

Zero Carbon at University of Calgary

MacKimmie Tower Retrofit Case Study

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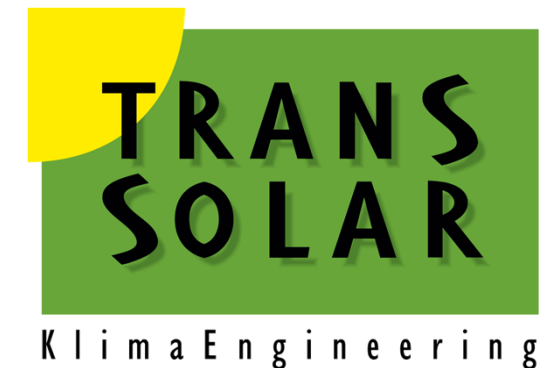
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Agenda

- Climate Action Plan
- Project Context
- Tower Design Overview
- Tower Façade Construction
- Zero Carbon Performance
- Questions

DIALOG™



University of Calgary

1,800+ academic staff

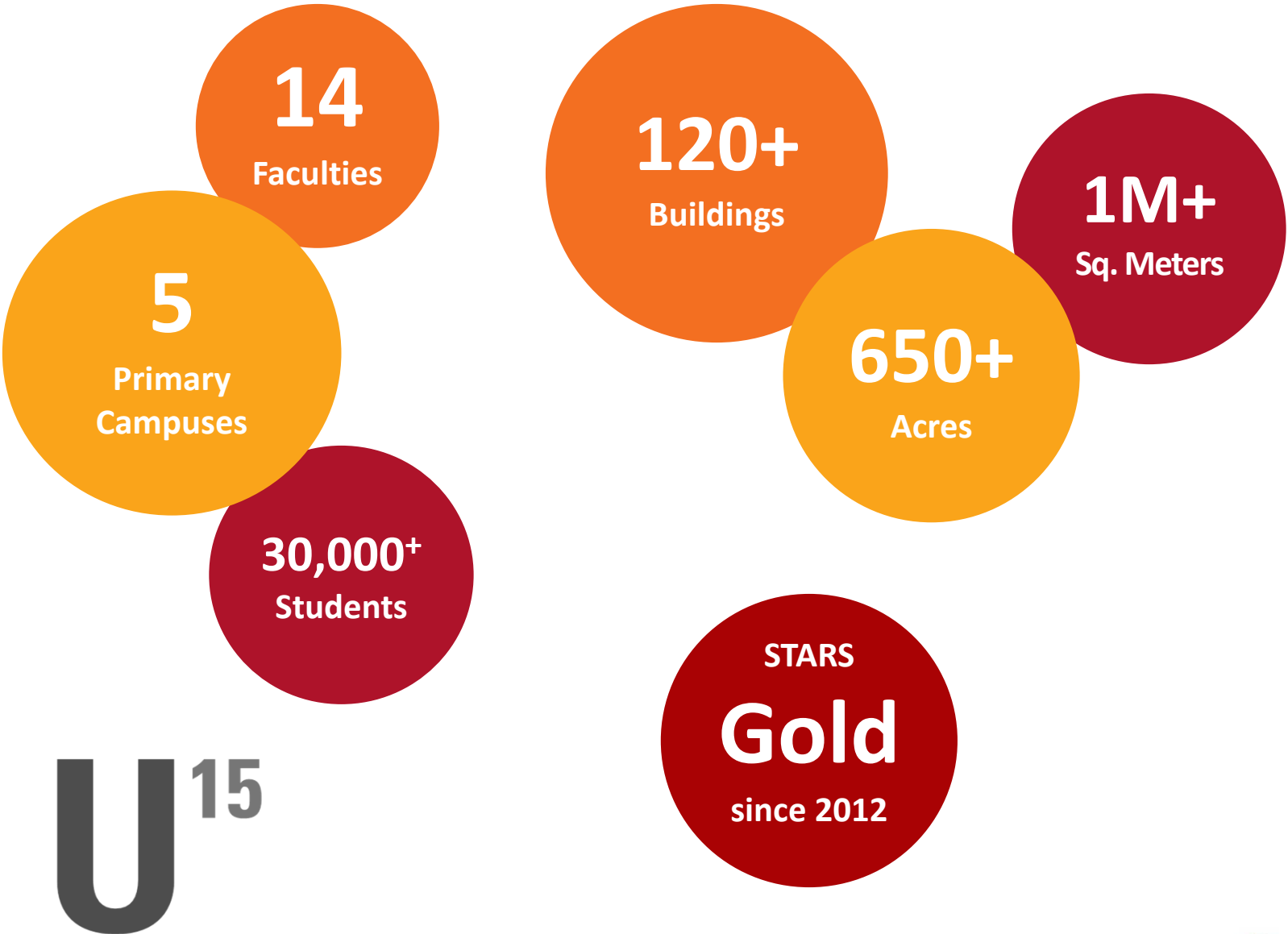
actively engaged in research,
scholarship and teaching

3,200+ non-academic staff

focused on operating the institution
and delivering against our core mandate

\$1.2 billion operating budget

UCalgary contributes nearly \$8 billion
annually to Alberta's economy



Group of Canadian Research Universities

Regroupement des universités de recherche du Canada



Institutional Plans and Strategies



The 2016 Institutional Sustainability Strategy provides a roadmap for continuous improvement in our pursuit of excellence and leadership in sustainability.



Engagement



Education and
Research



Operations and
Administration

Institutional Sustainability Strategy

We strive to continually improve our sustainability performance and infusing sustainability into the campus experience

Operational objectives include:

- To attain net carbon neutrality
- To become one of the most energy efficient campuses in Canada
- To be a Canadian leader in healthy high performance green buildings.



2019 CLIMATE ACTION PLAN

The 2019 Climate Action Plan is the University of Calgary's operational roadmap to a carbon neutral campus by 2050, sparking innovation and accelerating the transition to a clean growth economy.



Our emissions reductions to date

Despite substantial growth, In 2018 UCalgary achieved a 30% reduction in GHG emissions (2008 baseline)

3 Key
Initiatives



30%

Absolute Reduction

69,000

tonnes CO₂e annually
(2018)



Buildings operations
comprise 99% of our Scope
1 and 2 GHG emissions.

\$4.8M+

Annual utility cost
avoidance realized from
the 2010 CAP emission
reduction measures.
(2018)



Our renewed approach

2018 Realized:

- 30% below 2008
- 69,000 tonnes CO2e reduction

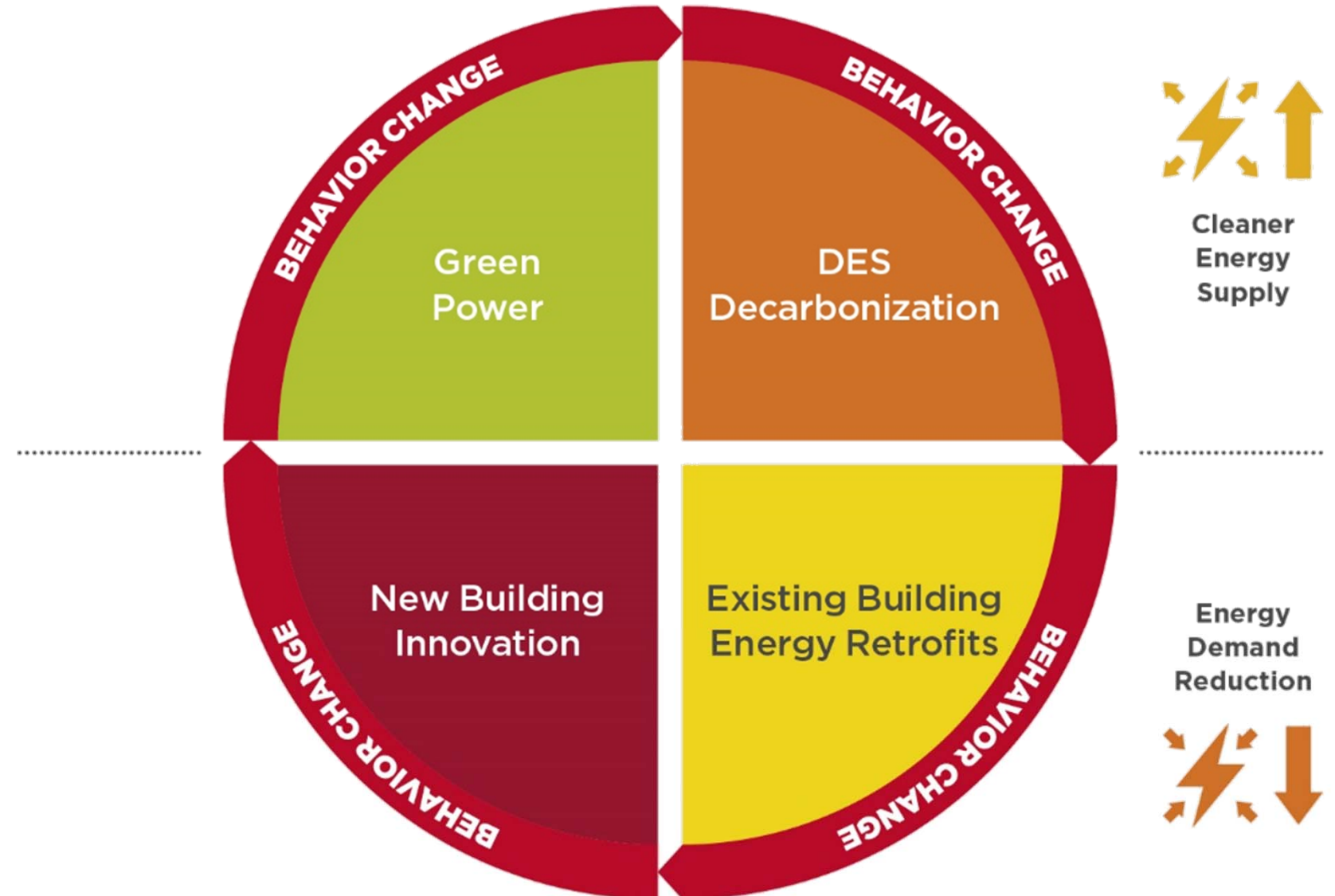
2030 Target:

- 50% below 2008

2050 Target:

- Carbon Neutral
- >230,000 tonnes CO2e reduction

OUR FOCUS AREAS



Project Context

Existing Buildings

- MacKimmie Library Complex constructed from 1962 to 1972
- Tower initially 6 floors, expanded vertically with an additional 6
- Concrete superstructure with precast cladding and an aluminum curtain wall envelope
- Low window to wall ratio
- Envelope and M+E systems beyond serviceable life



Project Context



Existing Buildings



Project Drivers

- Detailed condition assessment set the project direction to renovate and expand the Tower and replace Block and Link

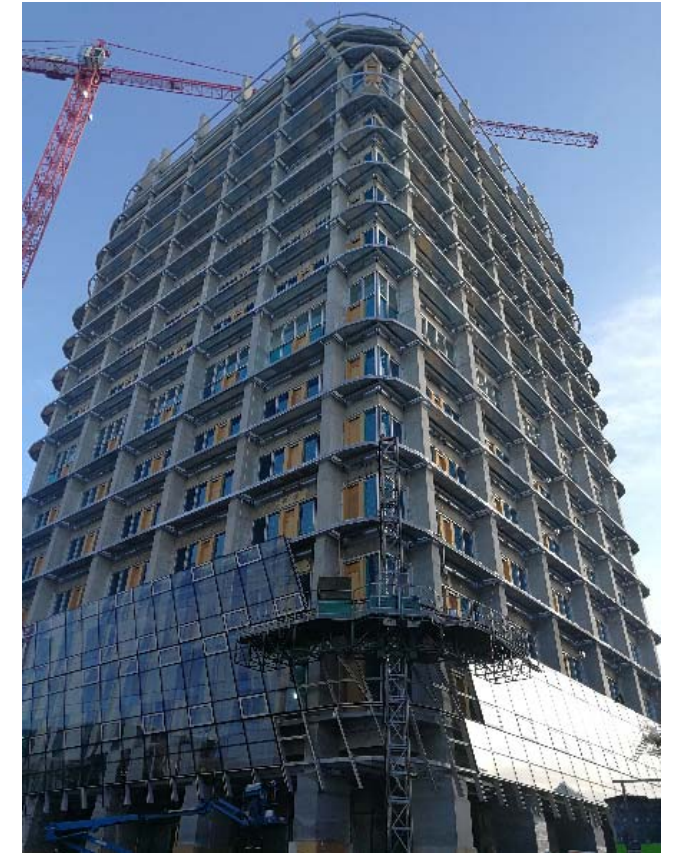
Project Goals:

- Transparent and welcoming central focal point for the main campus
- **Reflective of our commitment to sustainable design**
- Responsive to the need for additional classroom and integrated study space
- Designed to unify and revitalize the landscaping adjacent to the building



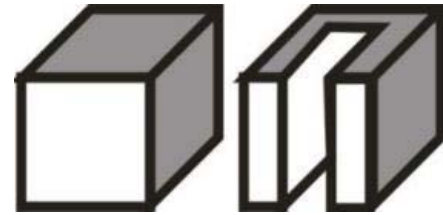
Tower Design Concept

Design Concept Development

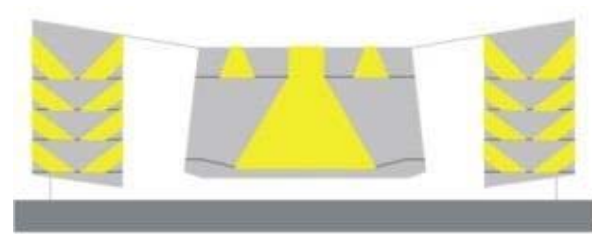


**The well-tempered façade – a warm jacket
around an existing building structure**

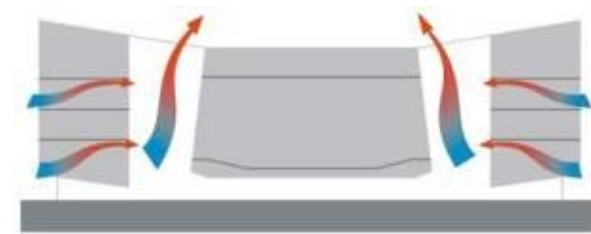
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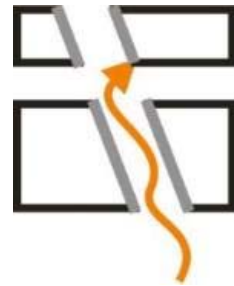
Building Massing



Daylight



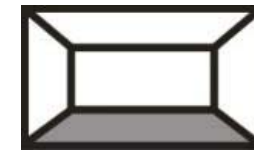
Natural Ventilation



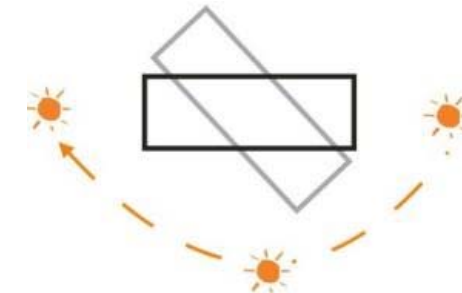
Building orientation (wind)



Open space access



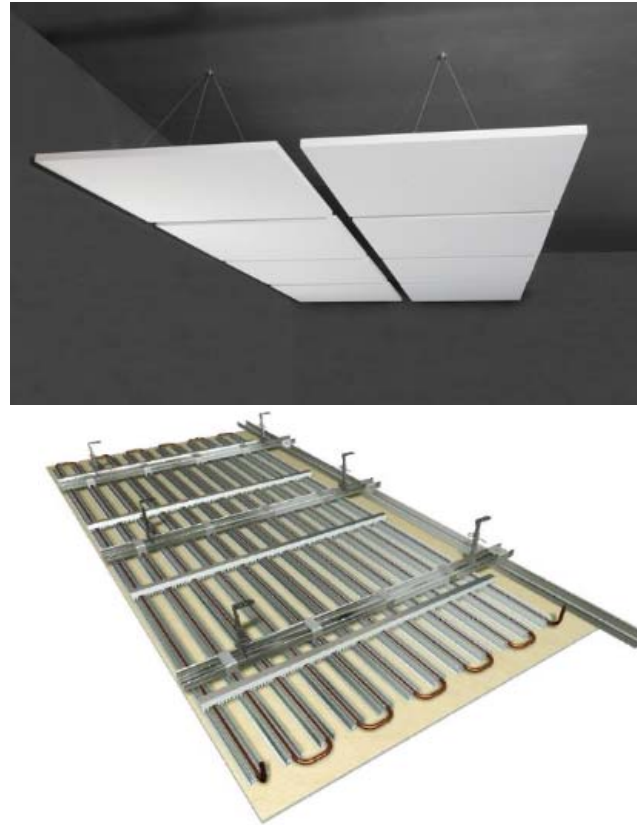
Program distribution



Building orientation (solar)

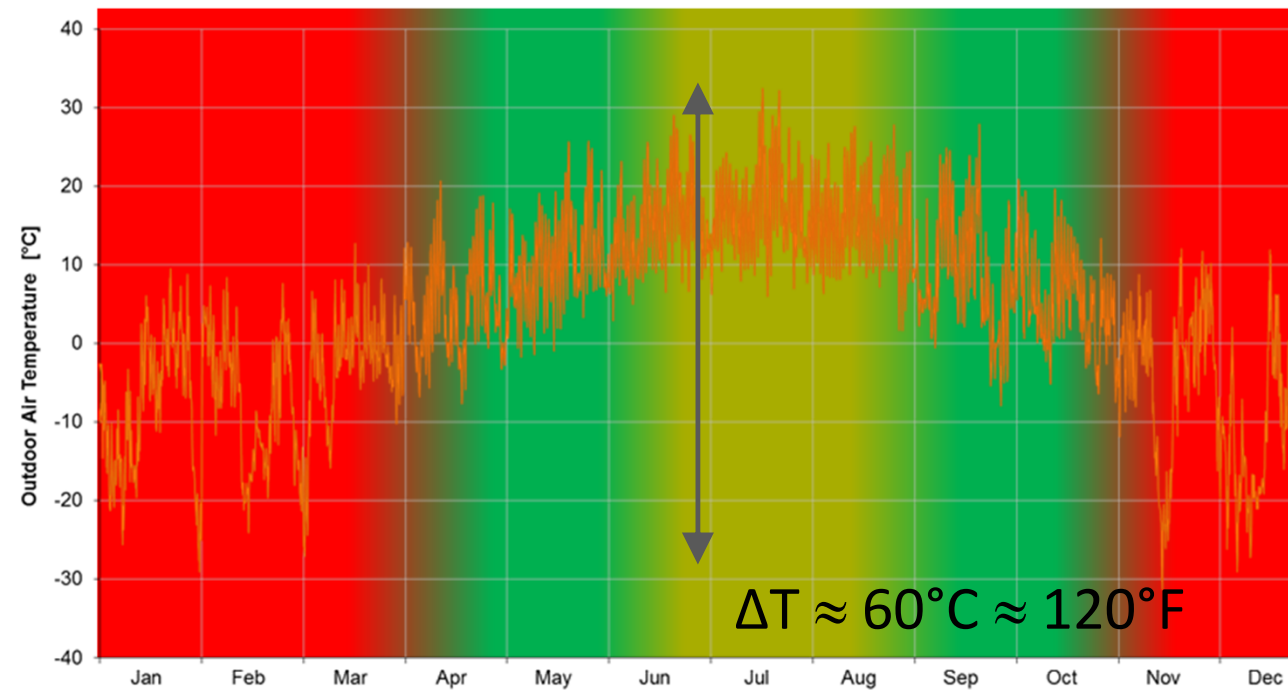
Passive strategies influence the performance of the building itself.

Design Concept Development



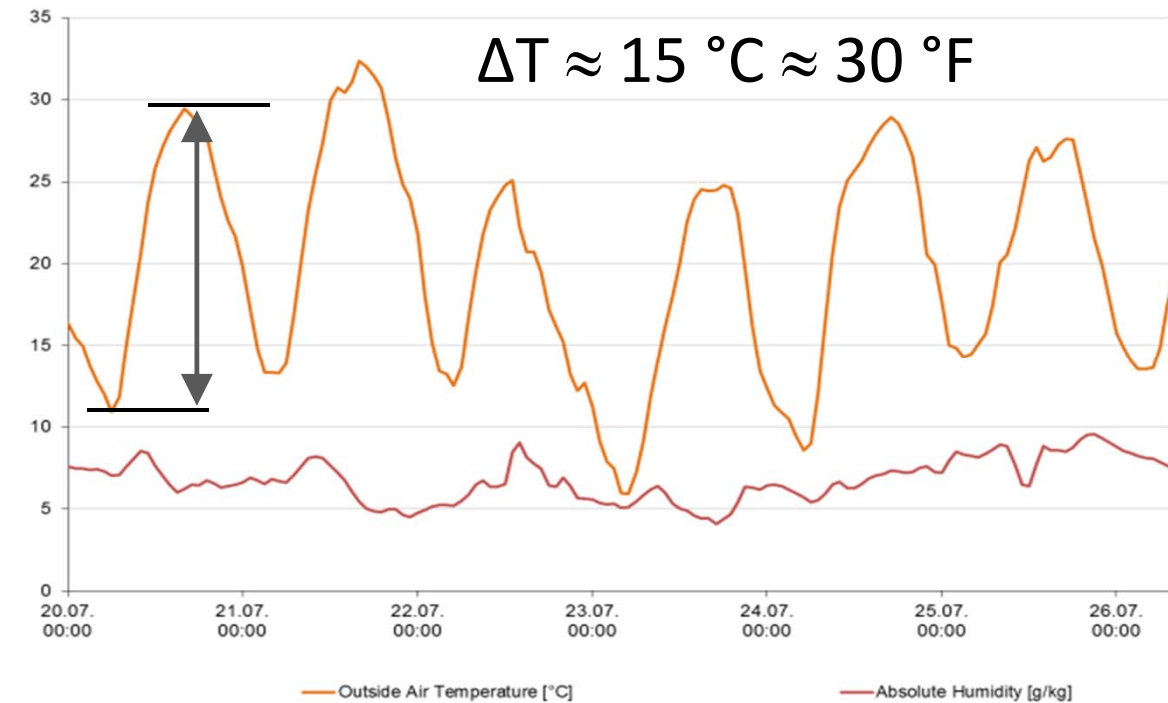
Active strategies influence the performance of engineered building systems.

Climate Analysis & Potential

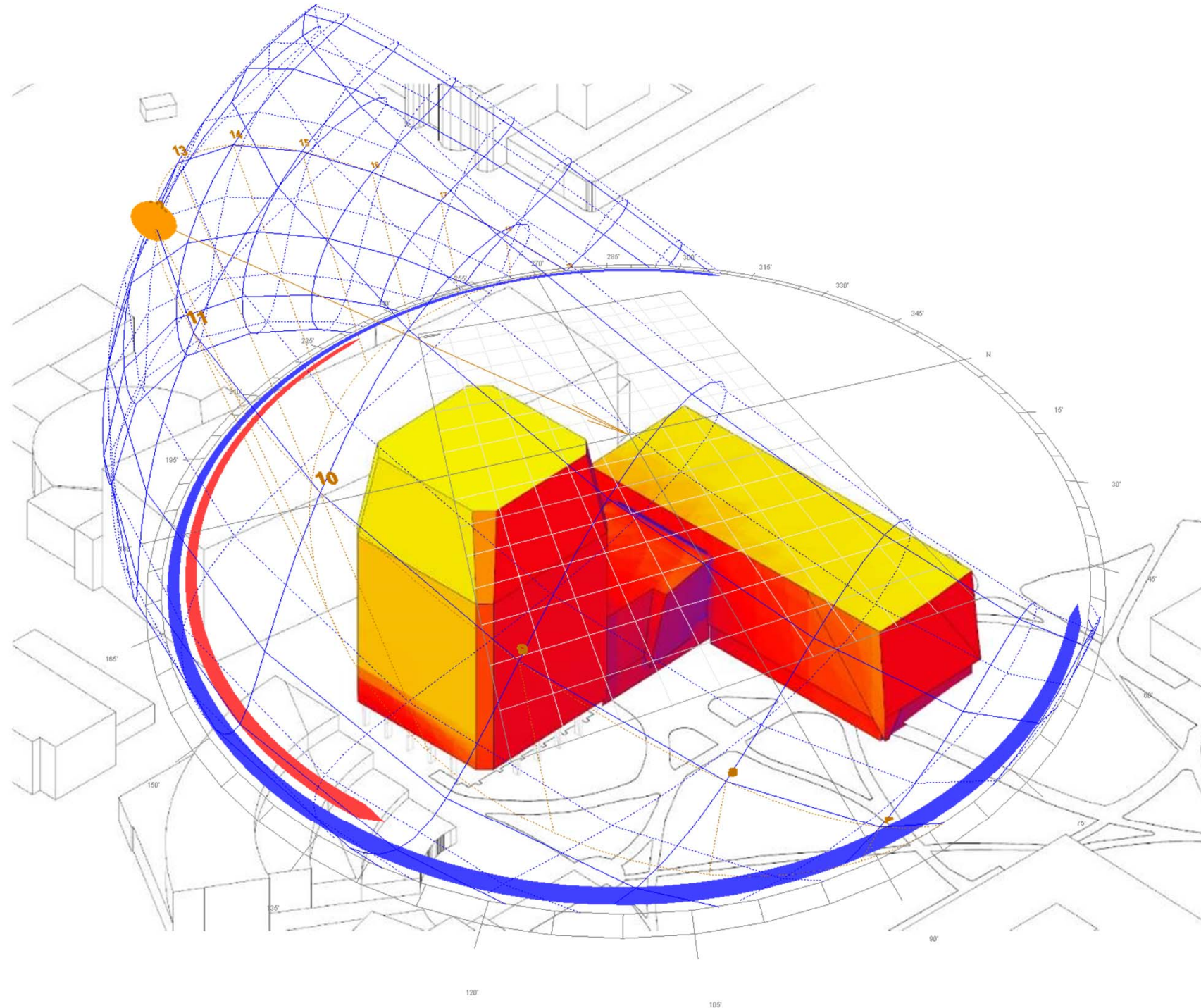


Annual Temperature Variation

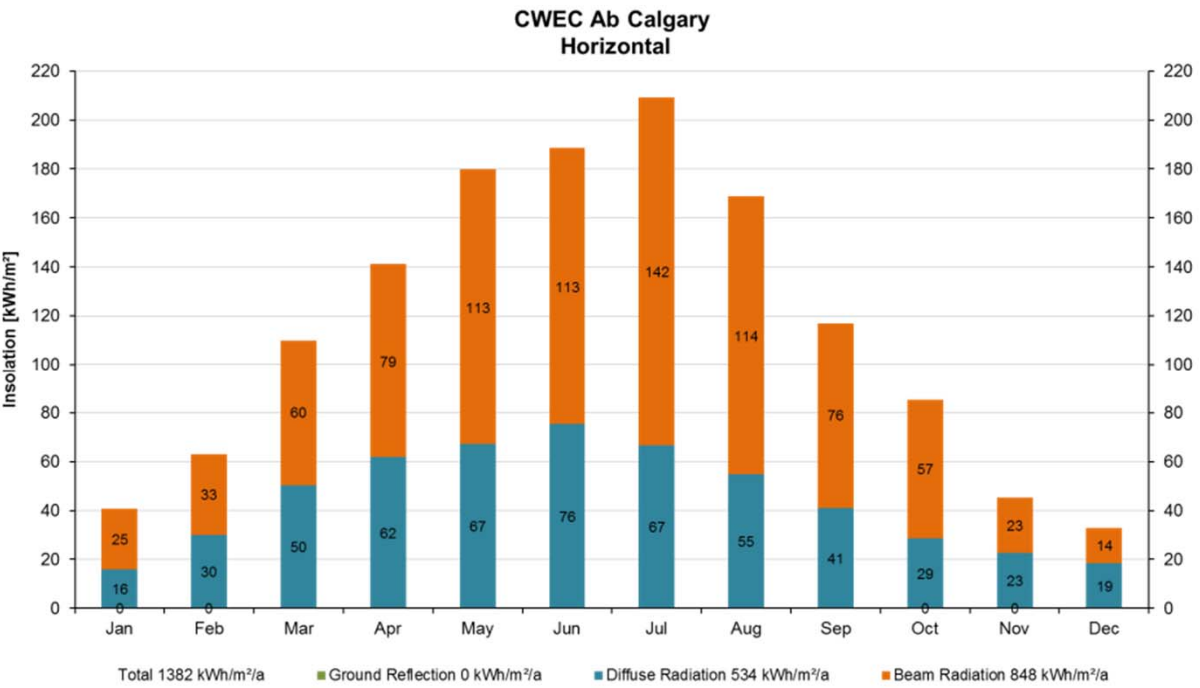
Diurnal Temperature Swings



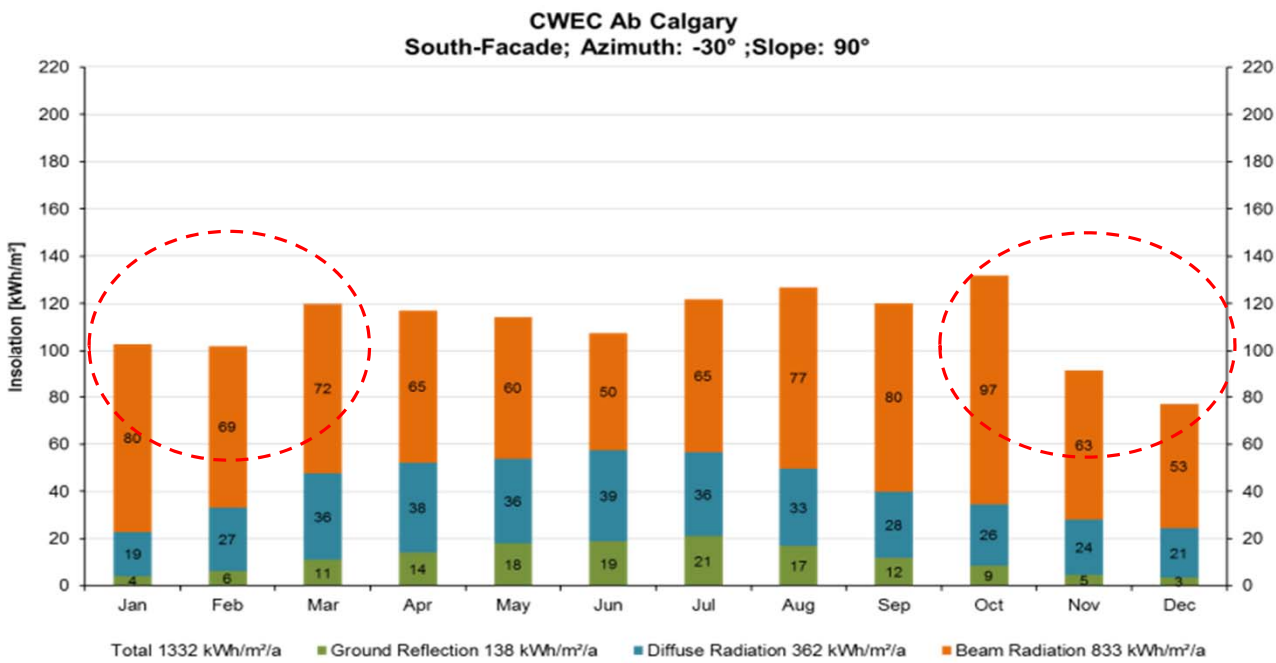
Solar Analysis



Climate Analysis & Potential



**Annual Horizontal Surface
Radiation: 1382 kWh/m²a**



**Annual Vertical Surface
Radiation: 1332 kWh/m²a**

Concept Refinement



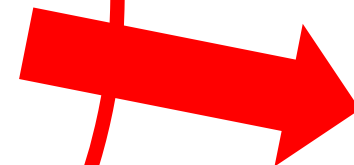
Headquarter Sparkasse
Rosenheim, Germany
2010



KfW Westarkade
Frankfurt, Germany, 2010



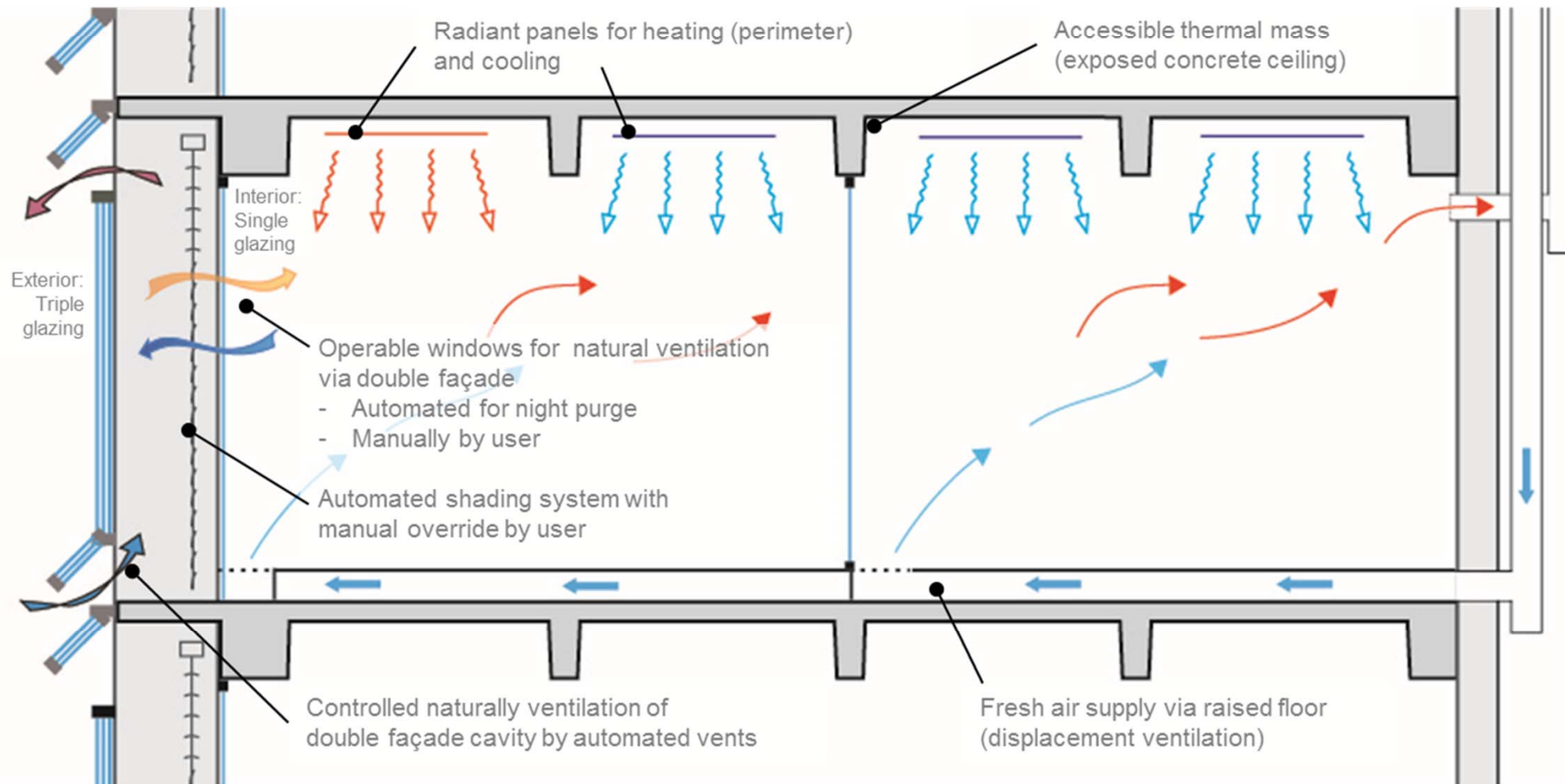
Manitoba Hydro Place
Winnipeg, MB, Canada
2009



MacKimmie Tower
2019



Indoor Climate Concept



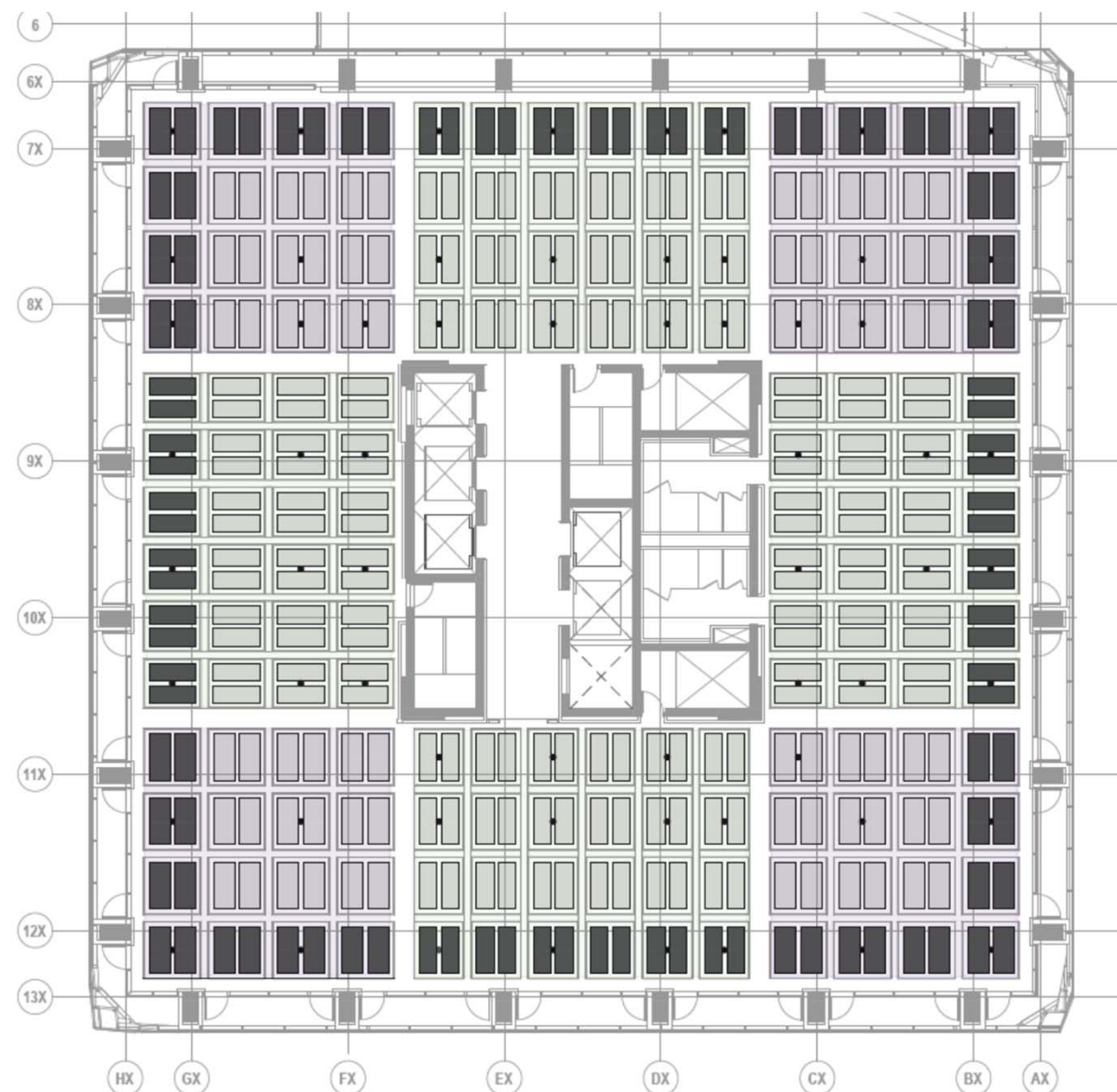
Glazing System

- Exterior Triple Glazing
- Shading Blinds
- Interior laminated Single
- Interior low-e coating

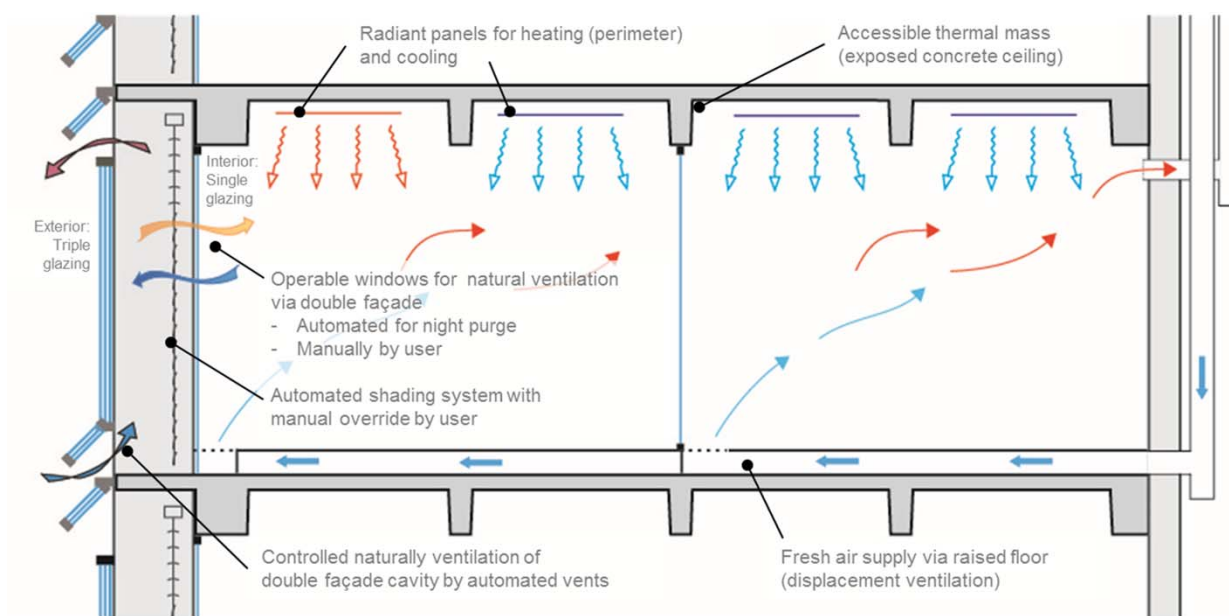
Glazing Performance

- VLT: 0.70
- Ucog-value (W/m²K): 0.55
- SHGC: 0.49
- SHGC: 0.06 (glass + activated blinds)

Radiant Panel Layout



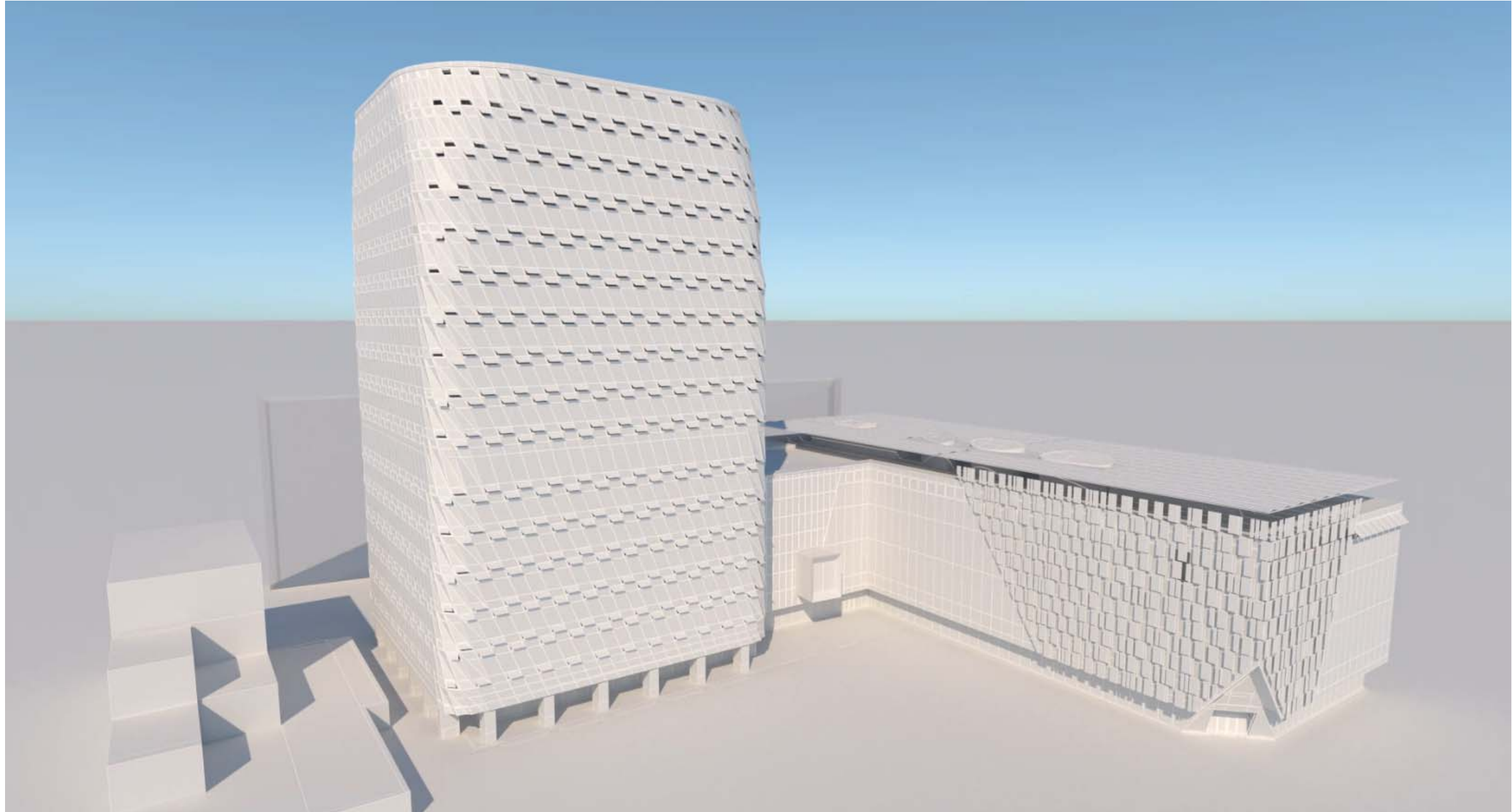
TYPICAL TOWER FLOOR
RADIANT PANEL LAYOUT



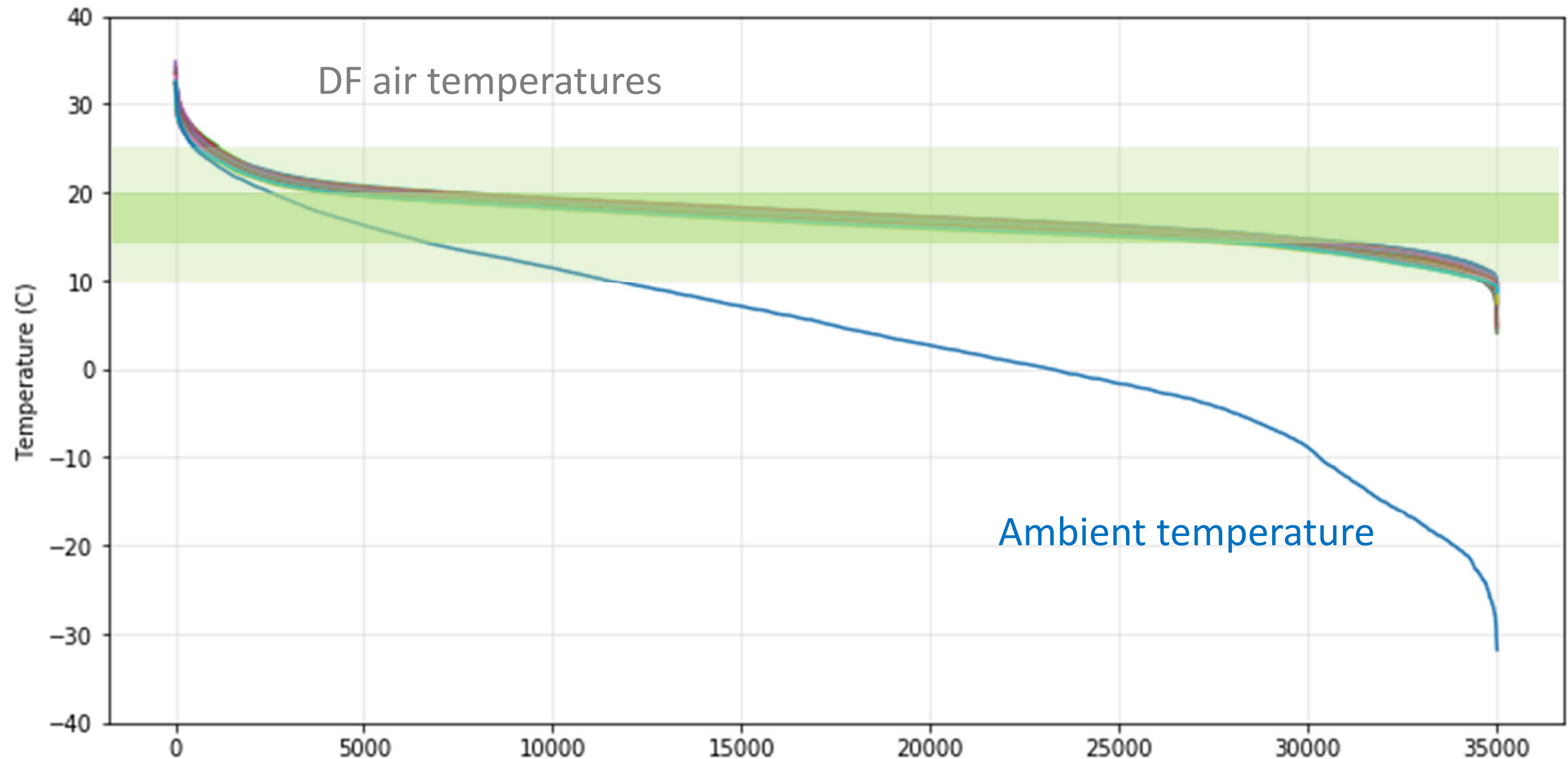
HYDRONIC PANEL SERVICE LEGEND

- HEATING & COOLING PANEL (PERIMETER ZONE)
- TWO PANELS PER COFFER WITH BOTH PANELS ACTIVE.
- COOLING PANEL (INTERIOR ZONE)
- TWO PANELS PER COFFER WITH ONE PANEL ACTIVE,
ONE AS MATCHING ACOUSTIC PANEL.

Rendering – Typical Façade Operation



Façade Air Temperature



Tower Façade Construction

Façade Construction Concept



Façade Construction Concept – Interior View



Typical Tower Floorplan

Visual and Function Mockups



Performance Mockups



- Workmanship
- Infiltration
- Exfiltration
- Constructability

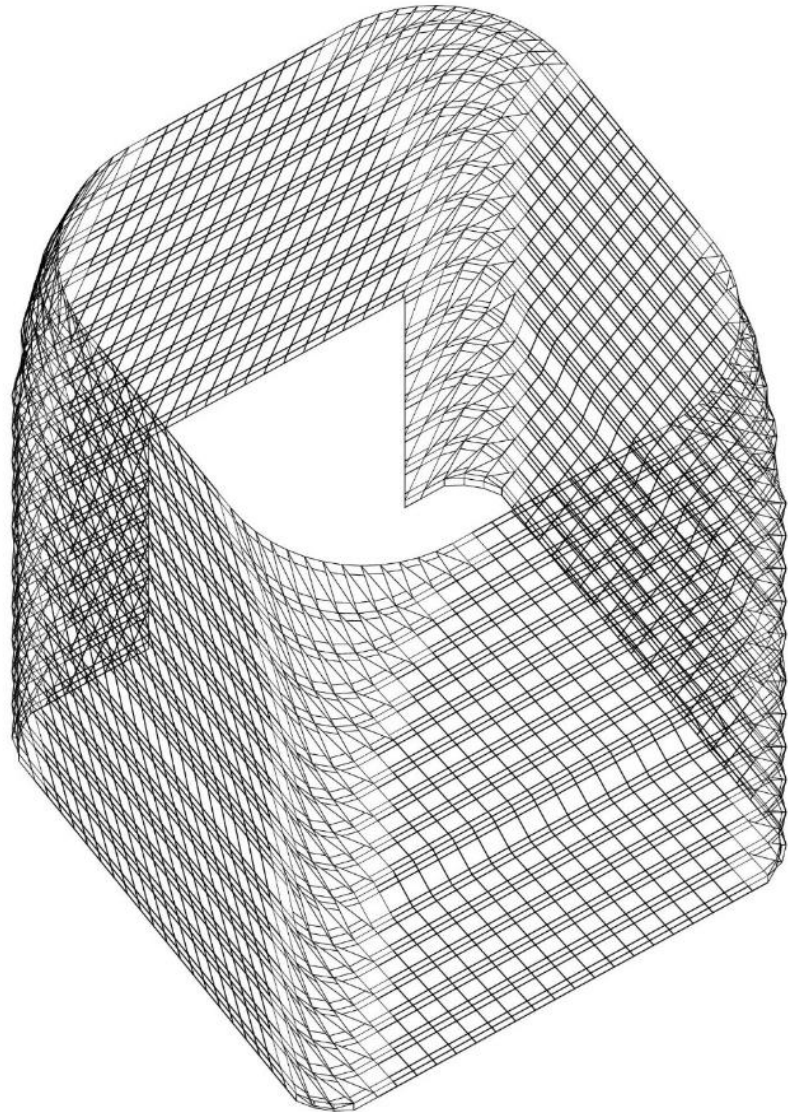
In-situ Mockups





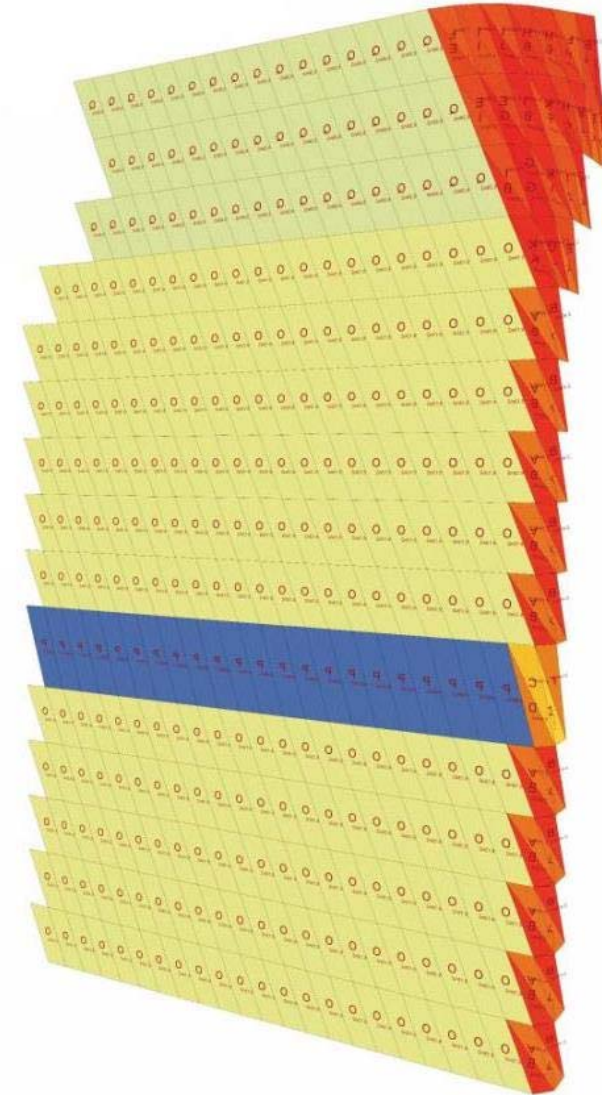


Computational Design



**Final design
incorporated only
17 unique panels**

Less material,
reduced schedule,
reduced cost
through
prefabrication



Zero Carbon Performance

Zero Carbon Performance

A zero carbon building is defined as one that is **highly energy-efficient** and **produces onsite, or procures, carbon-free renewable energy** in an amount **sufficient to offset the annual carbon emissions** associated with operations.

Zero Carbon
Balance

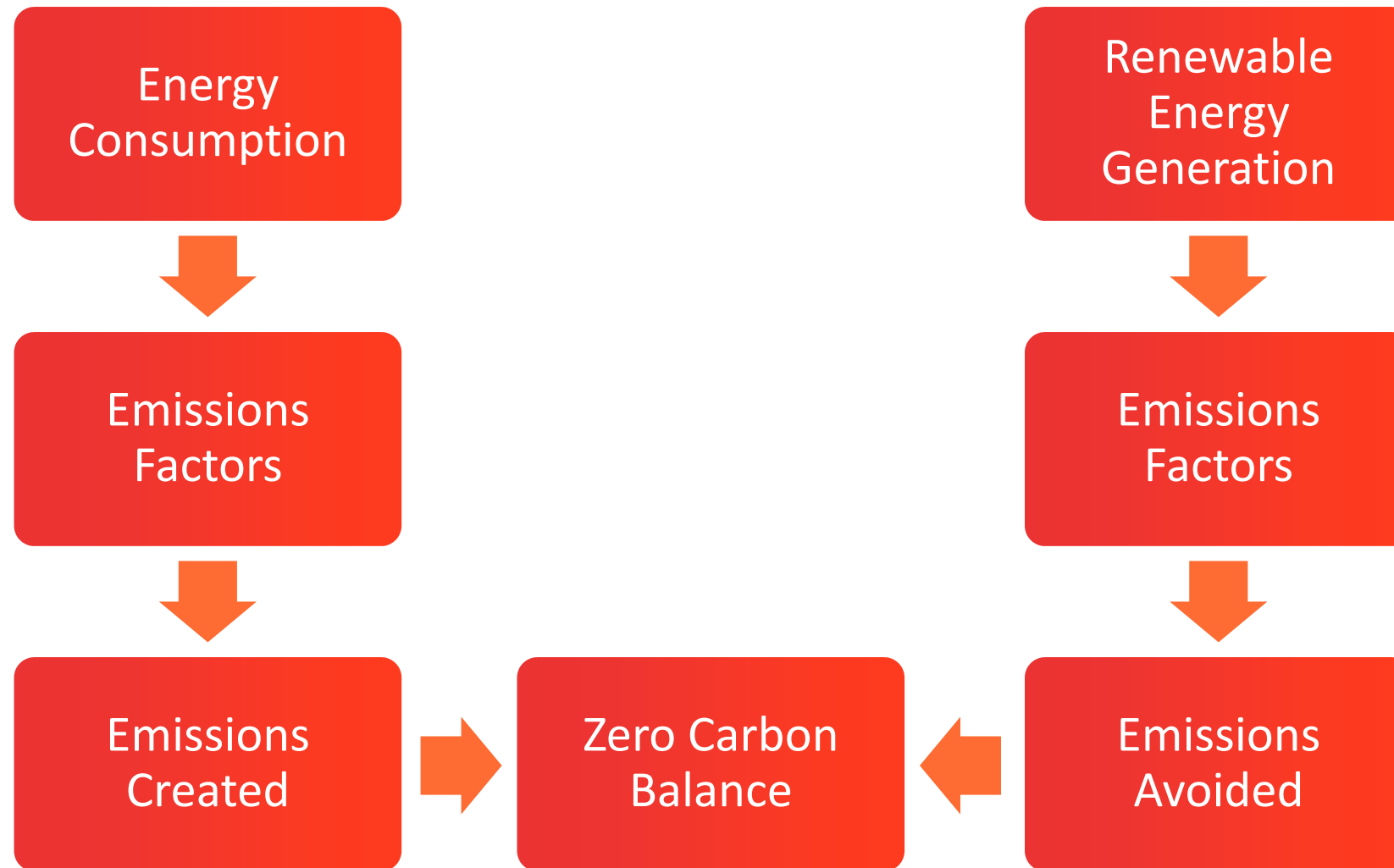
Zero Carbon
Transition Plan

Onsite Renewable
Energy

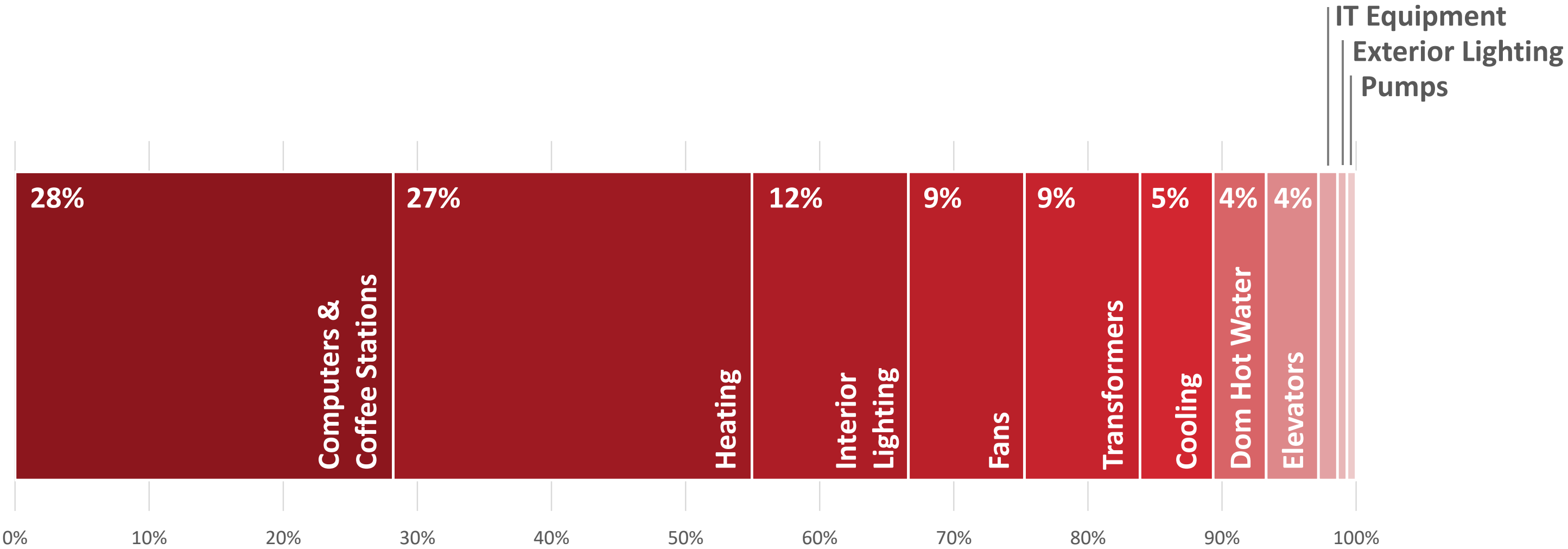
Thermal Energy
Demand Intensity
(TEDI)

Report EUI,
Peak Demand,
Embodied Carbon

What is the Zero Carbon Balance?



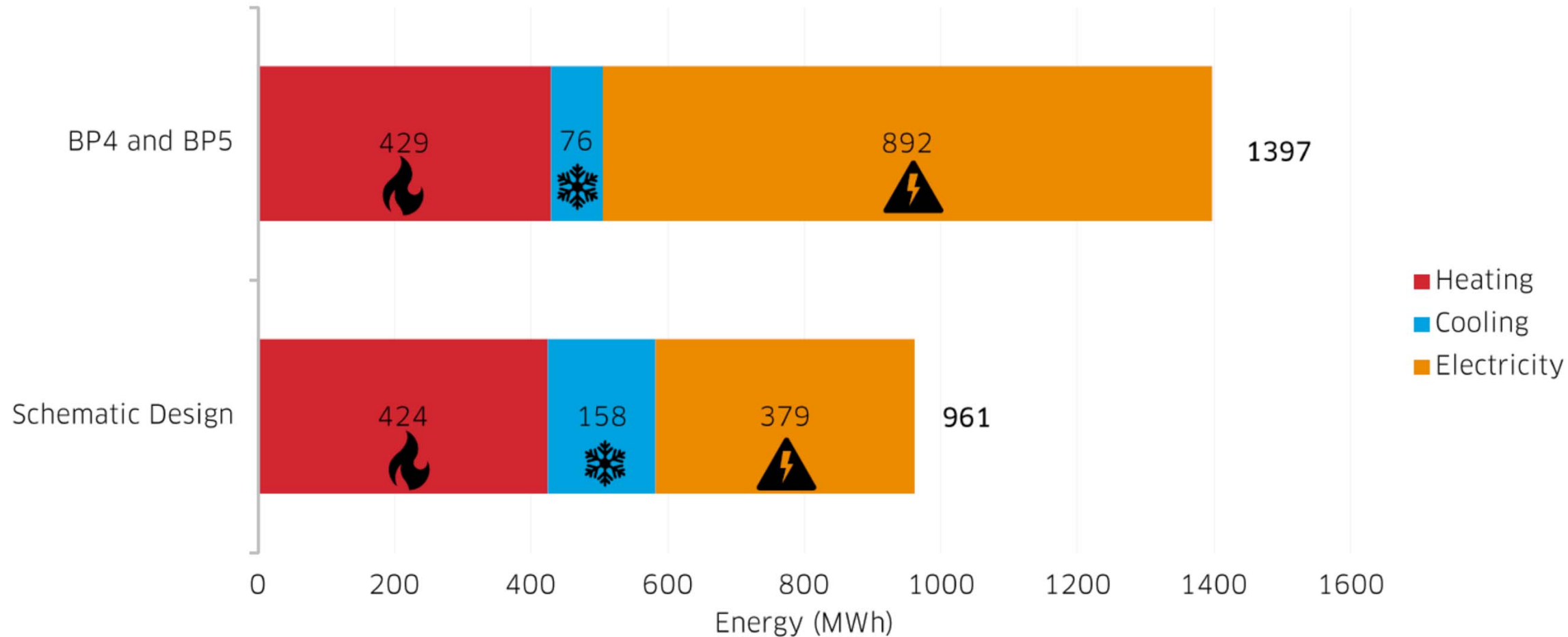
How Does the Building Consume Energy?



How has Modelled Performance Evolved?

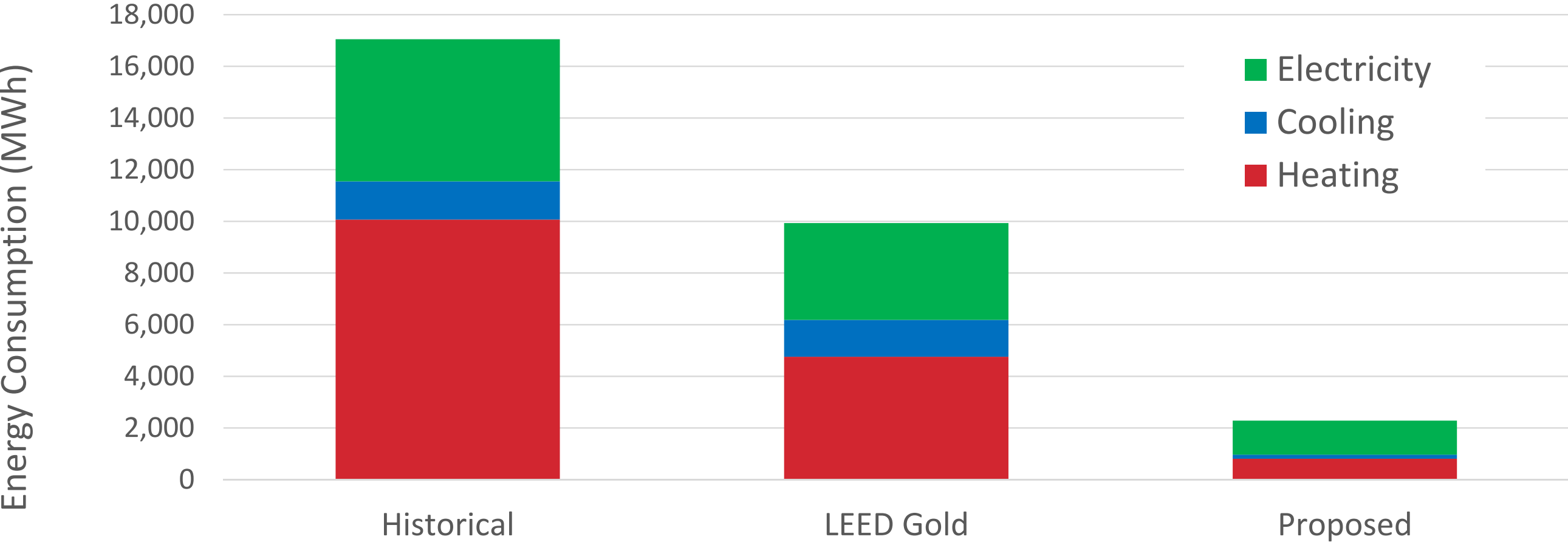
Energy Use Comparison

Tower

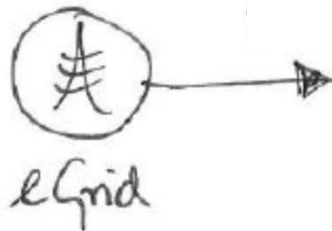
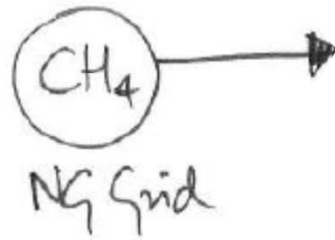


What Impact will the Redevelopment Have?

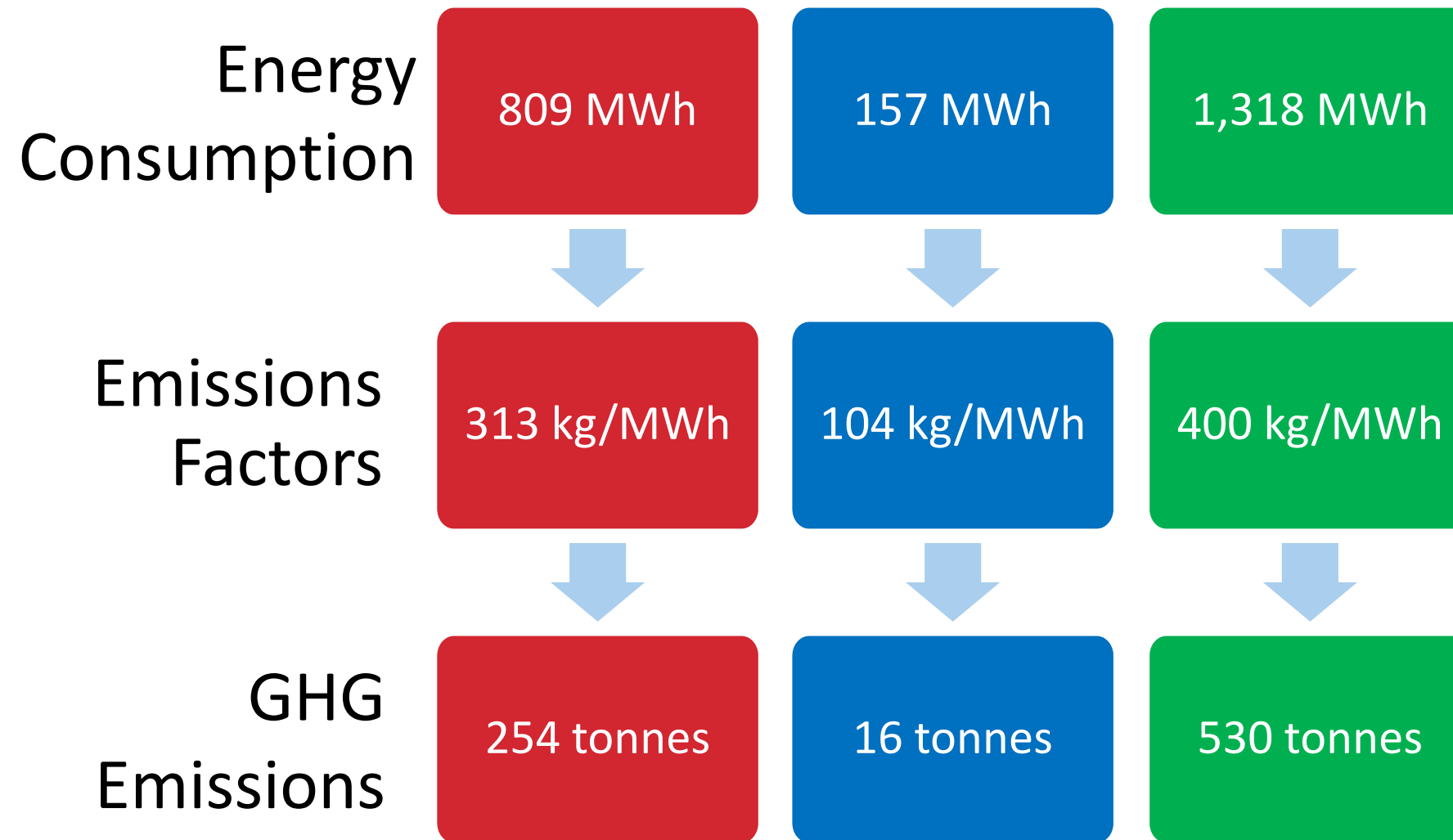
Historical MacKimmie Complex Energy Consumption vs. Modelled Performance



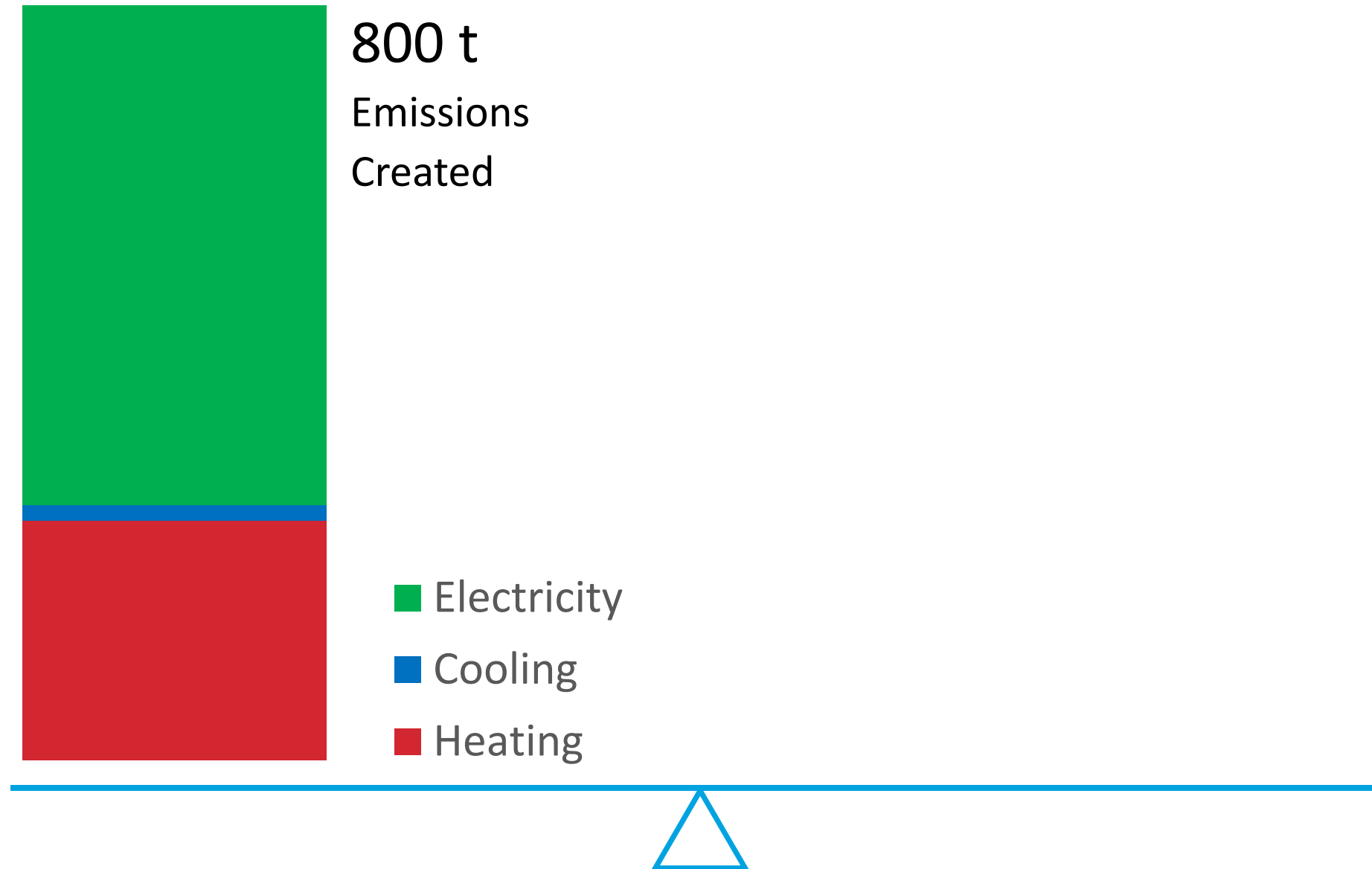
Connecting to District Energy Systems



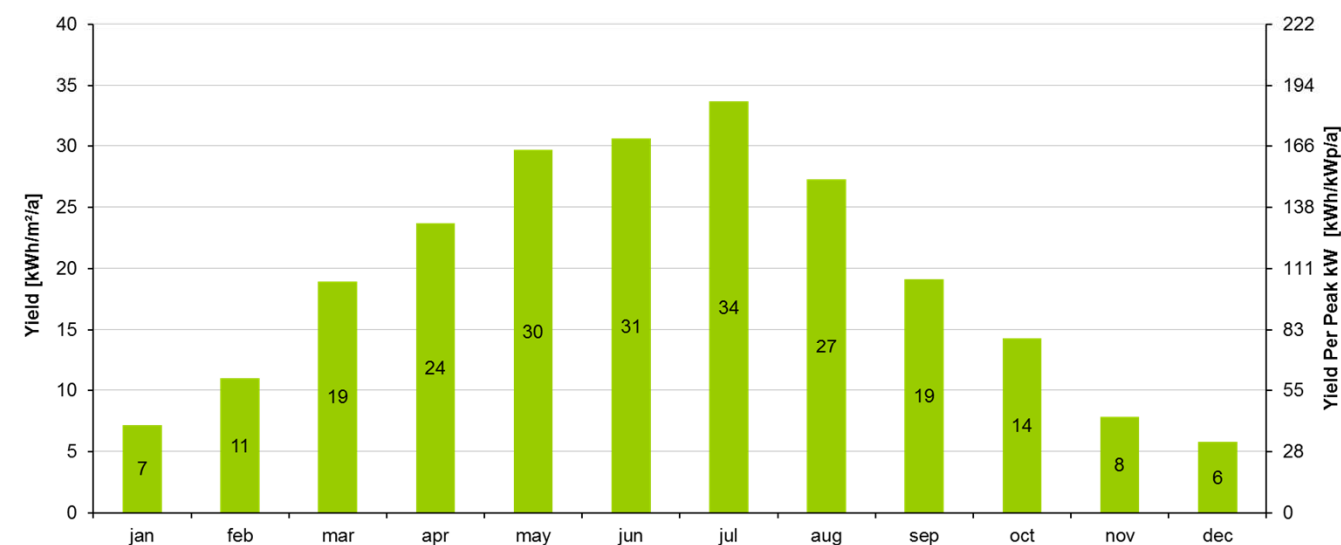
What GHG Emissions are Expected?



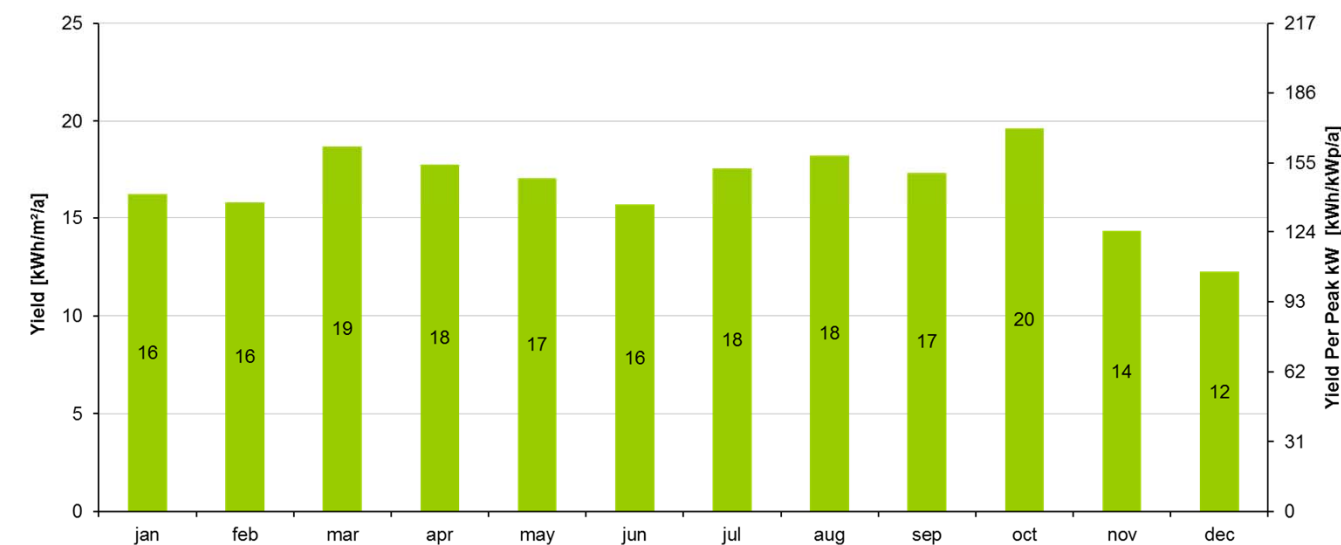
Zero Carbon Balance



Annual Renewable Energy Generation



Roof Horizontal
1265 kWh/kW_{peak}



South Façade
1245 kWh/kW_{peak}



Tower Roof
227 MWh

Block Roof
432 MWh

Façade
120 MWh

Zero Carbon Performance

Renewable Energy
Generation

779 MWh



Emissions
Factors

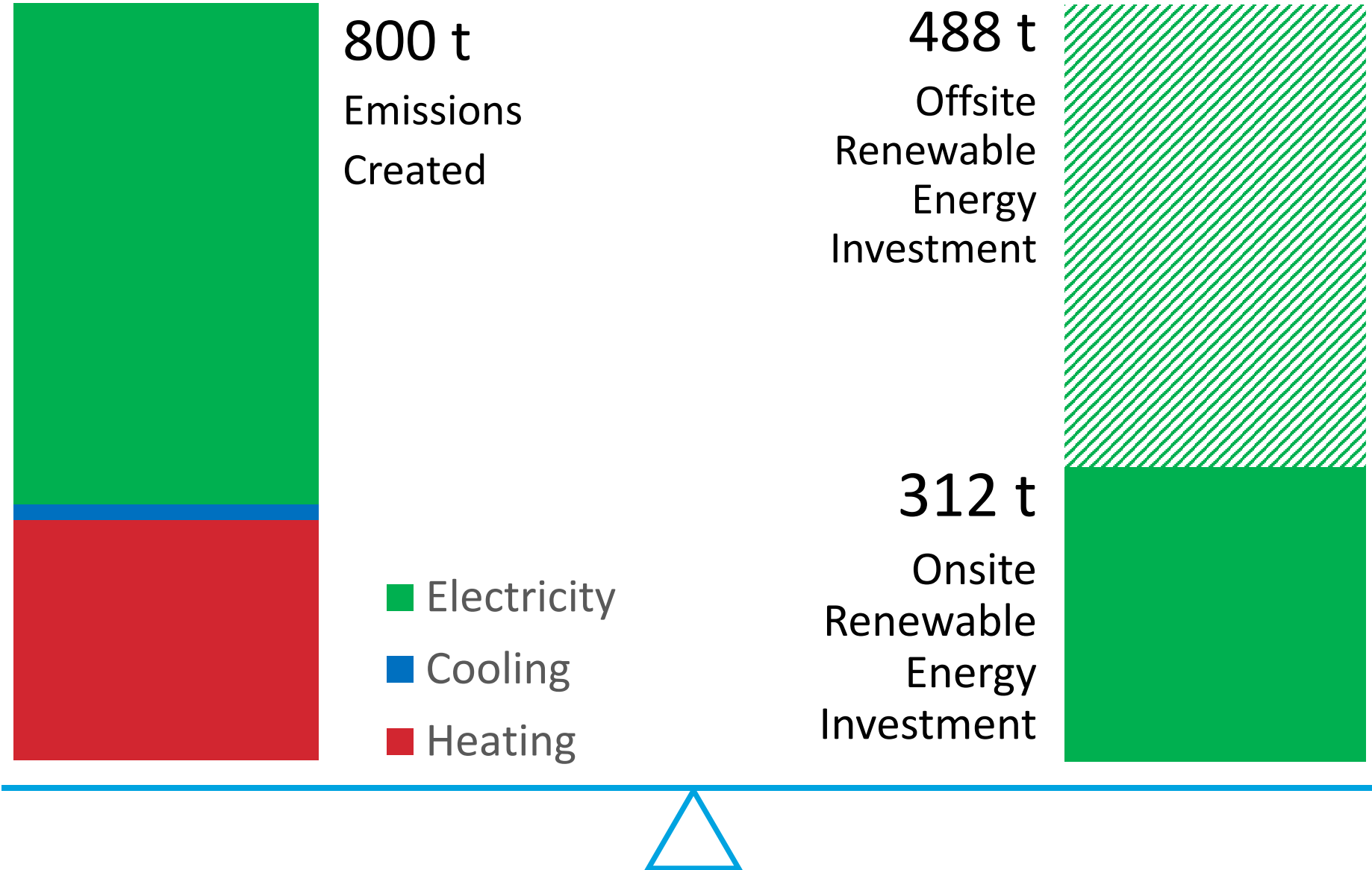
400 kg/MWh



GHG Emissions
Avoided

312 tonnes

Zero Carbon Performance



Zero Carbon Performance

- Thermal Energy Demand Intensity (TEDI)

Target:
<36 kWh/m²/year

Design:
33 kWh/m²/year

- Onsite Renewable Energy Generation

Target:
>5% of energy

Design:
>35% of energy

Transitioning to Operations

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Facility Management
representation from
initial concept selection



Transitioning to Operations

University of Calgary
Energy Management
System



Transitioning to Operations

New scope of work:
designing operational
performance testing



Transitioning to Operations

Integrating metering
equipment, BAS equipment
and FDD software



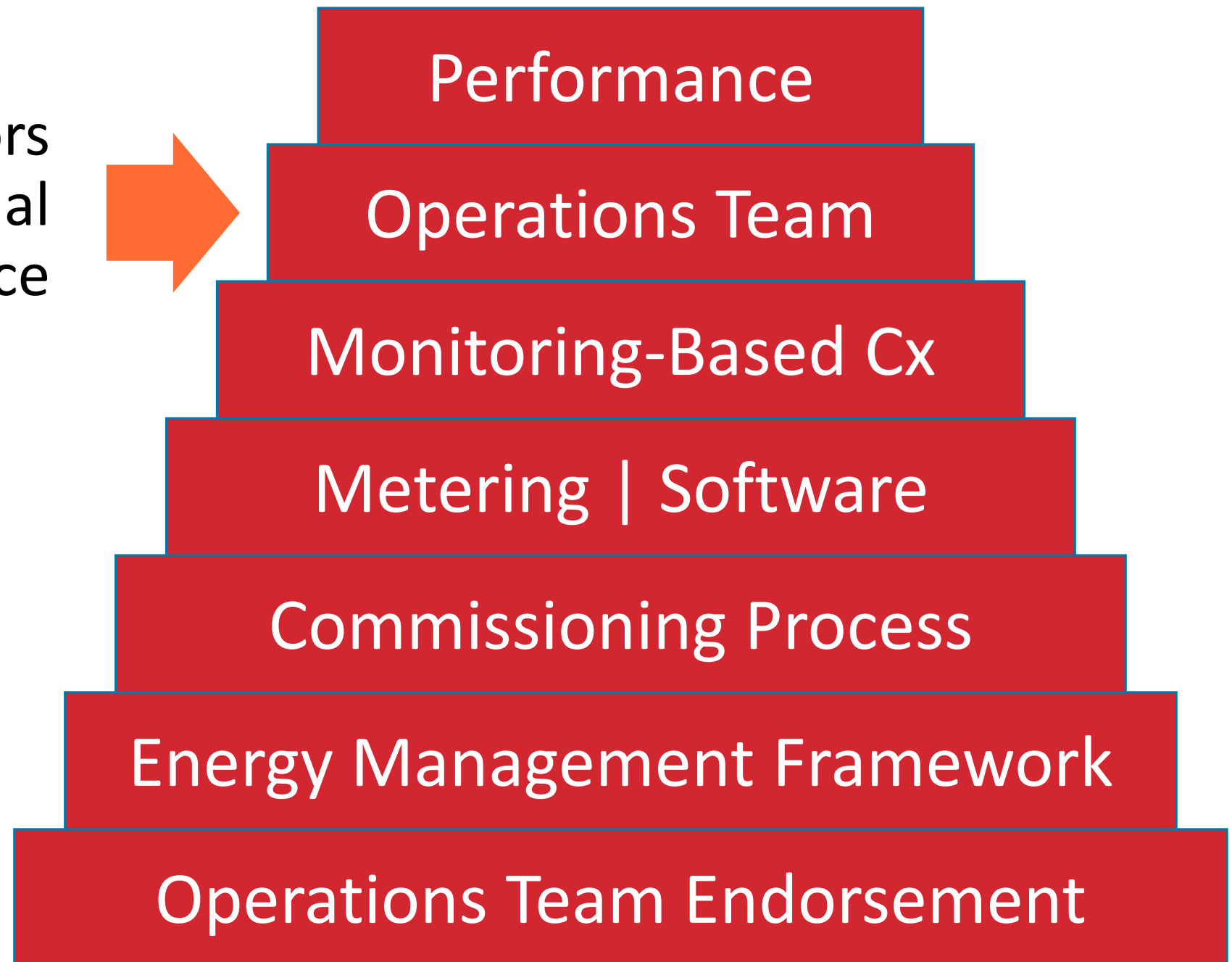
Transitioning to Operations

24 months of monitoring-based
commissioning to support
operations and optimize building



Transitioning to Operations

Engaged, empowered operators
have the most substantial
connection to performance



Questions?

