

Ventilation Study | Meyerson Hall

Original Massing Details:

Location: Philadelphia, PA

Internal heat loads

Heat source level: Educational, 40 W/m²

Occupancy schedule: From 0 hours to 24 hours

All zones but the atrium zones (if any) are assigned heat loads.

Off peak equipment load fraction: 0.2

Terrain properties

Terrain type: Urban, industrial or forest area

Thermal mass

☒ Include slab thermal mass

Floor / roof slab thickness: 2 in

Floor slab material: Concrete

Floor type: Exposed

Exposed area: 90 % of floor area

Ceiling type: Exposed

Night cooling

☐ Use night cooling. Windows open at nighttime, when the air is cold enough to cool down the thermal mass. Windows close (down to 10%) during daytime to prevent hot outdoor air from entering the building. If the building has a fan, it will be used to assist night cooling.

☒ Time controlled: close all windows at 7 hours, open windows at 19 hours

☐ Temperature controlled: close windows in zones where temperature is lower than outdoor temperature; close windows otherwise

Number of floors: 5

Floor length: 120 ft

Floor (bay) width: 120 ft

Floor-to-floor height: 11.5 ft

Floor-to-ceiling height: 10 ft

Shaft width: 30 ft

Shaft height: 16.4 ft

Building footprint: 32400.0

Occupied area per floor: 28800.0

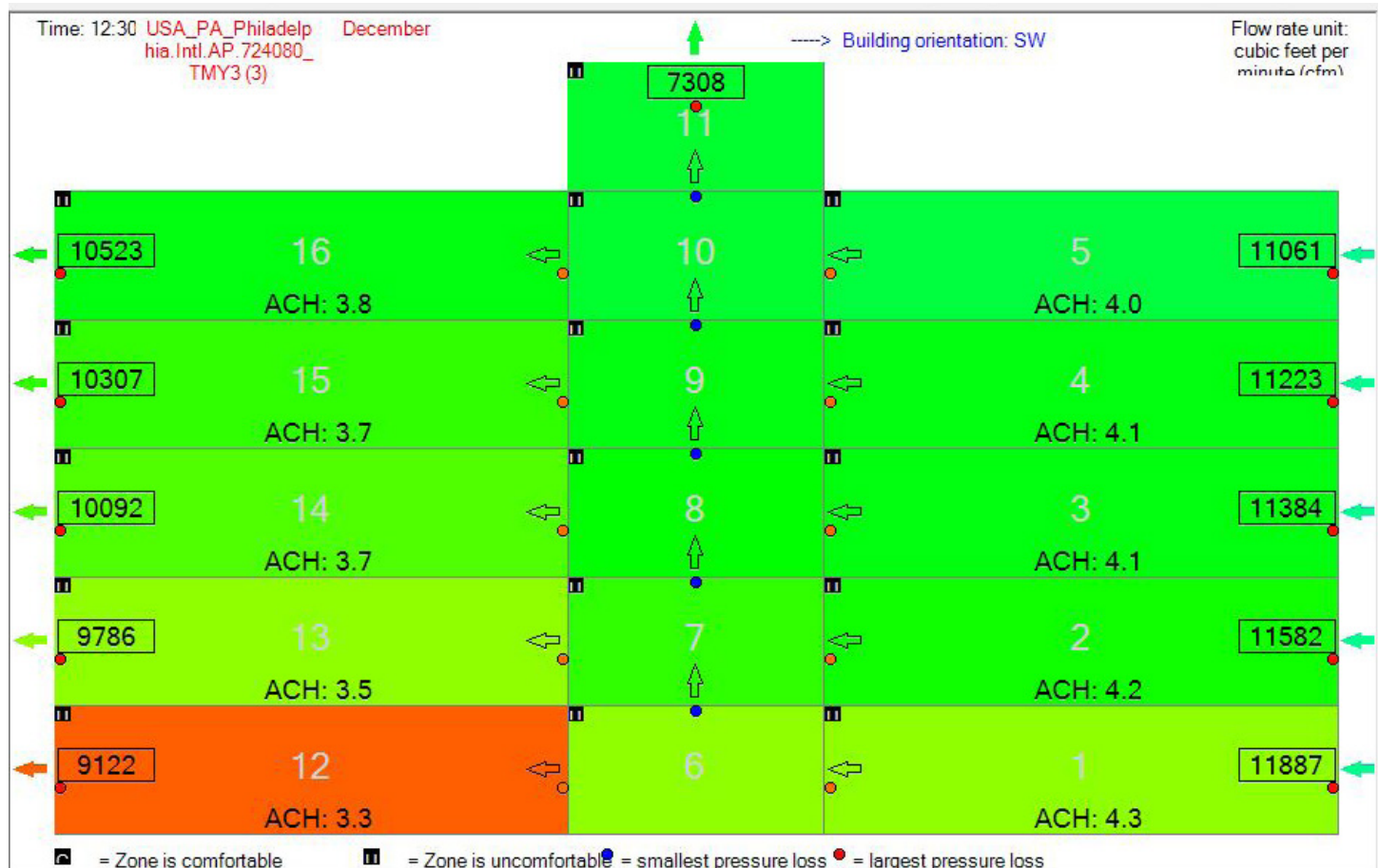
Glazing-to-wall ratio per floor: 43.5

Opening-to-wall ratio per floor: 90.7

Ratio of roof opening to roof area: 0.3

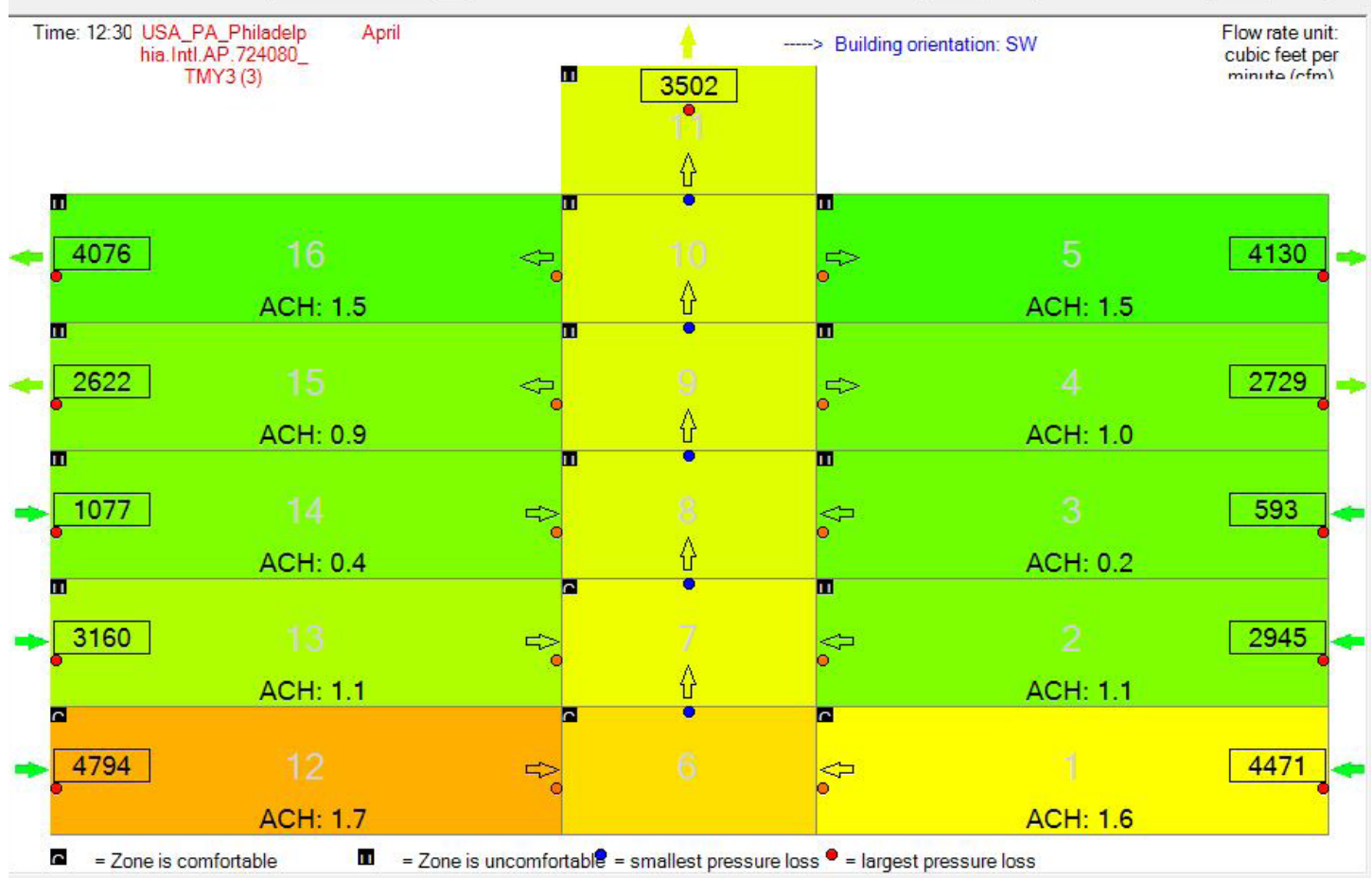
*central atrium



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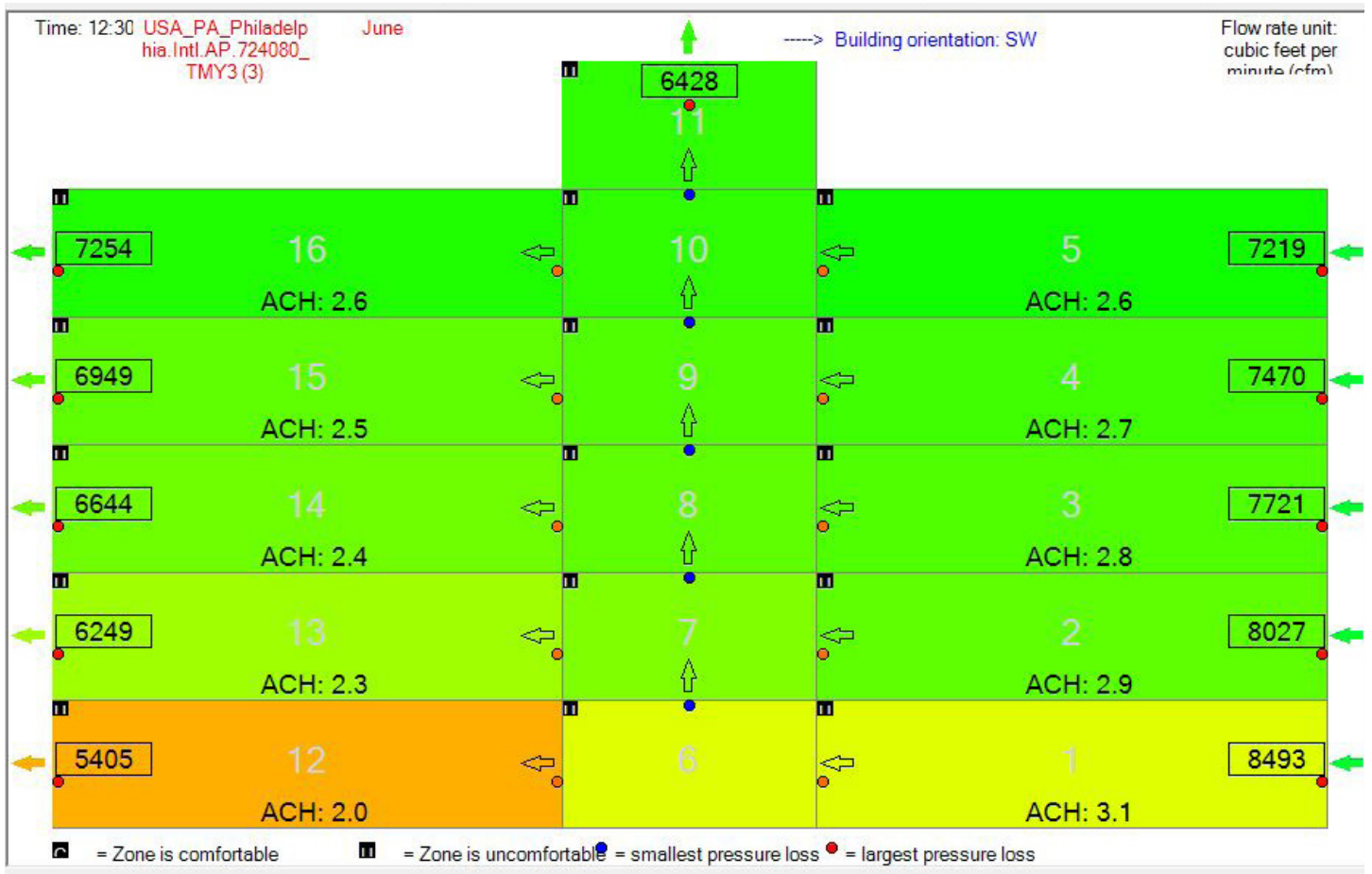
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






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June, 13:30:



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	16	49.5% hot 0% cold 50.5% comfort of total number of occupied hours	10		5	44.3% hot 0% cold 55.7% comfort of total number of occupied hours
	15	61.9% hot 0% cold 38.1% comfort of total number of occupied hours	9		4	49.5% hot 0% cold 50.5% comfort of total number of occupied hours
	14	66% hot 0% cold 34% comfort of total number of occupied hours	8		3	50.5% hot 0% cold 49.5% comfort of total number of occupied hours
	13	74.2% hot 0% cold 25.8% comfort of total number of occupied hours	7		2	50.5% hot 0% cold 49.5% comfort of total number of occupied hours
	12	100% hot 0% cold 0% comfort of total number of occupied hours	6		1	100% hot 0% cold 0% comfort of total number of occupied hours











Design Strategy 1:

As there is a disparity between comfort levels of the top most and lowest levels, I changed the massing to have cross ventilation, hopefully for even ventilation. Experimentation with the glazing-to-wall ratio yielded 36.2% per floor. This ratio is especially productive for the spring but remains too high for the winters and too low for the summers.

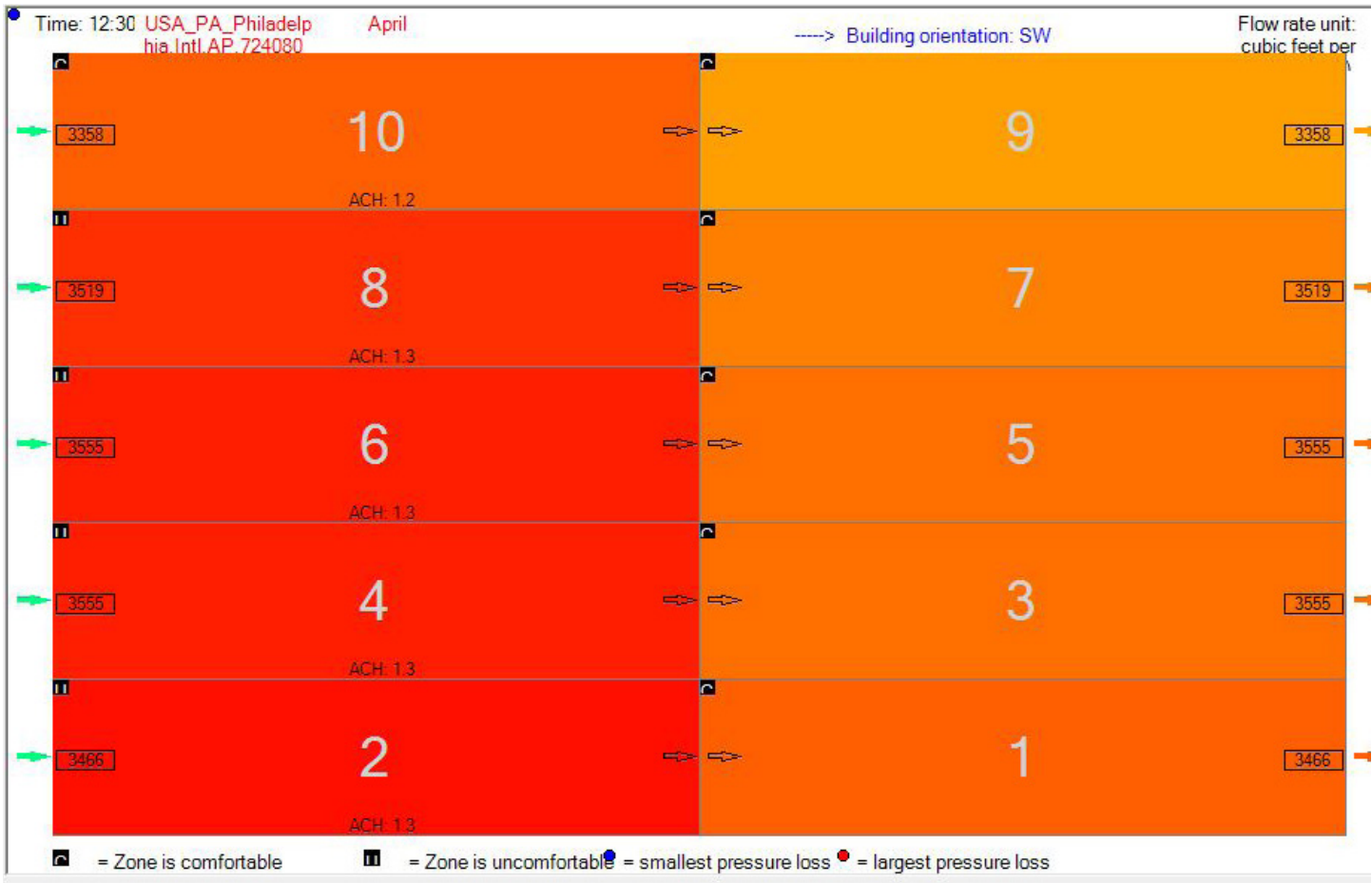
The windows were set as double openings.

Finally, the floors were indicated as thermal masses with a thickness of 1'. The massing utilizes temperature controlled night cooling. This means that at night, the heat gained throughout the day is released through open windows in areas where the indoor temperature is higher than the outdoor temperature.

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







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	8	40.2% hot 0% cold 59.8% comfort of total number of occupied hours		7	0% hot 14.4% cold 85.6% comfort of total number of occupied hours
	6	43.3% hot 0% cold 56.7% comfort of total number of occupied hours		5	0% hot 12.4% cold 87.6% comfort of total number of occupied hours
	4	45.4% hot 0% cold 54.6% comfort of total number of occupied hours		3	1% hot 12.4% cold 86.6% comfort of total number of occupied hours
	2	45.4% hot 0% cold 54.6% comfort of total number of occupied hours		1	12.4% hot 10.3% cold 77.3% comfort of total number of occupied hours

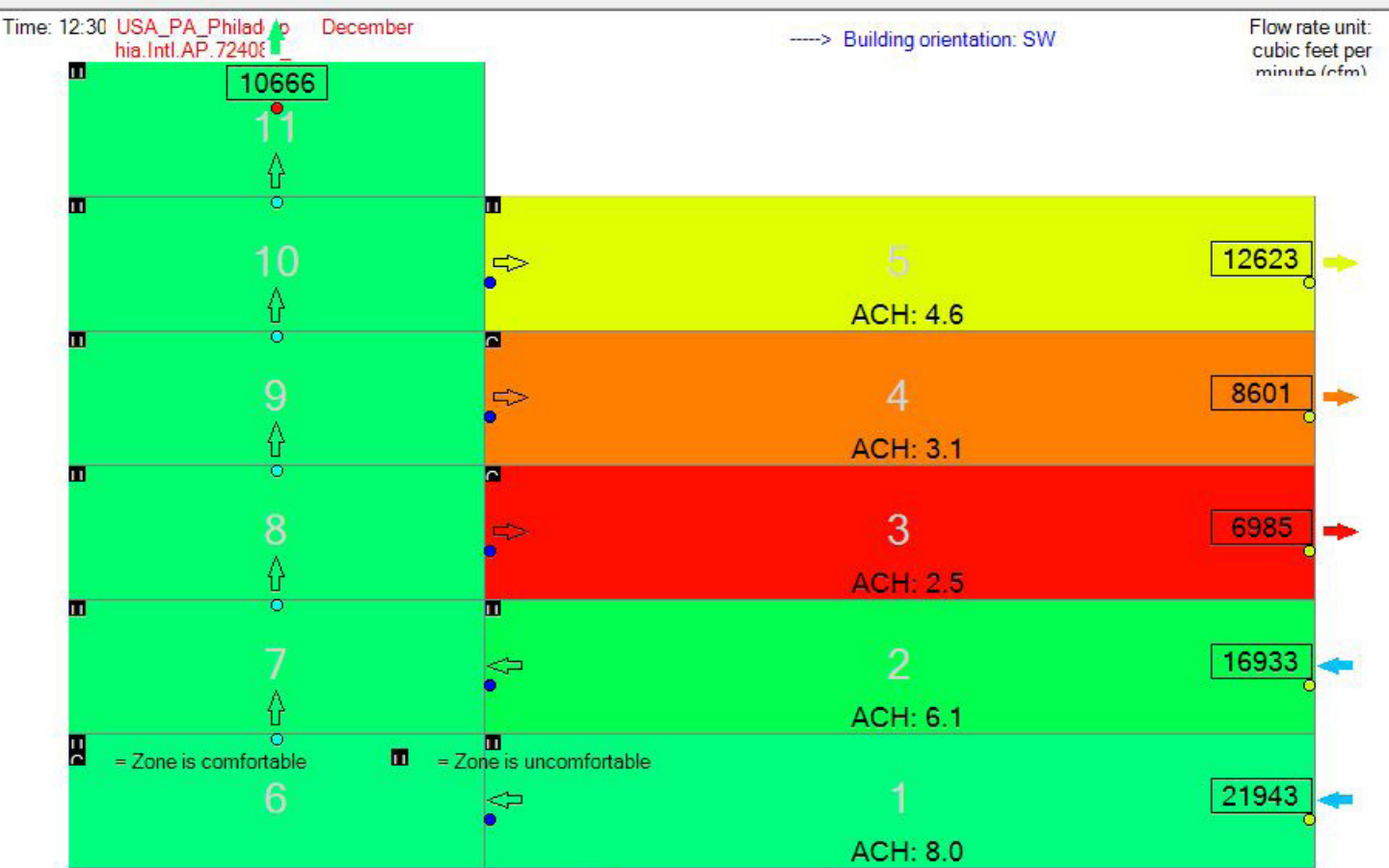
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


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Design Strategy 2:

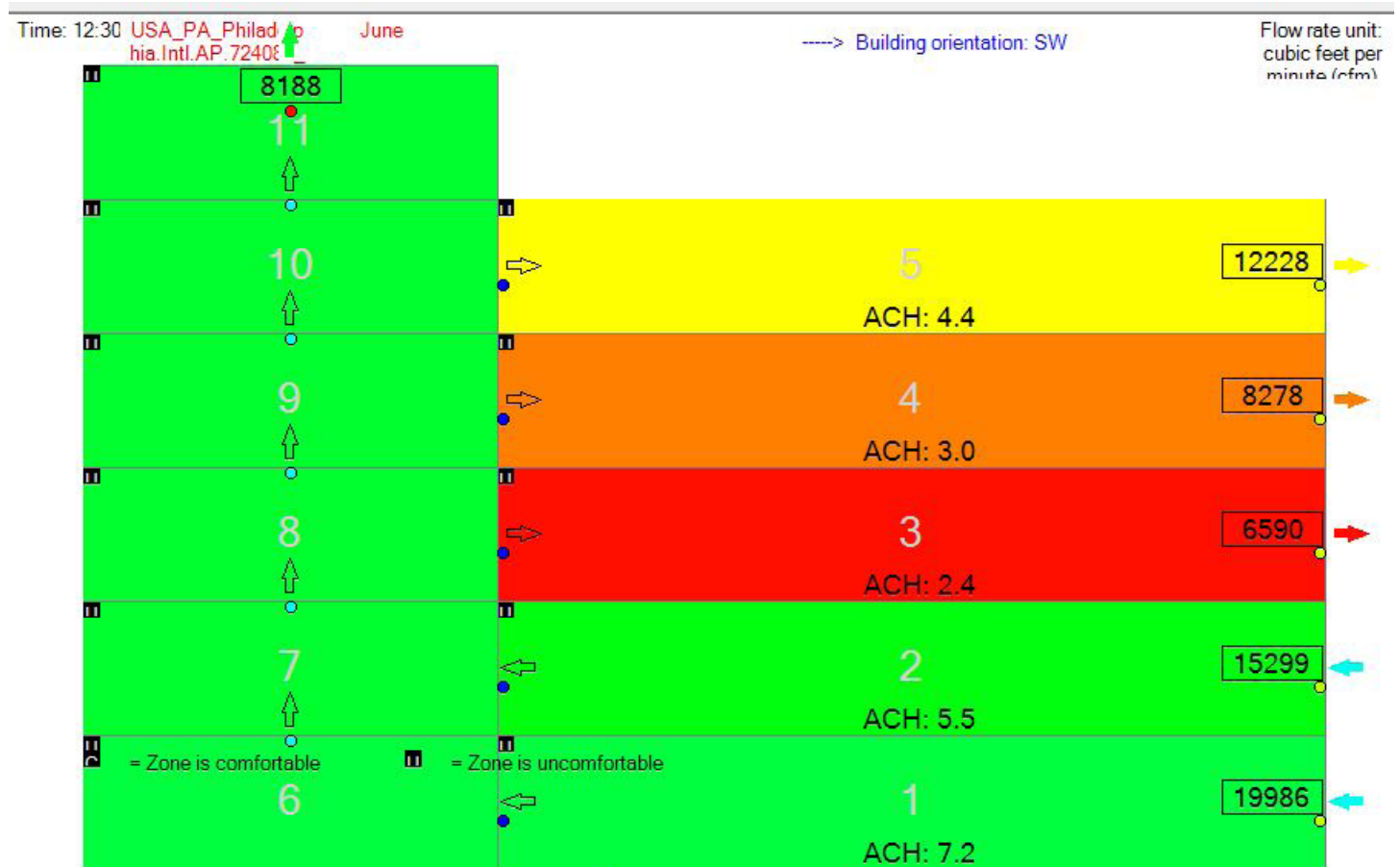
For the second design strategy, I changed the massing to a ventilation shaft and removed the thermal mass so as not to retain heat during the summers. The interesting observation is that the middle floors retain heat which works for the colder weather. The top floors are still to warm for the summer however, despite the window-to-wall ratio increase to 43.5%.






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