



## Return on Investment and Environmental Benefits Calculations

Date: November 8, 2006  
 Project: Parking Garage Fluorescent Lamp Dimming  
 Location: Philadelphia, PA  
 Owner:  
 Contact:  
 Tel:

### Sinewave Energy Dimmers

	16 units required		
Dimmer Cost		\$	26,400
Estimated Installation Cost (with sensors)		\$	9,200
Total Installation Cost		\$	35,600

The calculations shown do not include any potential tax credits or utility rebates which could further reduce the cost by as much as 50% and improve the payback.

### Energy Analysis

Energy Cost/kW	\$	0.109
Annual Operating Hours		8,760
# of Fixtures		955
Lamp Wattage per Fixture		110
Ballast Wattage per Fixture <sup>1</sup>		11
Total Wattage		115,555

### NOTES:

<sup>1</sup> In almost all instances, lamps can be dimmed to 90% power with negligible impact on the light provided, so lamps should be operated at 100% energy output only in exceptional circumstances (such as during televised sporting events). Also, higher wattage lamps lose only a small portion of their output when they are dimmed, so dimming to 50% of wattage in most cases results in more than 50% light output.

### Current Non-Dimming Scenario

Energy Consumption (kW)	1,012,262
<b>Annual Energy Cost without Dimming</b>	<b>\$ 110,337</b>

<sup>2</sup> The ballast uses wattage that is in addition to the wattage used by the lamp. If you do not know the ballast wattage, you may contact the ballast manufacturer or Sinewave.

### Proposed Dimming Schedule Scenario<sup>2</sup>

	% Operating Hrs.	kW Used
Annual Operating Hrs. @ 100% Energy Output	0%	0
Annual Operating Hrs. @ 90% Energy Output	50%	455,518
Annual Operating Hrs. @ 75% Energy Output	0%	0
Annual Operating Hrs. @ 50% Energy Output	0%	0
Annual Operating Hrs. @ 30% Energy Output	50%	151,839
<b>Annual Energy Consumption with Dimming</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>607,357</b>

<sup>3</sup> Actual emissions vary by utility district. This calculation uses the national average of 1,392 lbs per MWh of power generated.

<sup>4</sup> The EPA estimates that an acre of trees absorbs 7,400 pounds of CO<sub>2</sub> annually and that 11,450 represents the pounds of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted annually by an average car.

### Energy Savings Analysis

Energy Savings in kW	404,905
Annual Dollar Savings	\$ 44,135

**Economic Payback (Years) 0.81**

### Environmental Benefits

Reduction in Carbon Dioxide Emission (lbs/year) <sup>3</sup>	563,627
Equivalent Acres of Trees Absorbing CO <sub>2</sub>	76.17
Equivalent Cars Taken off the Road <sup>4</sup>	49.23

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### Sinewave Energy Dimmers

Dimmer Cost (each dimmer is \$1,650)	7 units required	\$	11,550
Estimated Installation Cost (with sensors)		\$	5,600
Total Installation Cost		\$	17,150

### Energy Analysis

Energy Cost/kW	\$	0.109
Annual Operating Hours		8,760
# of Fixtures, Floors 2-7		210
# of Fixtures, Top Floor 8		10
Lamp Wattage per Fixture, Floors 2-7		175
Lamp Wattage per Fixture, Top Floor 8		400
Ballast Wattage per Fixture <sup>1</sup> , Floors 2-7		30
Ballast Wattage per Fixture <sup>1</sup> , Floors 8		65
Total Wattage		47,700

### Current Non-Dimming Scenario

Energy Consumption (kW)		417,852
Annual Energy Cost without Dimming	\$	45,546

### Proposed Dimming Schedule Scenario<sup>2</sup>

	% Operating Hrs.	kW Used
Annual Operating Hrs. @ 100% Energy Output	0%	0
Annual Operating Hrs. @ 90% Energy Output	50%	188,033
Annual Operating Hrs. @ 75% Energy Output	0%	0
Annual Operating Hrs. @ 50% Energy Output	50%	104,463
Annual Operating Hrs. @ 30% Energy Output	0%	0
<b>Annual Energy Consumption with Dimming</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>292,496</b>

### Energy Savings Analysis

Energy Savings in kW		125,356
Annual Dollar Savings	\$	13,664

### Economic Payback (Years)

1.26

### Environmental Benefits

Reduction in Carbon Dioxide Emission (lbs/year) <sup>3</sup>	174,495
Equivalent Acres of Trees Absorbing CO <sub>2</sub>	23.58
Equivalent Cars Taken off the Road <sup>4</sup>	15.24

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