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Iowa Chapter

AUGUST BREAKFAST PROGRAM

“Holistic Approach” Energy Design Assistance



Session Overview & Learning Objectives:

The Merriam-Webster dictionary defines holistic as “relating to or concerned with wholes or with complete systems rather than with the analysis of, treatment of, or dissection into parts.”

More traditionally used to describe approaches to medical treatment, a holistic approach can also be taken with a new building or renovation project. As a building owner, have you optimized your building’s envelope, lighting, heating and cooling systems? Did your team thoughtfully consider the initial costs as well as the long term operating costs? Are you being environmentally responsible? Are you ‘Green?’

As a designer, are you taking the time to properly study the options? Do you really know the cost and impact on the whole operation of the building of the system(s) you’re proposing?

As a builder, you wonder, “why are they doing it this way?”

In the true spirit of design/build, the Commercial New Construction Programs in Iowa, offered by MidAmerican Energy Company and Alliant Energy, help your team answer these hard questions during the design process—when a holistic approach can be optimized. Through these utility programs, The Weidt Group provides a whole building energy simulation model, reviews the subsequent construction documents for compliance, and validates the installation of energy-saving strategies after construction completion. Best of all, their highly technical services are paid by the local utility company. The utility also reimburses the design/build team for their services to explore the options. And finally, the utility company pays the Owner an incentive to help off-set the initial cost of implementing these energy-saving strategies. The Owner also benefits from lower long-term operating costs. Participants have also reported that the information gives the design team feedback on where the design stands with regard to LEED® Energy and Atmosphere points for projects seeking certification.

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