

FORM BREAKDOWN AND PLAN

Data Point Classification Based on Formulas:

1. CRITICAL VALUES (Required for basic calculations):

- Power consumption (P)
- Time duration (t)
- Surface area (A)
- Temperature differences (ΔT)
- Volume of space (V)
- Current energy consumption (E_{before})

2. DERIVED VALUES (Can be calculated/estimated):

- Heat transfer coefficient (U)
- Air density (ρ)
- Specific heat capacity (C_p)
- HVAC efficiency (η)
- Performance ratio (PR)
- Emission factor (EF)

3. OBSERVABLE VALUES (Can be gathered through inspection):

- Number and type of lighting fixtures
- Solar panel array area potential
- Basic temperature readings
- Visible surface areas

4. DOCUMENTED VALUES (From bills/documentation):

- Current energy consumption
- Cost of upgrades
- Annual savings

1. Initial User Classification Questions We should start with a brief pre-questionnaire to determine:

- Property Access Level (owner, renter, property manager)
- Technical Knowledge Level (basic, intermediate, expert)
- Physical Access Capabilities (full access, limited access)
- Data Access Level (has bills/documentation, limited documentation)

2. Section Classification Strategy:

TIER 1 - Universal Access

- Basic property information
- Observable features
- Bill information they have access to
- Usage patterns they can describe

TIER 2 - Limited Technical

- Basic measurements
- Simple observations about systems
- General condition assessments
- Basic energy usage patterns

TIER 3 - Advanced Technical

- Detailed measurements
- Technical specifications
- Professional-level assessments
- Complex calculations

1. SECTION 1: Property Information

[SCREENING QUESTION]

[BASIC - Required]

1.1 Property Type

- ☐ Single-family detached
- ☐ Townhouse/Rowhome
- ☐ Duplex/Condo
- ☐ Mobile home

[Used for: Basic calculations and defaults]

1.2 Construction Period

- ☐ Before 1980
- ☐ 1980-2000
- ☐ After 2000

[Used for: Default values and construction standards]

1.3 Size Category

- ☐ Small (under 1,500 sq ft)
 - ☐ Medium (1,500-2,500 sq ft)
 - ☐ Large (over 2,500 sq ft)
- [Used for: Volume and area estimates]

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1. What type of homeowner are you?

- ☐ Homeowner
- ☐ Renter
- ☐ Property Manager
- ☐ Other: _____

2. Property Type:

- ☐ Single-family detached
- ☐ Townhouse/Rowhome
- ☐ Duplex
- ☐ Condominium
- ☐ Mobile home
- ☐ Other: _____

[Used for: Default U-values, standard volume calculations]

3. Construction Period:

When was your home built? (Best estimate)

- ☐ Before 1940
- ☐ 1940-1959
- ☐ 1960-1979
- ☐ 1980-1999
- ☐ 2000-2019
- ☐ 2020 or newer

[Used for: Default U-values, construction material assumptions]

4. Basic Dimensions:

Number of Stories:

- ☐ One
- ☐ Two
- ☐ Three
- ☐ Split-level

[Used for: Volume (V) calculations]

Ceiling Height (if known):

- ☐ 8 feet (standard)
- ☐ 9 feet
- ☐ 10 feet or higher

- ☐ Not sure

[Used for: Volume (V) calculations]

5. Living Space:

Approximate Square Footage:

- ☐ Under 1,000 sq ft
- ☐ 1,000-1,499 sq ft
- ☐ 1,500-1,999 sq ft
- ☐ 2,000-2,499 sq ft
- ☐ 2,500-2,999 sq ft
- ☐ 3,000+ sq ft

[Used for: Area (A) calculations, Volume (V) calculations]

[ADVANCED - Optional]

6. Detailed Measurements (if available):

Length of home: _____ feet

Width of home: _____ feet

[Used for: Precise A and V calculations]

7. Foundation Configuration:

- ☐ Full Basement
- ☐ Partial Basement
- ☐ Crawl Space
- ☐ Slab on Grade

[Used for: Heat transfer calculations, volume adjustments]

8. Attic Configuration:

- ☐ Full attic
- ☐ Partial attic
- ☐ Cathedral ceiling
- ☐ Flat roof

[Used for: Heat transfer calculations, volume adjustments]

BACKEND INFORMATION:

Derived Values:

1. Default U-values based on:

- Construction period
- Building type
- Region Formula: $\text{Standard U-value} \times \text{Age Factor} \times \text{Regional Factor}$

2. Standard volume ratios for different home types:

- Single-family: Length: Width ratio = 1.5:1
- Townhouse: Length: Width ratio = 2.5:1
- Duplex: Length: Width ratio = 1.2:1

Reference Tables Needed:

1. Standard U-values by construction period and building type
2. Regional building code requirements by year
3. Standard ceiling heights by construction period
4. Typical floor area ratios by home type

Calculations:

1. Volume (V):

$$V = \text{Floor Area} \times \text{Height} \times \text{Stories}$$

- Include basement if heated
- Adjust for cathedral ceilings: $V + (\text{Peak Height} - \text{Standard Height}) \times \text{Floor Area}/2$

2. Surface Area (A):

$$A = (2 \times L \times W) + (2 \times L \times H) + (2 \times W \times H)$$

Where:

- L = Length W = Width H = Height
- Reduce by shared wall area for attached homes

3. Heat Transfer Coefficient (U):

$$U = \text{Base U-value} \times \text{Age Factor} \times \text{Regional Factor}$$

Where:

- Base U-value from reference table
- Age Factor from construction period
- Regional Factor based on location

2. SECTION 2: Current Home Conditions

[Purpose: Establish ΔT (temperature difference) patterns and refine U-values through observable conditions]

[BASIC - Required]

2.1 Temperature Consistency

- ☐ Very consistent throughout home
- ☐ Some noticeable variations
- ☐ Large variations between areas

[Used for: Comfort assessment and system efficiency]

2.2 Window Assessment

- ☐ Few windows (less than 10)
- ☐ Average number (10-20)
- ☐ Many windows (more than 20)

[Used for: Heat loss estimates]

2.3 Comfort Issues (select all)

- ☐ Cold/hot spots
- ☐ Drafty areas
- ☐ Humidity issues
- ☐ No major issues

[Used for: Problem identification]

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2.1 Temperature Consistency Do you notice temperature differences between:

Floors:

- ☐ No difference
- ☐ 1-3 degrees
- ☐ 4-7 degrees
- ☐ More than 7 degrees
- ☐ Not sure

[Used for: ΔT calculations, heat stratification analysis]

Rooms on same floor:

- ☐ No difference
- ☐ 1-3 degrees
- ☐ 4-7 degrees
- ☐ More than 7 degrees
- ☐ Not sure

[Used for: ΔT calculations, heat distribution analysis]

[ADVANCED - Optional]

2.2 Window Assessment Approximate number of windows:

- ☐ Small (1-6)
- ☐ Medium (7-12)
- ☐ Large (13-18)
- ☐ Very Large (19+)

[Used for: Surface area (A) adjustments]

Observable window issues (select all):

- ☐ Condensation between panes
- ☐ Visible drafts (curtain movement)
- ☐ Ice or frost in winter
- ☐ Excessive heat gain in summer
- ☐ No issues

[Used for: U-value adjustments]

2.3 Insulation Indicators Observable signs (select all):

- ☐ Snow melts quickly from roof
- ☐ Icicles form on roof edges
- ☐ Walls cold to touch in winter
- ☐ Rooms heat up quickly in summer
- ☐ None of these issues

[Used for: U-value adjustments]

2.4 If known, window types:

- ☐ Single pane
- ☐ Double pane
- ☐ Triple pane
- ☐ Low-E coating
- ☐ Not sure

[Used for: Precise U-value calculations]

2.5 If accessible, insulation type:

- ☐ Fiberglass batts
- ☐ Blown-in cellulose
- ☐ Spray foam
- ☐ No visible insulation
- ☐ Not sure

[Used for: Precise U-value calculations]

BACKEND INFORMATION:

Derived Values:

1. Window U-value adjustments:

- Based on observed issues
- Window type (if known)
- Installation period Formula: Standard Window U-value × Condition Factor

2. Wall U-value adjustments:

- Based on observed temperature issues
- Insulation type (if known)
- Observable signs Formula: Base Wall U-value × Condition Factor

Reference Tables Needed:

1. Standard U-values for window types:

- Single pane: 5.8 W/m²K
- Double pane: 2.8 W/m²K
- Triple pane: 1.8 W/m²K
- With Low-E: Multiply by 0.8

2. Condition Factors:

- No issues: 1.0
- Minor issues: 1.2
- Major issues: 1.5
- Severe issues: 2.0

3. Temperature Difference Multipliers:

- Based on observed temperature variations
- Adjusts heat transfer calculations

Calculations:

1. Adjusted Heat Transfer (Q):

$$Q = (U \times A \times \Delta T) \times \text{Condition Factor}$$

Where:

- U = Base U-value from Section 1
- A = Surface area from Section 1
- ΔT = Observed temperature differences
- Condition Factor from observed issues

2. Temperature Difference (ΔT):

$$\Delta T = \text{Base Temperature Difference} \times \text{Stratification Factor}$$

Where:

- Base Temperature = Thermostat setting - Outside temperature
- Stratification Factor based on observed floor-to-floor differences

3. Total Window Heat Loss:

$$Q_{\text{windows}} = (U_{\text{window}} \times A_{\text{window}} \times \Delta T) \times \text{Number of Windows} \times \text{Window Condition Factor}$$

SECTION 3: HVAC Systems

[Purpose: Establish η (system efficiency), refine ΔT calculations, and determine system characteristics for HVAC energy consumption]

[BASIC - Required]

3.1 Heating/Cooling Type

- ☐ Central system (heats/cools whole house)
- ☐ Individual units (window/portable units)
- ☐ Mixed system

[Used for: System efficiency baseline]

3.2 System Performance

- ☐ Works well (no issues)
- ☐ Some problems (occasional issues)
- ☐ Needs attention (frequent issues)

[Used for: Improvement priorities]

3.3 Temperature Control

- ☐ Manual thermostat
- ☐ Programmable thermostat
- ☐ Smart/WiFi thermostat

[Used for: Control capabilities]

[ADVANCED]

3.1 Heating System Type:

Primary heating method:

- ☐ Forced air (vents in floors/walls)
- ☐ Radiators or baseboards

- ☐ Heat pump
- ☐ Portable heaters
- ☐ Not sure

[Used for: System efficiency (η) baseline]

3.2 Cooling System Type:

Primary cooling method:

- ☐ Central air conditioning
- ☐ Window units
- ☐ Portable units
- ☐ None
- ☐ Not sure

[Used for: System efficiency (η) baseline]

3.3 System Performance Indicators Heating issues (select all):

- ☐ Takes long time to heat up
- ☐ Frequent on/off cycling
- ☐ Some rooms never reach desired temperature
- ☐ System runs constantly
- ☐ No issues

[Used for: η adjustments]

Cooling issues (select all):

- ☐ Takes long time to cool
- ☐ Frequent on/off cycling
- ☐ Some rooms never reach desired temperature
- ☐ System runs constantly
- ☐ No issues

[Used for: η adjustments]

3.4 Temperature Settings Winter thermostat setting:

- ☐ Below 65°F
- ☐ 65-68°F
- ☐ 69-72°F
- ☐ Above 72°F

[Used for: ΔT calculations]

Summer thermostat setting:

- ☐ Above 78°F
- ☐ 75-78°F
- ☐ 72-74°F
- ☐ Below 72°F

[Used for: ΔT calculations]

[ADVANCED - Optional]

3.5 System Details (if known):

System age: _____ years

Last maintenance: _____ months ago

SEER rating (if known): _____

AFUE rating (if known): _____

[Used for: Precise η calculations]

BACKEND INFORMATION:

Derived Values:

1. System Efficiency (η): Base efficiency adjusted by:

- System type
- Observed issues
- Age (if known)
- Maintenance status Formula: $\text{Base Efficiency} \times \text{Age Factor} \times \text{Maintenance Factor} \times \text{Performance Factor}$

2. Air Distribution Efficiency: Based on:

- System type
- Reported temperature consistency
- Home layout (from Section 1)

Reference Tables Needed:

1. Base Efficiency Values: Heating Systems:

- Forced air: 0.85
- Radiators: 0.80
- Heat pump: 0.95
- Portable: 0.99

Cooling Systems:

- Central air: 0.85
- Window units: 0.75
- Portable: 0.70

2. Performance Adjustment Factors:

- No issues: 1.0
- Minor issues: 0.9
- Major issues: 0.7
- Severe issues: 0.5

Calculations:

1. HVAC Energy Consumption (EHVAC):

$$\text{EHVAC} = (V \times \rho \times C_p \times \Delta T) / \eta$$

Where:

- V = Volume from Section 1
- $\rho = 1.225 \text{ kg/m}^3$ (standard air density)
- $C_p = 1.005 \text{ kJ/kg}\cdot\text{K}$ (specific heat capacity of air)
- ΔT = Temperature difference from settings
- η = Calculated system efficiency

2. Seasonal Energy Efficiency:

Winter: $\text{EHVAC-winter} = \text{EHVAC} \times \text{HDDs} \times \text{Usage Factor}$

Summer: $\text{EHVAC-summer} = \text{EHVAC} \times \text{CDDs} \times \text{Usage Factor}$

Where:

- HDDs = Heating Degree Days
- CDDs = Cooling Degree Days
- Usage Factor based on thermostat settings

3. System Performance Score:

$$\text{SPS} = \eta \times \text{Distribution Efficiency} \times \text{Usage Pattern Factor}$$

SECTION 4: Water Heating System

[Purpose: Calculate water heater energy consumption and heat loss, establish usage patterns for time (t)]

[BASIC - Required]

4.1 Water Heater Type

- ☐ Standard tank
- ☐ Tankless

- ☐ Don't know

[Used for: Efficiency baseline]

4.2 Hot Water Usage

- ☐ Low (1-2 people)
- ☐ Medium (3-4 people)
- ☐ High (5+ people)

[Used for: Consumption estimates]

4.3 System Performance

- ☐ Works well
- ☐ Some issues
- ☐ Frequent problems

[Used for: Improvement needs]

[ADVANCED]

4.1 Water Heater Type:

- ☐ Standard tank
- ☐ Tankless (on-demand)
- ☐ Heat pump water heater
- ☐ Part of boiler system
- ☐ Not sure

[Used for: Power (P) baseline, efficiency factors]

4.2 Hot Water Usage Patterns Daily shower usage:

- ☐ 1-2 showers
- ☐ 3-4 showers
- ☐ 5+ showers
- ☐ Not sure

[Used for: Time (t) calculations]

Weekly laundry loads:

- ☐ 1-3 loads
- ☐ 4-7 loads
- ☐ 8+ loads
- ☐ Not sure

[Used for: Time (t) calculations]

Dishwasher usage:

- ☐ Daily
- ☐ Every other day
- ☐ Weekly
- ☐ Never/No dishwasher

[Used for: Time (t) calculations]

4.3 Temperature Settings (if known):

- ☐ Low (120°F or less)
- ☐ Medium (121-130°F)
- ☐ High (131-140°F)
- ☐ Very High (above 140°F)
- ☐ Not sure

[Used for: ΔT calculations]

[ADVANCED - Optional]

4.4 System Details (if known):

Tank size: _____ gallons

System age: _____ years

Energy Factor (EF): _____

First Hour Rating: _____ gallons

[Used for: Precise power calculations]

4.5 Tank Location:

- ☐ Conditioned space (living area)
- ☐ Unconditioned space (garage/basement)
- ☐ Outside

[Used for: Heat loss calculations]

BACKEND INFORMATION:

Derived Values:

1. Daily Hot Water Demand: Based on:

- Number of showers
- Laundry frequency
- Dishwasher usage Formula: Base Usage \times Activity Factors

2. System Power Rating: Based on:

- System type
- Tank size (if known)
- Usage patterns

Reference Tables Needed:

1. Standard Power Ratings:

- Tank (40 gal): 4500W
- Tank (50 gal): 5500W
- Tankless: 18000W
- Heat Pump: 2500W

2. Usage Multipliers: Shower:

- 1-2 per day: 1.0
- 3-4 per day: 1.5
- 5+ per day: 2.0

Laundry:

- 1-3 loads: 1.0
- 4-7 loads: 1.3
- 8+ loads: 1.6

Calculations:

1. Daily Energy Consumption:

$$E = P \times t$$

Where:

- P = Rated power \times Efficiency factor
- t = Daily runtime based on usage patterns

2. Heat Loss (for storage tanks):

$$Q = U \times A \times \Delta T$$

Where:

- U = Tank insulation value
- A = Tank surface area
- ΔT = Tank temp - Ambient temp

3. Total Water Heating Energy:

$$E_{\text{total}} = (\text{Daily Consumption} \times \text{Usage Factor}) + \text{Standby Loss}$$

Where:

- Usage Factor from activity patterns
- Standby Loss from heat loss calculation

4. Annual Energy Cost:

$$\text{Cost} = E_{\text{total}} \times 365 \times \text{Energy Rate}$$

SECTION 5: Heat Transfer Analysis

[Purpose: Detailed analysis of heat transfer through building envelope, refining U, A, and ΔT values]

[BASIC - Required]

5.1 Temperature Balance

- ☐ Home heats/cools evenly
- ☐ Some areas heat/cool differently
- ☐ Very uneven heating/cooling

[Used for: Distribution assessment]

5.2 Problem Areas (select all)

- ☐ Windows feel drafty
- ☐ Walls feel cold/hot
- ☐ Floors feel cold
- ☐ Rooms heat/cool slowly
- ☐ No major issues

[Used for: Heat loss identification]

5.3 Sun Exposure

- ☐ Strong sun exposure
- ☐ Moderate sun exposure
- ☐ Limited sun exposure

[Used for: Solar heat gain]

5.4 Weather Impact

- ☐ Home stays comfortable in extreme weather
- ☐ Somewhat affected by weather
- ☐ Significantly affected by weather

[Used for: Envelope performance]

[ADVANCED]

5.1 Room Temperature Variations

During heating season:

Warmest room typically: _____°F

Coldest room typically: _____°F

☐ Not sure

[Used for: ΔT calculations, heat distribution analysis]

5.2 Surface Temperature Indicators

Cold surfaces in winter (select all):

☐ Exterior walls

☐ Windows

☐ Floors

☐ Ceilings

☐ None noticed

[Used for: U-value adjustments]

5.3 Sun Exposure

Which sides get direct sunlight:

Morning:

☐ Front

☐ Back

☐ Left

☐ Right

☐ Not sure

Afternoon:

☐ Front

☐ Back

☐ Left

☐ Right

☐ Not sure

[Used for: Solar heat gain calculations]

5.4 Wind Exposure

Which walls experience strongest winds:

☐ Front

☐ Back

☐ Left

☐ Right

☐ Not sure

[Used for: Heat transfer coefficient adjustments]

[ADVANCED - Optional]

5.5 Wall Construction (if known):

- ☐ Brick
- ☐ Wood frame with siding
- ☐ Stone
- ☐ Stucco
- ☐ Other: _____

[Used for: Precise U-value calculations]

5.6 Detailed Measurements:

Wall heights: _____ feet

Wall lengths: _____ feet

Window areas: _____ sq ft

Door areas: _____ sq ft

[Used for: Precise area calculations]

BACKEND INFORMATION:

Derived Values:

1. Effective U-values: Based on:

- Construction type
- Observed temperature patterns
- Wind exposure Formula: $\text{Base U-value} \times \text{Exposure Factor} \times \text{Condition Factor}$

2. Solar Heat Gain: Based on:

- Orientation
- Window area
- Sun exposure patterns Formula: $\text{Solar Factor} \times \text{Window Area} \times \text{Exposure Time}$

Reference Tables Needed:

1. U-values by Construction:

- Brick: 0.7-2.0 W/m²K
- Wood frame: 0.3-0.5 W/m²K
- Stone: 1.5-2.5 W/m²K

- Stucco: 0.4-0.7 W/m²K

2. Solar Heat Gain Coefficients:

- By orientation
- By time of day
- By season

3. Wind Exposure Factors:

- Sheltered: 0.8
- Normal: 1.0
- Exposed: 1.2

Calculations:

1. Total Heat Transfer:

$$Q_{\text{total}} = \Sigma(U \times A \times \Delta T) \text{ for each surface type}$$

Where:

- U = Effective U-value by surface
- A = Surface area
- ΔT = Temperature difference

2. Solar Heat Gain:

$$Q_{\text{solar}} = \text{SHGC} \times A \times \text{Solar Radiation}$$

Where:

- SHGC = Solar Heat Gain Coefficient
- A = Window area
- Solar Radiation from local weather data

3. Net Heat Transfer:

$$Q_{\text{net}} = Q_{\text{total}} - Q_{\text{solar}} + Q_{\text{infiltration}}$$

Where:

- Q_{infiltration} based on air leakage assessment

4. Surface-Specific Heat Loss:

For each surface:

$$Q_{\text{surface}} = U \times A \times \Delta T \times \text{Exposure Factor}$$

SECTION 6: Lighting Assessment

[Purpose: Calculate lighting efficiency and energy consumption, establish usage patterns]

[BASIC - Required]

6.1 Light Bulb Types

- ☐ Mostly LED/Efficient bulbs
- ☐ Mix of bulb types
- ☐ Mostly older bulb types

[Used for: Efficiency baseline]

6.2 Natural Light

- ☐ Good natural light
- ☐ Moderate natural light
- ☐ Limited natural light

[Used for: Lighting needs]

6.3 Lighting Controls

- ☐ Basic switches only
- ☐ Some advanced controls
- ☐ Smart/automated lighting

[Used for: Usage patterns]

[ADVANCED]

6.1 Primary Light Bulb Types

Estimate percentage of each:

- ☐ LED: ____%
- ☐ CFL: ____%
- ☐ Incandescent: ____%
- ☐ Not sure

[Used for: Power (P) calculations, efficiency baseline]

6.2 Lighting Usage Patterns

Weekday lights typically on:

Morning (5am-9am):

- ☐ Most lights
- ☐ Some lights
- ☐ Few lights
- ☐ No lights

Day (9am-5pm):

- ☐ Most lights
- ☐ Some lights
- ☐ Few lights
- ☐ No lights

Evening (5pm-10pm):

- ☐ Most lights
- ☐ Some lights
- ☐ Few lights
- ☐ No lights

Night (10pm-5am):

- ☐ Most lights
- ☐ Some lights
- ☐ Few lights
- ☐ No lights

[Used for: Time (t) calculations]

6.3 Natural Light Availability

Rooms with good natural light:

- ☐ Living Room
- ☐ Kitchen
- ☐ Bedrooms
- ☐ Bathroom
- ☐ Office
- ☐ None

[Used for: Usage pattern adjustments]

[ADVANCED - Optional]

6.4 Fixture Details (if known):

Total number of:

Fixed ceiling fixtures: _____

Wall fixtures: _____

Lamps/portable lights: _____

[Used for: Precise power calculations]

6.5 Control Types:

- ☐ Standard switches
- ☐ Dimmer switches

- ☐ Motion sensors
- ☐ Smart controls/timers
- ☐ None of above

[Used for: Usage pattern adjustments]

BACKEND INFORMATION:

Derived Values:

1. Average Luminous Efficiency: Based on:

- Bulb type distribution
- Fixture types Formula: Weighted average of bulb efficiencies

2. Daily Usage Hours: Based on:

- Reported patterns
- Natural light availability
- Control types

Reference Tables Needed:

1. Bulb Efficiency Values:

- LED: 80-100 lm/W
- CFL: 60-70 lm/W
- Incandescent: 10-17 lm/W

2. Standard Wattage by Bulb Type: LED:

- 60W equivalent: 9W
- 75W equivalent: 11W
- 100W equivalent: 15W

CFL:

- 60W equivalent: 14W
- 75W equivalent: 19W
- 100W equivalent: 23W

3. Usage Pattern Multipliers:

- Most lights: 1.0
- Some lights: 0.6
- Few lights: 0.3
- No lights: 0

Calculations:

1. Daily Energy Consumption:

$$E = \Sigma(P \times t)$$

Where:

- P = Bulb wattage × number of fixtures
- t = Usage hours per period For each usage period

2. Lighting Efficiency:

$$\text{Elighting} = \Sigma(\text{Luminous flux}) / \Sigma(\text{Wattage})$$

Where:

- Luminous flux from bulb specifications
- Wattage from actual power consumption

3. Annual Energy Usage:

$$E_{\text{annual}} = (\text{Weekday total} \times 260) + (\text{Weekend total} \times 105)$$

Where:

- Weekend usage typically 15% higher

4. Potential Savings:

$$\text{Savings} = \text{Current Usage} - \text{LED Equivalent Usage}$$

Where:

- LED Equivalent = Current lumens ÷ LED efficiency

SECTION 7: Appliance Inventory

[Purpose: Calculate total appliance energy consumption and establish usage patterns]

[BASIC - Required]

7.1 Major Appliances Age

- ☐ Mostly newer (under 5 years)

- ☐ Mix of ages
 - ☐ Mostly older (over 10 years)
- [Used for: Efficiency estimates]

7.2 Key Energy Users (select all)

- ☐ Extra refrigerator/freezer
- ☐ Pool/spa equipment
- ☐ Large entertainment systems
- ☐ Home office equipment

[Used for: Usage assessment]

7.3 Usage Patterns

- ☐ Heavy daily use
- ☐ Moderate use
- ☐ Light/occasional use

[Used for: Consumption estimates]

[ADVANCED]

7.1 Major Appliances Present

Select all that apply:

- ☐ Refrigerator
- ☐ Washing Machine
- ☐ Dryer
- ☐ Dishwasher
- ☐ Range/Oven
- ☐ Microwave

[Used for: Base power load calculations]

7.2 Usage Patterns Laundry:

- ☐ Daily
- ☐ 2-3 times per week
- ☐ Weekly
- ☐ Less than weekly

[Used for: Time (t) calculations]

Dishwasher:

- ☐ Daily
- ☐ 2-3 times per week
- ☐ Weekly
- ☐ Less than weekly
- ☐ Never

[Used for: Time (t) calculations]

Cooking:

- ☐ Multiple times daily
- ☐ Once daily
- ☐ Few times per week
- ☐ Rarely

[Used for: Time (t) calculations]

7.3 Additional Appliances

Select all that apply:

- ☐ Second Refrigerator
- ☐ Freezer (separate unit)
- ☐ Dehumidifier
- ☐ Space Heater
- ☐ Window AC
- ☐ Pool Pump
- ☐ Hot Tub

[Used for: Additional power load calculations]

[ADVANCED - Optional]

7.4 Appliance Details (if known):

For each major appliance:

Age: _____ years

Energy Star rated?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Not sure

Size/Capacity: _____ (cu.ft/loads)

[Used for: Precise power calculations]

BACKEND INFORMATION:

Derived Values:

1. Base Power Consumption: Based on:

- Appliance type
- Age (if known)
- Energy Star status
- Usage patterns Formula: $\text{Standard Power} \times \text{Age Factor} \times \text{Efficiency Factor}$

2. Operating Time: Based on:

- Reported usage patterns
- Household size (from earlier sections)
- Typical cycle durations

Reference Tables Needed:

1. Standard Power Ratings: Refrigerator:

- Standard: 150-200W
- Energy Star: 100-150W

Washer:

- Standard: 500W
- Energy Star: 400W

Dryer:

- Electric: 3000W
- Gas: 200W + gas

Dishwasher:

- Standard: 1800W
- Energy Star: 1300W

2. Usage Duration Standards:

- Dishwasher cycle: 45-60 mins
- Washer cycle: 30-60 mins
- Dryer cycle: 45-60 mins
- Cooking: 20-40 mins/meal

3. Age Adjustment Factors:

- 0-2 years: 1.0
- 3-5 years: 1.1
- 6-10 years: 1.2
- 10+ years: 1.3

Calculations:

1. Daily Energy Consumption:

For each appliance:

$$E = P \times t \times \text{Usage Factor}$$

Where:

- P = Rated power \times Age factor
- t = Operating time
- Usage Factor based on frequency

2. Standby Power:

$$E_{\text{standby}} = \text{Base standby} \times 24 \text{ hours}$$

Where:

- Base standby from reference tables

3. Monthly Consumption:

$$E_{\text{monthly}} = \Sigma(\text{Daily consumption} \times \text{Days of use}) + (\text{Standby} \times \text{Days in month})$$

1. Annual Operating Cost:

$$\text{Cost} = E_{\text{annual}} \times \text{Energy Rate}$$

Where:

- $E_{\text{annual}} = \text{Monthly consumption} \times 12$
- Energy Rate from utility data

SECTION 8: Baseline Energy Consumption

[Purpose: Establish baseline energy usage and patterns for comparison and savings calculations]

[BASIC - Required]

8.1 Typical Energy Bills

- ☐ Low (\$100 or less/month)
- ☐ Medium (\$101-250/month)
- ☐ High (over \$250/month)

[Used for: Cost baseline]

8.2 Seasonal Patterns

- ☐ Highest in summer
- ☐ Highest in winter
- ☐ Fairly consistent

[Used for: Usage patterns]

8.3 Energy Types Used

- ☐ Electricity only
- ☐ Electricity + Gas
- ☐ Multiple fuel types

[Used for: Energy source analysis]

[ADVANCED]

8.1 Energy Bill Access

Do you have access to your energy bills?

- ☐ Yes, full year of bills
- ☐ Yes, partial year
- ☐ No access to bills

[Used for: Baseline consumption data]

8.2 Monthly Electricity Usage

If bills available, enter monthly kWh:

- ☐ Winter (Dec-Feb): _____ kWh/month
- ☐ Spring (Mar-May): _____ kWh/month
- ☐ Summer (Jun-Aug): _____ kWh/month
- ☐ Fall (Sep-Nov): _____ kWh/month
- ☐ Not sure

[Used for: Seasonal consumption patterns]

8.3 Additional Energy Sources

Select all used:

- ☐ Natural Gas
- ☐ Propane
- ☐ Heating Oil

- ☐ Wood
- ☐ None

[Used for: Total energy calculations]

8.4 Peak Usage Periods

Highest energy usage typically occurs:

- ☐ Morning (5am-9am)
- ☐ Midday (9am-3pm)
- ☐ Evening (3pm-8pm)
- ☐ Night (8pm-5am)
- ☐ Not sure

[Used for: Usage pattern analysis]

[ADVANCED - Optional]

8.5 Detailed Usage Data

If smart meter/monitoring system:

Peak demand: _____ kW

Average daily usage: _____ kWh

Power factor: _____ (if known)

[Used for: Precise consumption calculations]

BACKEND INFORMATION:

Derived Values:

1. Baseline Energy Profile:

Based on:

- Reported consumption
- Home characteristics
- Occupancy patterns

Formula: $\text{Base Load} + \text{Variable Load} \times \text{Usage Factors}$

2. Seasonal Adjustment Factors:

Based on:

- Climate zone
- Reported seasonal usage
- HVAC system type

Reference Tables Needed:

1. Regional Average Consumption:

By home type and size:

- Small (< 1500 sq ft): X kWh/month
- Medium (1500-2500 sq ft): Y kWh/month
- Large (> 2500 sq ft): Z kWh/month

2. Seasonal Multipliers:

- Winter: 1.2-1.8
- Spring: 0.8-1.0
- Summer: 1.3-1.6
- Fall: 0.8-1.0

3. Energy Source Conversion Factors:

- Natural Gas: 29.3 kWh/therm
- Propane: 7.1 kWh/gallon
- Heating Oil: 43.5 kWh/gallon
- Wood: 3,000 kWh/cord

Calculations:

1. Total Annual Energy Consumption:

$$E_{\text{total}} = \Sigma(\text{Monthly Electric} \times 12) + \Sigma(\text{Other Sources} \times \text{Conversion Factors})$$

Where:

- Monthly Electric = Reported or estimated kWh
- Other Sources converted to kWh equivalent

2. Baseline Load:

$$E_{\text{baseline}} = \text{Minimum monthly usage} \times 12$$

Where:

- Minimum typically spring/fall months

3. Variable Load:

$$E_{\text{variable}} = E_{\text{total}} - E_{\text{baseline}}$$

Categorized by:

- HVAC
- Water Heating
- Other seasonal loads

4. Energy Use Intensity (EUI):

$$\text{EUI} = \text{E}_{\text{total}} \div \text{Conditioned Floor Area}$$

Where:

- EUI in kWh/sq ft/year
- Used for benchmarking

5. Cost Analysis:

$$\text{Annual Cost} = \Sigma(\text{Monthly Usage} \times \text{Rate})$$

Where:

- Rate includes tiered pricing if applicable
- Separate calculations for each energy source

SECTION 9: Energy Consumption Analysis

[Purpose: Analyze consumption patterns and identify efficiency opportunities]

[BASIC - Required]

9.1 Peak Usage Time

- ☐ Morning peak
- ☐ Evening peak
- ☐ Consistent all day

[Used for: Usage patterns]

9.2 Biggest Energy Users

- ☐ Heating/Cooling
- ☐ Water Heating
- ☐ Appliances/Other

[Used for: Consumption focus]

9.3 Recent Changes

- ☐ Usage increasing
- ☐ Usage decreasing
- ☐ Staying about the same

[Used for: Trend analysis]

[ADVANCED]

9.1 Occupancy Patterns

Weekday home occupancy:

- ☐ All day (20-24 hours)
- ☐ Most of day (13-19 hours)
- ☐ Half day (7-12 hours)
- ☐ Limited (<6 hours)

[Used for: Occupancy Factor calculations]

9.2 Peak Usage Activities

Select typical high-energy activities:

Morning (5am-9am):

- ☐ Shower/Bath
- ☐ Cooking
- ☐ Laundry
- ☐ Space Heating/Cooling
- ☐ None

Evening (5pm-10pm):

- ☐ Cooking
- ☐ Laundry
- ☐ Entertainment
- ☐ Space Heating/Cooling
- ☐ None

[Used for: Peak load calculations]

9.3 Seasonal Variations

Energy usage increases notably during:

- ☐ Very cold days
- ☐ Very hot days
- ☐ Rainy/cloudy days
- ☐ No notable change
- ☐ Not sure

[Used for: Weather normalization]

[ADVANCED - Optional]

9.4 Load Distribution

If known, percentage of total energy used by:

HVAC: _____%

Water Heating: _____%

Appliances: _____%

Lighting: _____%

Other: _____%

[Used for: Detailed consumption analysis]

9.5 Smart Meter Data

If available:

Average daily minimum: _____ kW

Average daily maximum: _____ kW

Time of peak usage: _____

[Used for: Load profile analysis]

BACKEND INFORMATION:

Derived Values:

1. Occupancy Factor:

Based on:

- Reported occupancy hours
- Activity patterns
- Number of occupants

Formula: Base Factor × Activity Multiplier × Occupancy Hours

2. Load Factor:

Based on:

- Peak to average ratio
- Usage distribution
- Seasonal patterns

Reference Tables Needed:

1. Activity Power Requirements:

Morning Activities:

- Shower: 4.5 kWh/hour
- Cooking: 2.3 kWh/hour
- Laundry: 3.8 kWh/hour

Evening Activities:

- Cooking: 2.3 kWh/hour
- Entertainment: 0.5 kWh/hour

- Laundry: 3.8 kWh/hour

2. Occupancy Multipliers:

- All day: 1.0
- Most of day: 0.8
- Half day: 0.5
- Limited: 0.3

3. Seasonal Adjustment Factors:

By climate zone and season:

- Heating season
- Cooling season
- Shoulder season

Calculations:

1. Energy Efficiency Score (EES):

$$\text{EES} = \text{Total Consumption} / (\text{Intervention Savings} \times \text{Occupancy Factor})$$

Where:

- Total Consumption from Section 8
- Intervention Savings = Potential savings identified
- Occupancy Factor from occupancy patterns

2. Peak Load Analysis:

$$\text{Peak Load Ratio} = \text{Peak Demand} / \text{Average Demand}$$

Where:

- Peak Demand = Highest recorded kW
- Average Demand = Total kWh/hours in period

3. Weather Normalized Usage:

$$\text{Enorm} = \text{Eactual} \times (\text{HDDnorm} / \text{HDDactual} + \text{CDDnorm} / \text{CDDactual})$$

Where:

- HDD = Heating Degree Days
- CDD = Cooling Degree Days

4. Usage Pattern Score:

$$\text{UPS} = (\text{Off-Peak Usage} / \text{Total Usage}) \times \text{Efficiency Factor}$$

Where:

- Off-Peak Usage = Non-peak hour consumption
- Efficiency Factor based on load distribution

5. Potential Savings Analysis:

For each end use:

$$\text{Potential Savings} = \text{Current Usage} \times (1 - \text{Efficiency Factor})$$

Where:

- Efficiency Factor from reference standards

SECTION 10: Energy Provider Information

[Purpose: Establish utility rates, emission factors, and available programs for savings calculations]

[BASIC - Required]

10.1 Utility Type

- ☐ Single provider (electric only)
- ☐ Dual fuel (electric + gas)
- ☐ Multiple providers

[Used for: Rate analysis]

10.2 Rate Structure

- ☐ Standard flat rate
- ☐ Time-of-use rate
- ☐ Don't know

[Used for: Cost calculations]

10.3 Utility Programs

- ☐ Currently participating
- ☐ Interested in programs
- ☐ Not participating

[Used for: Program opportunities]

[ADVANCED]

10.1 Primary Utility Provider

Select your electric utility:

[Dropdown of local providers]

- ☐ Not listed/Not sure

[Used for: Rate structure and EF calculations]

10.2 Rate Structure

Current electricity rate plan:

- ☐ Fixed rate
- ☐ Time-of-use
- ☐ Tiered pricing
- ☐ Not sure

[Used for: Cost calculations]

10.3 Average Monthly Cost

Electric bill typically ranges:

- ☐ Under \$100
- ☐ \$100-200
- ☐ \$201-300
- ☐ Over \$300
- ☐ Not sure

[Used for: Cost baseline]

10.4 Additional Energy Providers

Select all that apply:

- ☐ Natural Gas: [Provider name]
- ☐ Propane: [Provider name]
- ☐ Heating Oil: [Provider name]
- ☐ None

[Used for: Total energy cost calculations]

[ADVANCED - Optional]

10.5 Rate Details (if known):

Base rate: \$_____/kWh

Peak rate: \$_____/kWh

Off-peak rate: \$_____/kWh

Demand charges: \$_____/kW

[Used for: Precise cost calculations]

10.6 Utility Programs

Currently enrolled in:

- ☐ Budget billing
- ☐ Demand response
- ☐ Time-of-use
- ☐ Green power
- ☐ None/Not sure

[Used for: Program savings calculations]

BACKEND INFORMATION:

Derived Values:

1. Effective Rate:

Based on:

- Provider base rates
- Usage patterns
- Program participation

Formula: $\text{Base Rate} \times \text{Time Factor} \times \text{Program Adjustments}$

2. Emission Factor:

Based on:

- Utility generation mix
- Regional grid factors
- Green power participation

Reference Tables Needed:

1. Utility Rate Structures:

By provider:

- Base rates
- Time-of-use periods
- Tier thresholds
- Demand charges

2. Emission Factors:

By generation source:

- Coal: 0.94 kg CO₂/kWh
- Natural Gas: 0.44 kg CO₂/kWh
- Nuclear: 0.012 kg CO₂/kWh
- Renewable: 0 kg CO₂/kWh

3. Program Savings Factors:

- Demand response: 5-15%
- Time-of-use: 10-20%
- Green power: Varies by program

Calculations:

1. Monthly Cost Analysis:

$$\text{Cost} = (\text{Base Usage} \times \text{Base Rate}) + (\text{Peak Usage} \times \text{Peak Rate}) + (\text{Demand} \times \text{Demand Rate})$$

Where:

- Usage from Section 8
- Rates from utility data

2. Carbon Emissions:

$$\text{C}_{\text{reduced}} = S \times EF$$

Where:

- S = Energy savings (kWh)
- EF = Weighted emission factor

3. Program Savings:

$$\text{Annual Savings} = \text{Base Cost} \times \text{Program Factor}$$

Where:

- Program Factor from enrollment type

4. Total Energy Cost:

For all energy sources:

$$\text{Total Cost} = \Sigma(\text{Usage} \times \text{Rate} \times \text{Conversion Factor})$$

Where:

- Conversion Factor for non-electric sources

5. Cost Projection:

$$\text{Future Cost} = \text{Current Cost} \times (1 + \text{Rate Escalation})^{\text{Years}}$$

Where:

- Rate Escalation from utility forecasts

SECTION 11: Renewable Energy Potential

[Purpose: Calculate solar potential and evaluate renewable energy opportunities]

[BASIC - Required]

11.1 Solar Access

- ☐ Good sun exposure
- ☐ Partial sun exposure
- ☐ Limited sun exposure

[Used for: Solar potential]

11.2 Installation Interest

- ☐ Actively interested
- ☐ Maybe in future
- ☐ Not interested

[Used for: Planning purposes]

11.3 Property Suitability

- ☐ No major barriers
- ☐ Some possible issues
- ☐ Significant barriers

[Used for: Feasibility assessment]

[ADVANCED]

11.1 Roof Characteristics

Roof condition:

- ☐ New (0-5 years)
- ☐ Good (6-10 years)
- ☐ Fair (11-15 years)
- ☐ Poor (15+ years)
- ☐ Not sure

[Used for: Installation feasibility]

11.2 Solar Access Shade on roof

during day:

- ☐ No shade
- ☐ Partial morning shade
- ☐ Partial afternoon shade
- ☐ Heavy shade
- ☐ Not sure

[Used for: Solar radiation calculations]

11.3 Tree Coverage

Trees shading roof:

- ☐ None
- ☐ 1-2 trees
- ☐ 3-5 trees
- ☐ Heavy tree coverage
- ☐ Not sure

[Used for: Shading factor calculations]

11.4 Current/Planned Systems

Select all that apply:

- ☐ Solar PV installed
- ☐ Solar thermal installed
- ☐ Planning installation
- ☐ No current plans

[Used for: System integration analysis]

[ADVANCED - Optional]

11.5 Roof Details (if known):

Total roof area: _____ sq ft

South-facing area: _____ sq ft

Roof pitch: _____ degrees

Roof material: _____

[Used for: Precise solar calculations]

11.6 Existing System Details:

If solar installed:

System size: _____ kW

Annual production: _____ kWh

Installation year: _____

[Used for: System performance analysis]

BACKEND INFORMATION:

Derived Values:

1. Available Roof Area: Based on:

- Home size
- Roof type
- Obstructions Formula: $\text{Total Area} \times \text{Usable Factor} \times \text{Orientation Factor}$

2. Solar Access Factor: Based on:

- Reported shading
- Tree coverage
- Orientation Formula: $\text{Base Solar} \times \text{Shade Factor} \times \text{Seasonal Adjustment}$

Reference Tables Needed:

1. Solar Radiation Data: By location:

- Annual average (kWh/m²/day)
- Seasonal variations
- Peak sun hours

2. System Performance Ratios:

- Optimal orientation: 0.85
- East/West facing: 0.80
- Partial shade: 0.75
- Heavy shade: 0.60

3. Installation Cost Factors: By system size:

- Small (< 6kW): \$3.00/W
- Medium (6-10kW): \$2.80/W
- Large (> 10kW): \$2.60/W

Calculations:

1. Solar Energy Potential:

$\text{Esolar} = A \times r \times H \times \text{PR}$ Where:

- A = Available roof area (m²)
- r = Panel efficiency (typically 0.15-0.22)
- H = Annual solar radiation (kWh/m²)
- PR = Performance ratio (0.7-0.9)

2. Annual Production Estimate:

$\text{Production} = \text{Esolar} \times \text{System Size} \times \text{Efficiency}$ Where:

- System Size in kW
- Efficiency includes inverter and system losses

3. Financial Analysis:

Payback Period = Total Cost/(Annual Production × Rate) Where:

- Rate = Current electricity rate
- Total Cost includes installation and equipment

4. Carbon Reduction:

CO2 Reduction = Annual Production × Grid EF Where:

- Grid EF = Local grid emission factor

5. Roof Capacity:

Maximum System Size = Available Area/Panel Area Where:

- Panel Area ≈ 17.5 sq ft per kW
- Adjusted for spacing and setbacks

SECTION 12: Usage Patterns and Normalization

[Purpose: Establish normalized usage patterns and weather impacts for accurate comparisons]

[BASIC - Required]

12.1 Home Occupancy

- ☐ Home most of the day
- ☐ Home evenings/nights only
- ☐ Varies significantly

[Used for: Usage pattern baseline]

12.2 Temperature Preference

- ☐ Prefer cooler temperatures
- ☐ Average comfort range
- ☐ Prefer warmer temperatures

[Used for: Comfort settings]

12.3 Seasonal Adjustments

- ☐ Same settings year-round
- ☐ Adjust for seasons
- ☐ Use programmable thermostat

[Used for: Energy usage patterns]

[ADVANCED]

12.1 Occupancy Schedule

Typical weekday occupancy:

Morning (5am-9am):

- ☐ Full occupancy
- ☐ Partial occupancy
- ☐ Minimal occupancy

Daytime (9am-5pm):

- ☐ Full occupancy
- ☐ Partial occupancy
- ☐ Minimal occupancy

Evening (5pm-10pm):

- ☐ Full occupancy
- ☐ Partial occupancy
- ☐ Minimal occupancy

[Used for: Usage pattern calculations]

12.2 Weather Sensitivity

Energy usage increases with:

- ☐ Hot weather
- ☐ Cold weather
- ☐ Both hot and cold
- ☐ No notable change
- ☐ Not sure

[Used for: Weather normalization]

12.3 Seasonal Behaviors

Select all that apply:

- ☐ Change thermostat seasonally
- ☐ Use windows for cooling
- ☐ Use ceiling fans
- ☐ Use space heaters
- ☐ Use window AC units

[Used for: Behavior adjustment factors]

[ADVANCED - Optional]

12.4 Detailed Occupancy

If known:

Number of occupants: _____

Hours occupied per day: _____

Days occupied per week: _____

Weeks vacant per year: _____

[Used for: Precise usage calculations]

12.5 Temperature Preferences

Winter thermostat:

Daytime: _____ °F

Nighttime: _____ °F

Summer thermostat:

Daytime: _____ °F

Nighttime: _____ °F

[Used for: Temperature-based normalization]

BACKEND INFORMATION:

Derived Values:

1. Occupancy Factor:

Based on:

- Reported schedules
- Number of occupants
- Vacancy periods

Formula: $\text{Base Occupancy} \times \text{Schedule Factor} \times \text{Seasonal Adjustment}$

2. Weather Sensitivity Factor:

Based on:

- Reported sensitivity
- HVAC system type
- Building envelope (from Section 5)

Reference Tables Needed:

1. Occupancy Multipliers:

- Full occupancy: 1.0
- Partial occupancy: 0.6
- Minimal occupancy: 0.2

2. Weather Normalization Factors:

By climate zone:

- Heating degree days (HDD)
- Cooling degree days (CDD)
- Normal year data
- Current year data

3. Behavior Adjustment Factors:

- Natural ventilation: -5% to -15%
- Ceiling fans: -3% to -8%
- Space heaters: +10% to +20%
- Window AC: +15% to +25%

Calculations:

1. Normalized Annual Consumption:

$$E_{\text{norm}} = E_{\text{actual}} \times [(HDD_{\text{norm}}/HDD_{\text{actual}}) + (CDD_{\text{norm}}/CDD_{\text{actual}})]$$

Where:

- HDD = Heating Degree Days
- CDD = Cooling Degree Days
- norm = Normal year
- actual = Current year

2. Occupancy-Adjusted Usage:

$$E_{\text{adj}} = E_{\text{base}} \times OF \times BF$$

Where:

- OF = Occupancy Factor
- BF = Behavior Factor

3. Daily Load Profile:

For each time period:

$$\text{Load} = \text{Base Load} + \text{Variable Load} \times OF$$

Where:

- Base Load from minimum usage
- Variable Load from occupancy patterns

4. Weather Impact Score:

$$WIS = (\text{Peak Weather Usage})/(\text{Average Usage})$$

Where:

- Peak Weather = Highest seasonal usage
- Average = Annual average daily usage

5. Behavior Impact:

$$BI = \Sigma(\text{Behavior Factor} \times \text{Usage Hours})$$

Where:

- Behavior Factor from reference table
- Usage Hours from schedule

SECTION 13: Energy Improvement Planning

[Purpose: Identify and prioritize energy improvements based on cost-effectiveness and impact]

[BASIC - Required]

13.1 Primary Goal (choose one)

- ☐ Reduce energy bills
- ☐ Improve comfort
- ☐ Fix specific issues
- ☐ Environmental impact

[Used for: Priority setting]

13.2 Budget Category

- ☐ Low (under \$2,000)
- ☐ Medium (\$2,000-\$10,000)
- ☐ High (over \$10,000)
- ☐ Not determined yet

[Used for: Improvement options]

13.3 Timeline

- ☐ Want to start soon (within 6 months)
- ☐ Planning for future (6+ months)
- ☐ No specific timeline

[Used for: Project planning]

[ADVANCED]

13.1 Improvement Priorities

Rank your priorities (1-5):

- ___ Lower energy bills
- ___ Improve comfort
- ___ Reduce carbon footprint
- ___ Address specific issues

___ Increase home value
[Used for: Strategy prioritization]

13.2 Budget Range

Available for improvements:

- ☐ Under \$1,000
- ☐ \$1,000-\$5,000
- ☐ \$5,001-\$10,000
- ☐ Over \$10,000
- ☐ Not sure yet

[Used for: Investment planning]

13.3 Timeline Preferences

Planned implementation:

- ☐ Immediate (0-3 months)
- ☐ Short-term (3-12 months)
- ☐ Long-term (1-3 years)
- ☐ As needed/No timeline

[Used for: Project scheduling]

13.4 Implementation Constraints

Select all that apply:

- ☐ Limited budget
- ☐ Need financing
- ☐ Seasonal restrictions
- ☐ Occupancy disruption concerns
- ☐ HOA/Building restrictions
- ☐ None

[Used for: Feasibility analysis]

[ADVANCED - Optional]

13.5 Specific Improvements Interest

Rate interest (1-5) in:

- ___ HVAC upgrade
- ___ Insulation
- ___ Window replacement
- ___ Solar installation
- ___ Smart thermostats
- ___ LED lighting
- ___ Appliance upgrades

[Used for: Detailed planning]

13.6 Financial Preferences

Desired payback period:

- ☐ Under 2 years
- ☐ 2-5 years
- ☐ 5-10 years
- ☐ Over 10 years
- ☐ No specific requirement

[Used for: ROI calculations]

BACKEND INFORMATION:

Derived Values:

1. Improvement Priority Score:

Based on:

- Ranked priorities
- Budget availability
- Timeline preferences

Formula: $\text{Priority Weight} \times \text{Budget Factor} \times \text{Timeline Factor}$

2. Project Feasibility Score:

Based on:

- Constraints
- Technical requirements
- Implementation complexity

Reference Tables Needed:

1. Improvement Costs:

HVAC:

- Basic tune-up: \$200-500
- New system: \$5,000-12,000

Insulation:

- Attic: \$1,500-3,000
- Walls: \$3,000-8,000

Windows:

- Per window: \$500-1,000

- Whole house: \$8,000-15,000

2. Energy Savings Estimates:

- HVAC upgrade: 20-40%
- Insulation: 15-30%
- Windows: 10-20%
- LED lighting: 5-10%
- Smart thermostats: 10-15%

3. Implementation Complexity:

- Low: 1-2 days
- Medium: 3-5 days
- High: 1+ weeks

Calculations:

1. Payback Period:

$$P = C/S_{\text{annual}}$$

Where:

- C = Project cost
- S_{annual} = Annual savings

For each improvement option

2. Return on Investment:

$$ROI = (Lifetime\ Savings - Cost) / Cost \times 100$$

Where:

- Lifetime Savings = Annual Savings × Expected Life
- Cost includes installation

3. Project Priority Score:

$$PPS = (Savings/Cost) \times Priority\ Weight \times Feasibility$$

Where:

- Priority Weight from user rankings
- Feasibility from constraint analysis

4. Implementation Schedule:

For each project:

$$Start\ Date = Current + Lead\ Time + Dependencies$$

Where:

- Lead Time from complexity table
- Dependencies from project sequencing

5. Budget Allocation:

For prioritized projects:

Available per Project = Total Budget × Priority Score

Where:

- Priority Score normalized to total 100%

SECTION 14: Carbon Impact Goals

[Purpose: Establish carbon reduction targets and track emissions impact]

[BASIC - Required]

14.1 Environmental Priority

- ☐ High priority - willing to invest
- ☐ Medium priority - balance with cost
- ☐ Low priority - focus on savings

[Used for: Goal setting]

14.2 Reduction Target

- ☐ Moderate (up to 25%)
- ☐ Significant (26-50%)
- ☐ Maximum possible

[Used for: Planning scope]

[ADVANCED]

14.1 Carbon Reduction Interest

Primary motivation:

- ☐ Environmental concern
- ☐ Regulatory compliance
- ☐ Cost savings
- ☐ Property value
- ☐ Not sure

[Used for: Goal setting approach]

14.2 Current Awareness

Knowledge of carbon footprint:

- ☐ Track regularly
- ☐ General idea
- ☐ Limited understanding
- ☐ No knowledge

[Used for: Education needs]

14.3 Reduction Timeline

Preferred reduction period:

- ☐ 1 year
- ☐ 2-3 years
- ☐ 4-5 years
- ☐ 5+ years
- ☐ No specific timeline

[Used for: Target setting]

14.4 Target Range

Desired reduction:

- ☐ 0-25%
- ☐ 26-50%
- ☐ 51-75%
- ☐ 76-100%
- ☐ Not sure

[Used for: Goal calculations]

[ADVANCED - Optional]

14.5 Specific Targets

If known:

Current emissions: _____ kg CO₂/year

Target emissions: _____ kg CO₂/year

Target date: _____

[Used for: Precise reduction planning]

14.6 Carbon Offset Interest

Select all that apply:

- ☐ Renewable energy credits
- ☐ Carbon offset purchases
- ☐ Tree planting
- ☐ Not interested
- ☐ Need more information

[Used for: Offset strategy]

BACKEND INFORMATION:

Derived Values:

1. Base Carbon Footprint:

Based on:

- Energy consumption
- Fuel mix
- Utility emission factors

Formula: $\text{Energy Use} \times \text{EF} \times \text{Fuel Mix Factor}$

2. Reduction Potential:

Based on:

- Planned improvements
- Timeline
- Technical feasibility

Reference Tables Needed:

1. Emission Factors (EF):

By energy source:

- Electricity: [Regional grid factor]
- Natural gas: 0.18 kg CO₂/kWh
- Propane: 0.21 kg CO₂/kWh
- Heating oil: 0.25 kg CO₂/kWh

2. Reduction Potential by Improvement:

- HVAC upgrade: 20-40%
- Insulation: 15-30%
- Solar PV: 40-100%
- LED lighting: 5-10%
- Smart controls: 10-15%

3. Carbon Offset Options:

- REC cost per ton CO₂
- Offset program rates
- Tree planting impact factors

Calculations:

1. Current Carbon Emissions:

$$\text{CE} = \sum(\text{Energy Source} \times \text{EF})$$

Where:

- Energy Source in kWh
- EF = Source-specific emission factor

2. Carbon Reduction Target:

$$\text{CRT} = \text{Current Emissions} \times \text{Target Percentage}$$

Where:

- Target Percentage from user selection

3. Annual Reduction Need:

$$\text{ARN} = (\text{Current} - \text{Target}) / \text{Years}$$

Where:

- Years = Timeline selection

4. Project Impact Assessment:

For each improvement:

$$\text{Carbon Reduction} = \text{Energy Savings} \times \text{EF}$$

Where:

- Energy Savings from Section 13
- EF from utility data

5. Gap Analysis:

$$\text{Remaining Gap} = \text{Target} - \text{Planned Reductions}$$

Where:

- Planned Reductions = Sum of project impacts

6. Offset Requirements:

If gap exists:

$$\text{Offset Needed} = \text{Remaining Gap} \times \text{Safety Factor}$$

Where:

- Safety Factor = 1.1 for uncertainty

7. Progress Tracking:

$$\text{Reduction Progress} = (\text{Initial} - \text{Current}) / \text{Initial} \times 100$$

Where:

- Initial = Baseline emissions
- Current = Latest measurement

SECTION 15: Energy Monitoring and Verification

[Purpose: Establish monitoring protocols and verify energy savings]

[BASIC - Required]

15.1 Preferred Tracking Method

- ☐ Simple bill comparison
- ☐ Basic energy monitoring
- ☐ Professional verification

[Used for: Monitoring approach]

15.2 Success Indicators (select all)

- ☐ Lower bills
- ☐ Better comfort
- ☐ Fewer issues
- ☐ Environmental impact

[Used for: Performance metrics]

[ADVANCED]

15.1 Current Monitoring

How do you track energy use:

- ☐ Monthly bills only
- ☐ Smart meter readings
- ☐ Energy monitoring system
- ☐ Don't currently track

[Used for: Monitoring protocol selection]

15.2 Preferred Tracking Method

Interest in monitoring:

- ☐ Simple monthly comparison
- ☐ Detailed daily tracking
- ☐ Real-time monitoring
- ☐ Annual review only
- ☐ Not sure

[Used for: System recommendations]

15.3 Verification Preferences

Preferred verification method:

- ☐ Bill comparison
- ☐ Usage patterns
- ☐ Temperature comfort
- ☐ All of the above
- ☐ Not sure

[Used for: Success metrics]

15.4 Reporting Frequency

Preferred updates:

- ☐ Monthly
- ☐ Quarterly
- ☐ Annually
- ☐ On-demand
- ☐ Not sure

[Used for: Reporting schedule]

[ADVANCED - Optional]

15.5 Monitoring Details

If monitoring system present:

System type: _____

Data frequency: _____

Parameters tracked: _____

[Used for: Advanced monitoring]

15.6 Success Metrics

Priority metrics (select all):

- ☐ kWh reduction
- ☐ Cost savings
- ☐ Carbon reduction
- ☐ Comfort improvement
- ☐ ROI

[Used for: Performance tracking]

BACKEND INFORMATION:

Derived Values:

1. Monitoring Protocol:

Based on:

- Current capabilities
- Preferred method
- System complexity

Formula: Base Protocol \times Complexity Factor

2. Verification Requirements:

Based on:

- Improvement types
- Investment level
- Reporting needs

Reference Tables Needed:

1. Monitoring System Types:

- Basic (bills): Monthly data
- Smart meter: Hourly data
- Real-time: Minute-by-minute
- Sub-metering: Circuit-level

2. Success Metric Baselines:

- Energy use: kWh/month
- Cost: \$/month
- Carbon: kg CO₂/month
- Temperature: °F variance

3. Verification Methods:

By improvement type:

- HVAC: Runtime + temperature
- Insulation: Temperature differential
- Solar: Production monitoring
- Lighting: Usage patterns

Calculations:

1. Energy Savings Verification:

$$S = E_{\text{before}} - E_{\text{after}}$$

Where:

- E_{before} = Baseline consumption
- E_{after} = Post-improvement consumption

Normalized for weather and occupancy

2. Cost Savings Verification:

$$CS = S \times \text{Rate}$$

Where:

- S = Verified energy savings
- Rate = Current utility rate

3. Performance Index:

$$PI = \text{Actual Savings/Predicted Savings} \times 100$$

Where:

- Actual from monitoring
- Predicted from Section 13

4. Comfort Improvement:

$$CI = (T1 - T2)/T1 \times 100$$

Where:

- T1 = Initial temperature variance
- T2 = Current temperature variance

5. ROI Verification:

$$\text{Actual ROI} = (\text{Verified Savings} \times \text{Years})/\text{Cost} \times 100$$

Where:

- Verified Savings = Annual confirmed savings
- Years = Time since implementation

6. Monitoring Score:

$$MS = (\text{Data Points} \times \text{Frequency} \times \text{Accuracy})/100$$

Where:

- Data Points = Number of parameters
- Frequency = Updates per day
- Accuracy = Calibration factor

7. Reporting Metrics:

Monthly Report:

- Energy use vs. baseline
- Cost savings to date
- Carbon reduction
- Comfort metrics
- ROI status

