# Energy Smart Design™– Office Package A

SAMPLE Technical Specifications in CSI format – intended to supplement building specifications to ensure Energy Smart Design™– Office requirements are met

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Eligibility Requirements for Energy Smart Design™ – Offices:

a) To be eligible, a project shall be a new office building, an office addition, or a major renovation for an office. A renovation requires multiple changes in end-uses. The building can be mixed use, but the incentive will only apply to the office area. Banks, libraries, dental offices and medical offices qualify as offices for this prescriptive path. The incentive calculation is based on the conditioned square footage of office occupancy. In the case of office occupancies in other building types, the incentive calculation is based on the area of office occupancy in the building. Partial office occupancy projects shall include all of the listed measures to be eligible under this prescriptive path.

b) The new office building shall use one or more of the following HVAC systems for at least 70 percent of the conditioned space:
   1. Packaged variable-air-volume system with electric reheat
   2. Packaged variable-air-volume system with a non-electric reheat
   3. Heat pump
   4. Packaged or split system single zone equipment with non-electric heat

c) The building shall be 3 stories or less, a maximum of 100,000 square feet and have a maximum Window-to-Wall Ratio of 30%. Window wall area ratio is defined as the total exterior window area (including glazed doors) divided by the total exterior wall area, including demising walls but not including below grade walls. Window wall ratio calculation shall not include semi-conditioned spaces, mechanical penthouses, and parking garages.

END OF SECTION

Energy Smart Design™ – Offices:

a) Incentives for Energy Smart Design™ – Offices designed and built to include energy enhancing features, meeting these specifications.

b) The Energy Smart Design™ – Office energy enhancing features include installing high-efficiency cooling equipment, windows with specific U-values and Solar Heat Gain Coefficients; installing and commissioning an enhanced economizer; integrated HVAC design; installing lighting to meet a reduced power density; and installing occupancy sensors to control general lighting in all spaces with connected lighting loads over 100 watts.

END OF SECTION
PART I. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

1.01 Submittals

A. Submit “As-built” drawings electronically, in PDF format.

B. Submit all code compliance documents electronically, preferably in PDF format.

C. Submit a Certification letter from a professional familiar with the building design (see Appendix A for a sample letter).

END OF SECTION

SECTION 08500
WINDOWS

PART I. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

1.01 Effective Window U-Value Install windows with an area-weighted U-value of 0.35 or below for fixed glazing and 0.40 or below for operable windows, storefront and curtain wall glazing systems. All glazing installed as part of the building envelope shall have a U-value rating as determined by the National Fenestration Rating Council (NFRC) rating protocol. If an NFRC rating is not available, the default performance tables in the Oregon energy code (http://oregon.gov/ENERGY/CONS/Codes/docs/2007_CH-13_ODOE-040107.pdf) shall be used. Center of glass U-value is not an acceptable standard for achieving this requirement. Glass doors are considered part of the glazing area and shall be included in these calculations; skylights are excluded.

1.02 Window Solar Heat Gain Coefficient All glazing installed as part of the building envelope shall have a Solar Heat Gain Coefficient (SHGC) of 0.30 or below, and a visible light transmittance (VLT) of 50% or higher. Glazing shading coefficient is not an acceptable standard for achieving this requirement.

1.03 Submittals

Submit the following documents for each type of window:

A. A copy of the NFRC Label for each glazing product installed in the project. If any window performance exceeds the U-value limits above, provide an area-weighted calculation of average window thermal performance for all windows in the project, showing that the area-weighted U-value is 0.35 or below for fixed glazing and 0.40 or below for operable windows, storefront and curtain wall glazing systems.

B. A copy of manufacturer’s literature or NFRC label for each glazing product installed in the project, along with a table identifying where in the project each product type is installed.
PART I. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

1.01 Economizer Requirements

Economizers shall incorporate the following features in a minimum of 70 percent of the conditioned floor area. The performance of the following features shall be verified during economizer commissioning:

Step 1 Enhanced Economizer Requirements:

- Fully modulating damper motor: A fully modulating damper motor shall allow proper mixed air temperature control and maximize economizer operating hours.
- Damper drive mechanism: A direct modulating actuator with gear-driven interconnections and a permanently lubricated bushing or bearing on the outside and return air dampers shall be installed.
- Primary damper-control sensor: The primary damper-control sensor, sometimes referred to as the mixed-air or discharge-air sensor, shall be located in the discharge air position after the cooling coil or in the supply duct.
- Relief air and modulating return air damper: Relief air shall be provided with a barometric damper in the return air duct upstream of the return air damper, a motorized exhaust air damper or an exhaust fan.
- Minimum outside air (OSA) ventilation: The minimum OSA ventilation shall be verified. If verified by air temperature measurement, the temperature of the mixed air, return air and outside air shall be used to calculate the percentage of outside air at the minimum setting. Verification by measuring OSA with a flow hood, flow plate or other is also acceptable. The final minimum OSA ventilation shall be adjusted to the amount indicated in the designer’s sequence of operation.
- Dedicated thermostat stage for economizer: A thermostat with two stages of cooling, with the primary cooling stage dedicated to economizer control, shall be installed so the economizer satisfies the cooling load before the mechanical air conditioning compressor is engaged.
- Differential changeover with both a return and outside air sensor: The economizer controller shall utilize differential logic, a dry-bulb return air sensor, and outside air sensor for differential changeover. In western climates, high humidity rarely occurs near changeover temperatures, and dry-bulb sensors provide higher expected reliability at lower cost. If the economizer controller has a changeover selector, this shall be set to the differential/comparative control position per manufacturer’s instructions.
- Outside air changeover sensor set point shall be between 55°F and 65°F, Honeywell dry bulb changeover control “D” setting, or equivalent.
- System controls are wired correctly to ensure economizer is fully integrated (i.e. economizer will operate when mechanical cooling is enabled).
- Economizer lockout control sensor location is adequate (open to air but not exposed to direct sunlight nor in an enclosure; away from sources of building exhaust.
- If no relief fan system is installed, barometric relief dampers are installed to relieve building pressure when the economizer is operating.

Step 2 Economizer Functional Testing:
Simulate a cooling load and enable the economizer by adjusting the lockout control set point. Verify and document the following:
• Economizer damper modulates open to maximum position to satisfy cooling space temperature set point.
• Return air damper modulates closed and is completely closed when economizer damper is 100% open.
• Economizer damper is 100% open before mechanical cooling is enabled.
• Relief fan is operating or relief dampers freely swing open.
• Mechanical cooling is only enabled if cooling space temperature set point is not met with the economizer at 100% open.
• Relief fan system (if installed) operates only when the economizer is enabled.
• Doors are not pushed ajar from over pressurization.

**Step 3 Economizer Shut Down:**
Disable the economizer by adjusting the lockout control set point. Verify and document the following:

• Outside air damper closes to minimum position when economizer is disabled.
• Relief fan shuts off or relief or barometric dampers close when economizer is disabled.
• Mechanical cooling remains enabled until cooling space temperature set point is met.
• Return air damper opens to normal operating position.
• Outside air damper closes completely when unit is off.

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1.02 Cooling System Minimum Efficiency Requirements

Install high-efficiency cooling equipment meeting Consortium for Energy Efficiency (CEE) Tier 2 performance levels, serving a minimum of 70 percent of the conditioned floor area. The rated equipment efficiency values shall be based on Air-Conditioning and Refrigeration Institute (ARI) test protocols. Where no Tier 2 performance evaluation protocol or commercially available equipment exists, equipment shall meet CEE Tier 1 requirements.

1.03 Integrated HVAC Design

Best practices and design techniques shall be employed to improve system performance and meet ASHRAE Standard 55. The mechanical designer shall implement the following actions in the design process:

1) When sizing the heating and cooling equipment, perform load calculations using interior load assumptions that are consistent with code requirements and the elements of this prescriptive incentive program. This includes using the design interior lighting power density, glazing performance characteristics, and HVAC system efficiencies required by these Specifications. Load calculations should use diversity factors consistent with all aspects of intended building performance characteristics.

2) Assumptions about occupancy, equipment and miscellaneous loads in the project should be based on actual loads, rather than default assumptions. These loads should also include a diversity factor when accounted for in building load calculations. Document the basis for assumed interior equipment and occupant load assumptions for owner concurrence and use in load calculations.

3) Apply the following criteria when sizing the fan and air distribution systems:
- Document fan sizing calculations with zone-by-zone load calculations.
- Perform calculations to determine critical path supply duct pressure loss. Compare fitting selections for the critical branch to minimize fan horsepower requirements. Do not design or install high pressure duct systems. Maximum design pressure loss through the duct system should be 0.4 in. WC per 100 ft. of duct run. Use 0.05 in. WC per 100 ft. as a target.
- Exterior duct systems shall be sealed and insulated to a minimum of R-8.
- Duct systems shall conform to ASHRAE Leakage Class 3.
- Additional duct design guidelines:
  - Minimize duct length, turns, and fittings.
  - Utilize round or oval duct wherever feasible to lower leakage and reduce pressure loss.
  - Use radius or section elbows for all turns greater than 45 degrees. Use square elbows with turning vanes where radius elbows will not fit.
  - Turning vanes should be single thickness rather than airfoil.
  - Use smooth wye branch fittings instead of right angle fittings at branch takeoffs.
  - Avoid turns immediately before a supply or return air register.
  - Avoid duct connection details at the unit that degrade fan performance. Provide a minimum of two feet of straight duct before the first turn. Install turning vanes in supply ducts at the first turn after entering the building (if rectangular duct is used).
  - Limit flex duct runs to a maximum of six feet. When longer runs must be used, make sure the duct is well supported at five-foot intervals.
- Use relief fans in lieu of return fans where possible and provide automatic dampers on exhaust in lieu of barometric dampers to reduce fan power and increase barometric relief.

4) For variable air volume systems perform peak coincident-load calculations and use for maximum equipment sizing. Include diversity factors for interior loads and other factors that will allow proper assessment of part-load operation.

5) Develop a Sequence of Operations document, including the system operation at design conditions and describe features of the design that will facilitate efficient operation at part-load conditions. Describe minimum ventilation airflow, economizer operation, how the system will maintain comfort in accordance with ASHRAE Standard 55 and operate in an energy efficient manner. This document shall be included in the building owner’s manual to inform subsequent building operation.

6) Use a separate HVAC system for any spaces that have occupancy or process loads or schedules that differ significantly from the rest of the building. Peak thermal loads that differ by 10 Btu/h·ft² or more from the average of other spaces served by the system or schedules that differ by more than 40 equivalent full load hours per week from other spaces served by the system, are considered to differ significantly. Examples where this exception may be applicable include, but are not limited to, computer server rooms and continually occupied areas.

1.04 Submittals

Submit the following for each system:

A. Provide manufacturer cut sheets for each piece of cooling equipment demonstrating that the equipment’s rated efficiency meets or exceeds CEE Tier 2 requirements.

B. Provide a completed Economizer Commissioning Checklist (a sample is available in
appendix 2 of these specifications), documenting that the economizer was tested per the parameters listed above.

C. Provide a completed Integrated Design Checklist (a sample is available in appendix 3 of these specifications), documenting that the HVAC system has been designed as indicated.

END OF SECTION

SECTION 16000
ELECTRICAL GENERAL PROVISIONS

PART I. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

1.01 Lighting Power Density

Installed lighting power density (LPD) shall not exceed 0.75 watts per square foot using a whole building calculation. Installed lighting power calculations shall be consistent with ASHRAE 90.1 2004 or local codes. Light levels in the space shall meet the design and illumination standards of the Illuminating Engineering Society of North America (IESNA) appropriate for each space within the building.

1.02 Automatic Lighting Controls

Occupancy sensors shall be installed to control general lighting in all spaces with connected lighting loads over 100 watts. Occupancy sensors shall be commissioned and time delays shall be no more than 10 minutes. Information about occupancy sensor performance shall be included in the building commissioning report.

Automatic Lighting Controls are not required in the following areas:
- Lighting required by a health or life safety statute, ordinance or regulation, including but not limited to emergency lighting.
- Emergency lighting.
- Health care patient rooms.

1.03 Submittals

Submit the following for each system:
A. Provide an LPD calculation table in a format similar to those required by regional code jurisdictions for project approval. This form shall indicate building floor area and fixture quantity and watt consumption for each type of fixture installed.

B. Provide a completed Lighting Control Checklist (a sample is available in appendix 4 of these specifications) documenting that the occupancy sensors operate in an efficient manner.

END OF SECTION
Appendix 1
Sample Certification letter
Energy Smart Design™ – Office Package A
Sample Certification letter

Date

Participating Utility Representative Name & Title

Utility Name

Address

This letter is a certification that all the measures installed and commissioned meet the specifications for Energy Smart Design™ – Office Package A for the new office building located at ( address ) and owned by ( owner's name and address ). Construction on this building started on ( date ) and this building has ( building area ) square feet of conditioned space. The building uses the following packaged HVAC systems for at least 70 percent of the conditioned space: ( VAV with electric reheat, VAV with non-electric reheat, heat pumps, single zone equipment with non-electric heat ). (Cross out all systems that have not been installed.)

Attached are the documents required for Energy Smart Design™ – Office Package A. By signature below, the undersigned hereby acknowledges that the above is true to the best of his/her knowledge and that he/she is a professional familiar with the building design. Professionals can be a qualified utility representative, registered architect, licensed engineer or commissioning agent.

Professional familiar with the building design:

Name & Title: ________________________________________________

Signature: ________________________________________________

Date: __________________

Attachments:

- Cooling system cut sheets demonstrating that equipment is rated to perform at CEE Tier 2 or above
- Copy of window NFRC label for each glazing product or documentation of default U-value and SHGC
- If any window performance exceeds the specified U-values, provide an area-weighted calculation of average window thermal performance for all windows, showing that the area-weighted U-value is 0.35 or below for fixed glazing and 0.40 or below for operable windows, storefront and curtain wall glazing systems.
- Economizer Commissioning Checklist
- Integrated Design Checklist
- Copy of lighting budget form required for permit and "any submitted code compliance documents" (PDF format preferred).
- Building drawings in PDF format.
• Lighting Control Checklist
Appendix 2
Economizer Commissioning Checklist
**Energy Smart Design™ – Office**

**Economizer Commissioning Checklist**

This form must be completed by the HVAC technician. *Complete one checklist for each economizer installed.*

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**Facility Name**

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**Installing Technician’s Name**  
**Company**

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**Step 1**

Area Served by Economizer: ________________________________  HVAC Tag#: ___________  
(Specify: conference room, computer area, interior zone, etc.)

Economizer Control Manufacturer/Model #: ________________________________  
Thermostat Manufacturer/Model #: ________________________________  

- [ ] Installed according to manufacturers recommendations  
- [ ] Installation meets Energy Smart Design™ – Office requirements  
- [ ] OSA sensor connected and located in outside air stream and not subject to condenser heat  
- [ ] Has dry Bulb OSA and RA Sensor (Differential/Comparative Changeover Type)  
- [ ] Has OSA changeover sensor or dry bulb changeover control; setting _____( degrees or setting)

**Step 2**

- [ ] Complete economizer cycle observed; dampers operate freely, linkage adjusted properly  
- [ ] Compressor staged appropriately during economizer cycle  
- [ ] Thermostat has Dedicated Economizer Stage  

Method of return air building pressure relief: ____________________________________________  
(Specify: powered fan, actuated damper, barometric/gravity damper)

Total system cfm: ___________  
System cfm determined by:  
- [ ] Nameplate  
- [ ] Measured  

Minimum Outside Air (OSA) setting ___________ percent or ___________ cfm  
OSA percent method:  
- [ ] Calculated  
- [ ] Measured  
- [ ] Temperature Split  

Explain: ________________________________

**Step 3**

- [ ] Shutdown sequence verified per specifications

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Signed & Certified: ________________________________ Date: ________________________
Appendix 3

Integrated Design Checklist
### Energy Smart Design™ – Office Integrated Design Checklist

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<td>3. The fan and air distribution systems were sized using zone-by-zone load calculations and duct design minimizes static pressure drop</td>
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<td>4. Load calculations were performed for part-load conditions</td>
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Package A Lighting Control Checklist
### Energy Smart Design™ – Office Package A
#### Lighting Control Checklist

1. **Area Served by occupancy sensor:**
   - Connected Load (kW): __________
   - (Specify: conference room, computer area, etc.)
   - Time Delay (minutes): __________
   - Occupancy sensor Manufacturer/Model #: ____________________________________________
   - Comments: _______________________________________________________________________

2. **Area Served by occupancy sensor:**
   - Connected Load (kW): __________
   - (Specify: conference room, computer area, etc.)
   - Time Delay (minutes): __________
   - Occupancy sensor Manufacturer/Model #: ____________________________________________
   - Comments: _______________________________________________________________________

3. **Area Served by occupancy sensor:**
   - Connected Load (kW): __________
   - (Specify: conference room, computer area, etc.)
   - Time Delay (minutes): __________
   - Occupancy sensor Manufacturer/Model #: ____________________________________________
   - Comments: _______________________________________________________________________

4. **Area Served by occupancy sensor:**
   - Connected Load (kW): __________
   - (Specify: conference room, computer area, etc.)
   - Time Delay (minutes): __________
   - Occupancy sensor Manufacturer/Model #: ____________________________________________
   - Comments: _______________________________________________________________________

5. **Area Served by occupancy sensor:**
   - Connected Load (kW): __________
   - (Specify: conference room, computer area, etc.)
   - Time Delay (minutes): __________
   - Occupancy sensor Manufacturer/Model #: ____________________________________________
   - Comments: _______________________________________________________________________

6. **Area Served by occupancy sensor:**
   - Connected Load (kW): __________
   - (Specify: conference room, computer area, etc.)
   - Time Delay (minutes): __________
   - Occupancy sensor Manufacturer/Model #: ____________________________________________
   - Comments: _______________________________________________________________________

7. **Area Served by occupancy sensor:**
   - Connected Load (kW): __________
   - (Specify: conference room, computer area, etc.)
   - Time Delay (minutes): __________
   - Occupancy sensor Manufacturer/Model #: ____________________________________________
   - Comments: _______________________________________________________________________

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