# Climate Mobilization Cutting Carbon in Co-Ops & Act Series: Condos; Local Law 97 Pathways

BE-Ex, with support from NRDC, hosts a presentation and panel event to discuss successful decarbonization strategies, including energy efficiency and electrification, adopted by cooperative and condominium apartment buildings, as well as their planning to prepare for compliance with Local Law 97.

opening remarks Gina Bocra, Chief Sustainability Officer, NYC Department of Buildings

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May 9, 2023 9:30 to 11am 1.5 AIA LU | HSW



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31 Chambers Street New York, NY



# •BE-Ex: Cutting Carbon in Co-Ops & Condos

• Case Study Presentation



• MAY 09 2023

### International Tailoring Company Building

156,000 sqft, 180-unit residential building near Union Square, Manhattan

#### **Project Drivers**

CASE STUDY

- Mechanical equipment close to end of life
- Operationally complex system
- Comfort complaints due to switchover system
- Eliminate exposure to LL97 fines





# Existing System



- Individual apartment-based fan coils units
- Two-pipe hydronic system
- Gas-fired absorption chiller/boiler combo units



## Project Design & Evolution

• We evaluated two electrification scenarios.

Full Electrification

Hybrid Electrification



## • Full Electrification

 Low-temperature fan coil terminal units with ASHPs providing heating and cooling

### Challenges

- Significantly higher capital and operating costs
- Electrical infrastructure of the building required upgrade
- Physical space constraints of locating ASHPs on rooftop
- Resiliency



## Hybrid Electrification

 Maximize GHG reduction while engineering around existing building constraints





# Hybrid System





# Hybrid Electrification

Rooftop ASHPs + Terminal WSHPs + Condensing boilers

#### • Pros

- Lower capital and operating costs
- Internal heat recovery gains
- Existing electrical infrastructure could support system
- Resiliency

### • Challenges

- Complex system design
- In unit construction logistics



# **Annual Energy Breakdown**

IN A 40F HYBRID SYSTEM Annual Energy Usage







# Hybrid Electrification Summary

- There are significant constraints to retrofitting existing NYC buildings to be fully electrified.
- Hybrid Electrification can be designed within those constraints to enable buildings to significantly reduce GHG emissions
  - Technically feasible today
  - Improved economics with reduced capital costs
  - Achieves LL97 compliance



# **THANK YOU!**

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# ASHP vs. Building Heat Load

IN A 40F HYBRID SYSTEM



Air Source HP Output
Building Heat Load



# Annual Energy by OA Temp Bin

IN A 40F HYBRID SYSTEM

Annual Energy Usage by Temperature Bin



Air Source HP Output Condensing Boiler Output





NYSERDA decarbonization programs for co-ops and condos May 8, 2023

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# Agenda

- > Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA)
- > Capital planning & technical assistance
  - Flexible Technical Assistance (FlexTech)
  - Low Carbon Capital Planning Support (LCCP)
- > Implementation assistance
  - Low Carbon Pathways (LCP)
- > Additional resources

### **Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act**



- > Most aggressive greenhouse gas reduction goals of any major economy:
  - > **40%** by 2030, **85%** by 2050
- > 70% renewable energy by 2030
- > 100% zero-emission electricity by 2040
- > Codifies clean energy targets

- > Makes commitments to environmental justice, disadvantaged communities (DACs), and just transition
- > 40% of overall benefits of clean energy investments to DACs

## **NYSERDA programs for existing MF buildings**

### 75%+ of existing buildings will still be here in 2050

### **General program eligibility requirements**

- Pay into electric System Benefits Charge or Clean Energy Fund
- Buildings must have 5 or more dwelling units
- At least 50% of the gross heated square footage is residential space



### **Technical Assistance:** FlexTech

- > 50% cost share for technical assistance
- > **Funding** available through <u>2025</u> on first-come, first-served basis
- > **Providers:** Use a FlexTech Consultant OR Independent Service Provider
- > **Eligibility:** Limited to existing affordable multifamily housing
- > 75% cost share for technical assistance when combined with utility Affordable Multifamily Energy Efficiency Program (AMEEP)

#### > Learn More:

- Visit <u>FlexTech funding opportunity page</u>
- Questions and submit completed application to <a href="mailto:FlexTech@nyserda.ny.gov">FlexTech@nyserda.ny.gov</a>

## Technical Assistance: Low Carbon Capital Planning Support (LCCP)

- > 75% cost share for energy studies focused on <u>electrification</u> or <u>electrification-readiness</u> building improvements
- > Identify potential benefits linked to recommended improvements:
  - Ways to reduce utility & operating costs
  - Compliance with low carbon building regulations & avoid fines (e.g., LL97)
  - Non-Energy Benefits
- > **Services:** Portfolio-level Studies and/or Building-specific Studies
- > **Providers:** Must work with FlexTech Consultant or Multifamily Building Solutions Provider
- > **Eligibility:** Open to both affordable & market-rate buildings
- > Learn More:
  - Visit Low Carbon Capital Planning Support
  - Questions and submit completed application to <a href="mailto:FlexTech@nyserda.ny.gov">FlexTech@nyserda.ny.gov</a>

### **Implementation:** Low Carbon Pathways

- > Install one or more of up to four building system upgrade packages:
  - Envelope
  - Ventilation
  - Heating/cooling electrification
  - DHW full or partial electrification
- > Packages designed to be modular
  - can implement one at a time
- > **Providers:** Must work with FlexTech Consultant or Multifamily Building Solutions Provider
- > **Eligibility:** Targeting for replication
  - Portfolio owners/managers with 10+ buildings OR
  - Owners who are active members in real estate associations (e.g. REBNY, UHAB, RHC, etc.)
- > Learn More: Visit <u>website</u> or reach out to <u>MFLowCarbonPathways@nyserda.ny.gov</u>

## Implementation: Low Carbon Pathways – Incentive Overview

	Envelope	Package	Ventilatio	on Package	Heating & Cooling	g Package <sup>*</sup>	Domestic Hot Water Package
Required Measures	Meet specified U-value target in program guidelines Owner to select which envelope upgrades to make to reach this goal. Provide code-compliant ventilation for each bathroom & kitchen OR demonstrate existing ventilation meets requirements		Provide balanced ventilation with heat/energy recovery to each apartment.		<ul> <li>Installation of heat pump technology for in-unit heating and cooling, including: <ul> <li>Variable Refrigerant Flow (VRF)</li> <li>Low-temperature hydronic with</li> <li>Air-to-Water Heat Pump (AWHP)</li> <li>Packaged Terminal Heat Pump(PTHP)</li> <li>Mini/Multi-split Air-Source HeatPump (ASHP)</li> <li>Water-to-Water and Ground Source Heat Pump</li> <li>Single Package Vertical Heat Pump (SPVHP)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		<ul> <li>Buildings with existing central DHW</li> <li>systems: Use displacement approach to provide at least 30% of annual DHW consumption usage via heat pumps.</li> <li>Buildings with existing unitized DHW</li> <li>systems: Provide 100% DHW load via heat pumps.</li> </ul>
Required Measure Incentives	<b>\$5,000/dwelling unit</b> (\$3,750/dwelling unit (base incentive) + \$1,250/dwelling unit (bonus) if 1st package installed and none of the other packages have already been installed.		\$750/dwelling unit		\$750/dwelling unit*		<ul> <li>\$700/dwelling unit* for buildings withexisting central DHW systems</li> <li>\$750/dwelling unit* for buildings with existing unitized DHW systems</li> </ul>
Recommended Measure & Bonus Incentives	Air sealing Steam Heating System Upgrades	\$50/dwelling unit \$250/dwelling unit	Air sealing	\$50/ dwelling unit	Air sealing Convert existing gas stoves to induction stoves	\$50/dwellingunit \$100/dwellingunit	N/A

\* Can be layered with NY Clean Heat incentives

### How to participate

### 1) Talk to a provider

- a) You can access NYSERDA's network of qualified <u>Multifamily Building Solutions</u> <u>Providers</u> or <u>FlexTech Consultants</u>
- 2) Review program documentation with your provider
- 3) Work with your provider to submit your application to flextech@nyserda.ny.gov and/or MFLowCarbonPathways@nyserda.ny.gov

### **Additional resources**

- > Multifamily Programs Webpage
- > Energy Service Providers lists

	FlexTech Consultant Network	Multifamily Building Solutions Network
Staff	PE required	CEM, CEA, PE, MFBA, RA
Experience	5 years in clean energy	5 years in multifamily
Industry	Industrial, Agriculture, Commercial, Multifamily	Multifamily
Numbers	93 Providers	59 Providers
Websites	Link	<u>Link</u>

## **Additional resources**

#### > Low Carbon Multifamily Retrofit Playbooks

- Covers most common building types in NYS
- Identify retrofit pathway for implementation over time
- <u>https://be-</u>

#### exchange.org/lowcarbonmultifamily-main/



Low Carbon Multifamily Retrofits

### Pre-War Low Rise

This playbook summarizes retrofit strategies that maximize occupant comfort and energy savings through a transition from fuel to electricitybased heating, cooling and hot water systems. Aligned with typical capital improvement cycles, the recommendations will prepare buildings for increasingly stringent efficiency and carbon emissions targets through careful phasing of work across all major building components, including upgrades to exterior walls, windows, and ventilation systems.

Post-War Mid to High Rise	Post-War Low Rise	Post-1980 Mid to High Rise	Garden Style R
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#### > Low Carbon Multifamily Retrofit Playbooks

- This manual provides a decarbonization roadmap for various affordable housing building typologies in NYC
- <u>https://be-exchange.org/report/hpd-ll97-</u> <u>decarbonization-roadmap/</u>



### **Questions?**

Please email <u>MultifamilyInfo@nyserda.ny.gov</u> for additional questions or reach out to:

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### **Program Webpage**





Thank you!

# **Questions?**

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### **Panel Discussion**

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Thank you