# **Performance Based Air Sealing**

# Program Suggestion for Next Portfolio



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## DNR Construction 2008/9 Blower Door Results (n=61)

BDPre			BDPost		% Reduction				
Mode	Median	Mean	Stdev	Mode	Median	Mean	Stdev	Median	Mean
#N/A	6920	6792	2708	#N/A	3370	3463	1311	49%	51%

#### DNR Construction/Parliament Builders 2008/9 Cost Results (n=61)

HV	AC				Architechture					
Mode		Median	Mean	Stdev	Mode	Median	Mean	Stdev		
\$	315.00	\$ 472.85	\$ 1,551.36	\$ 1,950.60	\$ 600.00	\$ 3,682.20	\$ 3,627.80	\$ 2,121.78		

### **Findings**

- 30% to 50% reduction expected; 45% on average.
  - Target met on 95% of jobs.
- Air sealing costs roughly fixed. "Win some, lose some".
  - •Room for improvement.
- Blower door "tricks".
  - Importance of post-inspection.











Target: 70% (30% reduction), at 2,655

Bonus: < 2,390



Type of Inspection:	Х		Post-Inspection				
Auditor:		Difficulty Grad		В		(Easy A	, Hard F)
Audit Date:		BD Not Possible; Reason:					
CFM@50Pa:	M@50Pa: 3793		pen	A B		CRF	
% Red:	70%	BTL:		BTLa:			
CFM <sub>50</sub> Target	2655.1	1332 BTL Met?		?	FALSE		
Prescriptive	Performance Airsealing						
Existing CFM:	Target CFM:	Savings/100CFM =				\$	99.81
1250 to 1500	<u>&gt;</u> 1250	\$ Fuel/BTU				0.000028	
1500 to 2750	<b>80</b> %	Annual HDD Chicago				6493	
2750 to 4250 70%		LBL Correction Used				17.8	
4250 to 5500 60%		Seasonal Efficiency of HVAC			80%		
5500 to 7500	The calculation of savings per 100CFM reduction						
>7500	00 50% can be used to determine additional measu					asure CE.	

## Questions:

- •What is a realistic annualized payback threshold for a bonus?
- •What adjustment should be made for fuel cost?
- •Will this create a perverse incentive? What must be required?
  - Minimum measures in place?
  - 10% margin of error realistic?
  - Building tightness limit and ventilation costs.

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