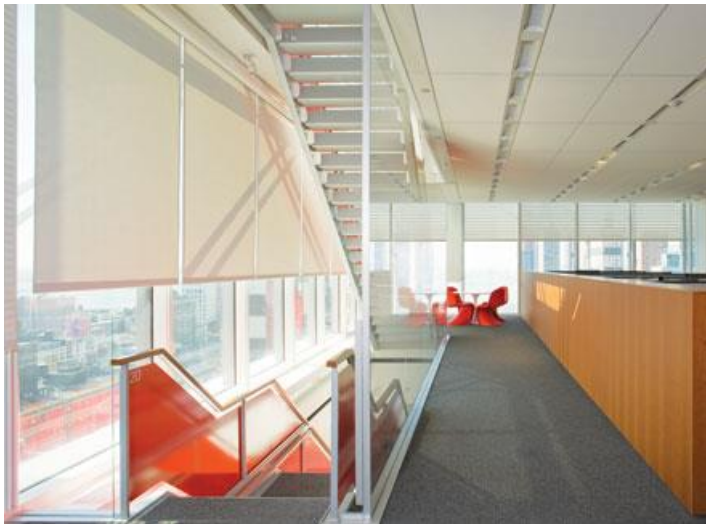


# High Impact Technology (HIT) Catalyst



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Building Technologies Office

How can we **catalyze** the adoption of **high impact** commercial building **technologies**?

Owners

Designers  
Engineers

Managers

Occupants

Financial  
Institutions

Stakeholder  
Engagement &  
Partnerships

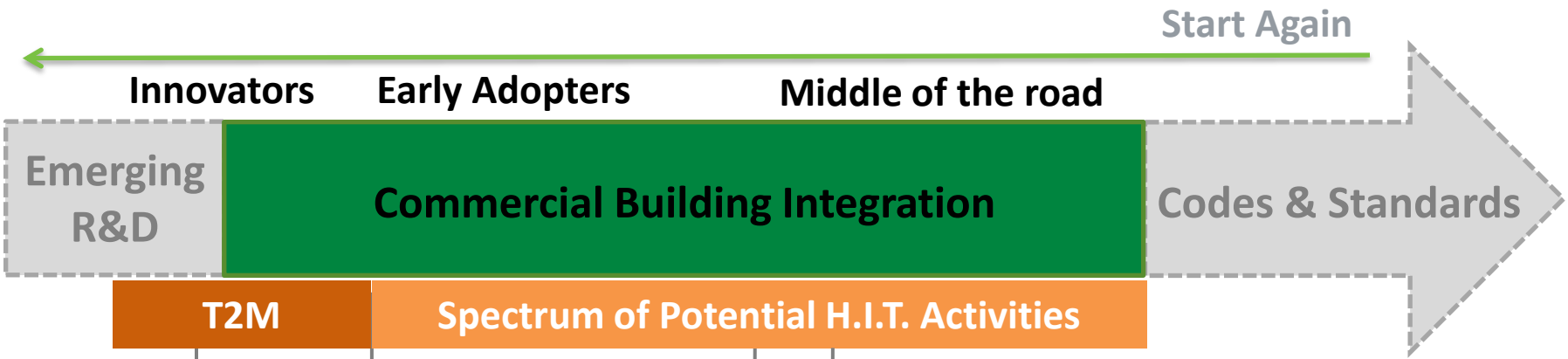
Government

Utilities

Manufacturers  
Dealers  
Suppliers

Scientists

# Building Technology Pathway and Program Strategy



Near-commercialized  
Bridge the Valley of Death

- Technology Challenges
- (Lab or test bed demonstrations)
- (Commercialization plans)

Commercialized, under-utilized

- Seed the market for new technologies
- Technology Demonstrations & Case Studies
  - Purchasing Specifications
  - Training / O&M resource to drive down costs
  - Add to BTO tools - BCL/TPex/EnergyPlus and OpenStudio

Commercialized, not widely accepted  
Accelerate market uptake

- Technology campaigns via partnerships with industry organizations
- Support voluntary incentives via partnerships such as CEE, REEOs, EE programs, etc.
- Create technology packages to hand off to Codes & Standards

( ) = potential new activities

# Putting it all together: The HIT Catalyst

**Goal:** The High Impact Technology (HIT) Catalyst will identify and prioritize cost-effective, underutilized, energy-efficient technologies so that we can focus resource development and deployment activities.

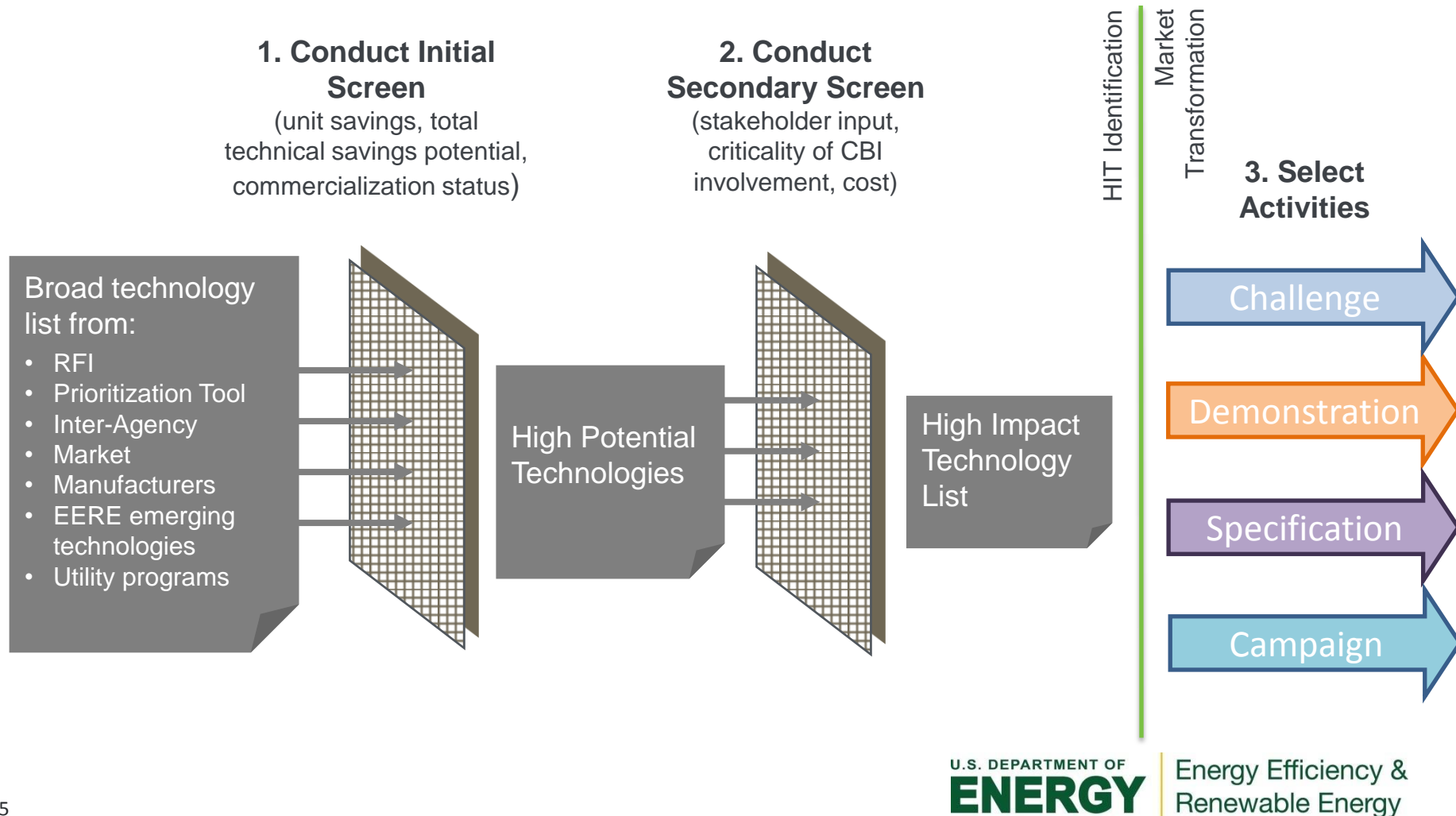
**Methodology:** Cohesive step-by-step strategies move techs from newly commercialized to full adoption. Each step in the tech-to-market pipeline has a purpose and connection to the next step; all are integrated into existing BTO deployment networks.

**Target Market and Audience:** Deploy HITs through partnerships with the commercial buildings industry via the Better Buildings Alliance, federal leaders, regional non-profits and efficiency organizations.

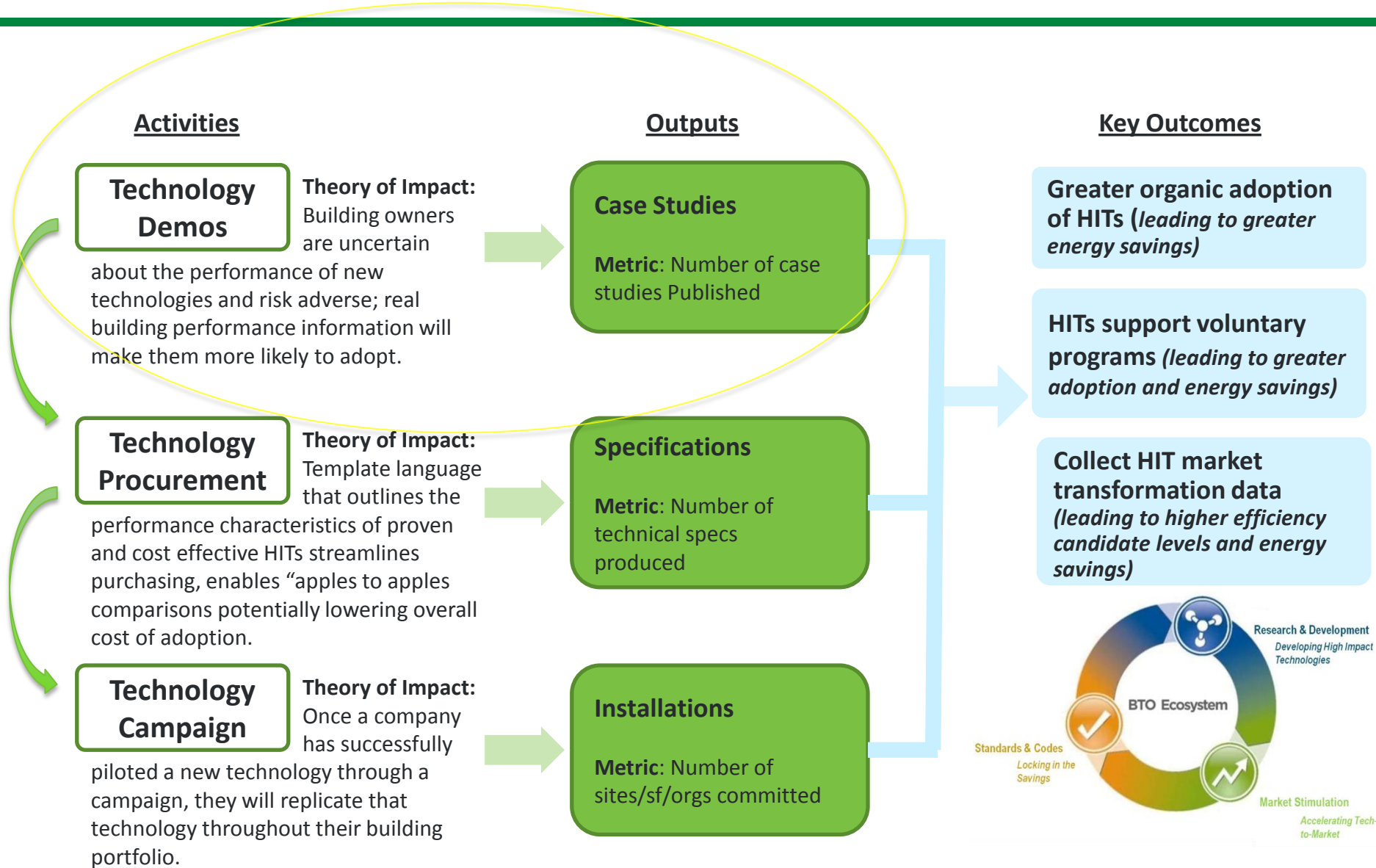
**Outcome:** Provide commercial building stakeholders with resources and proven deployment paths to accelerate implementation and market acceptance of HITs.

# Identification and Evaluation of HITs

Identify HITs through a rigorous prioritization process; characterize HITs based on their stage in the product life cycle; develop appropriate resources; evaluate and implement the most effective deployment activities.



# What is the most effective market transformation pathway?



# How we deploy? The RTU example

Screen

Plan & Develop

Implement

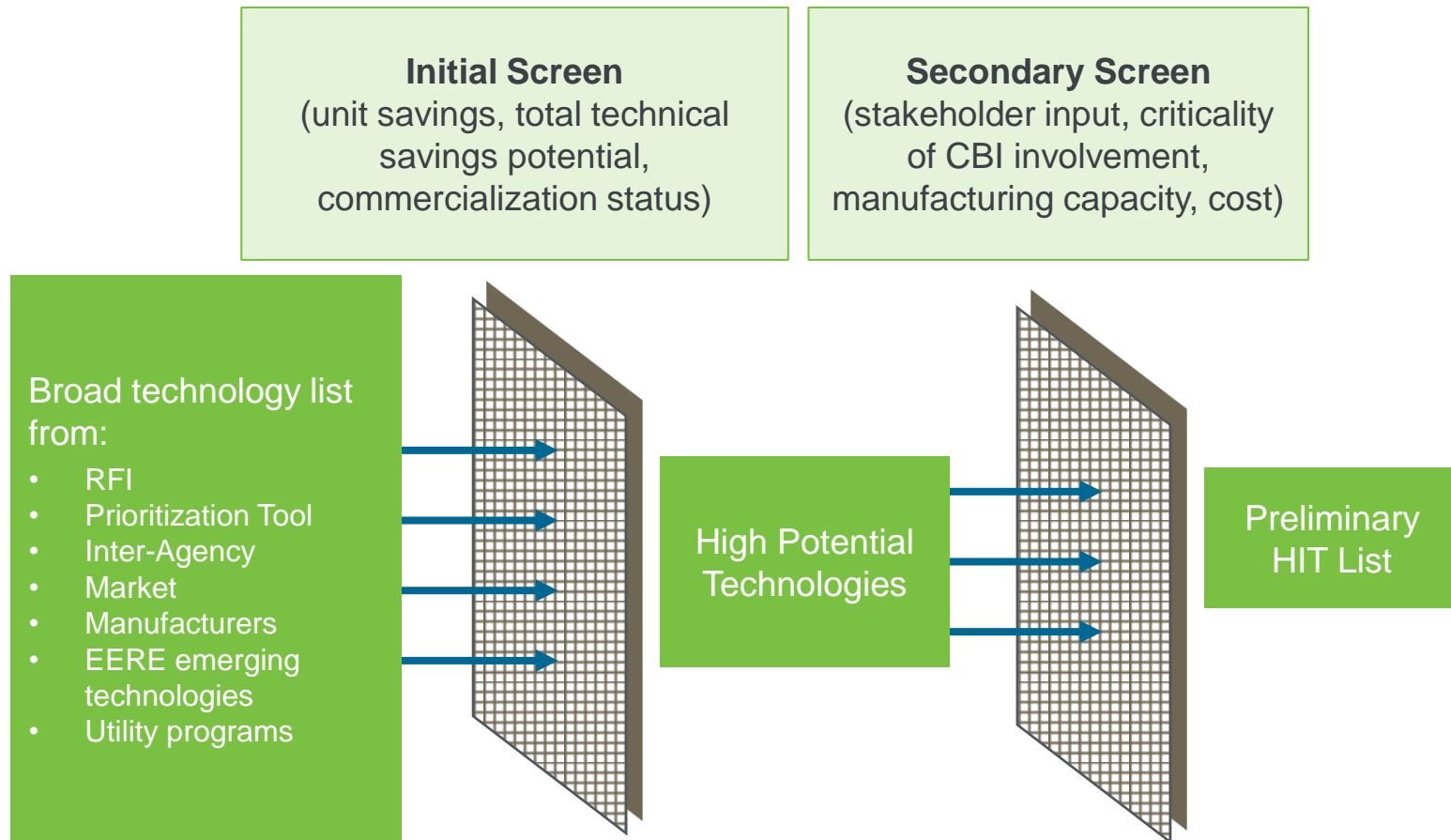
Track Market Uptake

Reduce Energy Consumption (BTO goal)

CBI DEPLOYMENT STRATEGY	Direct resource development and demonstration	Market stimulation via leading organizations	Deployment through leaders' portfolios and consideration for voluntary standards	Data feeds into market acceleration
ACTIVITIES	FY12-13: Produced Manufacturer's Challenge <b>SPECIFICATION</b> via ET and BBA.	FY14-15: <b>DEMONSTRATIONS</b> of winning units with building owners and federal partners.	FY14-16: Drive market uptake through the <b>Advanced RTU Campaign</b> for adoption of CEE Tier 2 RTUs or replacement with advanced controls	FY15-16: continue to campaign for Tier 2 replacements which support the adoption of a higher Tier 3 which matches Challenge Unit efficiency and drives overall efficiency higher.
IMPACTS	By end of FY13, 2 manufacturers had met the RTU Challenge.  By FY14, 5 different manufacturers had produced units meeting the combined efficiency requirements of the specification (IEER = 18).	Measurement from demos prove average savings and reduce risk for owners; case studies help make the business case.	Campaign quantifies actual energy savings, market uptake trajectory, and adoption by market leaders.  <b>If 100% of RTUs were replaced based on Advanced RTU Campaign targets, we would save .4-1 Quad of primary energy.</b>	Advanced RTU Campaign impact: 26,000 RTUs have been upgraded with high efficiency Tier 2 replacement units (minimum 20% savings) or retrofitted with advanced system controls (average 50% savings).

# HIT Catalyst: Where We Are Today

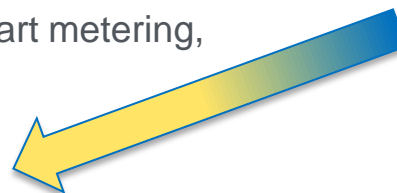
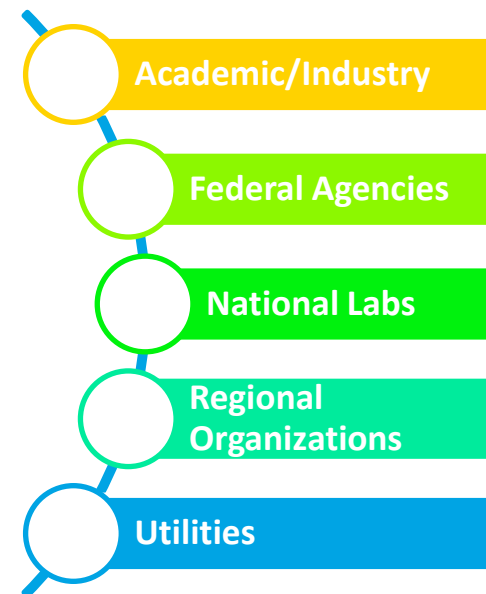
The tech sweep and screens have been preliminarily conducted, information has been gathered from an RFI, and we have held workshops with a number of stakeholder groups to develop a ranked list of HITs.





# Peer Workshops: Takeaways for Preliminary HIT List

- Remain aware of the need for **technology groupings, applications and packages** rather than specific technology types; address the synergies between technologies
- **Controls** in general – across all load types – are an area where much work needs to be done. There are many competing platforms, protocols, etc. and many different ways to implement the control systems (individual fixture/load level, building level, etc.). **End users are confused by the choices, afraid of technology obsolescence, and need guidance in this space.**
- Don't always assume that a pure technology solution is the answer. In some cases, **best practice or operational solutions can yield the same results at much lower costs.**
- Data on “real use” and end user behavior is extremely important in weighing the benefits of a technology, as the **gap between “real use” and “ideal use”** can be large.
- There is value in **enabling technologies** such as smart metering, though it may be difficult to quantify independently.
- Generally speaking, **there can never be too much independent, third-party demonstration data.**



# HIT Priority List

Measure Name	Description
<b>LED Troffers with Controls</b>	Deploy high-efficiency (solid-state) 2x4 troffers with added controls
<b>Packages of Building Management and Information Systems and Whole Building Diagnostics</b>	Optimize whole-building management systems that enable the operation of multiple systems to minimize consumption based on occupancy, weather, fuel prices, etc.; includes adjustment of thermostats, schedules, set points, calibration.
<b>Auto Sash Fume Hoods for Laboratories</b>	Deploy restructured laboratory fume hoods with automatic sash closure. This technology has an automatic sash closure system on a VAV hood that is controlled by an occupancy sensor.
<b>Shading &amp; Awnings</b>	Demonstrate energy reductions and other benefits to awnings and other shading devices on commercial buildings.
<b>Refrigeration Controls &amp; Display Case Retrofits</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use variable speed compressors in select new commercial refrigeration equipment;</li> <li>• Retrofit display case doors with anti-sweat heaters, vinyl/composite door frames, and high-performance glass.</li> </ul>
<b>Heat Pump Water heaters</b>	Deploy highest efficiency heat pump water heaters in residential and small commercial buildings

# Future Plans

## Annual HIT Matrix and Peer Review

- Incorporate stakeholder feedback (including workshop)
- Select HIT focus

Evaluate and update each year to reflect evolving market conditions and advances in technology.

## Deployment Plan and Resource Development:

- Evaluate existing resources, gaps, barriers and potential partners
- Determine the most effective deployment channels

## Select & Execute Deployment:

- Campaigns, Technology Demonstrations, Specifications
- Strategic Partnerships
- Better Buildings

...Hand Off and Start Over

# Working with Better Buildings Partners

+**200 members** from the private sectors

Controlling **+10 billion square feet** of commercial building space

Working together through **4 sector groups** and **13 solutions teams**

Making commercial buildings **20% more efficient by 2020**



# Join us for Tech Day at the Better Buildings Summit

**May 29<sup>th</sup>, Washington D.C.**

## **Leading Edge to Market-Ready: How Does Technology fit within the Federal Technology Framework?**

- The roles of different federal agencies in accelerating efficient building technologies.
- Representatives from ARPA-E, ESTCP, GPG, FEMP and BTO

## **Innovative Energy Saving Technologies on the Market Now**

- Updates on new real building demonstrations,
- Dynamic glazing, touchless audits and data centers.

## **What's next? Tech-to-Market Projects for Next Generation Results.**

- A suitcase that retro-commissions small buildings,
- Advanced control systems for plug and play devices,
- New easy-to-install air barriers,
- Promising technologies from ARPA-E's Building Energy Efficiency Through Innovative Thermodevices (BEETIT) program.

# Current Commercial Building Tech Demo Projects

- *Multi-load Washing Machines*
- *Ultra-low Temperature Freezers*
- *Daylighting and Lighting Controls Retrofits in Office Perimeters*
- *Gas Unit Heaters*
- *Heat Pump Water Heaters*
- *LED Downlights*
- *RTU Challenge Units (Publix)*
- *Advanced RTU Controls with Automated Fault Detection and Diagnostics*
- *HLR (HVAC Load Reduction) “Intelligent scrubber” modules added to HVAC systems*
- *Predictive Energy Optimization (PEO) and Automated Demand Response for Commercial Building HVAC*
- *Advanced Lighting Control (CALC): networked, intelligent lighting control systems*
- *μCHP (20-30kW) in light commercial hot water applications*
- *Advanced fan motor technology for 7-16 watt commercial refrigeration fan applications*