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FOR USERS OF ENERGYPLUS, SPARK, DOE-2, BLAST, GENOPT, BUILDING DESIGN ADVISOR, ENERGY-10 AND THEIR DERIVATIVES

What's New?

VisualSPARK 1.0 Release

VisualSPARK 1.0 is now available! See the article on p. 10 for details. To purchase VisualSPARK, go to

http://SimulationResearch.lbl.gov

EnergyPlus Beta 4

The fourth planned beta test version of EnergyPlus was released in October. To get a no-cost license for Beta 4 go to

www.gard.com/eplustest.htm

If you already have a license for testing previous versions of EnergyPlus, you don't need a new license for Beta 4.

Beta 5 is planned for release in January. April 2001 is the target month for release of EnergyPlus 1.0.

DOE-2 Named in the Energy 100 Awards...

The DOE-2 program received one of the Energy 100 Awards. This award honors

100 of the best scientific and technological accomplishments sponsored by the U. S. Dept. of Energy during the past 30 years. These discoveries demonstrate DOE's commitment to save consumers money and improve the quality of life. Visit the Energy100 Awards website at

www.ma.doe.gov/energy100/list.html

New DOE-2 Consultant

We are pleased to add **The Deringer Group**, **Inc.** of Berkeley, California, to
the list of DOE-2 consultants. **Joseph Deringer** and **Qiang** (**Peter**) **Zhang** are DOE-2 experts who offer
years of building energy analysis
experience. See p. 18 for listing.

www.DeringerGroup.com

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Web-based DOE-2 Building Analysis for Canadian Users

Curt Hepting, DOE-2 consultant based in British Columbia, reports that Natural Resources Canada (NRCan) has put together a web site that **performs live building energy analysis** to provide the user an estimate of the end-use energy requirements and costs for commercial buildings.

Web-Based Building Performance Assessment: The CBIP Screening Tool

Curt Hepting and Diane Ehret EnerSys Analytics, Inc.

Maria Mottillo
Natural Resources Canada

OVERVIEW

Natural Resources Canada (NRCan) has instituted a program to encourage energy-efficient design practices and to bring about lasting changes in attitudes and practices in the Canadian commercial building design and construction industry. The Commercial Building Incentive Program (CBIP) offers a financial incentive for incorporating energy efficient features into new commercial and institutional building designs. An eligible building design must demonstrate a reduction in energy use by at least 25 percent when compared to the requirements of Canada's Model National Energy Code for Buildings. The compliance process is very similar to ASHRAE's "Building Energy Cost Budget Method," following the reference building approach.

To help building owners and designers determine whether or not their building is a good candidate for the program, NRCan has developed a web-based building energy performance assessment tool. This tool quickly provides information about the building's anticipated energy use, energy costs, and emissions savings from implementing energy-efficient design options.

USING THE SCREENING TOOL

The screening tool is designed to rapidly provide feedback based on inputs for a select set of building characteristics. It allows users to enter values for their proposed design, limiting the inputs to the characteristics that affect energy use the most. Selected first are the building location, building type, and primary HVAC system type from over 2,500 possible combinations. Next, information is input about building characteristics. This includes the building envelope (insulation and window performance ratings), the mechanical system (focusing on elements that typically impact energy savings the most), lighting controls and density levels, and marginal utility rates. Each building characteristic input

Med	chanical System	
	Reference <u>Building</u>	Your <u>Design</u>
Heating efficiency:	80.00%	80.00 %
Minimum outside air:	1.20	1.20 l/s/m²
Percent of floor area cooled:	38.00%	38.00 %
Cooling efficiency:	2.50	2.50 COP
Outdoor air economizer?	Yes	✓ Yes
Efficiency of exhaust air heat recovery:	0.00%	0.00 %
Service water heating fuel type:	Fossil	Fossil 🔽
Service water heating efficiency:	80.00%	80.00 %

Figure 1: Sample Inputs

displays the corresponding "reference case" value for a similar building as if it were built to just meet the code (Fig. 1). This serves as a guideline and for quick comparison.

CBIP provides almost instantaneous results, including:

- a clear indicator if the building design is likely to qualify for a CBIP incentive, and the estimated incentive amount;
- estimated percent energy savings, annual energy cost savings, and emissions savings as compared to the reference case;
- an end-use breakdown of the total energy consumption for both the proposed design and the reference case (Fig. 2); and
- a summary report of the inputs and results.

CBIP also allows users to return to the input screen, change the input values, and view the resulting differences between the current and previous iteration, as shown in Fig. 2. Thus, the screening tool serves as an educational device, that allows the user to investigate how various building characteristics impact energy use and costs.

THE CALCULATION ENGINE

CBIP includes a database of results from over 75,000 DOE-2.1E energy performance simulations. While the interface intentionally limits the number of input data, the background database system contains default values for approximately 80 different building characteristics.

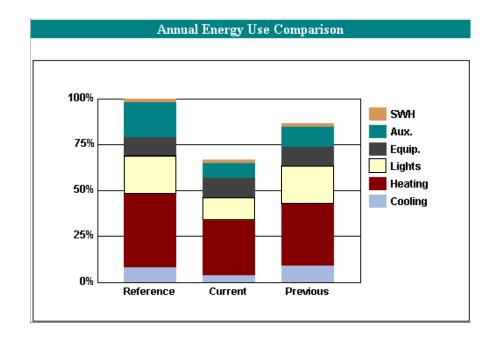


Figure 2: Sample End-Use Results Chart

These characteristics represent a mix of "fixed" and "variable" parameters. The fixed parameters are non-changeable through the screening tool and are essentially used for setting up unique DOE-2 prototypes. The HVAC system type, for instance, is an example of a fixed parameter that defines a unique "prototype cell." Variable parameters can be changed instantly and are available through CBIP (see Fig. 1 for examples). Within CBIP, the variable parameters are assigned using standard design practice or prescribed energy code values, but can be assigned a full range of possible values as is appropriate.

CBIP's calculation methodology is based on engineering practices and thermodynamic principles, which are embodied in the hourly simulations. The calculation engine (DOE-2.1E) uses a unique process for rapidly accessing the results from a vast range of building energy simulations. More specifically, we make use of response factors derived from performing dozens of simulations on a specific prototype cell. Each simulation represents a discrete change to a building characteristic (lighting density, for instance). We then apply the appropriate functional relationships to a variable building characteristic based on how the change affects energy use by end-use. The results agree closely with actual DOE-2 simulations (Hepting et al, 1996) but take less than 1 percent of the time to calculate—an important factor for an Internet application.

This engineering-based "bottom-up approach" of using response factors allows for much more flexibility than econometric "top-down approaches." With statistically based econometric approaches there rarely, if ever, are enough building characteristics data available to make statistically valid correlations to monthly or hourly end-use energy by fuel type. Using CBIP's calculation approach, the user can change key building characteristics and can calibrate the model to known energy and demand requirements. Moreover, users

can modify any characteristic to immediately observe the impacts—as if a full building energy simulation had been run, but in a fraction of the time.

CONCLUSION

CBIP is currently in wide use, both by building professionals and by NRCan program administrators, to determine whether or not their building may qualify for an incentive before undergoing the time-consuming and relatively expensive task of building performance modeling. In addition, the tool provides valuable information about the key building characteristics that influence energy use. This can be valuable in helping establish conceptual design energy performance targets and the general means for how such targets can be met.

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This article was adapted from *Web-Based Building Performance Assessment: First Steps with the CBIP Screening Tool*, published in the proceedings for the "Sustainable Buildings 2000" international conference held in Maastrict, The Netherlands, October 20–26, 2000 (http://www.novem.nl/SB2000).

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WEB REFERENCES

Visit the screening tool http://nrn3.nrcan.gc.ca/cbipscreen/index.html

Information about CBIP http://cbip.nrcan.gc.ca/cbip.htm

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GenOpt® 1.1: Beta 2 Version

The Beta 2 version of GenOpt 1.1 has been released. It contains an additional algorithm for multi-dimensional optimization, new algorithms for one-dimensional optimization, and an algorithm for parametric runs in a multi-dimensional space. The new version also allows processing of multiple function values and has an improved graphical user interface.

GenOpt is a multi-parameter optimization program, available free of charge from LBNL. It automatically finds the values of user-selected design parameters that minimize an *objective function*, such as annual energy use, calculated by an external simulation program like EnergyPlus, SPARK, DOE-2, BLAST, TRACE, TRNSYS, etc. GenOpt can be used with any simulation program that has text-based input and output. It also offers an interface for adding custom optimization algorithms to its library.

Genopt 1.1, Beta 2 (with user manual) may be downloaded from

http://SimulationResearch.lbl.gov > GenOpt

Building Design Advisor 2.0

Decision making through the integrated use of multiple simulation tools and databases

The **Building Design Advisor** (**BDA**) is a Windows program that addresses the needs of building decision-makers from the initial, schematic phases of building design through the detailed specification of building components and systems. The BDA is built around an object-oriented representation of the building and its context, which is mapped onto the corresponding representations of multiple tools and databases. It then acts as a **data manager** and **process controller**, automatically preparing input to simulation tools and integrating their output in ways that support multi-criterion decision making. The latest public release of BDA (version 2.0) is linked to three main applications:

- A Schematic Graphic Editor (SGE), for graphic input of building components and systems,
- DElight, a simplified daylighting simulation tool, and
- the DOE-2.1E building energy simulation program.

The following **enhancements** have been made to BDA 2.0 (as of 09/15/00):

- Greater flexibility in project development with features such as "Save as.."
- Greater user control over object properties with editing of Solution and Story properties, building azimuth, etc.
- User interface enhancements allow easier navigation of the building model with less ambiguities.
- Several bug fixes.
- Extended documentation.

Current research and development efforts are focused on the development of links to:

- Desktop Radiance, a Windows 95/98/NT version of the Radiance lighting/daylighting simulation and rendering software, and
- Athena, a life-cycle analysis of embodied energy and environmental impact of materials.

The minimum and recommended system **requirements** to run the BDA software are as follows:

Minimum

Pentium 75

Windows 95, 98, NT 4.0.

16 / 32MB RAM under Windows 95

30 MB of larger hard disk space.

640x480 or higher screen resolution.

Recommended

Pentium 200 or better.

Windows 95, 98, NT 4.0.

24 / 64MB RAM under Windows NT 4.0.

60 MB of larger hard disk space.

1024x768 or higher screen resolution.

The BDA source code is available for licensing; if interested, please contact Dr. Papamichael at K Papamichael@lbl.gov.

To learn more about the BDA software and to download a copy of the latest public version, please visit

http://kmp.lbl.gov/BDA



VisualSPARK





Available from Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, VisualSPARK 1.0 allows you to build customized models of complex physical processes by connecting calculation objects. It is aimed at the simulation of innovative and/or complex building systems that are beyond the scope of programs like DOE-2 and EnergyPlus.

VisualSPARK Features:

- solves non-linear systems of arbitrary complexity
- solves from a few equations up to thousands of equations simultaneously
- user-specified time step
- robust solution methods
- HVAC component library
- easy to change variables from input to calculated
- dynamic plotting: plot results while simulation is running
- up to 20 times faster execution times than related programs (due to the use of graph-theoretic methods for problem partitioning and reduction in number of iteration variables)

The main elements of VisualSPARK are a **user interface**, a **network specification language**, a **solver** for solving simultaneous algebraic and differential equations, and a **results processor**. With the network specification language you link the calculation objects into networks that represent a building's envelope and/or HVAC system. The solver solves this network for user-specified input parameters. With the results processor you graphically display the results of the calculation.

VisualSPARK runs under the Windows 95/98/NT/2000, SunOS, Solaris, Linux and HPUNIX operating systems.

VisualSPARK costs \$250. To purchase the program, go to http://SimulationResearch.lbl.gov > VisualSPARK > Purchase

If you would like to get an idea of what the program does before purchasing it, you can review the SPARK User's Manual, which can be downloaded from http://SimulationResearch.lbl.gov > SPARK > SPARK User's Manual.

VisualSPARK was developed by the LBNL Simulation Research Group and Ayres Sowell Associates, with support from the U.S. Department of Energy, Drury Crawley, program manager

http://SimulationResearch.lbl.gov > SPARK

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PC Version of DOE-2.1E from ESTSC

DOE-2.1E (version 107) for Windows is available from the Energy Science and Technology Software Center (ESTSC). Previously, ESTSC licensed only UNIX and VAX versions. This updated version of DOE-2 incorporates bug fixes and new features such as a Cooled Beam HVAC system and polygon input for walls, floors and ceilings. Like previous DOE-2.1E products from ESTSC, this version accepts textual BDL input but does not have a graphical user interface. Cost of DOE-2.1E-WIN (Version 107) is:

\$ 300 U.S. Government, non-profit Educational

\$ 575 U.S., Mexico, Canada

\$ 1075 Other Foreign

To order, call Ed Kidd or Walt Kelly at ESTSC (865) 576-2606, or email to estsc@adonis.osti.gov.

DOE-2.1E Documentation Update

Corrections to Appendix A (Hourly Report Variables) of the DOE-2.1E Supplement may be downloaded from the SRG web site (http://SimulationResearch. lbl.gov). Click on "Documentation" under DOE-2 in the left menu. You want "Update Package #3."

DOE-2 Help Desk

Bruce Birdsall - Phone/Fax: (925) 671-6942, M-F 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. PDT.

Contact Bruce if you have a DOE-2 problem or question. If you need to send a fax, please be sure to phone him first. This is a free service, supported by the U. S. Department of Energy.

DOE-2 Training

DOE-2 courses for beginning and advanced users: phone Marlin Addison at (602) 968-2040, or send email to marlin.addison@doe2.com

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ENERGY-10, Version 1.3

Version 1.3 of ENERGY-10 is now available. It includes the much-anticipated WeatherMaker function. WeatherMaker allows users to create their own weather files based on information available from nearly 4,000 weather stations throughout the U.S. Revisions to the program itself include some minor fixes, an improved and expanded Help section, and greater clarity in titling and identification of various sections. Contact the Sustainable Buildings Industries Council for more information, or to order your upgrade disc (the cost is \$15, which covers production and shipping).

ENERGY-10, written in C⁺⁺, is a design tool for smaller residential or commercial buildings that are less than 10,000 ft² floor area, or buildings that can be treated as one- or two-zone increments. It performs whole-building energy analysis for 8760 hours/year, including dynamic thermal and daylighting calculations, ENERGY-10 was specifically designed to facilitate the evaluation of energy-efficient building features in the very early stages of the design process.

Input: Only four inputs required to generate two initial generic building descriptions. Virtually everything

is defaulted but modifiable. As the design evolves, the user adjusts descriptions using fill-in menus

(utility-rate schedules, construction details, materials).

Summary table and 20 graphical outputs available, generally comparing current design with base **Output:**

case. Detailed tabular results also available.

Platform: PC-compatible, Windows 3.1/95/98, Pentium processor with 16 MB of RAM is recommended.



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Software Available From Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory

Downloads	
BDA 2.0 (Building Design Advisor)	kmp.lbl.gov/BDA
COMIS (multi-zone air flow and contaminant transport model)	www-epb.lbl.gov/comis
EnergyPlus [™] (new-generation whole-building energy analysis program, combining best features of BLAST and DOE-2)	To beta test EnergyPlus go to SimulationResearch.lbl.gov > EnergyPlus
GenOpt®1.1 (generic optimization program)	SimulationResearch.lbl.gov > GenOpt
RADIANCE (analysis and visualization of lighting in design) Desktop Radiance (integrates the Radiance Synthetic Imaging System with AutoCAD Release 14)	radsite.lbl.gov/radiance/ radsite.lbl.gov/deskrad/
RESEM (Retrofit Energy Savings Estimation Model) (calculates long-term energy savings directly from actual utility data)	eetd.lbl.gov/btp/resem.htm
SUPERLITE (calculate illuminance distribution for room geometries)	eetd.lbl.gov/btp/superlite20.html
THERM 2.1 (model two-dimensional heat-transfer effects in building components where thermal bridges are of concern)	windows.lbl.gov/software/therm/therm.html
WINDOW 4.1 (thermal analysis of window products)	windows.lbl.gov/software/window/ window.html

Request by Fax from	510.486.4089
RESFEN 3.1 (choose energy-efficient, cost-effective windows for a given residential application)	windows.lbl.gov/software/resfen/resfen.html

	Web Based
Home Energy Saver (quickly compute home energy use)	hes.lbl.gov

Purchase	9
SPARK (Simulation Problem Analysis and Research Kernel) (build simulations of innovative building envelope and HVAC systems by connecting component models)	For Windows, SUN, Linux, go to SimulationResearch.lbl.gov > SPARK
ADELINE 2.0 (day/lighting performance in complex spaces)	radsite.lbl.gov/adeline/

Meetings, Conferences, Symposia

FEMP Energy 2001 Workshop

To be held

June 4-6,2001 in Kansas City, MO

Contact: Rick Klimkos (FEMP)

Tel: 202.586.8287 fax: 202.586.3000

Net: http://www.energy2001.ee.doe.gov

CLIMA 2001

To be held

September 15-18, 2001 in Naples, Italy

Contact the secretariat at Tel: +39.02.55.193.446 Email: clima@clima2000.it Net: http://www.clima2000.it

9th National Conference on Building
Commissioning

To be held

May 9-11, 2001, in Cherry Hills, NJ

Contact: Carolyn Dasher, Conference Manager

Tel: 503.248.4636 x 204

Fax: 503.295.0820 Email: cdasher@peci.org

Net: http://www.peci.org/ncbc

ASHRAE

ASHRAE Winter Meeting
To be held
January 27-31 in Atlanta, GA

ASHRAE Annual Meeting

To be held

June 23-27, 2001 in Cincinnati, OH

Contact: jyoung@ashrae.org
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1791 Tullie Circle NE
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Tel: 404.636.8400 -- Fax: 321.5478

Net: http://www.ashrae.org

IBPSA

BUILDING SIMULATION 2001

To be held

August 13-15, 2001 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil All information may be found at the BS2001 web site:

WWW.LABEEE.UFSC.BR/BS2001/

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BLAST*news*

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The **Building Loads Analysis and System Thermodynamics (BLAST** program predicts energy consumption, energy system performance and cost for new or existing (pre-retrofit) buildings.

BLAST contains three major sub-programs:

- Space Load Prediction computes hourly space loads in a building based on weather data and user inputs detailing the building construction and operation.
- Air Distribution System Simulation uses the computed space loads, weather data, and user inputs.
- Central Plant Simulation computes monthly and annual fuel and electrical power consumption.

Heat Balance Loads Calculator (HBLC)

The BLAST graphical interface (HBLC) is a Windows-based interactive program for producing

BLAST input files. You can download a demo version of HBLC (for MS Windows) from the BLAST web site (User manual included).

HBLC/BLAST Training Courses

Experience with the HBLC and the BLAST family of programs has shown that new users can benefit from a session of structured training with the software. The Building Systems Laboratory offers such training courses on an as needed basis typically at our offices in Urbana, Illinois.

WINLCCID 98

LCCID (Life Cycle Cost in Design) was developed to perform Life Cycle Cost Analyses (LCCA) for the Department of Defense and their contractors.

To order BLAST-related products, contact the Building Systems Labora	atory at the address	s above.
Program Name	Order Number	Price
PC BLAST Includes: BLAST, HBLC, BTEXT, WIFE, CHILLER, Report Writer, Report Writer File Generator, Comfort Report program, Weather File Reporting Program, Control Profile Macros for Lotus or Symphony, and the Design Week Program. The package is on a single CD-ROM and includes soft copies of the BLAST Manual, 65 technical articles and theses related to BLAST, nearly 400 processed weather files with a browsing engine, and complete source code for BLAST, HBLC, etc. Requires an IBM PC 486/Pentium II or compatible running MS Windows 95/98/NT.	3B486E3-0898	\$1500
PC BLAST Package Upgrade from level 295+	4B486E3-0898	\$450
WINLCCID 98: executable version for 386/486/Pentium	3LCC3-0898	\$295
WINLCCID 98: update from WINLCCID 97	4LCC3-0898	\$195

The last four digits of the catalog number indicate the month and year the item was released or published. This will enable you to see if you have the most recent version. All software will be shipped on 3.5" high density floppy disks unless noted otherwise.

DOE-2 Directory of Program Related Software and Services 1

ESTSC Versions of DOE-2

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Program Name	Description		Cost		
DOE-2.1E (Ed Kidd or Walt Kelly) Source code, executable estsc@adonis.osti.gov current documentation for Energy Science & Technology	id Kidd or Walt Kelly) Source code, executable code and complete estsc@adonis.osti.gov ce & Technology		Windows SUN-UNIX VAX Govt/Educ \$ 300 \$455 \$500	SUN-UN \$455	* VAX
Software Center (ESTSC) P.O. Box 1020	DOE-2.1E/Version 103 for Windows and SUN UNIX DOE-2.1E DEC-VAX	concerning installation, media or platform questions). Help with	US, Mexico, Canada \$575	Canada \$575 \$1365	\$1835
Oak Ridge, TN 37831-1020 Ph: 865-576-2606 / Fx: 576-2865	Operating System: Windows, SUN UNIX, DEC-	modeling available free of charge from Bruce Birdsall at (925) 671-	Other Foreign \$1075	\$2120	\$2716
www.doe.gov/html/osti	VAX	6942 10am to 3pm Pacific time.			

Commercial Versions of DOE-2

1300		\$395 + \$15/SH including one set weather data (your choice) and documentation	\$500 consultant \$500 consultant \$500 consultant \$2000 client \$2000 clie	\$895 with DOE-2 and doc fill-in-the-blanks
Description		Use on 386/486 PCs with a math co-processor and 4MB of RAM. The package contains everything needed to run the program: program files, utilities, sample input files, and weather files. More than 300 weather files available. Operating System : DOS, Support	allows DOE-2 professionals to add reprojects by giving clients "what-if" ing DOE-2. The interface is designed lergy analysts and the GUI can be or each client's particular interests. 2.1E. ystem: DOS, Windows (98, 95, NT)	Complete support for all DOE-2 commands. Utility programs included: Prep, Demand Analyzer, weather processor. Over 500 worldwide weather files. Imports BDL files created with a text editor or other program. Based DOE-2.1E. Complete support for all DOE-2.1E. Support Unlimited, except no program. DOS Windows (3.1.95 NT)
Program Name) 	ADM-DOE-2 (Richard Burkhart) ADM Associates adm_asc@ns.net 3239 Ramos Circle Sacramento, CA 95827-2501 Ph: 916-363-8383, Fx: 363-1788	Compare-IT (Matt Brost) RLW Analytics, Inc. info@rlw.com 1055 Broadway, Suite G Sonoma, CA 95476 Ph: 707-939-8823, Fx: 939-9218 www.rlw.com	Item Systems byrne @ item.com 321 High School Road NE #344 Bainbridge Island, WA 98110 Ph. 206-855-9540 / Fx. 855-9541

We list third-party DOE-2-related products and services for the convenience of program users, with the understanding that the Simulation Research Group does not have the resources to check the DOE-2 program adaptations and utilities for accuracy or reliability.

Commercial Versions of DOE-2 (continued)

Program Name	Description		Cost
EnergyPro (D. Vonderkulen) demian@energysoft.com	Performs nonresidential load calculations for HVAC equipment sizing. Electronically exports forms to AutoCad for inclusion on blueprints. On-line help.	Input: Graphical	DOE-2 Module: \$ 700 ^{1,2} Non-residential \$ 250 ^{1,2}
Gabel Dodd/EnergySoft LLC 100 Galli Drive #1 Novato, CA 94949-5657	344 weather files for the U.S. and Canada. Operating System: DOS, Windows (95, NT). For California Users: Performs Title 24	Output: Graphs, forms	terface cts cash dis documentati
Ph: 415-883-5900, Fx: 883-5970 www.energypro.com	compliance calculations, includes state-certified HVAC and DHW Equipment directories, Title 24 tailored lighting calculations. Based on ESTSC DOE-2.1E	Support_Unlimited support	° required
(Bill Smith) (Bill Smith)	Provides full screen, fill-in-the-blank data entry, dynamic error checking context-sensitive help	Input Fill-in-the-blanks	\$1295 w/documentation
Elite Software P.O. Box 1194 Bryan, TX 77806 Ph: 409-846-2340 / Fx: 846-4367	mouse support, graphic reports, a 750-page user manual, and extensive weather data. Full implementation of DOE-2 on DOS-based 386 and higher computers. On-line help. Some weather files. Based on DOE-2 1F Operating System: DOS	Output Standard DOE reports plus some custom graphic reports Support Unlimited phone support	Source code not available.
FTI/DOE2 (Scott Henderson) info @ finite-tech.com Finite Technologies Inc. 3763 Image Drive Anchorage, Alaska 99504 Ph: 907-333-8937, Fx: 333-4482 www.finite-tech.com	FTI/DOE is 100% compatible with LBNL version. Source code versions will compile with most F77-compliant compilers. On-line help: 344 weather files for the U.S. and Canada. Based on ESTSC DOE-2.1E. No demo, 30-day trial period Operating System : DOS, Windows (3.x, 95, NT) AIX, ULTRIX, VMS, Linux, NeXTStep,	Input Version 2.x: text based Version 3.x: graphical Output All standard DOE-2 reports Run time and status graphics Support 90-days free; then cost is \$ 35 each email per incident \$ 55 per hour per incident \$ 125 per hour for engineering advice.	\$ 995.99 US w/documentation \$1066 Int'l w/documentation \$4999.99 Source code
PRC-DOE-2 (Paul Reeves) Paul.Reeves@DOE2.com Partnership for Resource Conservation 140 South 34 th Street Boulder, CO 80303 Ph. 303-499-8611, Fx: 554-1370	Text-based version of DOE-2 includes documentation. Extensive information on new features, including information on new system types, new commands, new options, etc., added to later versions of 2.1E. Operating System: DOS, Windows (95, NT)	Input Standard text-based Output Support Unlimited support.	\$ 495 w/documentation Source code not available.

Commercial Versions of DOE-2 (continued)

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Program Name	Description		Cost
VisualDOE 2.61 (Eric Kolderup) support@elev.com	Fast construction of building geometry using predefined blocks and/or drawing interface. Import	Input Graphical	Version 2.61 is \$495 w/documentation
Charles Eley Associates	zone shapes from CADD file (dxf format). Point-		;
142 Minna Street	and-click to define zone properties and HVAC		Source code not available.
San Francisco, CA 94105	systems. Rotate-able 3-D image of model. Custom	Output Graphical	
Ph: 415-957-1977	hourly outputs, customized graphs. On-line help.		
Fx: 415-957-1381	400+ US weather files, 12+ for Canada, plus	Support 90 days free phone and email	
www.eley.com	selected locations around the world. Operating System: DOS. Windows (3.1, 95, NT)	support.; thereafter \$195/hear	

Pre- and Post Processors for DOE-2

Program Name	Description	Cost
DrawBDL Joe Huang & Associates 6720 Potrero Avenue El Cerrito, CA 94530 Ph/Fx: 510-236-9238	DrawBDL , Version 2.1, is a graphic debugging and drawing tool for DOE-2 building geometry . DrawBDL reads your BDL input and makes a rotate-able 3-D drawing of your building with walls, windows, and building shades shown in different colors for easy identification. Operating System : DOS, Windows (3.1, 95, 98, NT) [Works with 2.1E]	\$125.00 plus shipping
PRC-TOOLS (Paul Reeves) P R C 140 South 34th Street Boulder, CO 80303 Ph: 303-499-8611 / Fx: 554-1370	PRC-Tools aid in extracting, analyzing, and formatting DOE-2 output. PRC-Grab automates the process of extracting any number of answers from DOE-2 standard output files. PRC-Hour and PRC-Peak format the hourly output and create Peak-Day and Average-Day load shapes for any number of periods and for any combination of hourly values. Operating System: Windows (95, 98, NT) [Works with 2.1E]	\$99.00
Visualize-IT (Matt Brost) RLW Analytics, Inc. mattb@rlw.com 1055 Broadway, Suite G Sonoma, CA 95476 Ph: 800-472-6716 Fx: 707-939-8823 www.rlw.com	Visualize-IT 2.0 is a Windows application designed to help you explore and summarize short-interval time series data, e.g., measurements taken once every 15 minutes over a period of weeks, months or years. Visualize-IT has been developed specifically for electric and gas load data measuring class profiles, market-segments, individual customer sites or specific end uses. Customized DOE2.1e hourly output importer. Visualize-IT is highly useful and informative for looking at DOE2 output and/or comparing to interval metered data. It is equally useful for other time series measurements such as weather, industrial process control, and water quality. Operating System: Windows 95, 98 and NT	\$500.00 per set Volume Discounts Available

Special Versions of DOE-2	Cost	offers a nercial and energy-efficient Web Based ign and	grated set of nternet based, operators Web Based	thly energy \$295 w/doc ngs in 236 +8.75% tax in IL ase [Based on +4.5% tax in VA S/H add \$20	ilding energy Contact Danny Parker at ditioned zone, FSEC for availability. aces linked to 239 US	n performs a full rom 239 Web Based	Title 24 98, Version 100 program and off LLC, 100 manual. (VISA/MC) -2.1E] Order #P440960006	se compared to San also be windows.lbl.gov/software/resf en products.
	Description	Natural Resources Canada's Commercial Building Incentive Program (CBIP) offers a financial incentive for the incorporation of energy efficiency features in new commercial and institutional building designs. The objective of this new incentive is to encourage energy-efficient design practices and to bring about lasting changes in the Canadian building design and construction industry. The program will be offered until March 31, 2004.	The CoolTools [™] project objective is to develop, disseminate and promote an integrated set of tools for design and operation of chilled water plants. CoolTools [™] products are Internet based, public domain resources available to building owners, design professionals, and operators involved in both new construction and retrofits.	DesiCalc screens desiccant cooling applications . It estimates annual or monthly energy loads, using hour-by-hour simulations, and costs for 11 typical commercial buildings in 236 geographical locations in the US. Includes the latest TMY2 meteorological database [Based on DOE-2.1E] Operating System : Windows 3.1, 95, 98, NT	Energy Gauge USA allows the simple calculation and rating of residential building energy use in the US. The simulation calculates a six-zone model of the residence (conditioned zone, attic, crawlspace, basement, garage and sunspace) with the various buffered spaces linked to the interior as appropriate. TMY weather data for the program are available for 239 US locations. [Based on DOE-2.1E] Operating System: Windows 95, 98, NT	Calculation of residential energy consumption using DOE-2.1E. The program performs a full annual simulation for a typical weather year (involving 8760 hourly calculations) from 239 locations around the United States in about 10-20 seconds.	Created for the State of California Energy Commission's, Title 24 energy code . Perform 98 is an interface shell with DOE-2 as the engine. DOS input. Output is only California Title 24 compliant. Technical support available for \$100/year from Gabel-Dodd Energy Soft LLC, 100 Galli Drive #1, Novato, CA 94960. Call 415-883-5900 for details. [Based on DOE-2.1E]	RESFEN calculates the energy and cost implications of a building's windows compared to insulated walls. The relative energy and cost impacts of two different windows can also be compared against each other. RESFEN calculates the heating and cooling energy use and associated costs, also the peak heating and cooling demand for specific window products. [Based on DOE-2.1E] Operating System: Windows 95, 98, NT
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