Section 2 AVAILABILITY OF GFA (GROSS FLOOR AREA)

Another key issue to be assessed is whether the allowable GFA on the particular site has increased since the building was first constructed. Zoning and density are often changed over time to allow for smart growth and to address socioeconomic trends. If more GFA is available, adding to an existing building could be explored in coordination with upgrading works. In some cases, if allowable GFA has increased significantly, there could even be a business case to tear down and rebuild rather than retrofit.

Always refer to local guidelines to determine GFA plot ratio requirements for development types.



AVAILABILITY OF GFA (GROSS FLOOR AREA)		
Description of Project	Results	Notes
No. of buildings on plot		
Maximum height of buildings:		
No. of plot(s):		
(A) Plot area:		
(B) Building area:		
(c) Total Floor area:		
Site Coverage (e.g. % of plots covered by building $[B/A \times 100]$)		
Plot ratio (divide total floor area expressed in ratio e.g. 1:07) $[1:C/A]$		

INSTRUCTIONAL NOTE:
When calculating GFA you will need a measuring tape and calculator.

S1 - Measure the length and width of the inside of the building's walls.

S2 - Multiply the length and width measurements in order to find the square footage.

S3 - Multiply the square footage times the number of floors in the building.

S4 - Subtract the square footage of any elevator shafts, lobbies (other than on the first floor), or rooms that house only equipment used for the building's operation. The result is the gross floor area. See adjacent diagram.

Figure 6 F-15 Charting Gross Floor Area

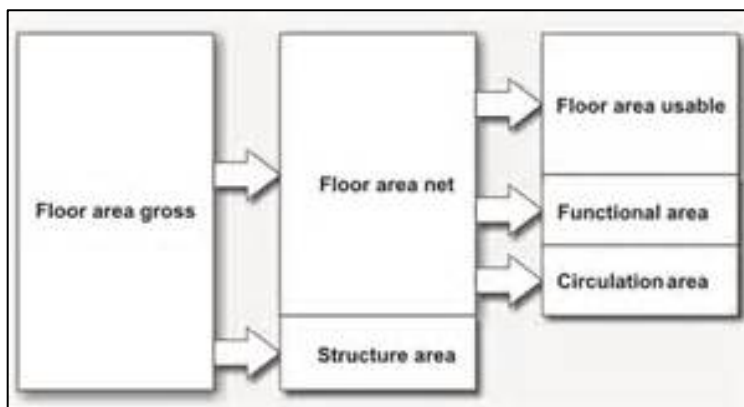


Figure 8 Gross Floor Area Calculation



Section 3 ENERGY CONSERVATION (AUDIT)

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The healthcare sector is in need of cost effective solutions to address the rising cost of energy and the health implications of energy use. Once a facility has developed an energy baseline by tracking and measuring its energy use, it can begin to zero in on key areas of inefficiency and review potential energy reduction strategies with an eye for what will work given the financial resources of the organization. Improving the energy efficiency reduces energy cost, greenhouse gas emissions and pollution associated with the burning of fossil fuels. Data collected to be considered for energy audit are as follows:

- a) Energy Consumption data (at least 2 years data taken from electrical bills):
- b) Renewable Energy Generators, if applicable and their energy production.
- c) Standby Generator specifications
- d) Lighting data which includes categorization of lighting types and associated load. The forms on lighting, seen at Figures 9 and 10 identifies different lamps that are common in public buildings, if the lamp is covered by a frosted diffuser the auditor will be required to remove the cover to obtain the bulb count.
- e) Air Conditioning cooling capacity, refrigerant type and energy efficiency ratios.
- f) Refrigeration capacity, refrigerant type and energy consumption
- g) Medical equipment energy consumption
- h) Washer & Dryers capacity, consumption and energy efficient ratings
- i) Water Heater type, capacity and energy efficiency
- j) Miscellaneous Electric loads and phantom loads

ELECTRICITY CONSUMPTION							
YEAR 1	Month	Days in Period	Usage (kWh)*	Fuel Surcharge / Peak Demand kVA	Cost per kWh*	Cost per KVA	Total Cost
	January						
February							
March							
April							
May							
June							
July							
August							
September							
October							
November							
December							

YEAR 2	Month	Period	(kWh)*	Peak Demand kVA	kWh*	KVA	
	January						
February							
March							
April							
May							
June							
July							
August							
September							
October							
November							
December							

INSTRUCTIONAL NOTE:
Always obtain and use most current data from local utility companies. Use an electrical engineer or technician to perform audit based on data collected.

Fixed Charges: *NB: Obtain most current data from local utility companies.
VAT:


Generic Electricity Inc.		Customer Number 0001		Account Number 0001						
John Doe Address Country		Due Date Dec 12, 2016		Amount Due \$104.28						
Service Address Northside Road		Name John Doe		Service Address Northside Road						
Account Number 0001		Name John Doe		Service Address Northside Road						
Meter Number	Read Dates Present	Read Dates Previous	Billing Days	Code	Meter Readings Present	Meter Readings Previous	Multiplier	Usage	Units	Powerfactor
A-569287-01	Nov 11, 2016	Oct 11, 2016	31	MR	8548	8360	1	188	kWh	
Previous Balance										45.50
Balance Forward										45.50
BLOCK 1 ENERGY								0.240000	60	14.40
BLOCK 2 ENERGY								0.225000	128	28.80
FUEL SURCHARGE								0.069553	188	13.08
FIXED CHARGE										2.50
CURRENT CHARGES:										\$58.78
TOTAL AMOUNT DUE:										\$104.28

Figure 7 Sample Electrical Bill and F3 Electrical Consumption table

LIGHTING				
Compact Fluorescent Lamp (CFL)				
Location & Remarks	Base Type	Quantity	Wattage	Hours per Week
LED Lamp				
Location & Remarks	Base Type	Quantity	Wattage	Hours per Week
Incandescent Bulb				
Location & Remarks	Base Type	Quantity	Wattage	Hours per Week
Halogen Lamp				
Location & Remarks	Base Type	Quantity	Wattage	Hours per Week
High Pressure Sodium (HPS) Lamp				
Location & Remarks	Base Type	Quantity	Wattage	Hours per Week





Figure 11 F7- Lighting (other)

 **INSTRUCTIONAL NOTE:** Information included in this form must be supported by 'As-Built' drawings. Consider the following formula for use (*No. of bulbs X wattage X hours per week*). Examples of the various bulbs are included in the adjacent table sections.



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AIR-CONDITIONING													
Location & Remarks	Quantity	Type	Model	Thermostat Setting (Celsius / Fahrenheit)	Cooling Capacity			Electrical Power (W)	Refrigerant	Efficiency			Hours per Week
					WATTS	Thermal (BTU)	BTU			EER	COP	SEER	

NOTES:
 Model: AC Brand / Model - Can be used to determine Capacity & Power if it is not shown on the unit
 EER: Energy Efficiency Ratio
 SEER: Seasonal Energy Efficiency Ratio
 COP: Coefficient of Performance



INSTRUCTIONAL NOTE:
 Model: AC Brand / Model - Can be used to determine Capacity and Power if it is not shown on the unit

EER: Energy Efficiency Ratio

COP: Coefficient of Performance

Figure 12 F8- Air-conditioning



Note: The brand and the model number are printed on the unit. Some units carry consumption information on the indoor and outdoor unit e.g. Westinghouse, auditors are asked to note that information should therefore be collected from both units and note which units are inverter in the remarks section.



Figure 13 Examples of Inverter Air Conditioner

Indoor unit label



Note: Inverter units are usually labelled inverter on the indoor unit. The refrigerant type, consumption and energy consumption ratios can be seen on the label located on the side of the indoor unit.

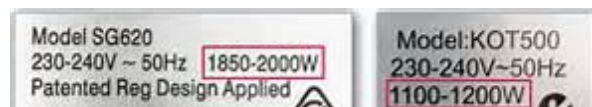


REFRIGERATION									
Location & Remarks	Quantity	Model	Capacity Qu. Ft	Voltage (V)	Amps (A)	Power (W)	Temperature Setting (H/Med/Lco)	Refrigerant	Year

Figure 14 F9- Refrigeration

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT					
Equipment Name	Model	Voltage (V)	Amps (A)	Power (W)	Hours per Week

Figure 15 F10- Medical Equipment Form and sample equipment information labels.





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Section 4 WATER CONSERVATION (AUDIT)

The water conservation audit is designed to help analyze water use in the selected health facility. Some items may not apply to all facilities.

4.1 Background

Local water provider: _____

Where does your water come from? _____

Number of buildings at facility: _____ Size of buildings (area): _____

Area of grounds: _____ Number of employees per shift: _____

Number of shifts per day: _____

Average number of visitors/occupants per day (if applicable): _____

Water pressure at your facility: _____ (psi)



Conservation Note: Often reducing water pressure by merely 10 or 15 percent can reduce water consumption significantly without interfering in daily consumption activities. Water pressure that is too high can result in leaks.

4.2 Water Catchment/ Treatment

Are there any underground cisterns onsite? Yes No

If yes, what is the capacity? **(LxWxD) x 7.48** Gallons: _____ (Dimensions taken in feet, 1cu ft = 7.48 galls)

Are there any water storage tanks onsite? Yes No

If yes, what is the capacity? Gallons: _____

How are the storage tanks/ cisterns filled? Rainwater Portable

Is the water being treated before use? Yes No

If yes, how is this being done? _____

4.3. Sewage Treatment

Type of sewage system: Underground septic tank Treatment Plant Public Sewer

What is the capacity? **(LxWxD) x 7.48** Gallons: _____ No. of buildings served? _____

4.4 Utility/Consumption Data

NOTE: Auditors are encouraged to note if a meter serves two (2) or more buildings.

Water meter/s (utility meters):

Meter # Size of Mains Area serving Annual water consumption

Meter _____

Meter _____

Monthly consumption (Year 1)

Jan _____ Feb _____ March _____ April _____ May _____ June _____

July _____ Aug _____ Sept _____ Oct _____ Nov _____ Dec _____

Monthly consumption (Year 2)

Jan _____ Feb _____ March _____ April _____ May _____ June _____

July _____ Aug _____ Sept _____ Oct _____ Nov _____ Dec _____



4.5 Water Consumption

Number of restrooms: _____ Number of Water Closets (total): _____

Type: Flush Tank /Flush Valve

Number of Water Closets Flush Tanks Type _____

Number of Water Closets Flush Valve Type _____

Number of Water Closets for disabled people _____

Are fixtures ADA Compliant? _____

Note: Many fixtures have the average flow rate printed on the fixture itself, along with the make and model. If you cannot find this printed information, consult your maintenance staff or facility manager.

4.5.1 Water Closets/Urinals



WATER CLOSETS /URINALS				
Water Closet /Urinal type	Quantity	Flush Rate	Location	Condition

CONSERVATION NOTE:
Most toilets are either gravity flush, flush valve/ flush-o-meter/ tank-less, or pressurized tank types. Older toilets, an average flush uses about 3.6 gallons (13.6 liters), and the daily use is 18.8 gallons (71.2 liters) per person per day. Ultra-low-flow (ULF) toilets, have an average flush volume of 1.6 gallons (6 liters), the daily use is 9.1 gallons (34.4 liters) per person per day.

Are urinals equipped with automatic water-flushing systems? Yes No
If so, what is the timing cycle? _____
Are the sensors/timers coordinated with regular work hours? Yes No

Figure 19 - F 14 Charting water consumption for Water Closets and Urinals



Figure 7 Demonstration of Flow rate data collection

4.5.2 Restroom Faucets (Lavatory Basins)

Number of restroom faucets (total): _____ Condition: _____

Are faucets equipped with aerators? Yes No

Are faucets equipped with automatic or metered shutoff mechanisms? Yes No

4.5.3 Showers

Number of showers (total): _____

Condition: _____

4.5.4 Fountains

Number of drinking fountains: _____ Condition: _____

Are fountains refrigerated or non refrigerated? wheel chair accessible?

4.5.5 Summary (Plumbing Fixture Count Form)

The listing of plumbing fixtures should be summarized in the attached "Fixture Count Form"

The data collection should pay attention to the following:

- Types of Water Closets Flush Valve or Flush Tanks
- Peak periods of use
- Estimated number of hours per day fixtures are in use e.g. Number of clinics per week, estimated quantity of patients per week.



4.5.5 Kitchens/Cafeterias

Number of kitchen/Cafeteria areas: _____
 Number of meals prepared per day _____
 Number of kitchen sinks/ faucets: _____ Condition: _____
 Are kitchen faucets equipped with aerators? Yes No
 Do refrigerators use water coolant systems? Yes No
 Are refrigerators equipped with icemakers? Yes No
 Do refrigerators provide drinking water? Yes No ***If YES***, is the water filtered Yes No
 Do kitchens use: garbage disposals composting neither
 Is there a dishwasher? Yes No
 Number of dishwashers: _____ Make & Model: _____
 Average number of loads per day: _____ Water consumption per load: _____ (gpm)
 Are dishes pre-washed? Yes No
 Is potable water used for pre-washing dishes? Yes No
 Is dishwasher wastewater reused? Yes No



An example of Water Consumption per load available on fixtures
<https://water.usgs.gov/edu/qa-home-percapita.html>

Does the flow of water to the garbage disposal stop when the disposal motor stops? Yes No
(Many disposals have two water-supply lines, one to the bowl and one to the grinding chamber. Check both.)
 Are there grease traps available at the facility? Yes No How often is it maintained _____
 Make & Model: _____ Condition: _____
 Are there any ice machines? Yes No ***If YES*** _____ # air-cooled or _____ # water-cooled?
 Are kitchen floors hosed clean? Yes No How often? _____
 Are hoses equipped with high-pressure, water efficient nozzles? Yes No

4.5.6 Laundry Consumption

Are linens washed on-site? Yes No Number of days per week _____
 Number of staff _____
 Number of shifts _____
 Number of washing machines _____
 Types of washing machines
 Front Load _____ Top Load _____ Washer Extractor _____
 Number of pounds of laundry processed per day _____
 Is hot water supplied to the Laundry? _____
 Source of hot water: Boiler _____ Electric Water Heater _____, Gas Water Heater _____
 Are there hot water storage tanks? _____
 Hot water storage capacity _____ Galls
 Where is the Laundry Wastewater sent to? _____

4.5.6 Laboratory Consumption

Number of Labs (total in facility): _____
 Number of sinks/ faucets: _____ Condition: _____
 Are faucets equipped with aerators? Yes No
 List lab equipment that uses water in any way:

Equipment	Amount used	Closed-loop?	Potable? or Re-used?
_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	_____
_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	_____



Describe lab procedural/clean-up practices that consume water.

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Are procedures and clean-up practices posted in the lab? Yes No

4.5.7 Mechanical Consumption

Number of water heater(s): _____ Size: _____ Location: _____ Condition: _____

Are water softeners in use? Yes No Number: _____ Location: _____
Condition: _____

Is softener regeneration automated? _____ Yes No _____

If automatic regeneration, is it initiated by: time meter sensor

Are cooling towers in use at your facility? Yes No Number: _____



Note: For each cooling tower, approximate how much make-up water is needed or used to replace water lost to evaporation, and losses from pump packing and other process inefficiencies.

Are boilers in use at your facility? Yes No Number: _____ Condition: _____



Note: For each boiler, approximate how much make-up water is needed or used to replace water lost to blow-down, evaporation, and other process inefficiencies. Check settings for level of total dissolved solids (TDS) at blow-down and frequency.

Are water-cooled air compressors in use? Yes No

Are water-cooled pumps in use? Yes No

List any other machines that use non-contact cooling water: _____

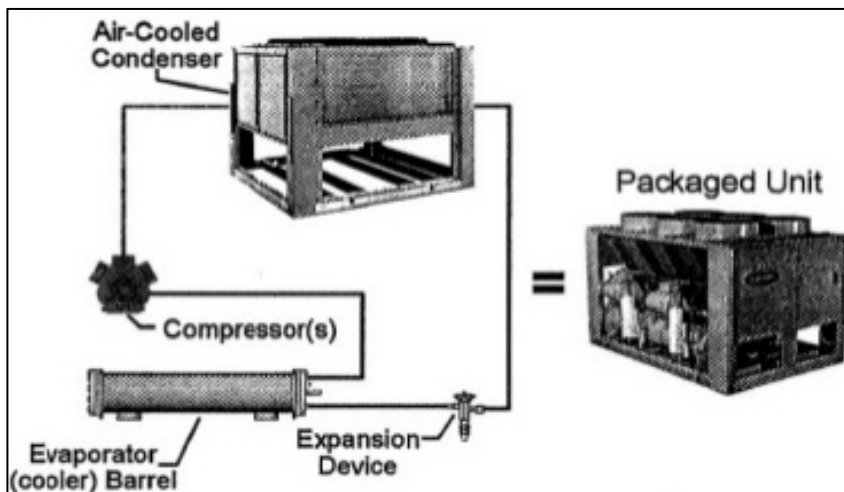
4.5.8 Heating, Ventilating and Air Conditioning (HVAC) Consumption

What type of HVAC system do you have? _____

Does your HVAC system have condensate collection and/or re-use? Yes No

Is your HVAC system always on? Yes No

Is your HVAC system air-cooled or water-cooled? If water-cooled, is your system open loop or closed-loop?





Note: There are several major heating, ventilating and air conditioning (HVAC) system types in use, for example Central Chilled water systems, Split AC systems, Packaged AC Systems and window units. The above image provides an illustration of an air-cooled chiller.

4.5.9 Cleaning Use

Motor Pool: Number of vehicles: _____ where are they washed? _____ How frequently? _____
 Number of watercraft: _____ Where are they washed? _____ How frequently? _____
 Are hoses used? Yes No
 Are hoses equipped with fine-spray/high-pressure/water-efficient nozzles? Yes No
 Are dry-clean (rather than wet-clean) practices and procedures in place? (i.e. sweep instead of hosing, scrape before spraying, etc.) Yes No
 Are windows washed on a regular basis? Yes No How often? _____
 Are sidewalks and outside walls pressure-washed on a regular basis? Yes No
 How often? _____

4.5.10 Janitorial Use

Are janitorial staff aware of water conservation efforts? Yes No
 Are there areas that janitors mop? Yes No Where: _____
 Area mopped (ft2): _____ How often? _____ Are hoses used? Yes No
 Are dry-clean (rather than wet-clean) practices and procedures in place? (i.e. sweep instead of hosing, scrape before spraying, etc.) Yes No
 List other janitorial practices that consume water.

Task	Where	How often	Average water used
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____



4.5.11 Landscaping Consumption

Does your landscape use mulch? Yes No
 Does your facility have an irrigation system? Yes No Type: _____
 Where does the system irrigate? _____ How often?

 Is there a rain gauge incorporated in your system? Yes No
 Are there manual override controls for your system? Yes No
 Are hoses used for irrigation? Yes No
 Are hoses equipped with fine-spray/high-pressure/water-efficient nozzles? Yes No
 Does your facility have any pools or fountains? Yes No Number: ____ Capacity

 When are fountains running? _____ Typical water consumption? _____
 Do fountains use recycled water? Yes No
 Are they part of a closed-loop system? Yes No
 Are paved areas swept clean blown clean or hosed?

CONSERVATION NOTE: Monitor and record landscaping average consumption levels. For example, hoses and nozzles uses in sprinkler systems as seen below. Consider using rain harvesting and the use of water tanks to further conserve water.



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4.5.12 Maintenance

Are faucets, pipes and plumbing checked regularly for leaks? Yes No How often? _____

Is there regularly scheduled preventive maintenance in your facility? Yes No

Is maintenance documented with standard records or inspection logs? Yes No

If you contract with a maintenance company: How quickly does maintenance staff respond and repair leaks?

If you control your own maintenance program: How do you handle reporting and repair of leaks?

How quickly are leaks usually repaired? _____



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Section 5 INDOOR ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (AUDIT)

Indoor environmental quality (IEQ) refers to the quality of a building's interior environment in relation to the health and wellbeing of those who occupy space within it. IEQ is determined by many factors, including lighting, air quality, ventilation and humidity/damp conditions. Some existing health care facilities have a poor indoor environmental and/or air quality (IEQ/IAQ). IEQ encompasses thermal comfort, humidity, ventilation, lighting and noise levels. An ideal indoor environment in terms of occupants' health, comfort, safety and satisfaction is an important consideration when assessing indoor environmental quality.

5.1 Lighting Levels¹

The outdoor light level is approximately 107,527 lux on brightest sunlight which may cause eye pain to about 400 lux at sunrise or sunset on a clear day. In the building, in the area closest to windows, the light level may be reduced to approximately 1,000 lux. In the middle area it may be as low as 25 - 50 lux. Additional lighting equipment is often necessary to compensate for the low levels.

Earlier, it was common with light levels in the range 500 - 1000 lux for normal activities. In recent years the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (US Department of Energy) in Association with the IESNA and ASHRAE has provided more stringent guidelines with respect to recommended lighting levels and Lighting Power densities for various types of buildings. Today the recommended lighting levels have been reduced in instances where environmental quality standards are not compromised, light level is more common in the range 400 - 750 lux - depending on activity. For precision and detailed works, the light level may even approach 1000 - 1500 lux.

The table below is guidance for recommended light level in different work spaces:

HOSPITALS

Area- Activities	Type of Work	Recommended Lux – (Minimum)
Doctors' offices	General lighting	500 (400)
Critical Care Examination	Working table	500
Waiting areas for reading		300
Bathrooms	General	200 – (100)
Examination Rooms	General	500
Library Reading Areas		500 – (400)
Treatment Cubicles	General	300
Outpatient Clinic	General	500
Corridors –Nursing Areas		150
Kitchen		500
Laboratory	Specimen Collection	500
Occupational Therapy	(Working table)	500
Operating room	(General)	500 – (500)
	Operating Table task lighting	10000 – (3000)
	(X-ray suite) adjustable lighting	0 – 100 – (0 – 50)
Dentistry	(General)	300
	(Chair)	10000 – (3000)
Maternity ward	Birthing Room	1000
	(Deliver area) general	10000 – (3000)

INSTRUCTIONAL NOTE:

Equipment needed to test lighting levels include: LUX Meter, which measures light intensity. The lux (symbol: lx) is the SI unit of luminance and luminous emittance, measuring luminous flux per unit area. It is equal to one lumen per square metre.

In photometry, this is used as a measure of the intensity, as perceived by the human eye, of light that hits or passes through a surface.

Lux Metre is seen in the image below.



¹ Reference Illumination Engineering Society of North American, IES(NA) Lighting Handbook, Ninth Edition



Post Delivery	500
Patient rooms (General)	150
(Localized lighting: beds)	500

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5.2 Humidity and Temperature Levels

Correct humidity is essential to patient health, staff comfort and prevention of electrostatic damage to medical equipment. The medical industry goal is to treat the injured or ill in a safe and comfortable environment. Hospital staff must also have a comfortable environment, so they are at their best in order to perform proper diagnosis and treatment.

ASHRAE /ANSI Standard 170-2008 has published guidelines for environmental conditions in hospital areas. This includes the requirements to ensure that there is adequate fresh air supply to the area and also there are adequate air changes to ensure that the build-up of Carbon dioxide is prevented.

Hospitals also have various rooms with various purposes. They range from waiting rooms to intensive care units, x-ray facilities and surgery rooms. All of these types of rooms require a degree of air quality which includes specific requirements for humidity. Deviations from the mid-range of relative humidity (RH) of 40-60% can reduce air quality by causing an increased growth of bacteria, airborne infection, sore eyes, sore throat, increased static and dust, and premature coagulation. It is recommended that hospitals should be kept at temperature and humidity levels as per the following chart:

Hospital Areas	Temp (°F)	Humidity OACH	TACH
Delivery Room	68-75 F	20-60 %	4 20
Treatment Rooms	70-75F	20-60 %	2
6			
Triage	70-75F	Max 60 %	2
12			
Radiology Waiting	70-75 F	Max 60 %	2
12			
Toilet	NR	NR	
10			
Laboratory	70-75F	NR	2
6			
Examination Room	70-75F	Max 60%	2
6			



INSTRUCTIONAL NOTE:
The air humidity meter can measure relative air humidity, temperature, and CO2 levels. If the humidity is too high, mould might occur on the walls or on the roof. This means a health risk for everyone in that environment.
Air Humidity Meter as seen below:



OACH- Outside Air Changes per Hour
TACH- Total Air Changes per Hour



5.3 Carbon Dioxide (CO2 Levels)

Since Carbon Dioxide (CO2) is exhaled by people at predictable levels, its content in the air may be a significant indication of air quality. A measure of CO2 indicates the amount of fresh air supply; 15 cfm ventilation rate per occupant corresponds to 1000 ppm CO2 and 20 cfm ventilation rate per occupant corresponds to 800 ppm CO2.

The Carbon Dioxide (CO2) standard levels (recommended in ASHRAE Standard 62-1 1989) Ventilation for Acceptable Indoor Air Quality is as follows:

- Classrooms and conference rooms 15 cfm per occupant
- Office space and restaurants 20 cfm per occupant



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- Hospitals 25 cfm per occupant

The referenced CO2 levels are as follows:

- 350 – 450 ppm** : – Background (normal) outdoor air level
- Less than 600 ppm** : - Acceptable levels
- 600 – 1,000 ppm**: - Complaints of stiffness and odors
 - 1,000 ppm** :- recommended ASHRAE² and OSHA³ standards (CO2 concentration at this level should not exceed 1,000 ppm)
 - 1,000 – 2,000 ppm**: - Level associated with complaints of drowsiness and poor air.
 - 2,000 – 5,000 ppm**: - Level associated with headaches, sleepiness, and stagnant, stale and stuffy air. Adverse health effects expected.
 - Greater than 5,000 ppm**: - Exposure may lead to serious oxygen deprivation resulting in permanent brain damage, coma and even death.

*ppm – Parts per million; cfm – cubic feet per minute

INSTRUCTIONS: Use 'red' text colour if readings are below acceptable levels. Use 'Black' text colour if readings are acceptable.

Room Name/type	Light levels		Humidity levels		Carbon Dioxide	Issues /Condition
	Existing Lux	Recommended Lux	Temp. Deg. F	Relative Humidity	Levels (ppm)	
[BUILDING NAME]						
[Room/ specific area]	[insert reading in red or black]		[insert reading]	[insert reading]	[insert reading]	
[Room/ specific area]						
[Room/ specific area]						
[Room/ specific area]						
[Room/ specific area]						
[Room/ specific area]						
[Room/ specific area]						
[BUILDING NAME]						
[Room/ specific area]	[insert reading in red or black]		[insert reading]	[insert reading]	[insert reading]	
[Room/ specific area]						
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[Room/ specific area]						
[Room/ specific area]						

Figure 20 - IEQ form sample

² ASHRAE, stands for the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers
³ OSHA is the United States Department of Labour Occupational Safety and Health Administration



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Section 6 OCCUPANT SURVEY

Occupant surveys are highly effective as a way to judge the current performance of a building. After all, the occupants are the people who spend the most time in the building. An occupant survey will highlight any day-to-day building performance that falls below tenants' expectations and can also highlight thermal comfort, noise, glare, transport and other operational issues.

6.1 PATIENT/STAFF OCCUPANCY SATISFACTION SURVEY

1. In which country do you live?

Name of Country: _____



2. Please identify your relationship to the facility

- Employee Visitor Patient
- Other (please specify) _____

3. Do you understand the concept of "greening" buildings?

- Yes No Not sure

4. Which of the following renewable energy sources do you know about?

- Solar Wind Energy None
- Geothermal Bio Energy

5. Do you give consideration to energy and water conservation in your normal functions?

6. On an average, how much time do you spend at the facility in one week?

- Less than 40 hours More than 40 hours Not sure

7. How do you get to the facility?

- Walk Private Vehicle Public Transport
- Other (please specify) _____



8. Approximately how many miles is the drive to the facility?

9. If you use a vehicle or public transportation to get to the facility, please provide some details about the vehicle.

- Make of vehicle _____ Model of vehicle _____
- Year _____ Not sure _____

INSTRUCTIONAL NOTE:

To be effective, the audit will be carried out in a highly structured manner so that the results can allow comparison with a well-established, benchmarked database of criteria. In order to assess if the conditions at the facility is contributing to illness, absenteeism or a high turnover rate, the following information is required. These questions may be revisited once the project is complete and workers have had a chance to use the facility for some time to determine the changes made had any impact on work conditions and indoor environmental quality (lighting, air quality, damp conditions).



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10. How satisfied are you with the lighting (in the facility)?

11. Does the lighting affect your ability to function normally?

- Yes No Not sure

12. Can you point out specific problems with the lighting?

	No problem	Problems	Not sure
Glare	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reflections	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Direct Sunlight	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Faulty fixtures	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (please specify) _____			

13. Overall does the air quality enhance or interfere with your ability to function normally?

- Enhance Interfere Not Sure

14. How satisfied are you with the air quality (i.e. stuffy/stale air, odour) at the facility?

- Very satisfied Moderately satisfied Not satisfied
 Not sure/prefer not to answer

15. Does direct sunlight enter any of the windows and doors?

- Yes No Not sure

16. Does the **temperature** of the facility affect your ability to function normally?

- Yes No Not sure

17. Does the **ventilation (movement of air)** of the facility affect your ability to function normally?

- Yes No Not sure

18. In your opinion is the building (facility) strong/safe?

- Yes No Not sure

19. Would you feel comfortable in the building during a tropical storm or hurricane?

- Yes No Not sure

20. What improvements would you like to see to the building?

- Better lighting Operable windows Operable doors
 Air conditioning Reliable electricity Reliable water supply
Other (please specify) _____



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Annex 1

Resource Forms to be utilized during the application of the

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GENERAL BUILDING INFORMATION FORM

Name of Facility:

Location:

Property Block/Parcel no.

Size of Property:

Building Orientation:

Building Floor Area:

No. of Floors:

No. of parking spaces: Visitors _____ Workers _____

Building Capacity: - No. of Beds

No. of Employees: Full-time _____ Part-time _____

Year Constructed:

Type of Building Construction:

Type of Roof Construction:

PAHO Hospital Safety Index (HSI) Applied: Yes No

If yes, is the report available?

Note any past damage to the facility:



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BUILDING/PROPERTY COMPONENT AUDIT

As-built drawings are needed to complete this section of the BAT, particularly to provide information pertaining to the measurements of the foundation

Component	Systems	Quantity/ Square Area	Issues (Condition)	Additional Comments
1.0 Exterior Building Elements	1.1 Foundation/ Structure			
	1.2 Exterior Walls			
	1.3 Roof System/Drainage			
	1.4 No. of Windows			
	1.5 No. of Doors			
2.0 Interior Building Elements	2.1 Ceiling			
	2.2 Interior Walls			
	2.3 No. of Doors			
	2.4 Floors			
	2.5 Fixed Furniture/ Equipment (Built In, No. of Cupboards, No. of Cabinets)			
3.0 Safety Elements	3.1 Means of Exit			
	3.2 Fire Control			
	3.3 Fire Alarm			
	3.4 Emergency Lighting			
	3.5 Fire Resistance			
	3.6 Provisions for Handicap/ Accessibility			
	3.7 Perimeter Fencing/ Security			



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ELECTRICITY CONSUMPTION

YEAR 1	Month	Days in Period	Usage (kWh)*	Fuel Surcharge / Peak Demand kVA	Cost per kWh*	Cost per KVA	Total Cost
	January						
	February						
	March						
	April						
	May						
	June						
	July						
	August						
	September						
	October						
	November						
December							

YEAR 2	Month	Days in Period	Usage (kWh)*	Fuel Surcharge / Peak Demand kVA	Cost per kWh*	Cost per KVA	Total Cost
	January						
	February						
	March						
	April						
	May						
	June						
	July						
	August						
	September						
	October						
	November						
December							

Fixed Charges: *NB: Obtain most current data from local utility companies.
VAT:



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RENEWABLE ENERGY

SOLAR POWER

Number of PV Panels	Total Area of PV Panels	Peak Watts (kW)	Size of Battery Bank	Grid Tied / Off Grid	Annual Power Production (kWh)

WIND POWER

Number of Turbines	Size of Battery Bank	Power Rating kW	Capacity Factor 30-40%	Grid Tied / OFF Grid	Annual Energy Rating kWh

NB: Photovoltaic, System, wind turbines etc.



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STANDBY GENERATOR					
Brand / Model	Stand by Power Rating KW	Standby Power Rating (kVA)	Voltage	Phase	Power Factor



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STANDBY GENERATOR DETAILS	
Does generator system provide full emergency power to the facility [Y / N]?	
If the generator does not provide full emergency power to facility, then list areas supplied by generator:	



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AIR-CONDITIONING

Location & Remarks	Quantity	Type	Model	Thermostat Setting (Celsius / Fahrenheit)	Cooling Capacity		Electrical Power (W)	Refrigerant	Efficiency			Hours per Week
					WATTS	British Thermal Units (BTU)			EER	COP	SEER	

NOTES.

Model: AC Brand / Model - Can be used to determine Capacity & Power if it is not shown on the unit

EER: Energy Efficiency Ratio

SEER: Seasonal Energy Efficiency Ratio

COP: Coefficient of Performance



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REFRIGERATION

Location & Remarks	Quantity	Model	Capacity Cu. Ft	Voltage (V)	Amps (A)	Power (W)	Temperature Setting (Hi/Med/Lo)	Refrigerant	Year



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PLUMBING FIXTURES COMMERCIAL WATER FIXTURE COUNT FORM

Facility name:	
Address	Building No.
Date:	Inspected by:

Fixture	Occupancy	Type of Supply Control	Load Values		Units (wsfu)	# of units	Equal # of Water Supply Fixture units
			Cold	Hot			
Bathroom Group	Private	Flush Tank	2.7	1.5	3.6		
Bathroom Group	Private	Flush Valve	6.0	3.0	8.0		
Bathtub	Private	Faucet	1.0	1.0	1.4		
Bathtub	Public	Faucet	3.0	3.0	4.0		
Bidet	Private	Faucet	1.5	1.5	2.0		
Combination Fixture	Private	Faucet	2.25	2.25	3.0		
Dishwashing machine	Private	Automatic	-	1.4	1.4		
Drinking Fountain	Offices, etc.	3/8" Valve	0.25	-	0.25		
House Bibb	-	-	-	-	2.5		
Kitchen Sink	Private	Faucet	1.0	1.0	1.4		
Kitchen Sink	Hotel, Restaurant	Faucet	3.0	3.0	4.0		
Laundry Trays (1-3)	Private	Faucet	1.0	1.0	1.4		
Lavatory	Private	Faucet	0.5	0.5	0.7		
Lavatory	Public	Faucet	1.5	1.5	2.0		
Service Sink	Offices, tec.	Faucet	2.25	2.25	3.0		
Shower Head	Public	Mixing Valve	3.0	3.0	4.0		
Shower head	Private	Mixing Valve	1.0	1.0	1.4		
Urinal	Public	1" Flush Valve	10.0	-	10.0		
Urinal	Public	3/4" Flush valve	5.0	-	5.0		
Urinal	Public	Flush Tank	3.0	-	3.0		
Washing Machine (8lb)		Automatic	1.0	1.0	1.4		
Washing Machine (8lb)	Public	Automatic	2.25	2.25	3.0		
Washing Machine (15lb)	Public	Automatic	3.0	3.0	4.0		
Water Closet	Private	Flush Valve	6.0	-	6.0		
Water Closet	Private	Flush Valve	2.2	-	2.2		
Water Closet	Public	Flush Valve	10.0	-	10.0		
Water Closet	Public	Flush Valve	5.0	-	5.0		
Water Closet	Public or Private	Flushometer tank	2.0	-	2.0		

Total Fixture Units _____
Fixture Units Converted Into gpm _____



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AVAILABILITY OF GFA (GROSS FLOOR AREA)

Description of Project	Results	Notes
No. of buildings on plot:		
Maximum height of buildings:		
No. of plot(s):		
(A) Plot area:		
(B) Building area:		
(c) Total Floor area:		
Site Coverage (e.g. % of plots covered by building $[B/A \times 100]$)		
Plot ratio (divide total floor area expressed in ratio e.g. 1:07) $[1:C/A]$		

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