



USGBC/LEED Stats

- LEED is “officially” touching 4+ billion SF
 - 36,000+ commercial projects
 - ~30,000 D&C
 - ~6,000 EB O&M
 - Average project ~ 110,000 SF
 - 12,500+ residential projects
- 175,000 LEED APs
- USGBC ~19,000 Member Companies



BUILDING CODES and **LEED**

- Standard 189.1 released January 2010
- IGCC v1.0 released March 2010
- Unified advocacy platform
- Future LEED versions
 - Seek additional harmonization between 189.1 /IGCC
 - Floor/Ceiling approach



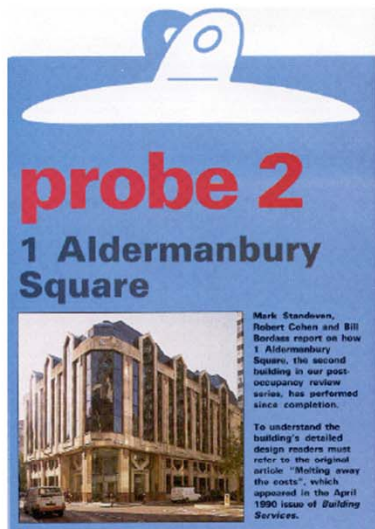
USGBC Building Performance Partnership

- How are LEED projects performing?
 - Energy
 - Water
 - Comfort
 - IAQ – health
 - Productivity
- If they are performing, what can we learn from them to replicate in the future?
- If they aren't performing, what can we learn from them to avoid in the future?



The Origins of BPP

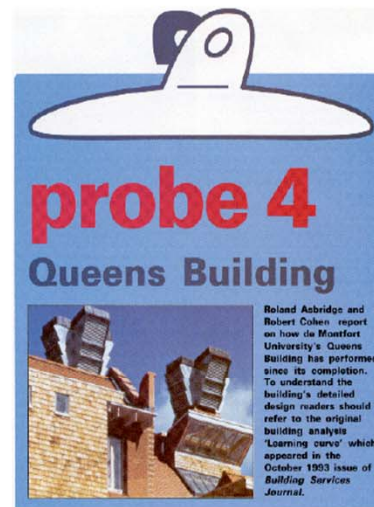
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The second PROBE investigation has focused on the true performance of storage systems. This example, 1 Aldermanbury Square, was the first special building in the UK to feature the installation of an ice storage system¹.

1 Aldermanbury Square is a nine storey office building of 6 100 m² net letta (8000 m² gross, 7000 m² treated). The floor plan is roughly rectangular at 4 m, and partly joined to a newer, neighbouring building on the south side which overshadows all windows on that elevation.

The building was commissioned by the developers, and after a period of not it was let to Standard Chartered Bank (SCB) in 1990 as headquarters accor under a full repairing lease. The Bank commissioned an initial fit-out (not by



The fourth article in the PROBE series revisits the Queens Building the award winning School of Engineering and Manufacture completed in 1993 for de Montfort University in Leicester. Today the building represents a benchmark in natural ventilation, daylighting and passive solar design.

The original brief called for an innovative solution to reflect the creative nature of the new university. Designed by architect Short Ford Associates with Max Fordham Associates as the services consultant, the Queens Building provides academic facilities for 1500 full-time students. Predominantly naturally ventilated, the whole building is characterised by the exposure of its thermally-massive structure with fair-faced brick and blockwork walls, and exposed soffits to the concrete floor slabs.

The 10 000 m² structure comprises the central building, the mechanical laboratories and the electrical laboratories. A full-height concourse in the central building acts as a light well and thermal buffer zone for adjoining spaces.

The mechanical laboratories are flanked on the western facade by a two-storey block of mechanically-ventilated specialist laboratories. The electrical laboratories are housed in two shallow plan, four-storey wings, either side of a narrow courtyard which forms the



Eight buildings were studied under the PROBE research project – four offices and four non-commercial buildings. In the penultimate article in this PROBE series, we focus on the engineering and energy issues of all the study buildings to draw some conclusions on building performance. How well do lighting controls work? Are energy efficiency targets being met, and how important is the quality of construction to delivering good comfort conditions?

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THE NON-OFFICE BUILDINGS

Three of the non-commercial buildings in the PROBE survey can loosely be defined as educational buildings, although they differ markedly in many respects². The fourth building is a small medical centre³. The fourth building, the thermal mass building, is mostly naturally ventilated.



The comparatively low installed boiler power for APU and Woodhouse (61 W/m² and 42 W/m² respectively) reflects the low heat losses from two very well insulated buildings. However, APU has experienced underheating in the north zone owing to insufficiently sized perimeter heating which was not revised following a continuing change from single to double glazing in that zone. This was exacerbated by the external temperature sensor being located on a west facing wall.

The medical centre avoids the perimeter heating problem of the other two buildings by using a high efficiency boiler, CAHV, for example, operates an automatic night heat day, while the district at Woodhouse Medical Centre provides evening surges.

Services performance: heating

All the buildings are heated by gas-fired boilers, although de Montfort has a sequence of combined heat and power, a condensing boiler and a high efficiency boiler. CAHV has high efficiency boilers, while APU and Woodhouse both have condensing boilers.

Services performance: ventilation

All four buildings have a range of ventilation control strategies, from Woodhouse Medical Centre's very simple manual window opening to the mixture of manual and automatic systems at de Montfort and APU.

At APU, the window vents and window louvers in open plan areas open automatically according to zone CO₂ and temperature

sensors. There is no manual override, which has proven to be an occasional limitation owing to cold draughts on very sunny but cold winter days, outside noise and traffic fumes.

There is a self-learning night cooling algorithm, but this has suffered a low commissioning difficulties and at the time of the survey had not operated as intended.

The medical centre has a mechanical ventilation and heat recovery system (mehv), intended to reduce heat loss during the heating season. The system has no time control and relies on manual switching. Its fan energy would be significantly reduced if it were matched to outside occupancy.

The entire system cannot be used for overnight cooling in summer because the heat recovery element cannot be bypassed in practice, the system was not understood and has been out of use for several years. Indeed, one doctor's practice has installed split air room air conditioners.

The medical centre's trickle vents have been tampered with. Ventilation error rates almost totally on manual window opening, as the roof vents windows are not accessible.

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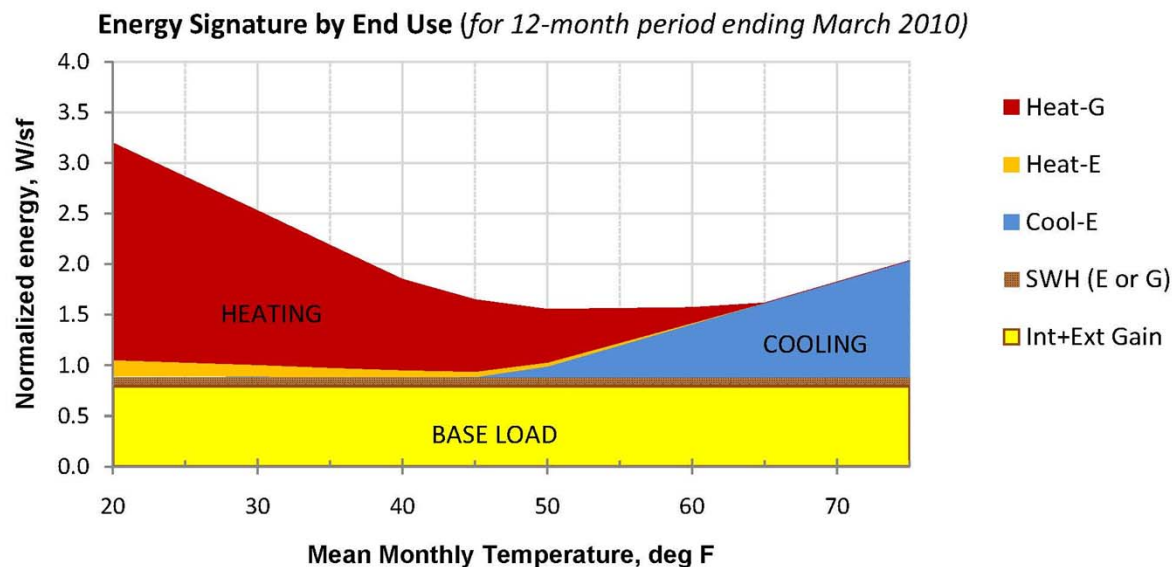
BPP – Energy, Water, IEQ data collection

- BPP views data as a continuum
- Phase I – whole building energy and water
- Phase II
 - Submetered energy and water
 - IEQ
- Phase III – “real time” energy, water IEQ



BPP – Phase I Reports

Energy Signature analysis performed by: New Buildings Institute, Vancouver, WA



Energy Signature Results

The Energy Signature analysis shows good overall performance

Low cooling efficiency. [This building has demonstration-level ice-storage, which could be a factor here. Some implementations may be effective at shifting peak demand even though not reducing total energy use.] (227)



USGBC Performance Dashboard



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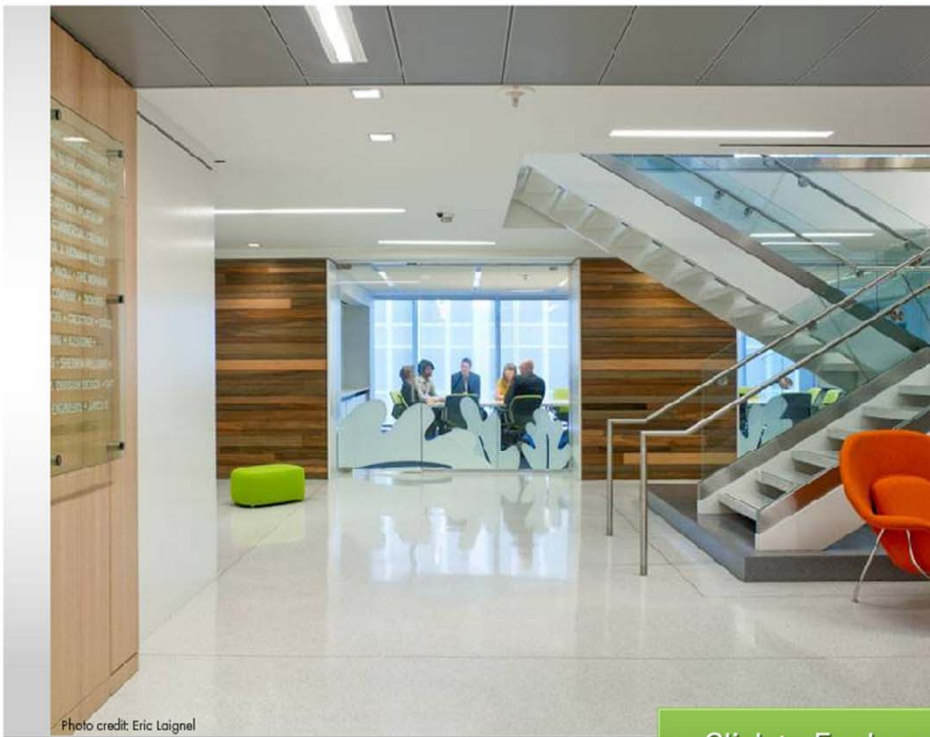


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WELCOME TO U.S. Green Building Council

The U.S. Green Building Council is a 501(c) (3) non-profit community of leaders working to make green buildings available to everyone within a generation.

This interactive environment provides information on the sustainable design principles and performance of our LEED Platinum office space. As you explore our space and its associated performance, you will see and learn how our space is performing on key metrics related to energy and water use, as well as overall sustainability. The USGBC office space as an interactive environment presents information that will be used both for education and as a performance measurement tool.

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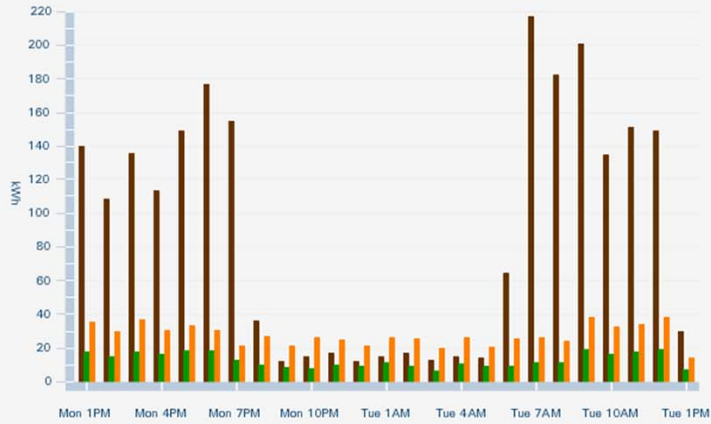
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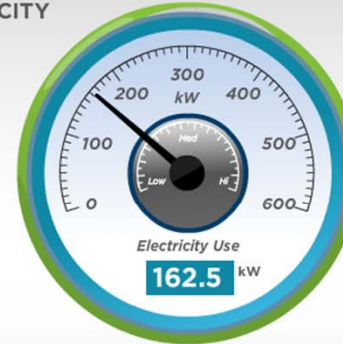


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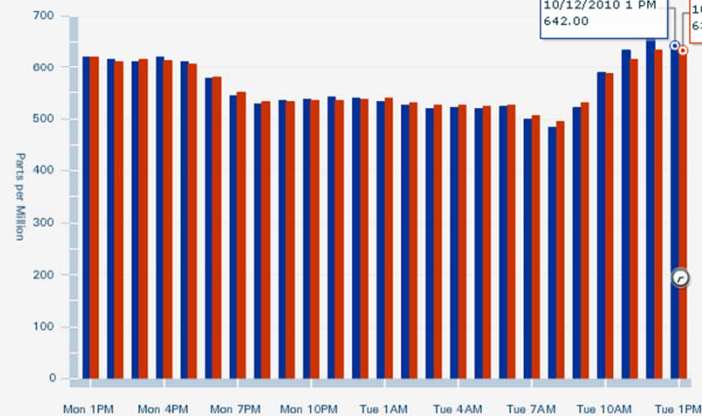
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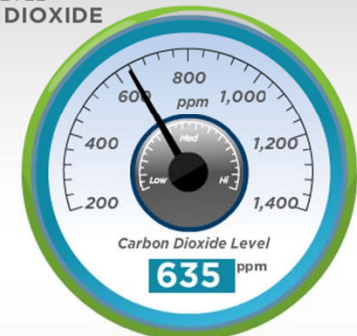


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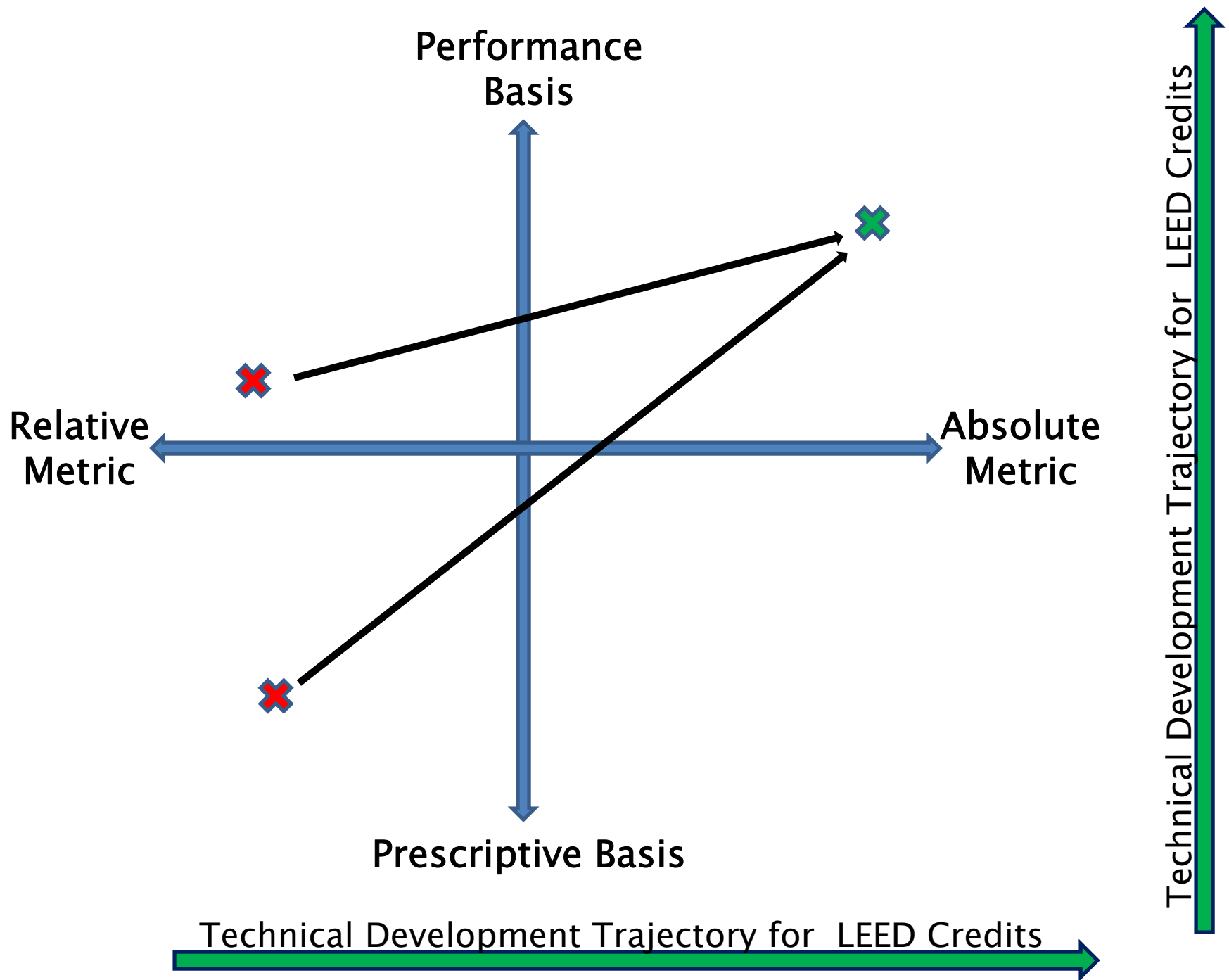
CURRENT LEVEL CARBON DIOXIDE



BPP – Feedback Loops

- Inform LEED rating system development
- Reinforce value proposition for green buildings
- Educate buildings inhabitants
- Demand/Grid Response
- *Improve building performance* (it's what this whole LEED thing was about from the start)





Pilot Credit: Demand Response

- Intent:
 - To reduce regional carbon emissions and improve and enhance the optimization of electric generation, transmission and distribution resources.
- Requirements: Option 1.
 - Demand Response Program – Incorporate the capability to participate in a demand response program by a local utility, Independent System Operator, Curtailment Service Provider, or other recognized entity that provides, manages or services a demand response program into the design of the project.
 - Demonstrate that the design measures implemented qualify the project for participation in an active Demand Response program.



