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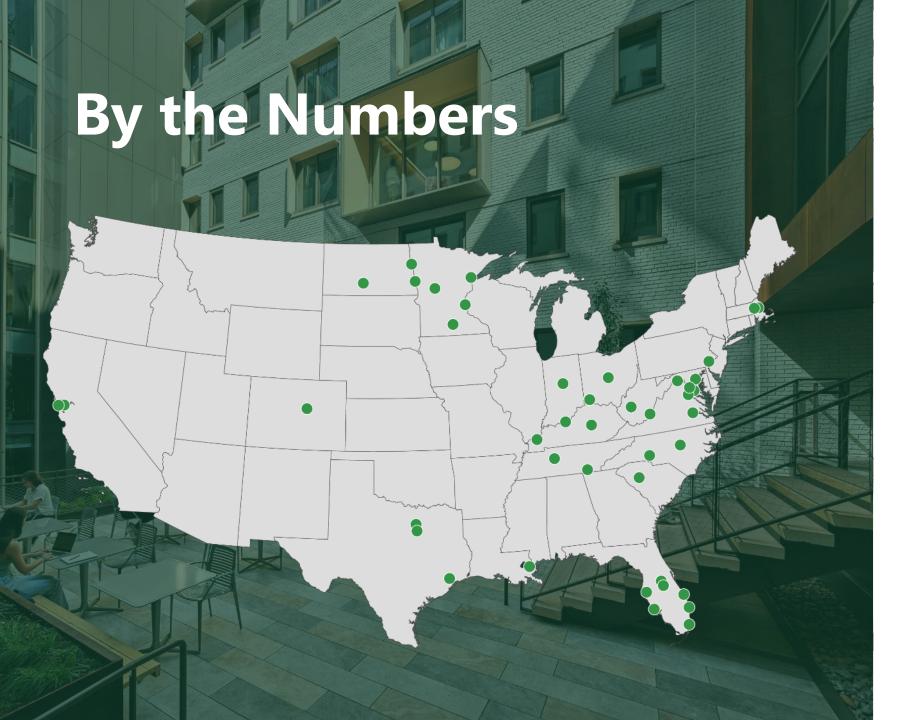


Let's Connect

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Introduction + About CMTA





1040

Employees

44

Offices Nationwide

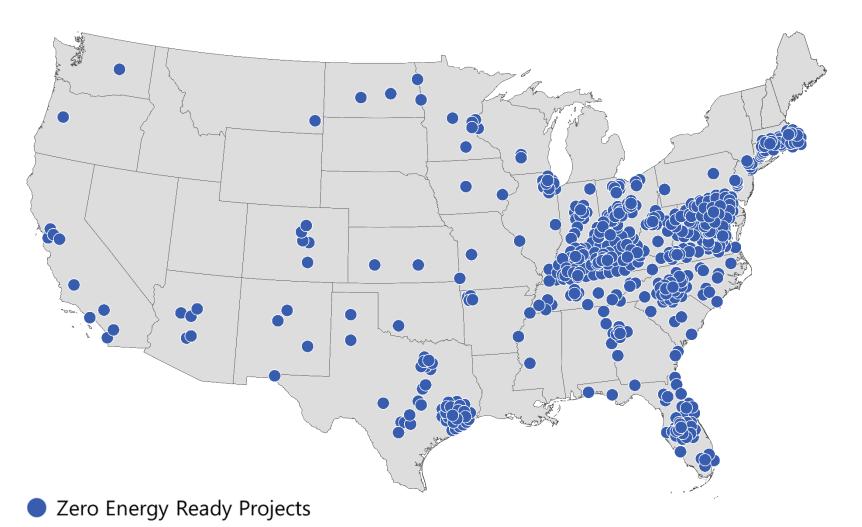
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Professional Engineers

56

Years of Service

Operational Zero Energy Ready Projects



600+

Projects

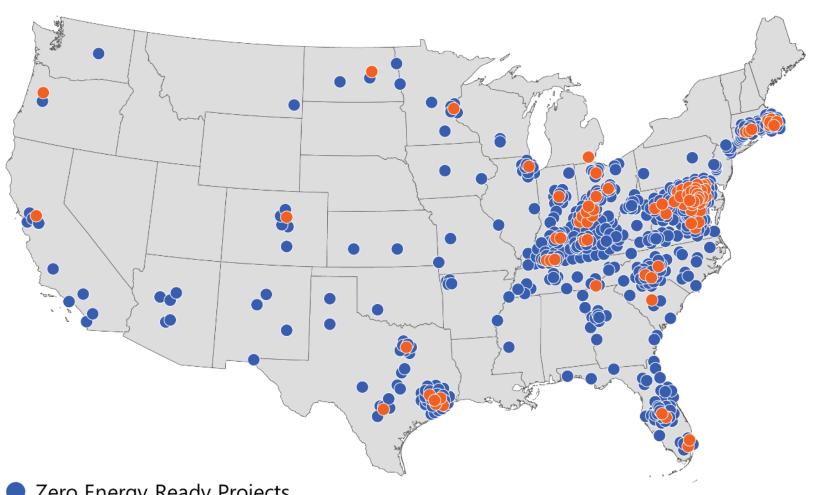
45M SF

Zero Energy Ready Facilities

<30 EUI

Operational kBtu/ft²/year

Operational Zero Energy & Ready Projects



700+

Projects in Operation <30 EUI

10M SF

Operational Zero Energy

45M SF

Operational Zero Energy Ready

- Zero Energy Ready Projects
- Zero Energy Projects

K12 Experience











Inflation Reduction Act

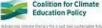


3rd largest sector of commercial building energy use in the US

Equivalent to 18 coal-fired power plants











Runaway K12 Costs

\$27.5 Billion

US Annual Maintenance and Operations Spending Gap

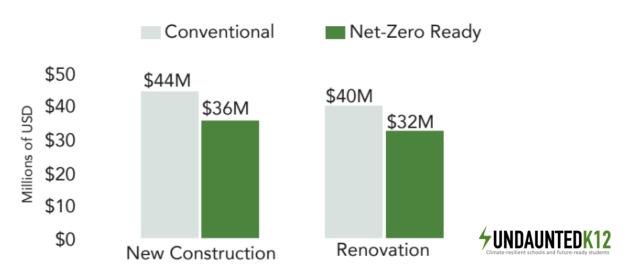
\$57.3 Billion

US Annual Capital Investment Spending Gap

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Districts that do not pursue net-zero may spend 20-25% more over a 30-year life cycle based on increased energy and maintenance costs alone (see Figure 1).

Fig 1. Life Cycle Cost of Net-Zero Ready and Conventional School 30 years of costs (in millions) for a typical elementary school



Source: Perkins Eastman et. al. 2020. "Net-Zero Energy Schools", pg. 43. Note: Estimates are for a school designed to accommodate 800 students.



Best Value Solutions

First Costs

- Minimize upfront costs while achieving the highest value
 - Plan for the future
 - Right-size equipment
 - Invest wholistically in the building

Environmental Stewardship

- Achieve significant reductions in energy costs
- Reduce carbon emissions & air pollutants



Health & Well-Being

- Improve occupant satisfaction
- Make a positive impact on occupant wellbeing





Risk Management

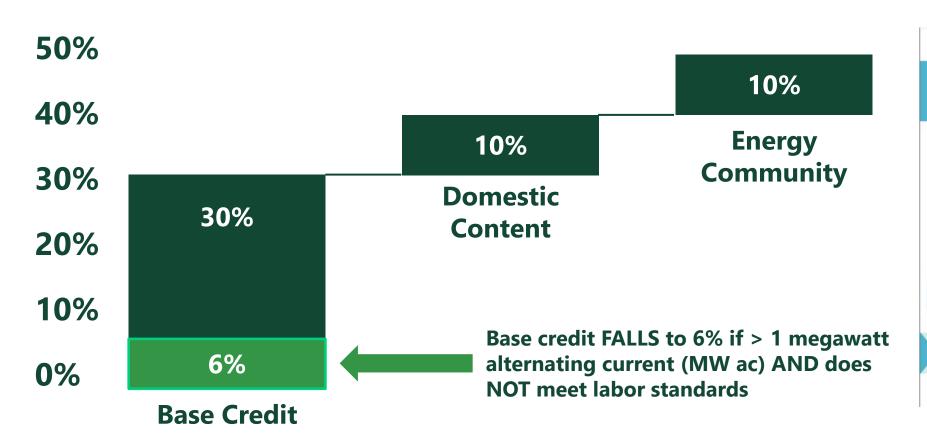
- Minimize unplanned system downtime
- Increase redundancy & improve control
- Reduce susceptibility to regulatory issues

Maintenance / Operations

Provide simple, easy-to-maintain systems

Understanding Project's Rate

1MW + Labor Standards Implications



INFLATION REDUCTION ACT



Prevailing Wage & Registered Apprenticeship Overview

To qualify for increased credit or deduction amounts of certain clean energy tax incentives, taxpayers generally need to ensure that laborers and mechanics employed in the construction, alteration, or repair are paid no less than applicable prevailing wage rates and to employ apprentices from registered apprenticeship programs for a certain number of hours. By meeting the necessary Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) prevailing wage and apprenticeship requirements, taxpevers can increas the base amounts of many clean energy tax incentives by 5 times. There are limited exceptions, for certain small facilities that produce clean energy under one megawatt and for facilities beginning ponstruction before January 29, 2023, where trapsyers may be eligible to claim the 5 times increase without meeting the provaling wage and apprenticeship requirements.

The Department of Labor (DOL) determines the prevailing wage rates for each classification of laborers and mechanics ("labor classification") in a predetermined geographic area for a particular type of construction. In general, taccayers claiming as ncreased credit or deduction amount must ensure that laborers and mechanics employed by the taxpaver or its contractors or bcontractors are paid the prevailing wage, which includes the sic hourly wage rate and any fringe benefits rate, established b the Secretary of Labor when performing construction, alteration, or repair of a qualified facility, project, property, or equipment (hereafter a facility). These wage rates are found in general wage determinations on sam.gov/content/wage-determinations. A general wage determination reflects wage rates determined by DOL to be prevailing in a specific geographic area, typically a county, for a particular type of construction. In the absence of an applicable general wage determination, faxpayers may request a supplemental wage determination from DOL.

For more details please also see irs.gow/para and inflation Reduction Act Department of Labor. See page 2 for a list of which tax incentives can be increased by meeting the prevailing wage and apprenticeship requirements.

Each taxpayer (or contractor or subcontractor) who employs four or more workers to perform construction, alteration, or repair work on a facility must employ one or more qualified apprentices when the apprenticeship requirements apply. In addition, a minimum percentage of the total labor hours of the construction, alteration, or repair work must be performed by qualified apprectices from a registered apprenticeship program. This percentage is 12.5 percent for facilities beginning construction in 2023 and it rises to 15 percent for facilities beginning construction in 2024 or after. Taxpayers (or contractors or subcontractors) must also ensure that any applicable ratios of apprentices to inumey workers established by the registered apprenticeship program are met. An exception may apply when a taxpayer (o contractor or subcontractor) has requested qualified apprentic from a registered apprenticeship program and no apprentices are available. For more information or to learn about finding

Recordkeeping Requirements:

Toxpavers claiming an increased amount for a particular ta: incentive by meeting the prevailing wage and apprenticeship requirements are subject to specific recordiseiping requirement Tapayers must maintain and preserve records related to the employment of laborers, mechanics, and apprentices, including the records of any contractor or subcontractor. Examples includ each laborer or mechanic's hourly rates, hours worked, deduction from wages, and actual wages paid, among other records.

Corrections and Penalties:

Texpayers who fall to meet the prevailing wage and apprentices! requirements may still be able to claim the increased tax incentive amounts by making certain correction and penalty payments. For failures of the prevailing wage requirements, taxpayers must make correction payments for any underpaid or missing wages, plus interest, to the affected laborers and mechan and tapayers may also owe a penalty payment to the IRS. For the apprenticeably requirements, tapayers must make a penalty payment to the IRS. Enhanced correction and penalty amounts apply when the taxpayer's failure is due to intentional disregard

Penalties for failures to meet prevailing wage and apprenticeshi requirements may not apply to taxpayers employing laborers, mechanics, and apprentices under a qualifying project labor agreement that meets certain requirements



IRA Impact – Geothermal



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New Policy

- 30% Investment Tax Credit (ITC)
 - Geo field, water-source heat pumps (WSHP), pumps, piping, ductwork, soft costs
- Tax-exempt entities direct pay option
- Tax-paying entities sale of credits
- Prevailing wage & 15% apprenticeship requirements
- Reduces to 6% if prevailing wage and apprenticeship requirements not met

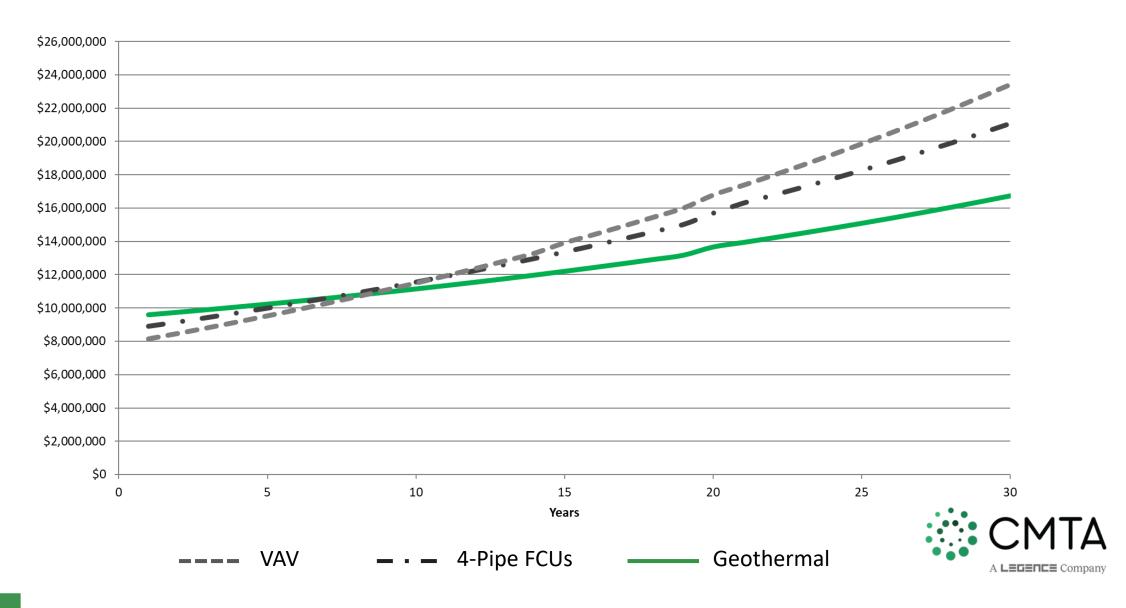


Geothermal IRA Financial Impact

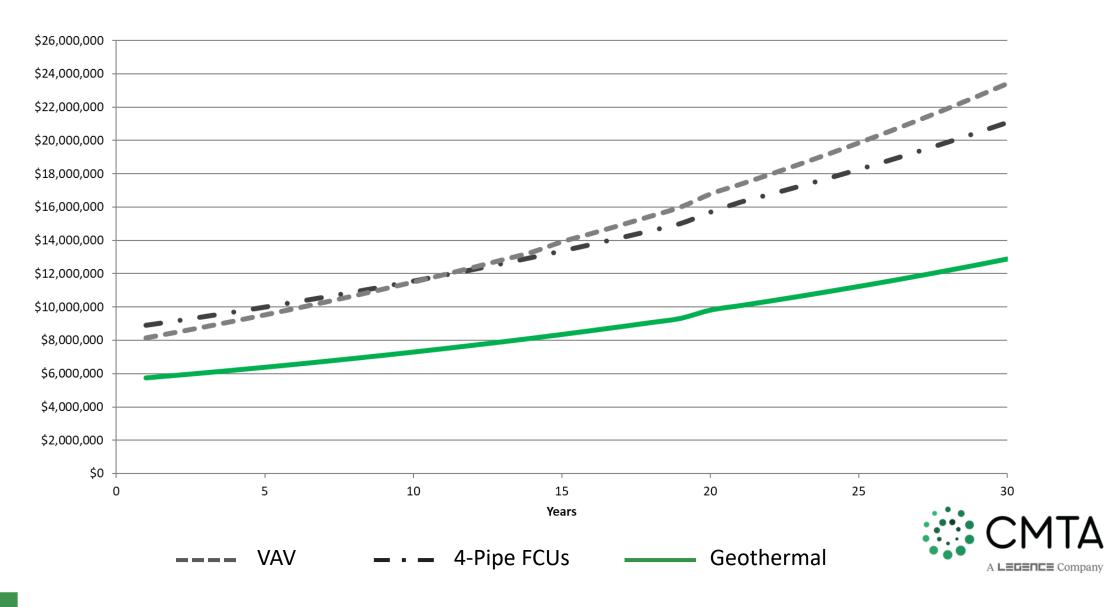
K-12 Example	100,000 ft ²
Construction Budget	\$450/ft ²
Construction Budget	\$45,000,000
HVAC Budget/ft ²	\$80/ft ²
HVAC Budget	\$8,000,000
IRA Impact	+\$2,000,000



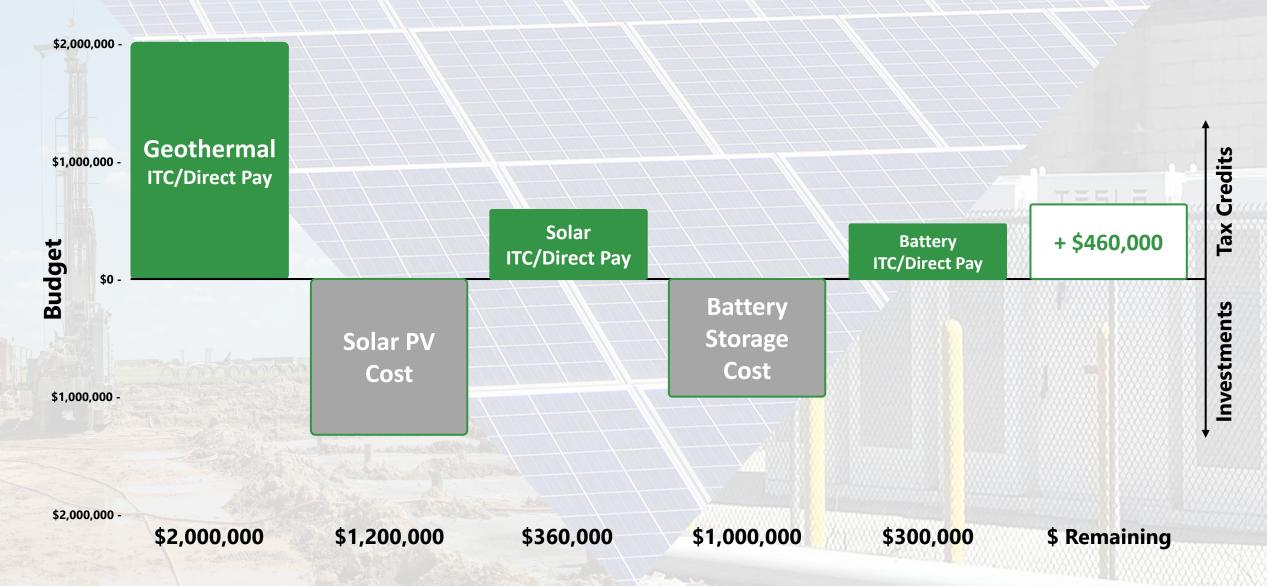
LCCA: Geothermal vs. Traditional



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Value Stacking for Procurement



IRA Impact – Thermal Storage



Bear Creek Elementary

Collier County Public Schools, FL 115,000 Square Feet

Prototype Enhancement

- Addition
- Thermal Storage Solution
- Utility Rebates
- Federal Funding





Utility Rebates



Thermal Storage



Finances - Utility

Cost:

3800 Ton/Hr Tank \$1,100,000

Utility Rebate (\$323,460)

30% IRA (\$440,000) + 10% Domestic Adder

Adjusted First Cost \$336,540

Annual Energy Savings \$103,925

Simple Payback 3.2 years





Thermal Storage

- Resiliency
- Utility Costs Savings
 - **\$100K+ annually**
- Utility Rebates
 - -\$300K+
 - <10 Year Payback</p>
- ITC savings
 - -\$400k+

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IRA Impact – Solar



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New Policy | For-Profit/Not-for-Profit & State Entities

- 26% Investment Tax Credit (ITC)
- 30% Investment Tax Credit (ITC)
 - Up to 70% with credit adders
- Direct pay option
- No Production Tax Credit (PTC)
- \$0.026/kWh production tax credit
- 1-year credit carryback
- 3-year credit carryback
- Credits can be transferred to another entity



Sunset Elementary

Clinton City Schools, NC 7 Facilities – 566,076 Square Feet

Energy Services Contract

- 107.83 kW solar photovoltaic array
- Roof Replacement
- Heating Equipment Replacement
- Retro-commissioning and Optimizations
- LED lamps and fixtures
- HVAC systems replacement and Upgrades







Energy Savings



Distributed Solar



Finances- Added ITC

Cost:

107.83 kW Solar PV \$226,300

IRA/ ITC (\$55,360)

Adjusted First Cost \$170,940

Annual Energy Savings \$9,200

Simple Payback 18.6 years

IRA Submission: March 2024



