

Geothermal Heat Pumps: Harnessing On-Site Renewable Energy to Meet Energy-Efficiency and Climate Change Goals



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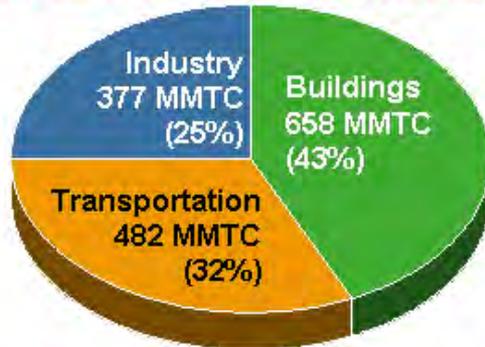
TRIBAL COMMUNITY

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Director

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Buildings Dominate U.S. Energy Use and Carbon Emissions with thermal loads within them being the Largest Contributors

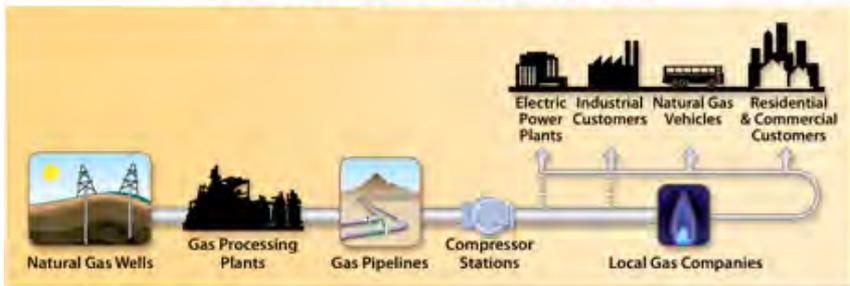
43% of U.S. Carbon Emissions



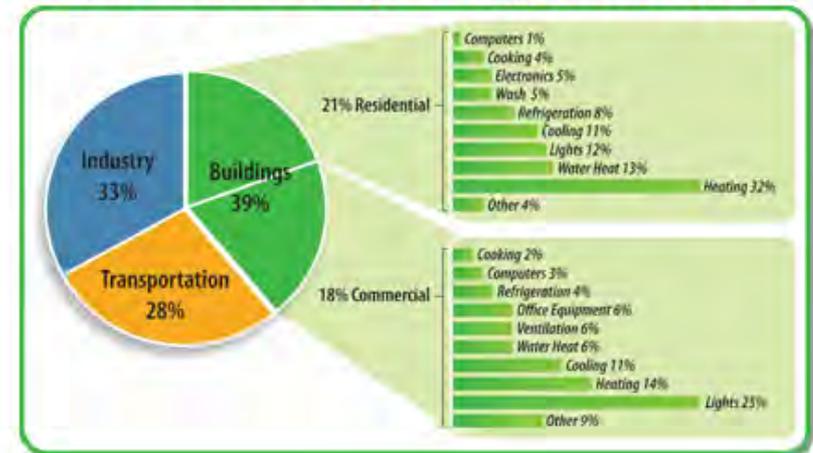
71% of U.S. Electricity



53% of U.S. Natural Gas



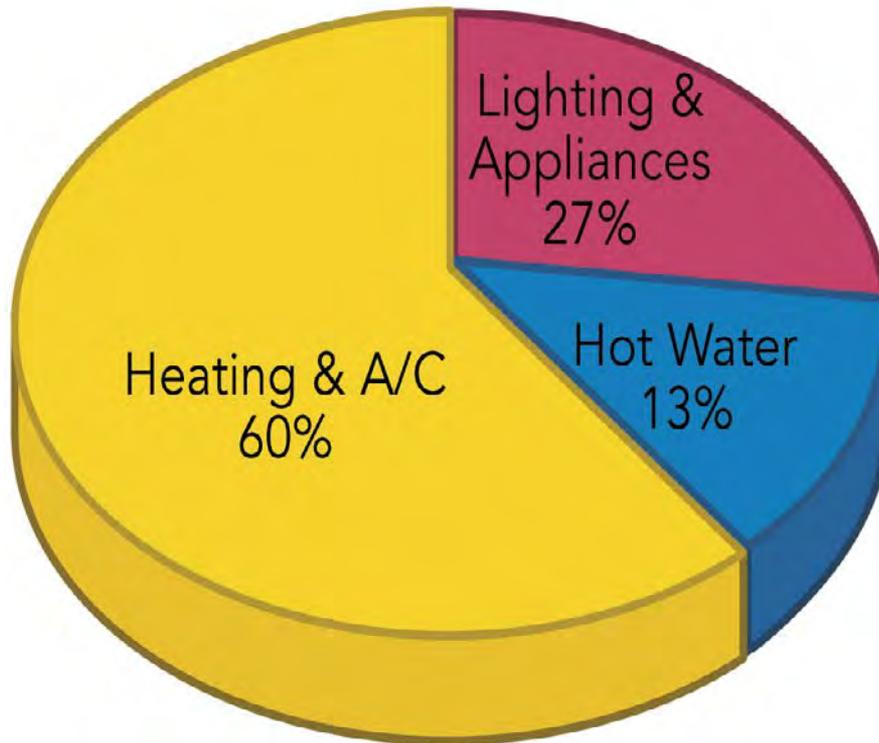
39% of U.S. Primary Energy Consumption



Heating	9.2%
Cooling	4.3%
Hot Water	3.8%
Total	17.3%

Thermal Loads are a large segment of U.S. Energy Consumption

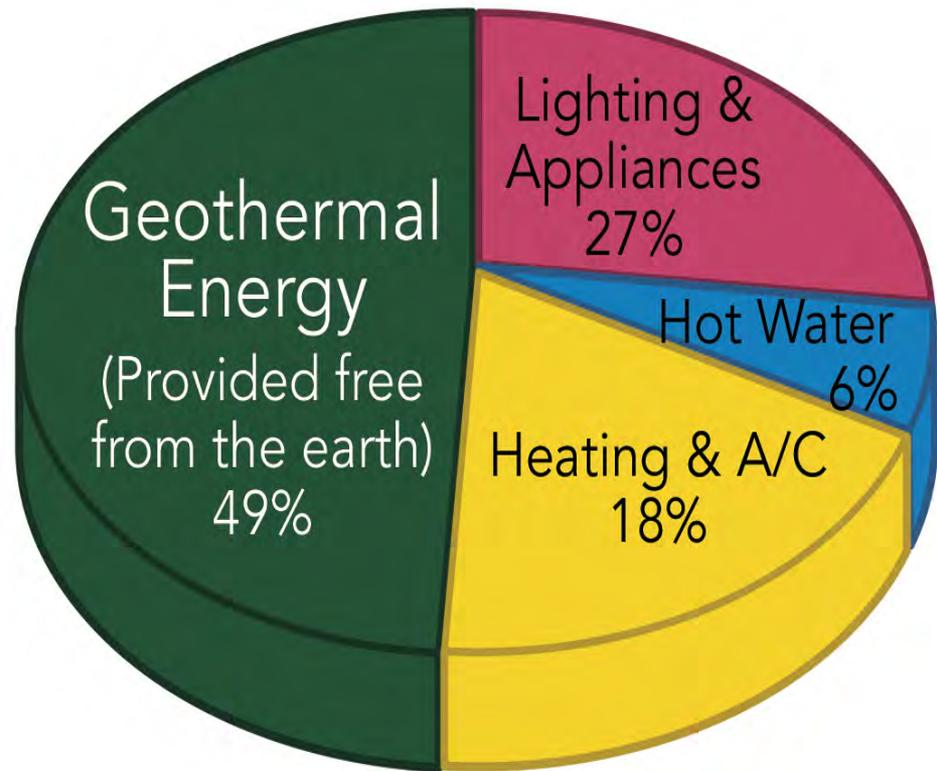
Residential Site Energy Conventional System



Over 70% of the energy consumed by a typical single-family home is used to meet thermal loads

Residential Site Energy Geothermal Heat Pump System

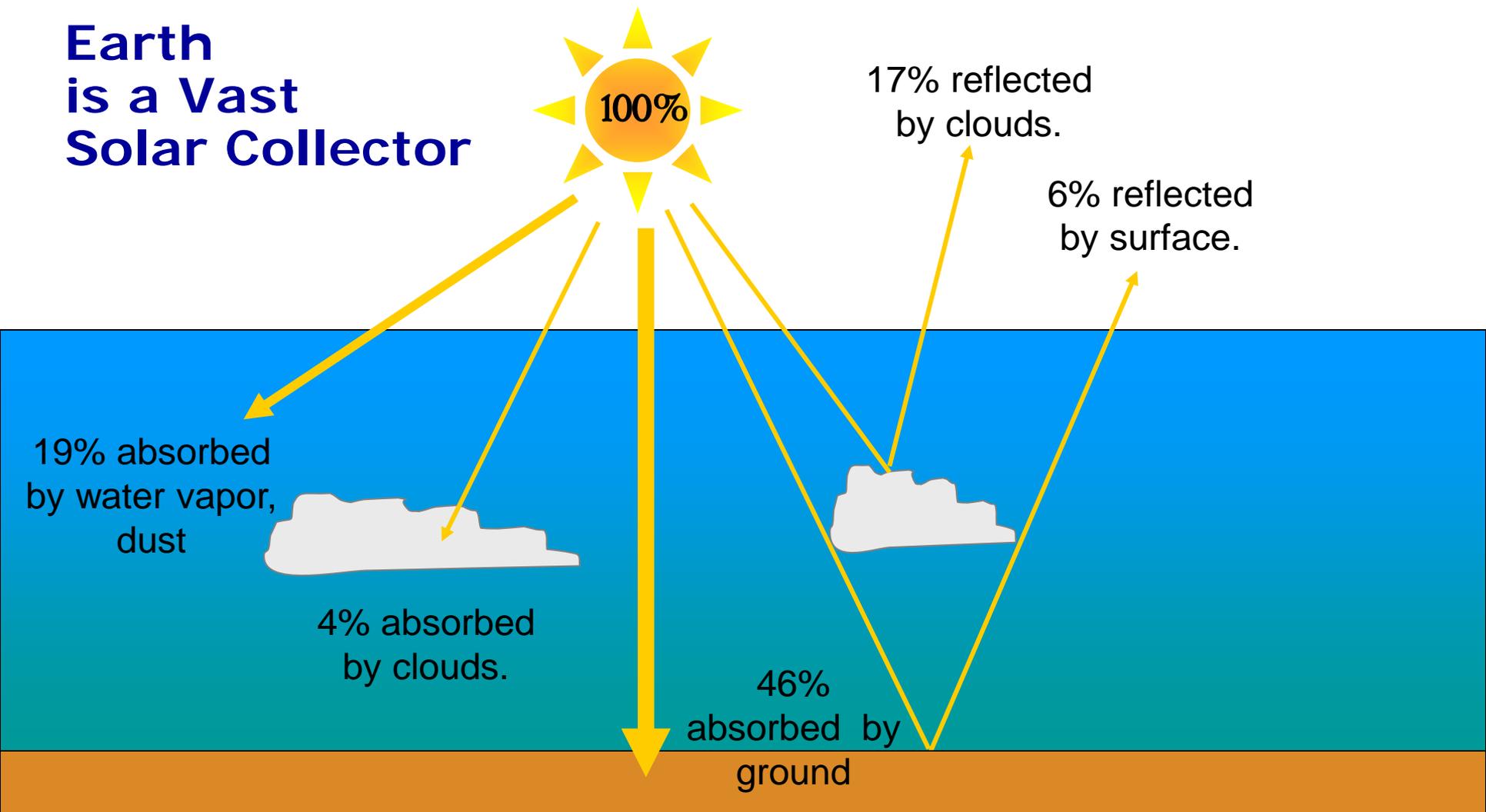
**Total site energy
consumption is
cut in half using a
GHP**



Geothermal Heat Pump Basic Principles

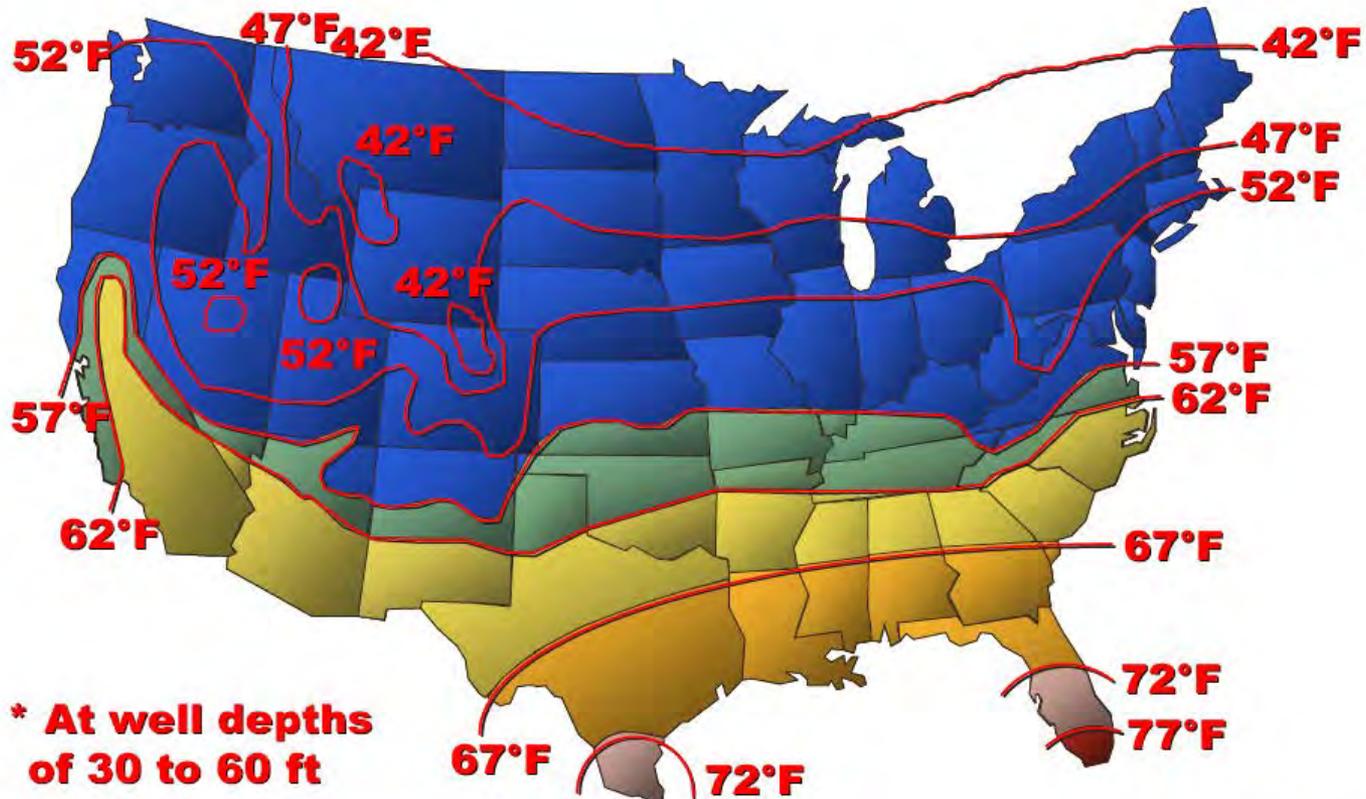


Earth is a Vast Solar Collector



Solar energy maintains a nearly constant temperature throughout the year just below ground

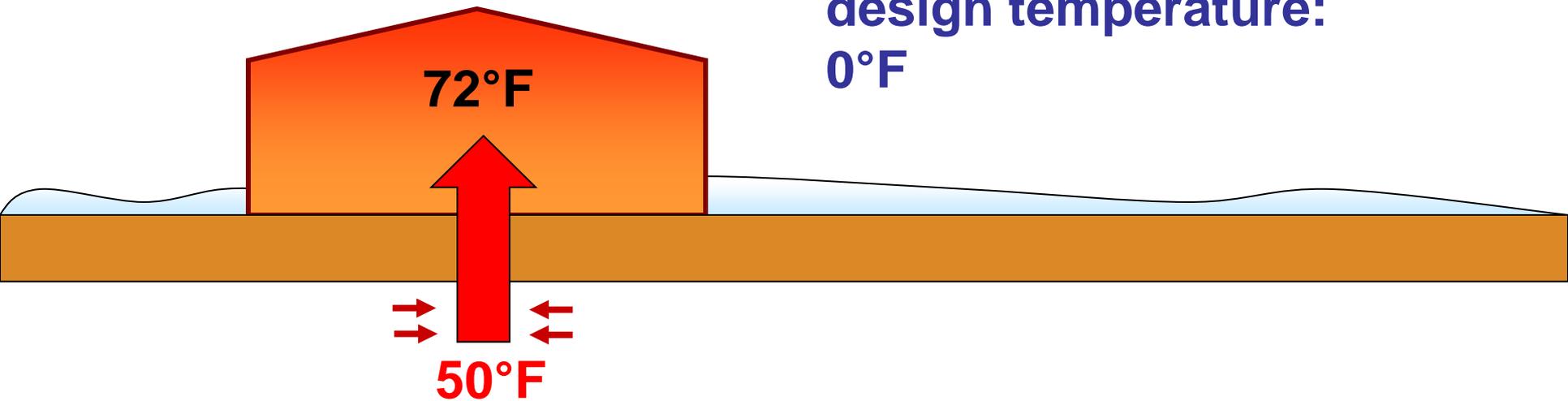
U.S. Underground Temperatures



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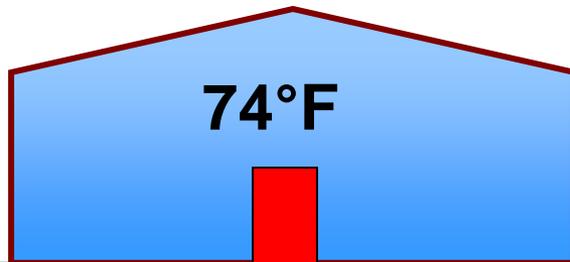
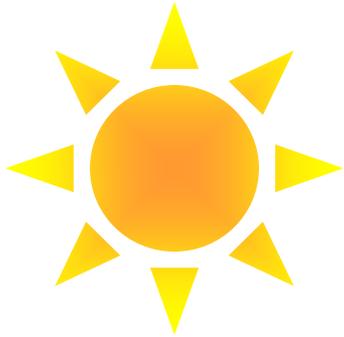
The Earth is a Source of Heat in Winter...

Outdoor air
design temperature:
0°F

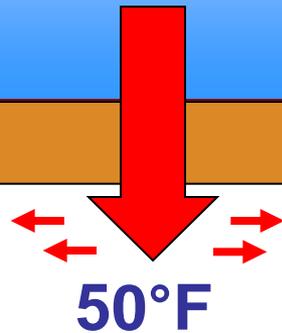


Geothermal heat pumps transfer underground heat into buildings to provide heating

...and an Efficient Place to Reject Heat in Summer...

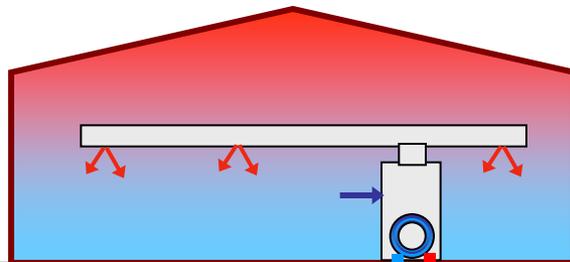


Outdoor air
design temperature:
100°F



Geothermal heat pumps transfer heat from buildings into the ground to provide cooling

...using Heat Pump Technology



Geothermal heat pumps circulate water through a sealed underground piping loop where it is naturally warmed (or cooled) by the Earth



Geothermal Heat Pumps Transfer Heat Efficiently

Purchased:
1 kWh of energy from the
grid to operate the system

Yields:
4-6 kWh of energy
for the building

Free:
3-5 kWh of energy
absorbed from the earth

400-600% Efficient



Geothermal Heat Pumps (GHPs) Exchange Heat between Air and Water

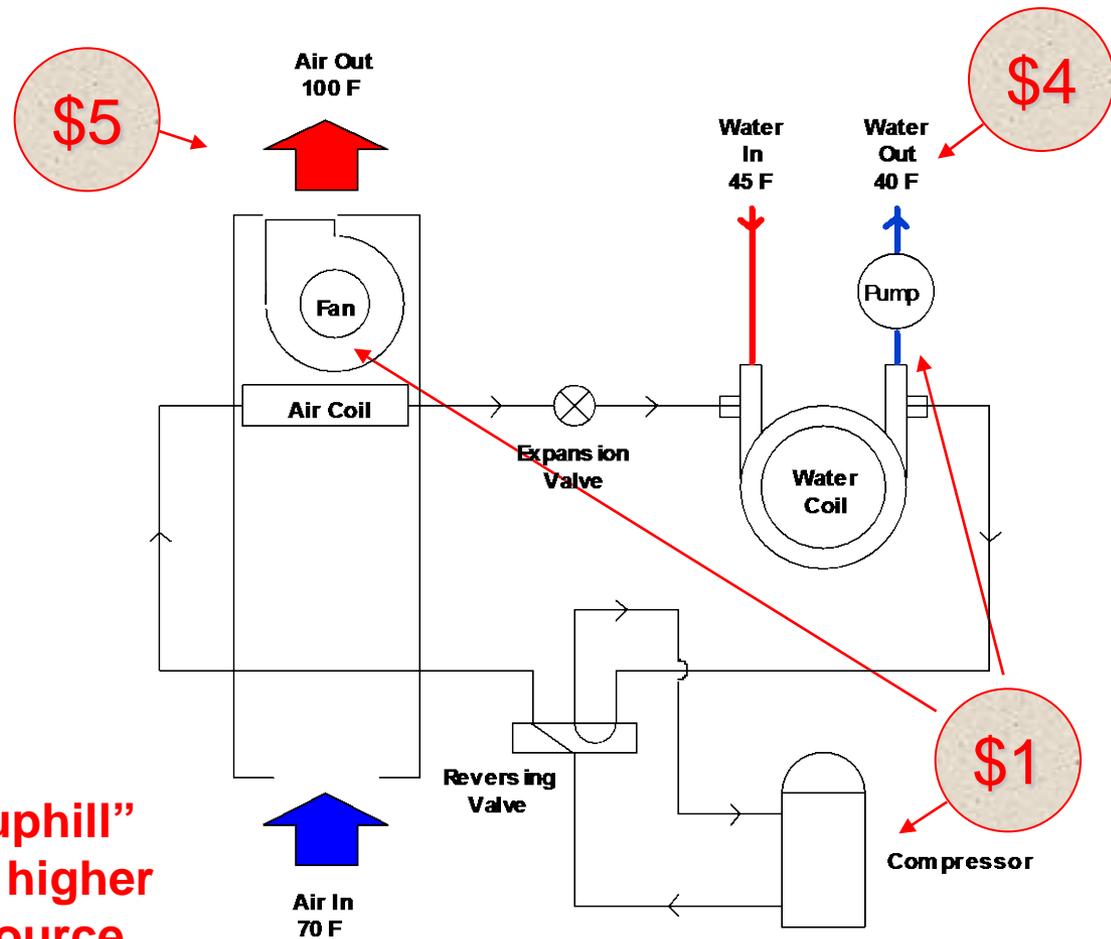
\$1 Worth of Electricity to Operate the Compressor and Fan

Moves \$4 Worth of Heat from the Water

Delivering \$5 Worth of Heat into the Air

Heating Mode Shown

Heat can be “pumped uphill” meaning delivered at a higher temperature than the source

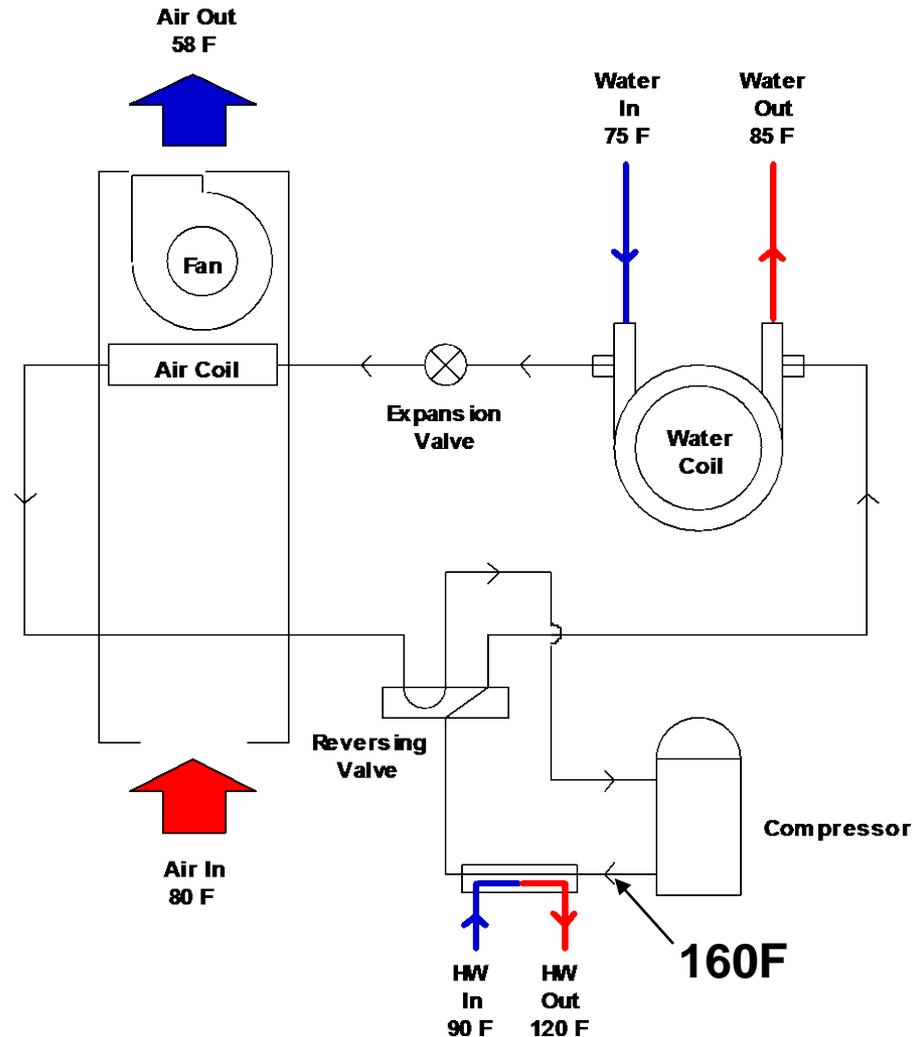


GHPs also Produce Hot Water

Operates on the Same Principle as a Refrigerator

Cooling Mode Shown

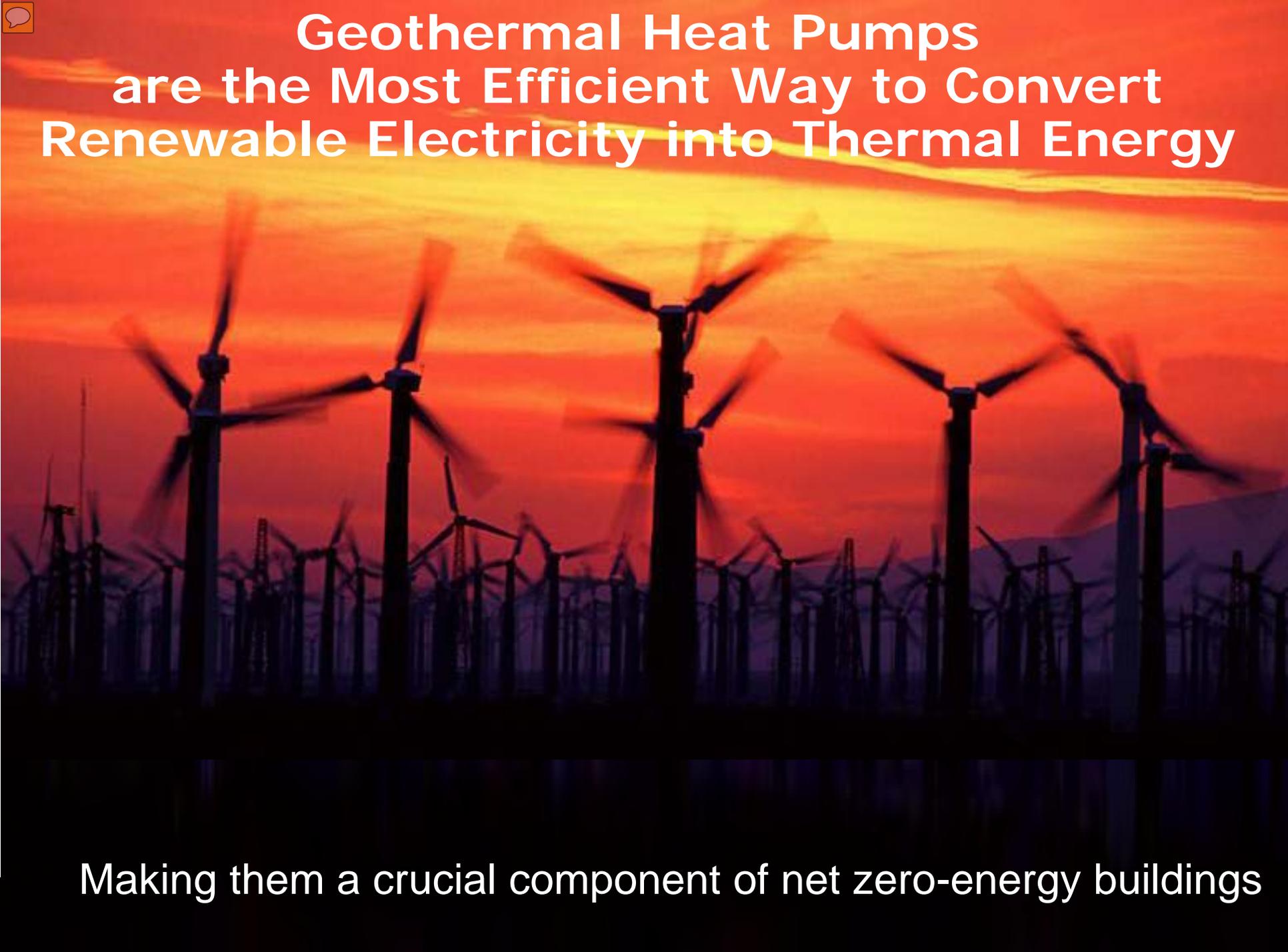
Hot water is produced whenever the unit is operating



Geothermal Heat Pumps



Self-contained unit for heating, cooling and hot water that operates with standard thermostat and duct system

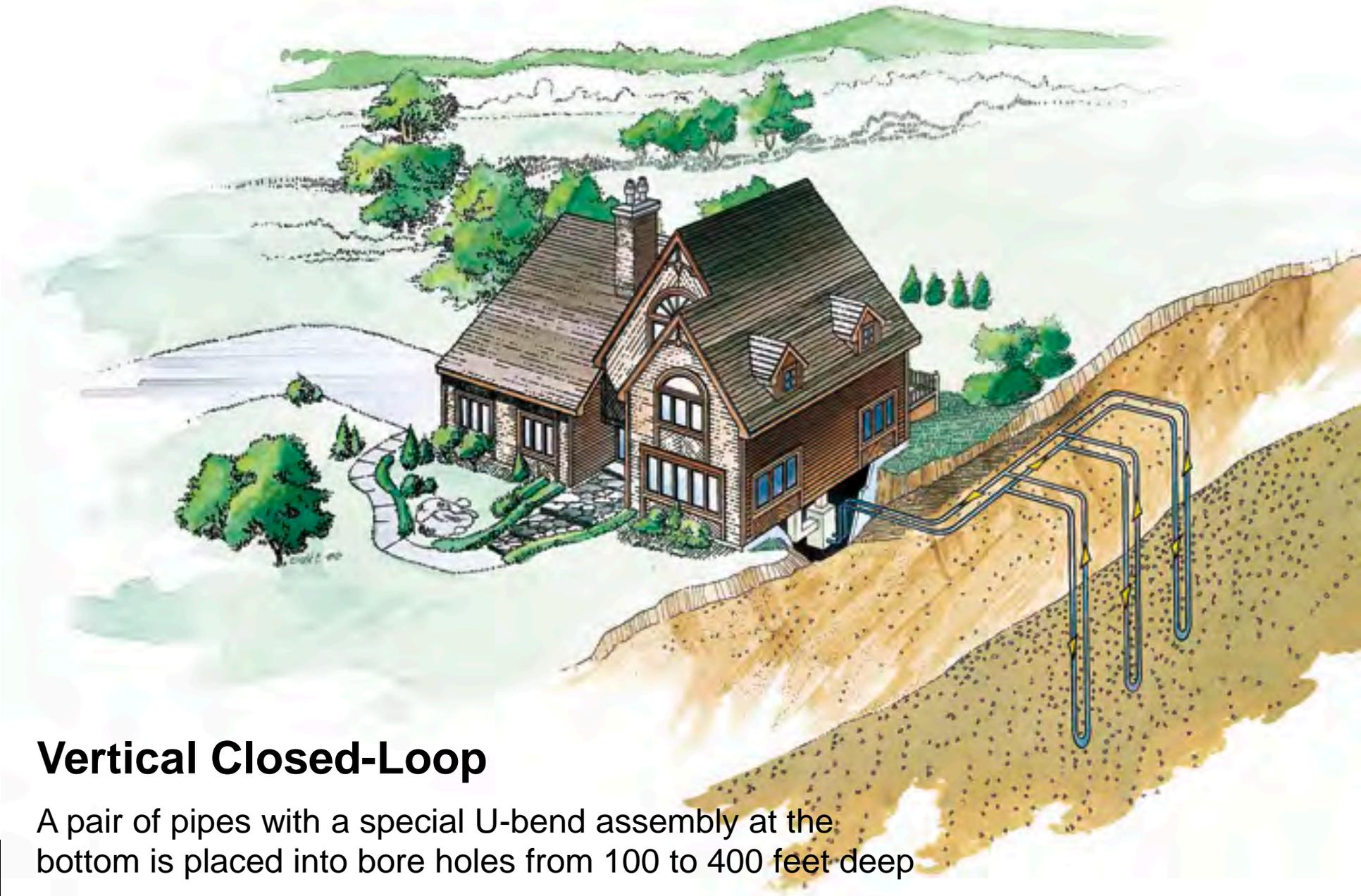


**Geothermal Heat Pumps
are the Most Efficient Way to Convert
Renewable Electricity into Thermal Energy**

Making them a crucial component of net zero-energy buildings

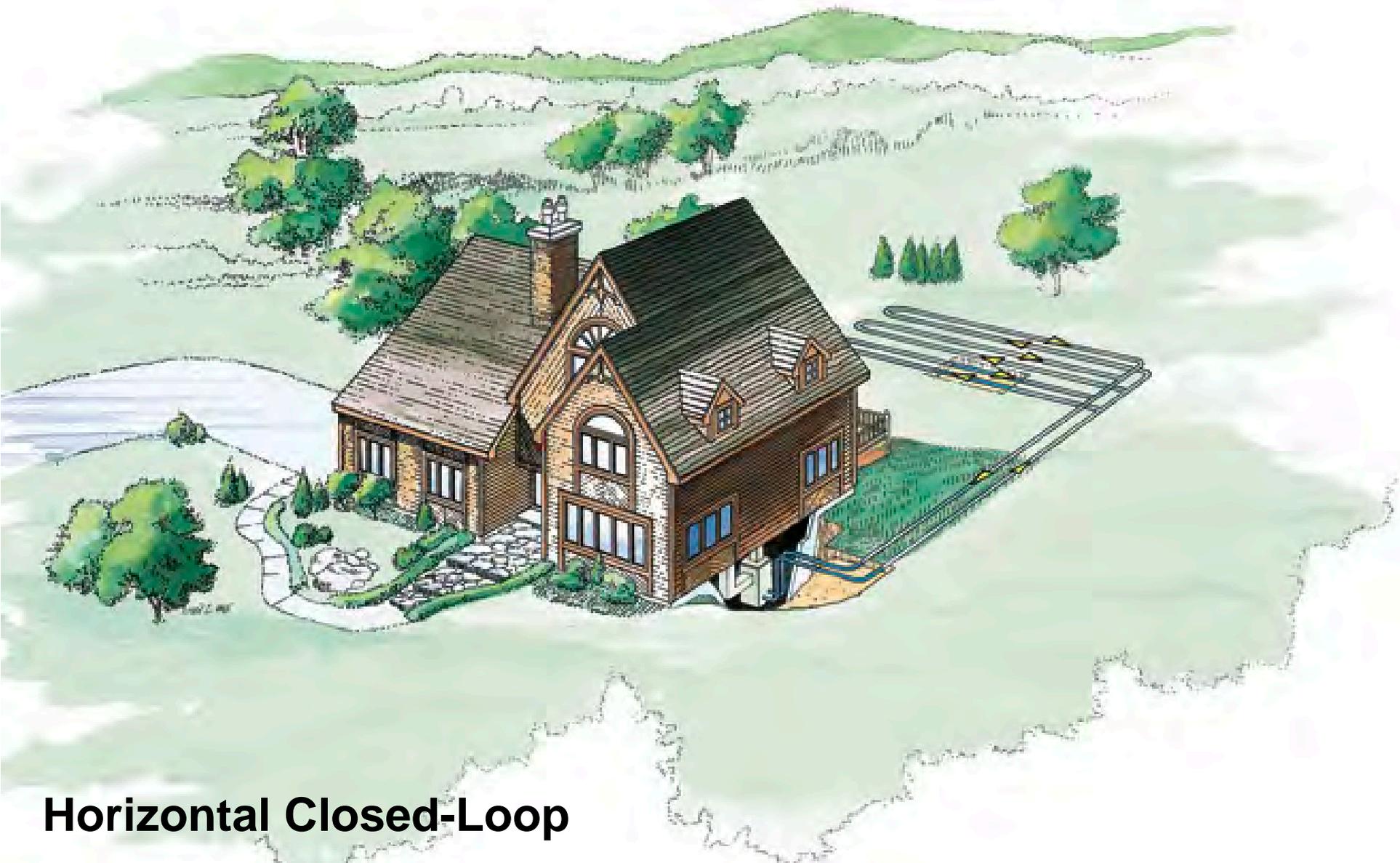
Geothermal Heat Pump Installation Methods





Vertical Closed-Loop

A pair of pipes with a special U-bend assembly at the bottom is placed into bore holes from 100 to 400 feet deep



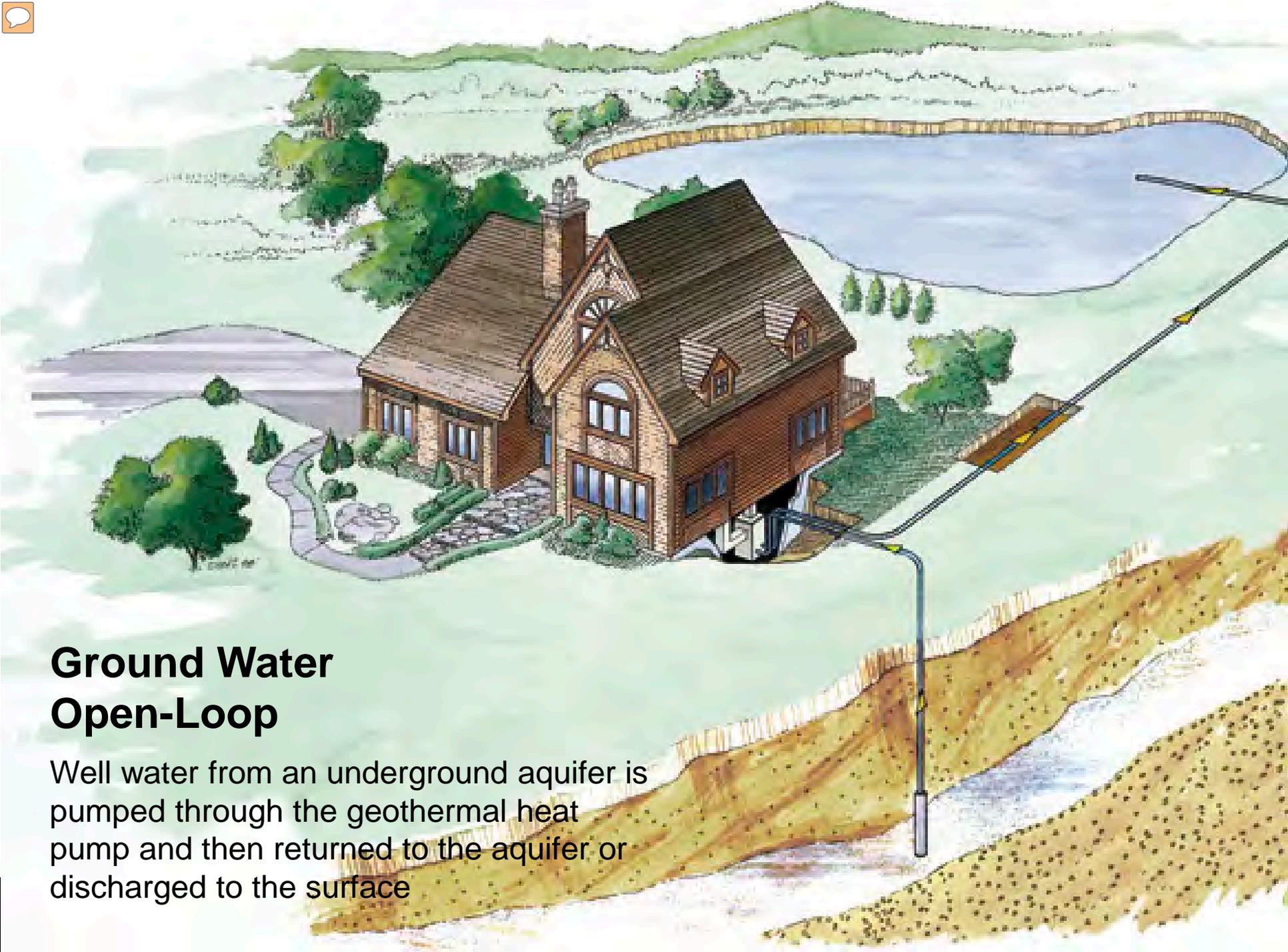
Horizontal Closed-Loop

A piping array is installed in trenches cut 3 to 5 feet deep and hundreds of feet in length



Surface Water Closed-Loop

A piping array is submerged in a pond or lake at least 8 feet deep



Ground Water Open-Loop

Well water from an underground aquifer is pumped through the geothermal heat pump and then returned to the aquifer or discharged to the surface

Vertical Closed-Loop Installation



Drilling



**Pipe Loop
Insertion**



Heat Fusing



**Inside
Connection**



Geothermal Heat Pumps Are a Scalable Technology



GHPs are used in Small Homes



1300 Sq. Ft. Low Energy Habitat for Humanity Homes



Habitat for Humanity

Low Energy Home Construction Details



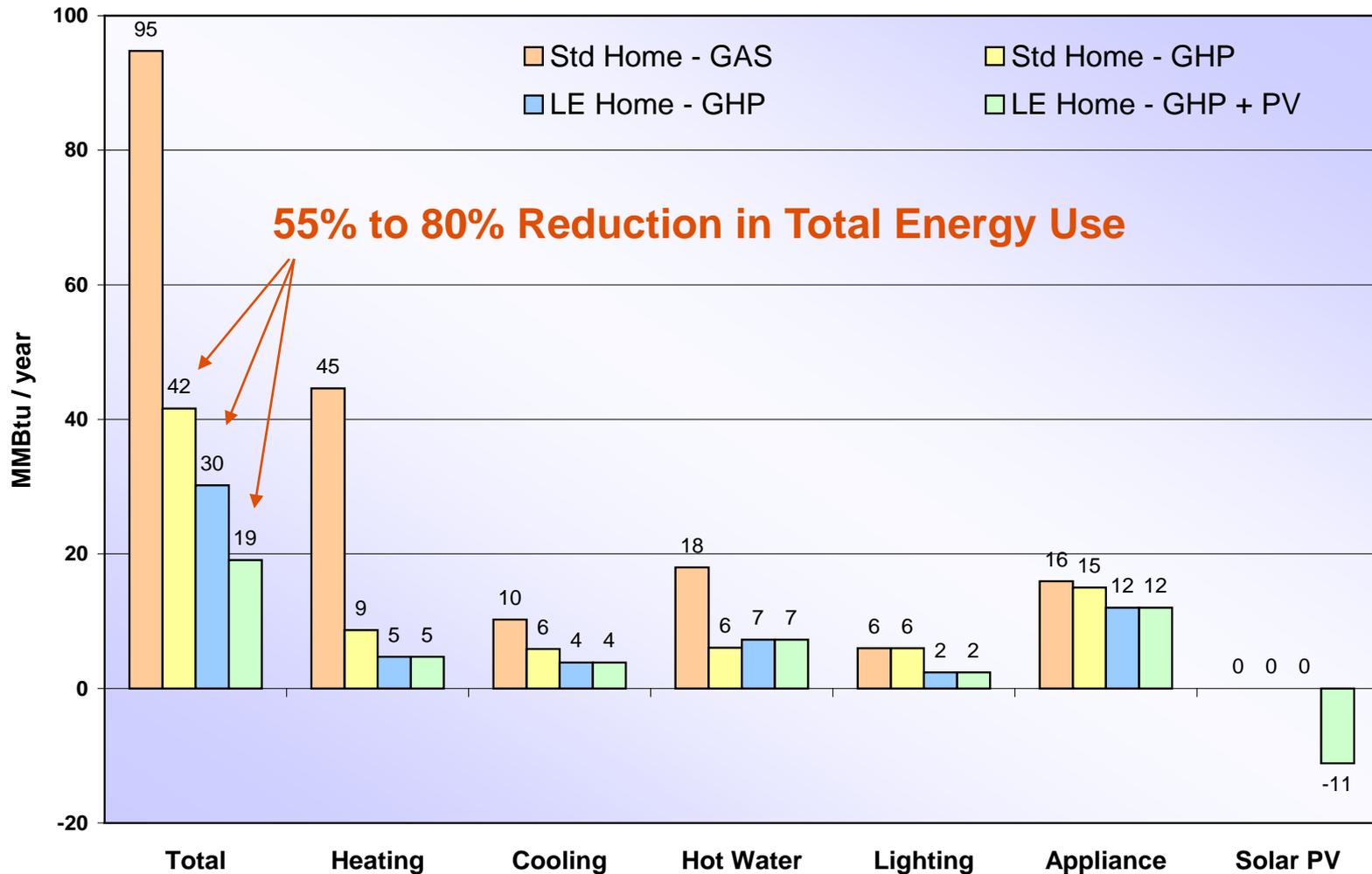
Geothermal Heat Pump / Foam Insulation / Low-E Glass / CFL Lighting / Energy Star Appliances





Habitat for Humanity

Site Energy Consumption by End Use – Std and Low Energy (LE) Homes



55% to 80% Reduction in Total Energy Use



GHPs are used in Large Commercial Buildings



Statue of Liberty Gift Shop



ASHRAE Headquarters - Atlanta, GA



Galt House Hotel - Louisville, KY



Black Point Inn - Prouts Neck, ME



Naval Observatory, Washington DC



Harvard Library - Cambridge, MA



French Laundry Rest. - Napa, CA



Whistler Village - BC, Canada



Yale Art Bld. - New Haven, CT



Gaillardia Offices - Okla. City



California University of PA



Hirschfeld Towers - Denver, CO



The Oklahoma State Capitol uses over 600 geothermal heat pumps

Garrett Office Buildings Edmond, Oklahoma

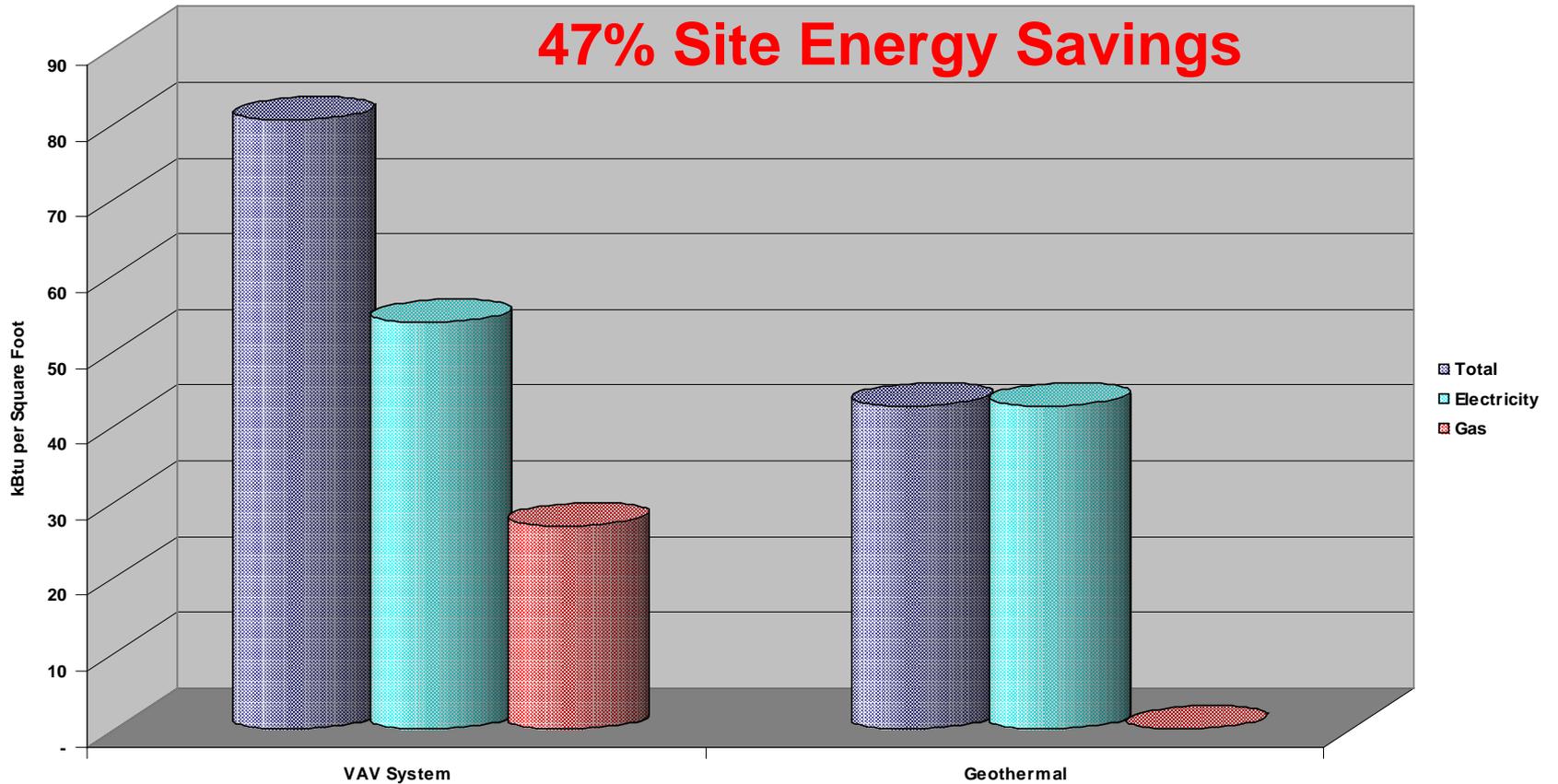


One is Geothermal and the Other is Conventional HVAC (VAV)



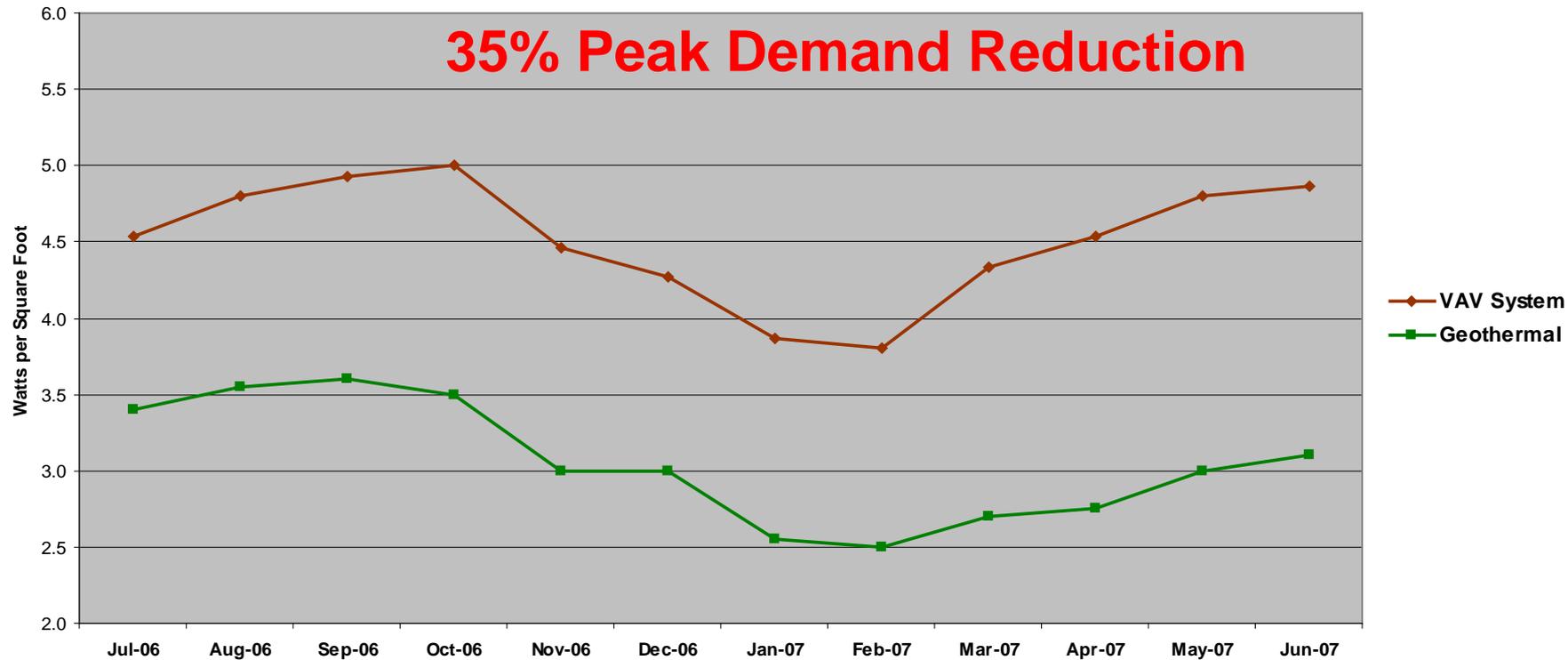
Garrett Office Buildings

Actual Metered Annual Energy Use 2006-2007





Garrett Office Buildings Monthly Peak Demand



Geothermal Heat Pump Public Policy Perspective



Geothermal Heat Pump Residential Tax Incentives

Federal Income Tax Credit:

- 30% of total GHP system cost
- No cap on maximum credit
- Can be used to offset AMT tax
- Can be combined with other tax credits
- Can be used in more than one year

Eligibility:

- Home must be located in the U.S.
- Includes houses, cooperatives, condos, mobile homes
- Does not have to be your main home
- GHP must meet Energy Star requirements
- Placed in service before 2017



Geothermal Heat Pump Business Tax Incentives

Federal Income Tax Credit:

- 10% of total GHP system cost
- No cap on maximum credit
- Can be used to offset AMT tax
- Can be used in combination with subsidized financing
- Can be used in more than one year

Accelerated Depreciation:

- 5 year MACR depreciation for entire GHP system
- Eligible for bonus depreciation in 2011 (100% write-off in first year)

Eligibility:

- Building located in the U.S.
- Original use begins with taxpayer
- Placed in service before 2017
- Can be used by regulated utilities
- Must be claimed by the owner of the property (effects non-taxable)



Geothermal Heat Pump Existing State Incentives

37 States have Financial Incentives for GHPs

- Many are new
- Sales tax and property tax exemptions, income tax credits, grants
- 17 States have tax credits or grants

28 States have Regulatory Incentives for GHPs

- Green public building requirements

36 States have Utility Incentives for GHPs

- Voluntary DSM
- Mandated RES and EES
- loans and rebates
- **Utility DSM is finally coming back!**

Geothermal Heat Pump Policy Talking Points

50 state technology

Uniquely addresses nearly 20% of US primary energy consumption

Incremental cost is the installation of the underground heat exchange piping

- This can never be imported from China
- Local green-collar job creation
- Most of the investment cost remains in the local economy

GHPs are “Made in the USA”

Reduces grid electricity demand

- Defers the need for new power plants
- Extends the capacity of existing transmission lines

Available 24/365

- Benefits accrue whenever thermal energy is needed
- Provide the maximum benefits “on peak”



How Should GHPs Fit Into Energy Policy?



GHPs Reduce Carbon Emissions

Annual CO_{2e} Emissions

2000 Sq. Ft. Existing Home

Census Region	Housing Units (millions)	Baseline CO _{2e} Emissions (Mtons/yr)	Geothermal CO _{2e} Emissions (Mtons/yr)
Northeast	19.6	16.5	7.7
Midwest	24.5	20.6	12.9
South	38.9	16.0	7.6
West	22.5	18.5	9.3
Weighted Average		17.7	9.2

Weighted national average annual reduction is 8.5 MT CO_{2e}

Under Cap and Trade this could be valued at \$85 to \$850 per year

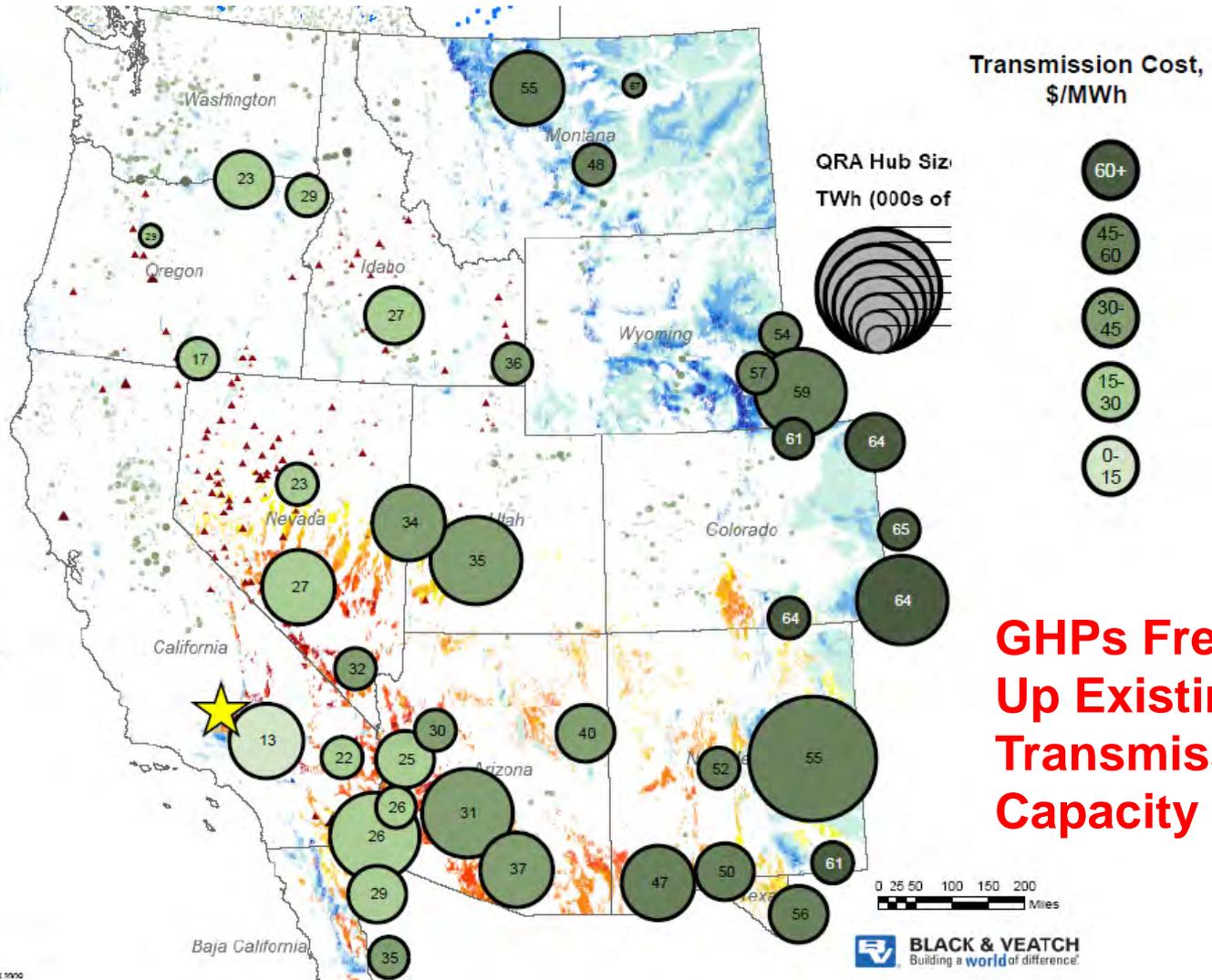


GHPs have Zero Transmission Cost

WREZ Transmission Costs (\$/MWh) from QRAs to California



Created by Josh Pitt, Corbin Hedges and Ryan Peltis, June 4 2008



GHPs Free Up Existing Transmission Capacity

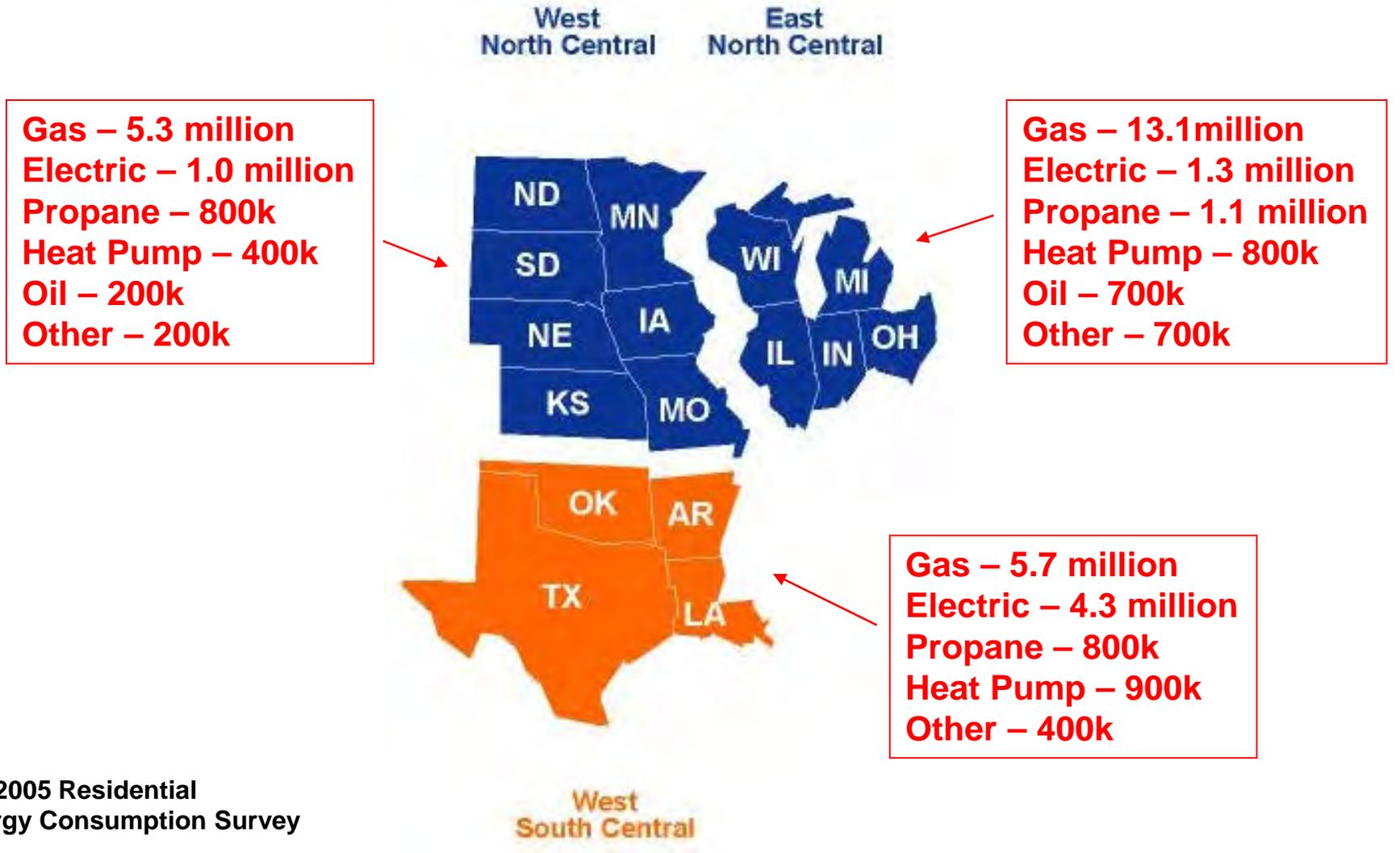


Example of the Potential of Geothermal Heat Pumps to Reduce:

- **Energy Consumption**
- **Carbon Emissions**
- **Electricity Demand**

in Existing Housing

Existing Housing Stock (# Homes) - 2005



EIA 2005 Residential
Energy Consumption Survey



Annual Benefits of GHP Retrofits in Existing Homes

CO₂ – 8.4 MMT
Summer Peak – 1.2 GW
Winter Peak – 0.8 GW
Electric – 6.3 Billion kWh
Primary – 0.12 quad Btu

Geo Units – 0.6 million
Cost - \$6 to \$8 billion
Savings - \$1.6 billion / yr

Assumed GHP Market Penetration:

25% of existing homes not using natural gas

West North Central East North Central



CO₂ – 10.0 MMT
Summer Peak – 1.9 GW
Winter Peak – 0.3 GW
Electric – 6.8 Billion kWh
Primary – 0.14 quad Btu

Geo Units – 1.0 million
Cost - \$10 to \$14 billion
Savings - \$2.7 billion / yr



West South Central

CO₂ – 14.4 MMT
Summer Peak – 3.1 GW
Winter Peak – 9.7 GW
Electric – 25.4 Billion kWh
Primary – 0.21 quad Btu

Geo Units – 1.5 million
Cost - \$15 to \$21 billion
Savings - \$3.3 billion / yr

Geothermal Heat Pump Market Perspective



MCN New Geothermal Housing Project



MCN Housing Unit Duplex



**Solomon Morgan
Keith Bunner
Muscogee (Creek) Nation**



MCN Housing Equipment Room



MCN Geothermal Loopfield Location



MCN New Student Housing Complex with Geothermal Systems



MCN Housing Loopfield Area



Large Geothermal Loopfield Navajo New Mexico



Thank You!

