

Net Zero Energy Design as a Practice





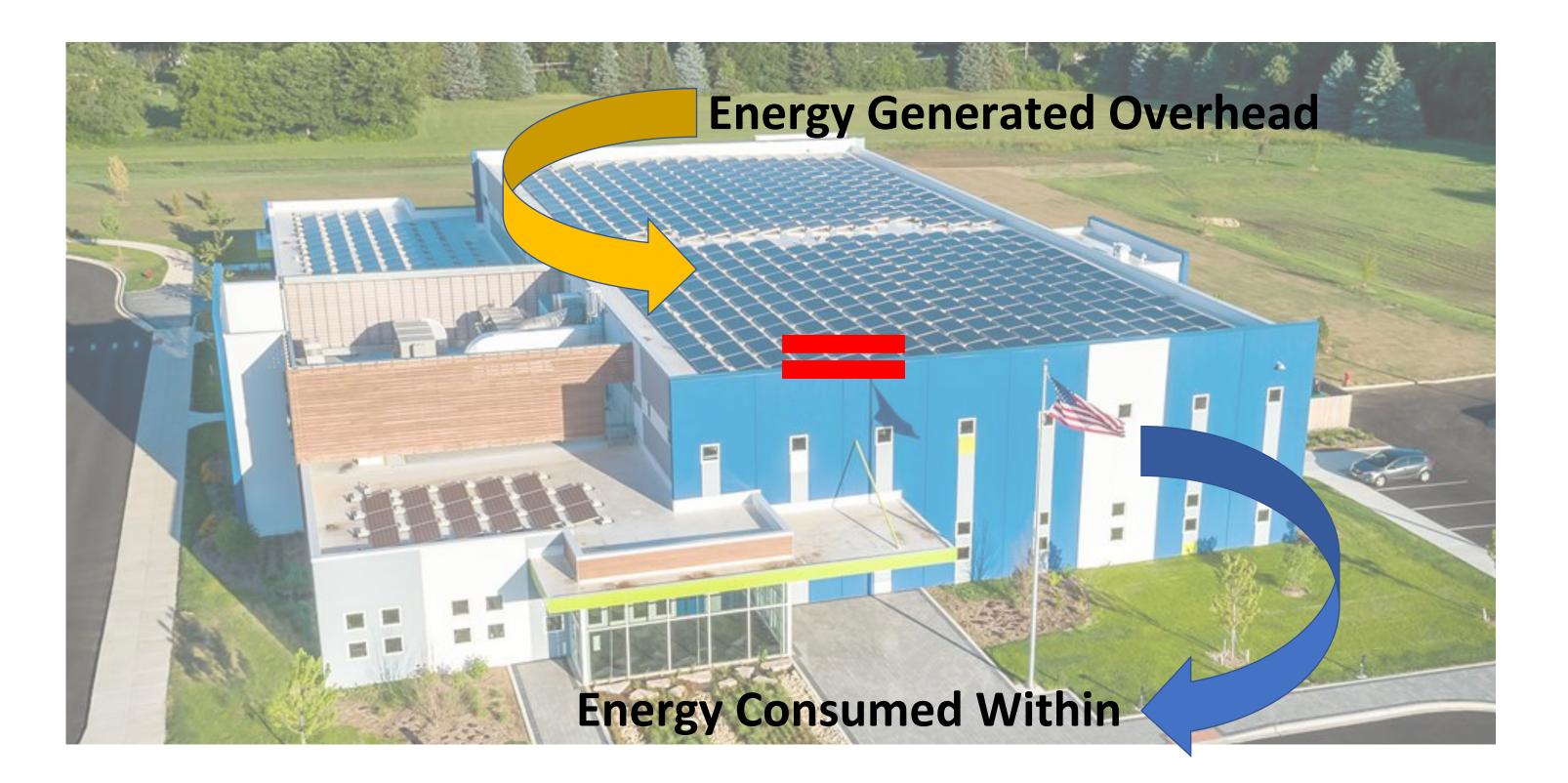




Stevenson HS Fieldhouse 1.1 MW Array, 67,000 sf



What is a Net Zero Energy Building?



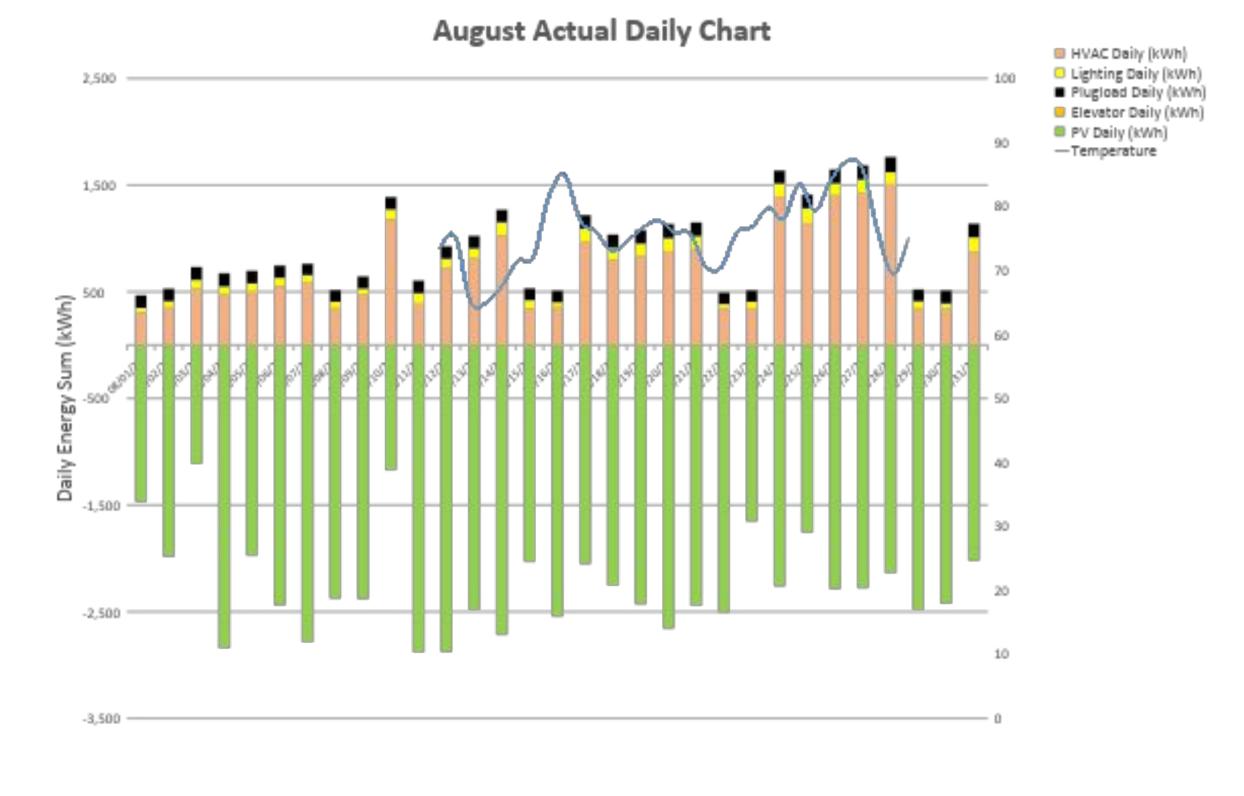
On an Annual Basis

Net Zero Energy Buildings Come Alive in Performance Period





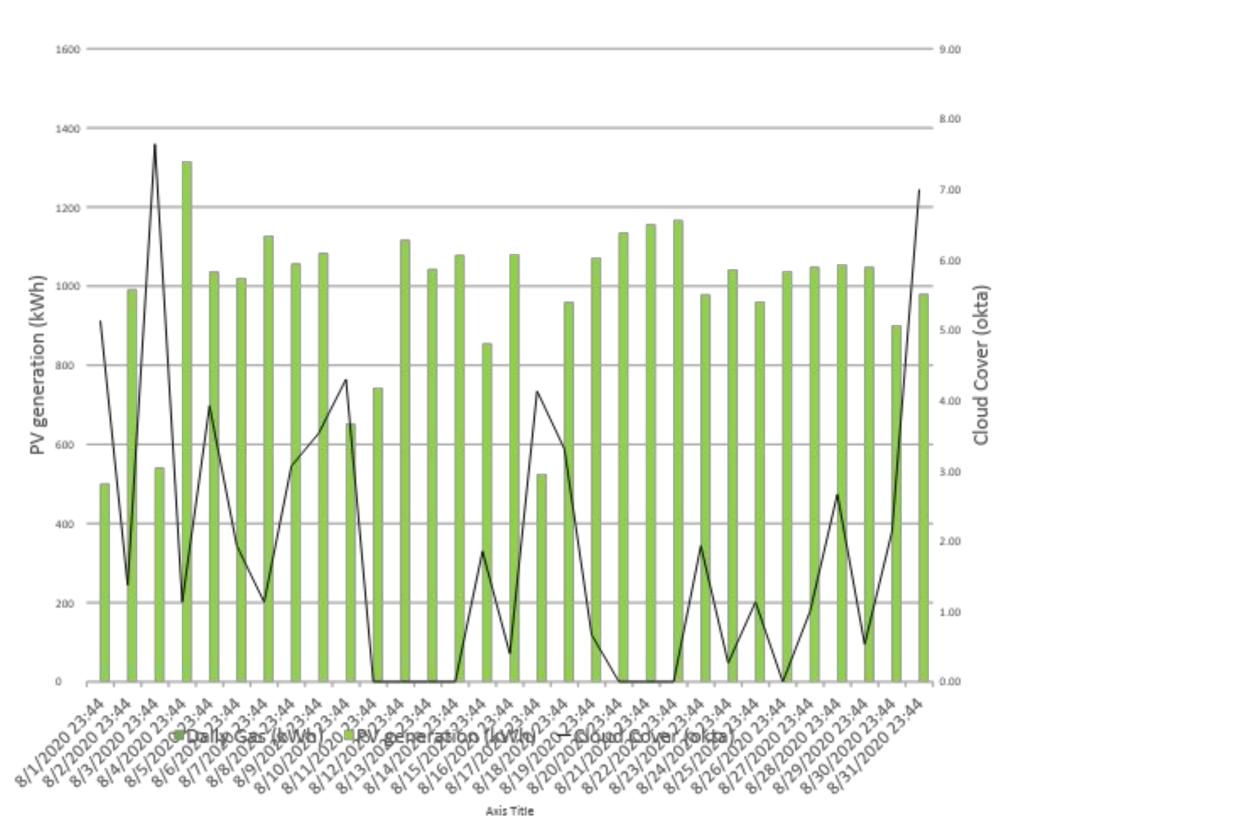
One Month of Performance Data





Solar Production is Sensitive to Cloud Cover

August PV Daily

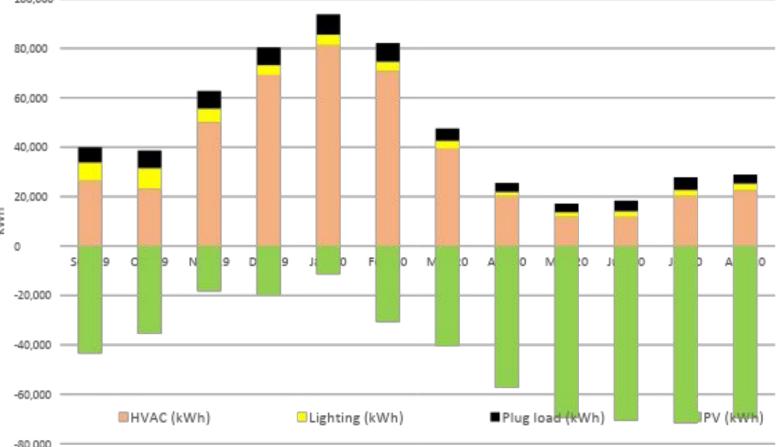




Net Zero Energy Buildings are Built on **PREDICTED** Models

Annual Predicted Performance

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Annual Actual Performance

Lessons Learned on Delivering Net Zero Energy

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- Energy model assumptions and equipment performance parameters don't always sync.
- Commissioning is key. And recommissioning.
- Net Zero is a VERB. In a performance period, you can't afford to adjust and wait for 30 days of results.
- Someone must be tasked with monitoring all the systems frequently.
- Problems are best solved with integrated team approach.

Operation

- •Use the warranty period to keep trade contractors and equipment manufacturers engaged.
- •The weather is going to be different than the weather model files.
- •It's not always the weather. But you will become very weather conscious.
- •Explore the comfort parameters and see if you can expand the comfort zone.
- •If you think it's challenging to be net zero, you're right. So far....because it's a new practice...but shouldn't we apply this scrutiny to all buildings?





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