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# Diverse Voices for Change



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How Women Architects Investigate Various Certifications and Strive Towards Truly Regenerative Building Design



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# TRANSFORMATION OF A NEIGHBORHOOD



SITE PRIOR DEMO

## Westbrooke Village:

- 40-acre former public housing site



PHASE 1 & 2 - IN CONSTRUCTION

## Village at Park River:

- 432 units
- Multiphase - 8 phases
- Multifamily
- Mixed Income Housing
- Mixed-use Community
- Re-establishment of premier gateway into the City

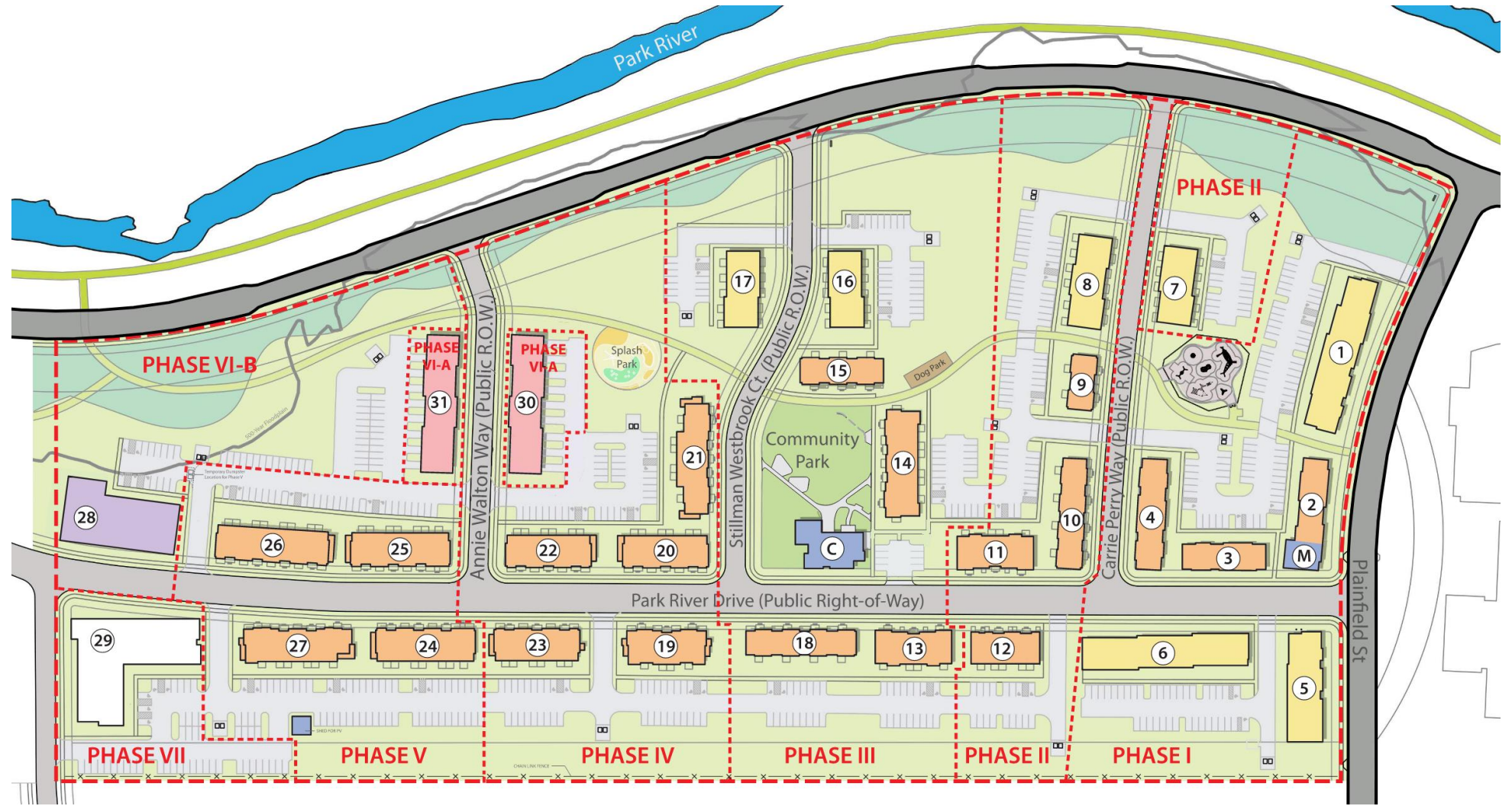
# MULTIPHASE - MULTIFAMILY - MIXED INCOME HOUSING

PHASE	1 BR	2 BR	3 BR	Total
I	28 37%	32 43%	15 20%	75
II	29 48%	24 40%	7 12%	60
III	26 40%	31 48%	8 12%	65
IV	24 40%	29 48%	7 12%	60
V	26 45%	24 41%	8 14%	58

PH 1: LIHTC AWARDED - CONSTRUCTION COMPLETED - FULLY OCCUPIED - CERTIFIED TO PHI STANDARDS  
 PH 2: LIHTC AWARDED - CONSTRUCTION COMPLETED - FULLY OCCUPIED - CERTIFICATION IN PROCESS TO MEET PHIUS+ 2015  
 PH 3: LIHTC AWARDED - IN CONSTRUCTION - TO BE COMPLETED - SPRING 2022 - PRE-CERTIFIED TO PHI STANDARDS  
 PH 4: LIHTC AWARDED - CONSTRUCTION TO BREAK GROUND - FALL 2021 - TO BE CERTIFIED TO PHI STANDARDS  
 PH 5: LIHTC APPLICATION IN PROCESS - TO BE SUBMITTED - JAN 2022 - PHIUS CORE 2021 OR PHI - TBD

**LEGEND**

- - - Site Boundary
- - - MDC Property
- - - Road Connection
- Railway
- - - Stormwater Pipe
- - - Building Setbacks
- Right of Way
- Bike/Pedestrian Trail
- Home Ownership
- 3-Story Row Bldg Rental
- 2-Story Row Bldg Rental
- Apartment Bldg
- Management / Community Space
- Commercial Space
- Public Rail Station
- Green Infrastructure
- Open Space



# LIHTC (LOW INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDIT) PUBLIC FUNDING FOR PASSIVE HOUSE DESIGN IN CONNECTICUT

CHFA QAP: Sustainability Design Measures - New Construction	Points
<i>Benchmarking with EPA's Energy Star Portfolio Manager is a prerequisite for all Sustainability points</i>	
<b>Energy Conservation</b>	<b>2-4</b>
Prerequisites: DOE Zero Energy Ready Home Certification AND Balanced ventilation	
<b>Tier 1</b> Average HERS Index ≤50; OR Average % below ENERGY STAR Target Index ≥15%	2
<b>Tier 2</b> Average HERS Index ≤46; OR Average % below ENERGY STAR Target Index ≥25%	3
<b>Tier 3</b> Average HERS Index ≤42; OR Average % below ENERGY STAR Target Index ≥35%; OR Passive House; OR International Living Future Institute (ILFI) Zero Energy Ready	4
<b>Green Building</b>	<b>2-3</b>
<b>Tier 1</b> Enterprise Green Communities 2020 (EGC 2020); OR National Green Building Standard (NGBS ) Gold; OR Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Gold	2
<b>Tier 2</b> National Green Building Standard (NGBS ) Emerald; OR Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Platinum; OR Living Building Challenge (LBC) Core Ready	3
<b>Renewables, Electrification, and Resiliency</b>	<b>1-3</b>
<b>Tier 1</b> PV system to offset ≥75% of the annual energy demand for site and interior common area lighting.	1
<b>Tier 2</b> PV system to offset ≥90% of the annual energy demand for site and interior common area lighting; AND All-Electric Buildings (excludes backup generator); AND Backup Power to provide resiliency to Critical Systems, Emergency Lighting, and Access to Potable Water	2
<b>Additional Additive Point</b> All-Electric Buildings; AND Battery storage systems or fuel cell to serve as backup power to provide resiliency Critical Systems, Emergency Lighting, and Access to Potable Water	(+1)
<b>Operations and Resiliency</b>	<b>1-2</b>
<b>Tier 1</b> Owner Paid Utilities (to cover usage for- heating, cooling & hot water at a minimum); AND Commissioning	1
<b>Tier 2</b> Owner Paid Utilities (to cover usage for- heating, cooling & hot water at a minimum); AND Commissioning; AND Backup power to resiliency to Critical Systems, Emergency Lighting, and Access to Potable Water	2
<b>Sustainable Development with Digital Literacy and Connectivity</b>	<b>1</b>
High-speed Broadband access to units	1
<b>Total Possible Points</b>	<b>7-13</b>



- 7 - 8 month long process
- Requires site control, zoning and all regulatory approvals, tax agreements, etc.
- Coordination with Department of Housing
- 90% drawings with full detailed construction costs with trade
- item breakdowns

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

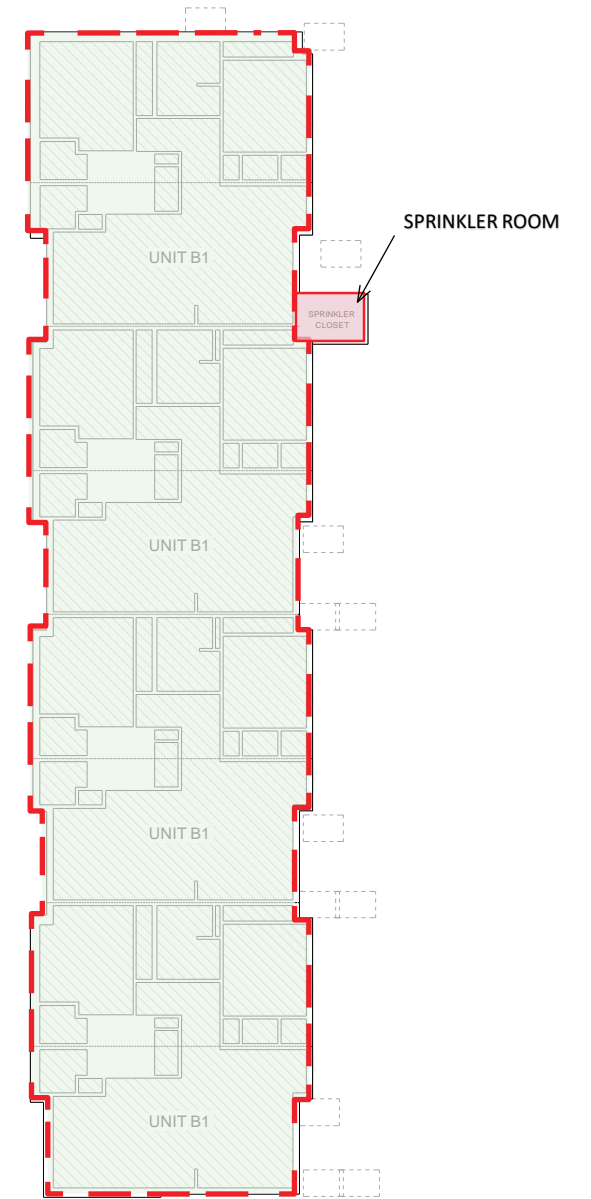
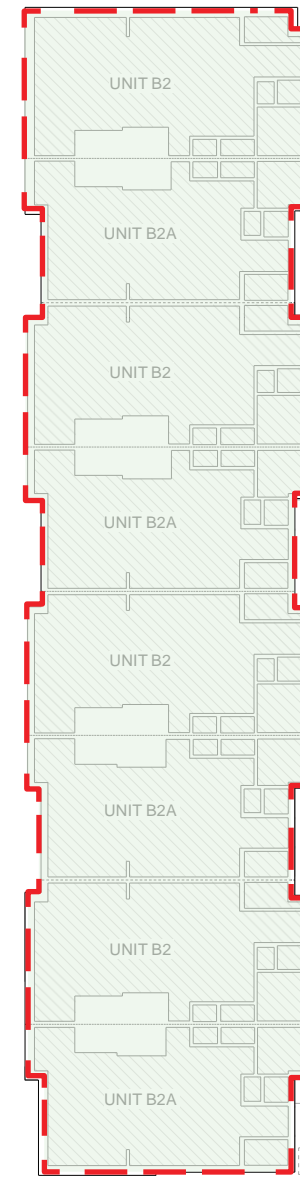
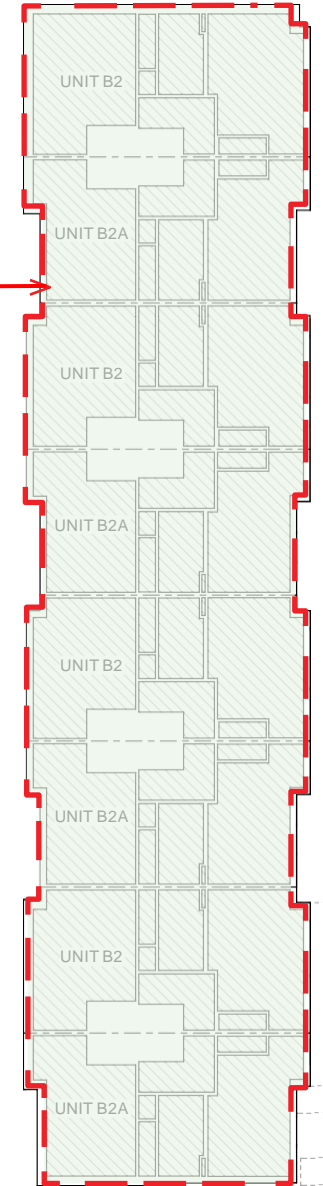
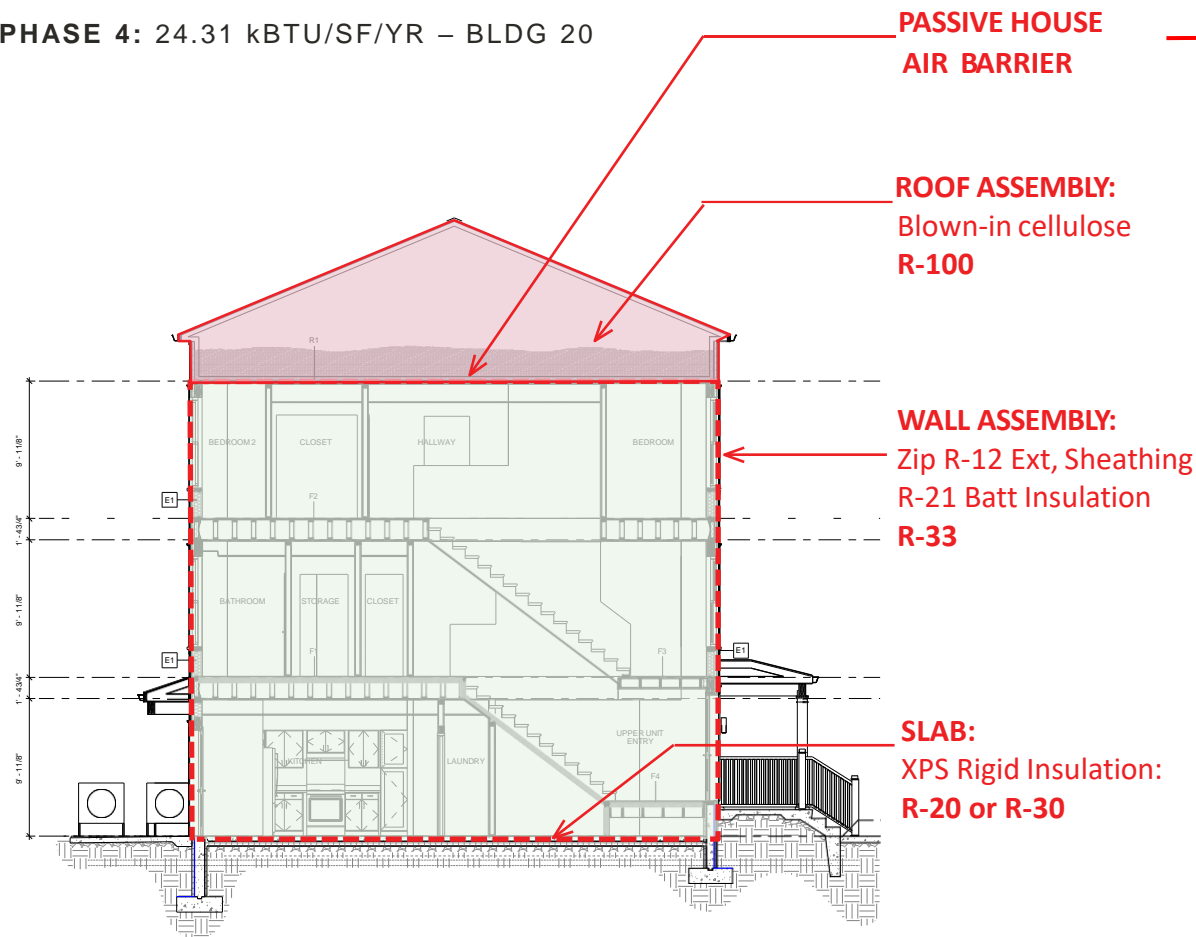
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# PASSIVE HOUSE - BUILDING ENVELOPE & PREDICTED EUI

**PREDICTED EUI  
WORST CASE PER BUILDING  
IN EACH PHASE**

- PHASE 1:** 22.30 kBTU/SF/YR – BLDG 5
- PHASE 2:** 19.87 kBTU/SF/YR – BLDG 12
- PHASE 3:** 26.51 kBTU/SF/YR – BLDG 13
- PHASE 4:** 24.31 kBTU/SF/YR – BLDG 20

- WITHIN PASSIVE HOUSE ENVELOPE
- EXCLUDED FROM PASSIVE HOUSE ENVELOPE



# PASSIVE HOUSE - ENVELOPE FEATURES



ZIP R-12-EXT. SHEATHING



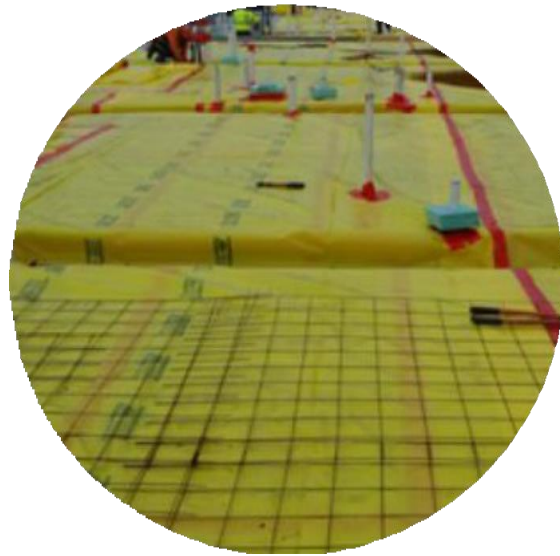
NON-PASSIVE HOUSE DOORS



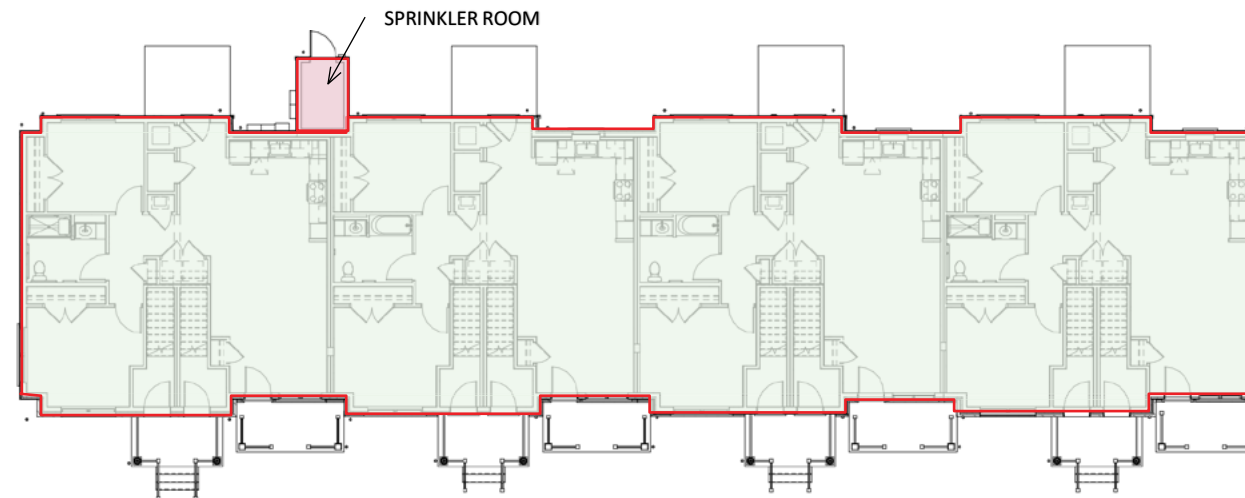
PASSIVE HOUSE WINDOWS AT UNITS



PASSIVE HOUSE WINDOWS AT MANAGEMENT SUITE



SUB-SLAB XPS (R20 OR R30) WITH 15 MIL. VAPOR BARRIER



WITHIN PASSIVE HOUSE ENVELOPE

EXCLUDED FROM PASSIVE HOUSE ENVELOPE



ZIP SHEATHING AT CEILING



# PASSIVE HOUSE - MECHANICAL FEATURES



DUCTED HEAT PUMPS IN 2 & 3 BEDROOM UNITS



PHASES 1,2,3 & 4  
INDIVIDUAL GAS FIRED  
TANKLESS HOT WATER  
HEATERS / SEALED  
COMBUSTION, DIRECT VENT

PHASE 5:  
EXPLORING - INDIVIDUAL  
TANKED ELEC. HOT WATER  
HEATERS



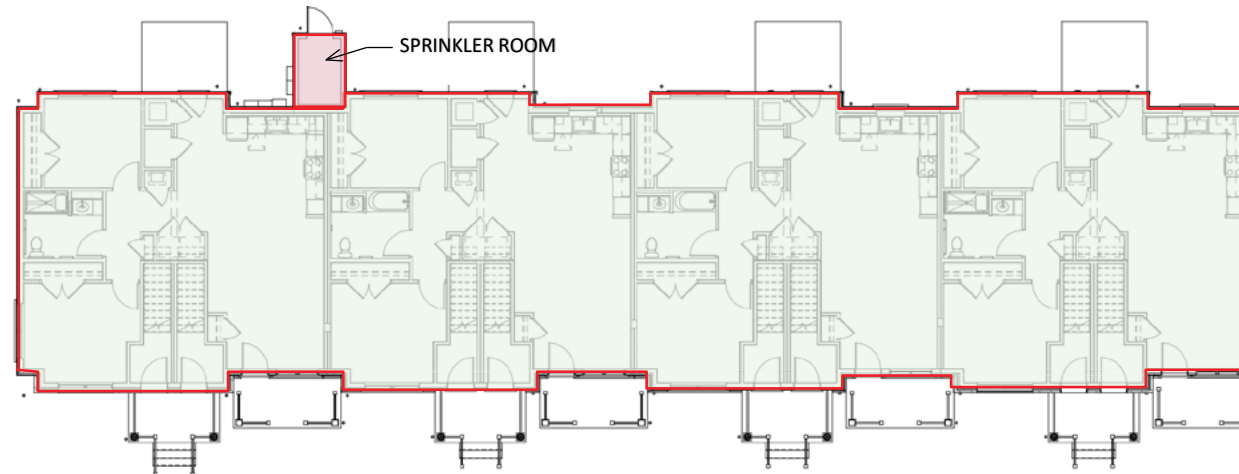
INDIVIDUAL ERV



PV SOLAR TO PARTIALLY  
PROVIDE FOR SITE LIGHTING



WALL MOUNTED HEAT PUMPS  
IN 1 BEDROOM UNITS



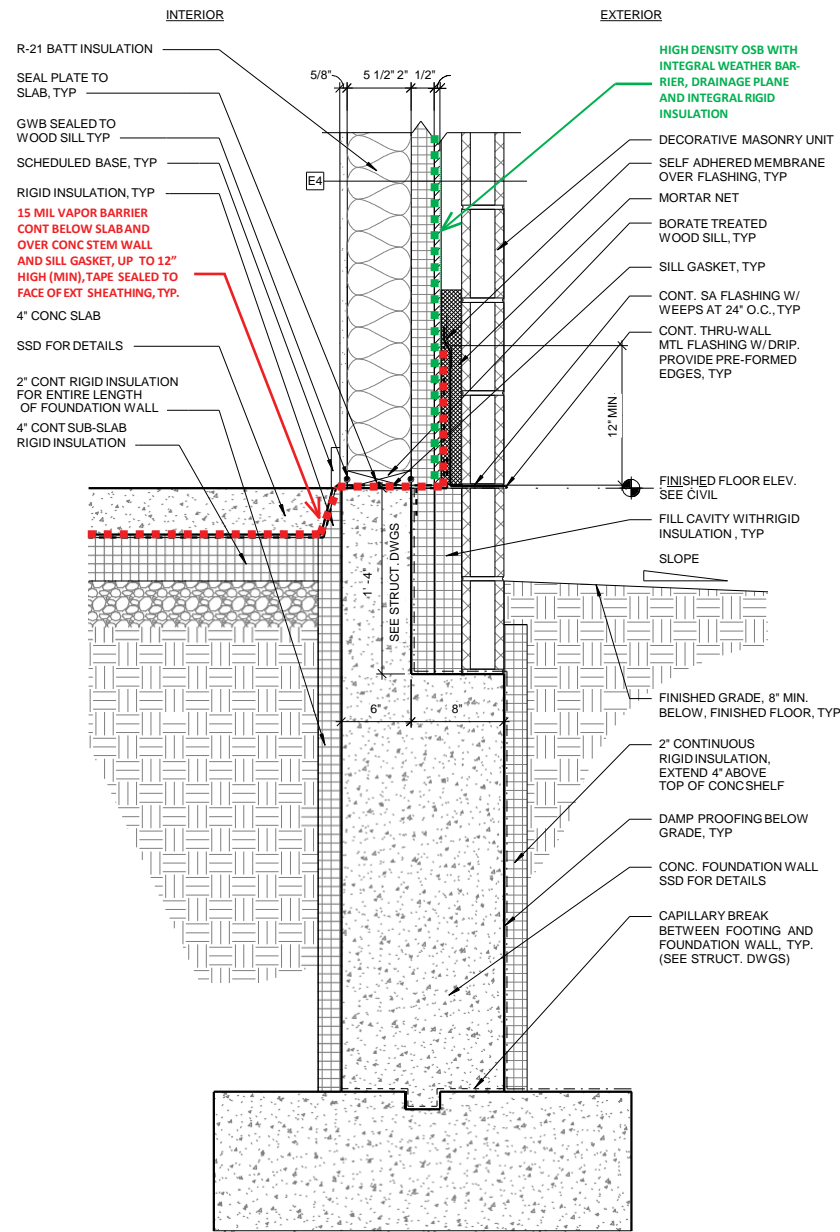
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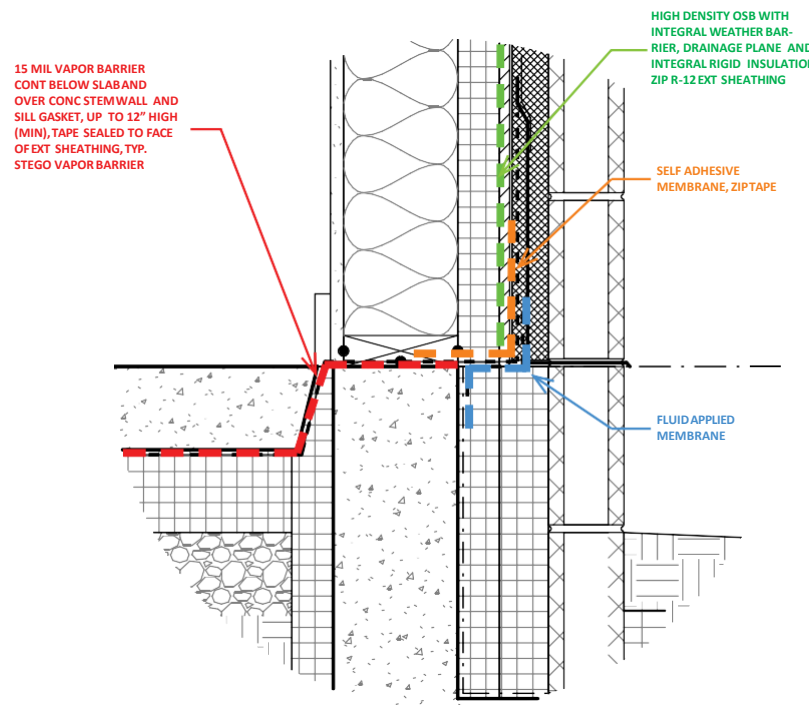


INDIVIDUAL LAUNDRY  
WITH HEAT PUMP/  
VENTLESS ELEC DRYERS

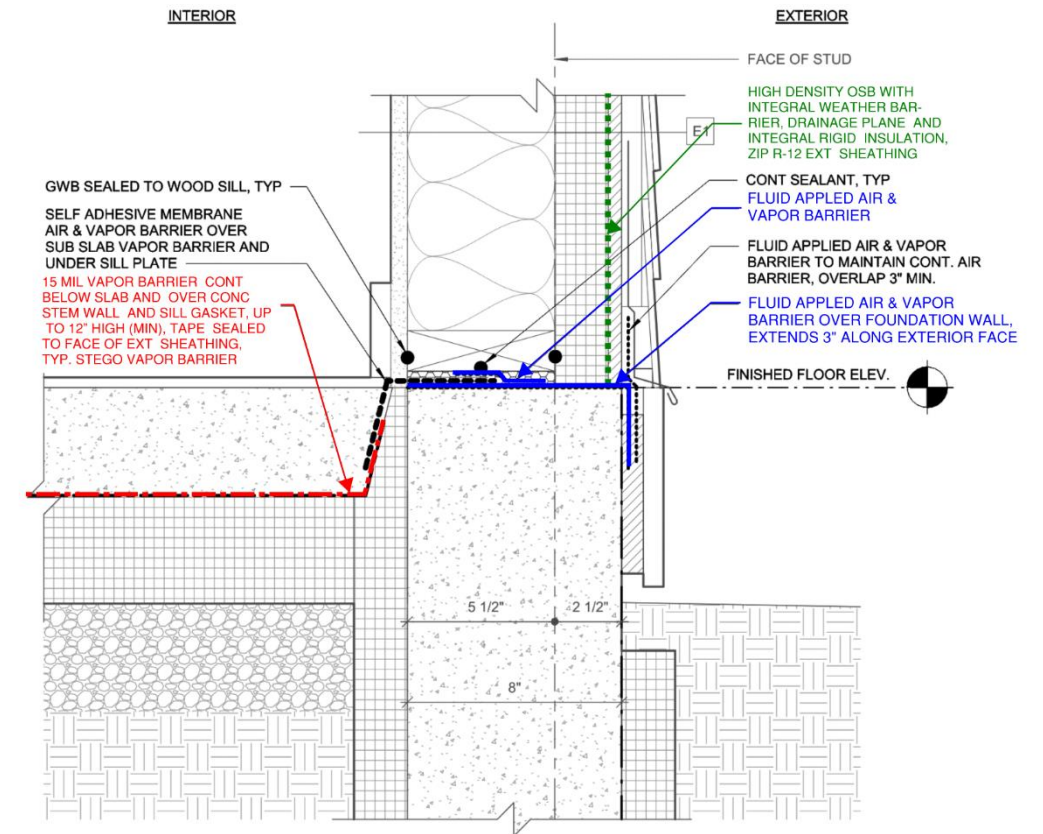
# AIR BARRIER AT FOUNDATION



DESIGNED DETAIL PHASES 1 & 2

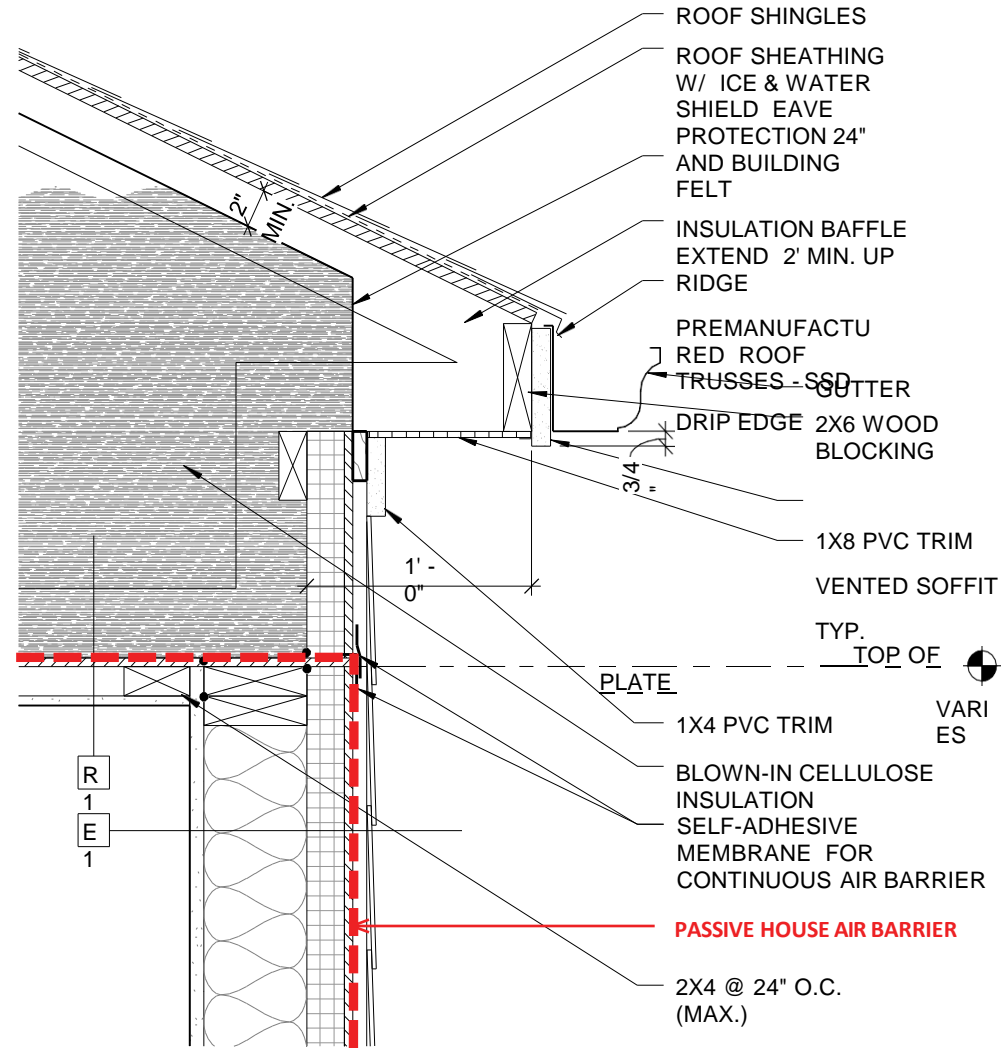


CONSTRUCTED DETAIL PHASES 1 & 2



CONSTRUCTED DETAIL PHASE 3

# PASSIVE HOUSE AIR BARRIER AT CEILING/ROOF



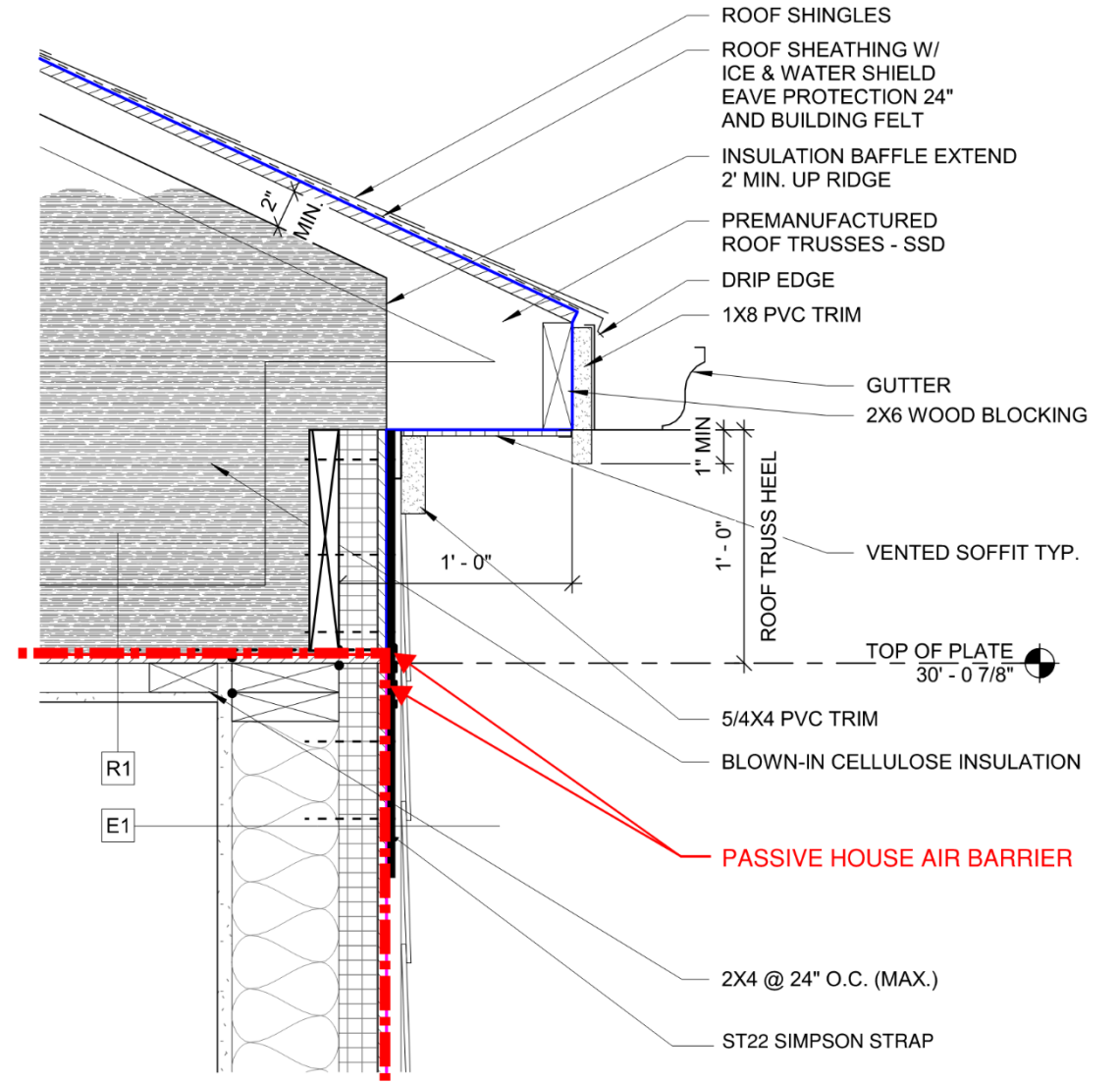
PHASE 1 & 2  
CONSTRUCTION DETAIL



PHASE 1 & 2  
CONSTRUCTION PHOTO



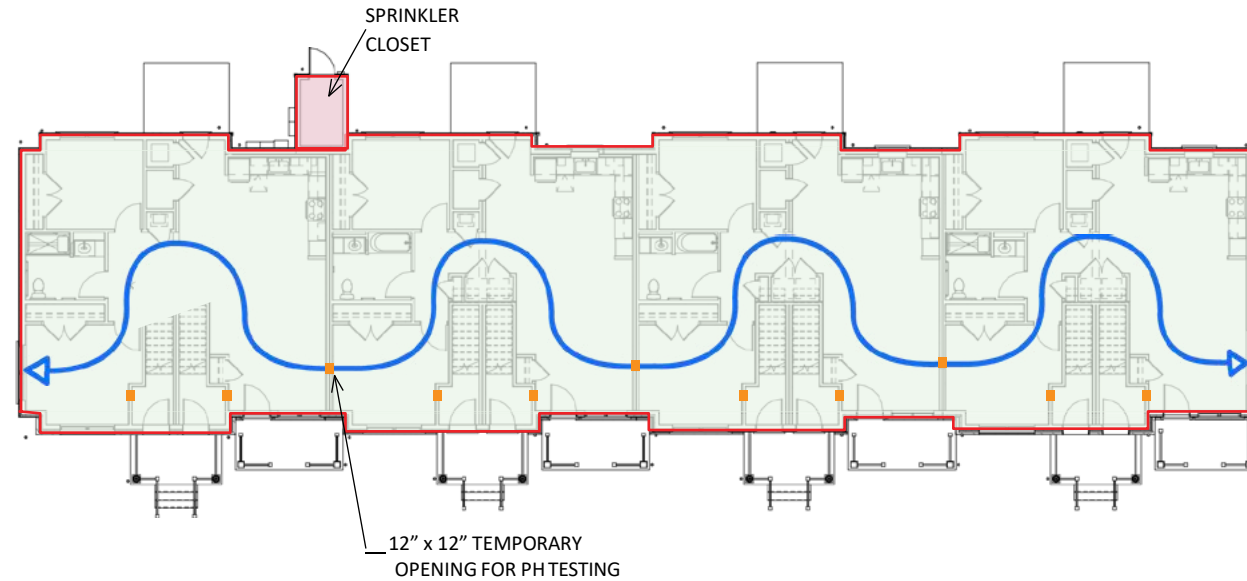
PHASE 3  
CONSTRUCTION PHOTO



PHASE 3  
CONSTRUCTION DETAIL

# PHI OR PHIUS CERTIFICATION

## CHFA REQUIRES TESTING TO PHIUS PROTOCOLS



### PRIOR TO PRELIMINARY TESTING:

- CHECK PH ENVELOPE
- CHECK AIR INFILTRATION AT SILL PLATE
- CHECK AND ADJUST WINDOWS
- CHECK FOR AIR INFILTRATION AROUND ERV VENTS / VENTS
- CHECK FOR AIR INFILTRATION AT ROOF TRUSSES

### PRELIMINARY BLOWER DOOR TEST WORST CASE:

- PHASE 1: 0.60 ACH 50 – ALL BUILDINGS
- PHASE 2: 0.50 ACH50 – ALL BUILDINGS
- PHASE 3: WORST & BEST CASE

0.43 ACH50 – BUILDING 17

**0.29 ACH50 – BUILDING 16**



# COMPARING PHI & PHIUS



	INTERNATIONAL PASSIVE HOUSE INSTITUTE (PHI)	PASSIVE HOUSE INSTITUTE U.S. (PHIUS)
<b>Space Conditioning Energy Targets</b>	Fixed - except for certain allowances made for dehumidification in relevant climates	Climate zone specific based on US climate.
<b>Energy Threshold</b>	<b>Primary Energy Criteria:</b> 38.04 kBtu/ft <sup>2</sup> .yr	<b>Source Energy Criteria:</b> 5,500 kWh/person.yr (PHIUS+ Core) 3,840 kWh/person.yr (PHIUS+)
<b>Airtightness</b>	<b>Set threshold for all building types:</b> 0.6 ACH50 required	<b>Determined by Building Envelope Area:</b> 0.06 CFM/ft <sup>2</sup> for buildings 4 stories and below 0.08 CFM/ft <sup>2</sup> for buildings 5 stories and above
<b>Passive House Area Calculation</b>	TFA (Treated Floor Area)	iCFA (Interior Conditioned Floor Area)
<b>Modeling Software</b>	Passive House Planning Package (PHPP)	WUFI Passive
<b>Certification Options</b>	Passive House Classic Passive House Plus (net-zero energy) Passive House Premium (net-positive energy)	PHIUS+ Core PHIUS+ PHIUS+ Source Zero (net-zero energy)
<b>Space Heating &amp; Cooling Criteria Thresholds</b>	Required to comply with: - Heating Demand <b>OR</b> Heating Load <b>AND</b> - Cooling Demand <b>OR</b> Cooling Load	Required to comply with: - Heating Demand <b>AND</b> Heating Load <b>AND</b> - Cooling Demand <b>AND</b> Cooling Load

# PHASE 1 & PHASE 2: CONSTRUCTION



PHASE 1 - MANAGEMENT SUITE



PHASE 1 - BLDG 4



PHASE 2 - BLDG 10



PHASE 2



PHASE 3 & COMMUNITY BUILDING



PHASE 3 - IN CONSTRUCTION



DESIGN BY: WRT

RENDER BY: KIRK FROMM



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***Looking at the whole picture – a broader lens beyond Passive House Certification***







***PHIUS Certification works well for single family homes.***

***Pre-certification reviews by PHIUS identifies risky assemblies and details that could lead to mold growth.***

***The on-site verification by a PHIUS certified rater or verifier assures quality control.***

***Certifications give leverage to the consultant/ architect/ homeowner.***

# PHIUS – WUFI Passive Energy Model

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Scope **Passive house verification** English/IP/Outer dimensions/PHIUS+ 2015 Standard Assign data

Project

- Cases
  - Case 1
    - Localization/Climate: PA - LANCASTER (Monthly)
    - Building
      - PH case: Passive house: Residential
        - Zone 1
          - Visualized components
            - Component 1: Roof**
            - Component 2: Roof\_hidden
            - Component 3: Walls\_N
            - Component 4: Walls\_N\_hidden
            - Component 5: Walls\_E
            - Component 6: Walls\_S
            - Component 7: Walls\_S\_hidden
            - Component 8: Walls\_W
            - Component 9: Walls\_basement
            - Component 10: Walls\_basement\_exp
            - Component 11: Door\_N
            - Component 12: Windows\_N\_1st\_entry...
            - Component 13: Windows\_N\_1st\_kitchen...
            - Component 14: Windows\_N\_1st\_kitchen...
            - Component 15: Windows\_N\_1st\_family...
            - Component 16: Windows\_N\_1st\_mud...
            - Component 17: Windows\_N\_2nd\_atrium...
            - Component 18: Door\_N\_2nd\_atrium\_ba...
            - Component 19: Windows\_N\_2nd\_dorm...
            - Component 20: Door\_E\_1st\_view\_balcc...
            - Component 21: Windows\_E\_1st...

General Assembly Surface

Assigned assembly

Name	R [hr ft² °F/Btu]
Holzraum_60mm Steico Roof_ R50	49.567

Select from database Edit

Available assemblies

Name	R [hr ft² °F/Btu]
Holzraum_60mm Steico Wall_ R36	36.416
Chambers_insulated slab Roxul_4" R18	18.449
Chambers_Basem_superiorwall_w/o int. wall_R18	18.368
Chambers_insulated slab Roxul_6" R27	27.463
Chambers_Basem_ICF_w/o int. wall_R28	28.248

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Inhomogenous layers

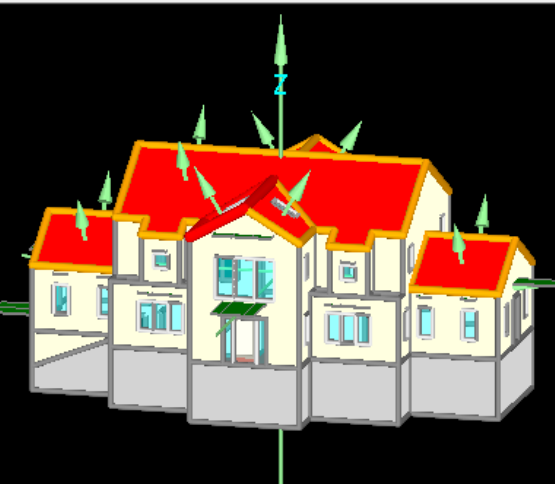
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Heat transfer coefficient (U-value): 0.02 Btu/hr ft² °F

Thickness: 14.86 in

Data state/results Show warnings

Heating demand:	4.09 kBtu/ft²yr	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	✓
Cooling demand:	1.17 kBtu/ft²yr	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	✓
Heating load:	3.3 Btu/hr ft²	0 1 2 3 4 5 6	✓
Cooling load:	1.93 Btu/hr ft²	0 1 2 3 4 5 6	✓
Source energy:	9,645 kWh/Person yr	0 2000 4000 6000 8000 10000	✗
Site energy:	8.46 kBtu/ft²yr	0 1.5 3 4.5 6 7.5 9	



## Climate Specific Performance Criteria

### PHIUS CORE & ZERO 2021

**phius 2021**  
Performance Criteria Calculator v2

UNITS: IMPERIAL (IP) ✓

BUILDING FUNCTION: RESIDENTIAL ✓

PROJECT TYPE: NEW CONSTRUCTION ✓

STATE/ PROVINCE: PENNSYLVANIA ✓

CITY: LANCASTER ✓

Envelope Area (ft²): 13,422

iCFA (ft²): 6,317

Dwelling Units (Count): 1

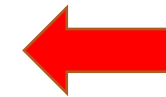
Total Bedrooms (Count): 5

**Space Conditioning Criteria**

Annual Heating Demand	5.7	kBtu/ft²yr
Annual Cooling Demand	4.7	kBtu/ft²yr
Peak Heating Load	4.0	Btu/ft²hr
Peak Cooling Load	1.9	Btu/ft²hr

**Source Energy Criteria**

phius CORE	5612	kWh/person.yr
phius ZERO	0	kWh/person.yr



# PHIUS – WUFI Passive Energy Model

The screenshot displays the WUFI Passive V.3.1.1.25 software interface. The top menu includes File, Input, Options, Database, and Help. The main window is titled 'Passive house verification' and shows a project tree on the left with 'Case 1' selected. The right pane shows the 'General' tab for a component, with a table of 'Assigned assembly' and 'Available assemblies'. The 'Assigned assembly' table lists 'Holzraum\_60mm Steico Roof\_R50' with an R-value of 49.567. The 'Available assemblies' table lists various wall and slab options with their respective R-values. Below the tables, a section titled 'Inhomogenous layers' provides thermal resistance and heat transfer coefficient (U-value) information, along with a 3D diagram of a wall section. At the bottom, a 'Data state/results' section shows energy demand and load metrics with horizontal bar charts and status indicators (green checkmarks for good, red X for bad).

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Site energy:	8.46 kBtu/ft²yr	✓

**In our Climate, Wufi typically rewards:**

**Windows with a high Solar Heat Gain Coefficient – which can influence comfort.**

**Recirculating kitchen exhaust hoods - which lowers the indoor air quality and risks blower door results.**

**Larger building surface - which increases overall energy usage.**

**High r-value – without regards to certain material choice implications.**

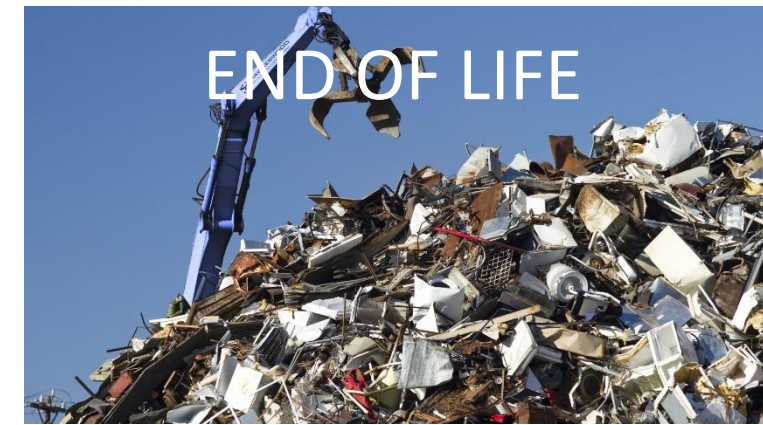
## ***Operational Carbon***



***Passive House is a Performance Based Building Standard that focuses on Operational Carbon.***

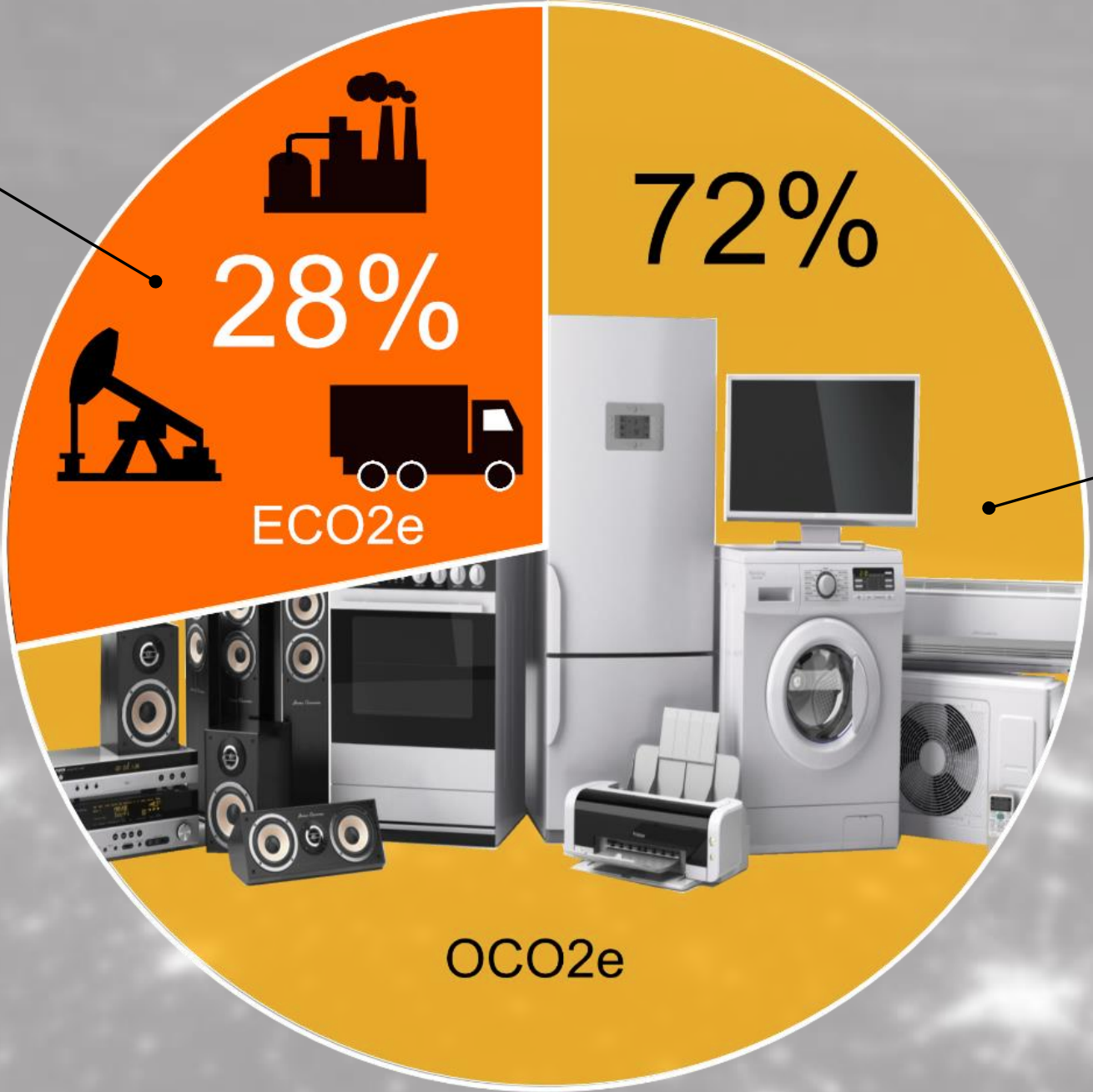
***At this point, there is no Passive House certification criteria that rewards the use of building materials with low Embodied Carbon.***

## ***Embodied Carbon***



# Annual Global Building Sector

Embodied Carbon

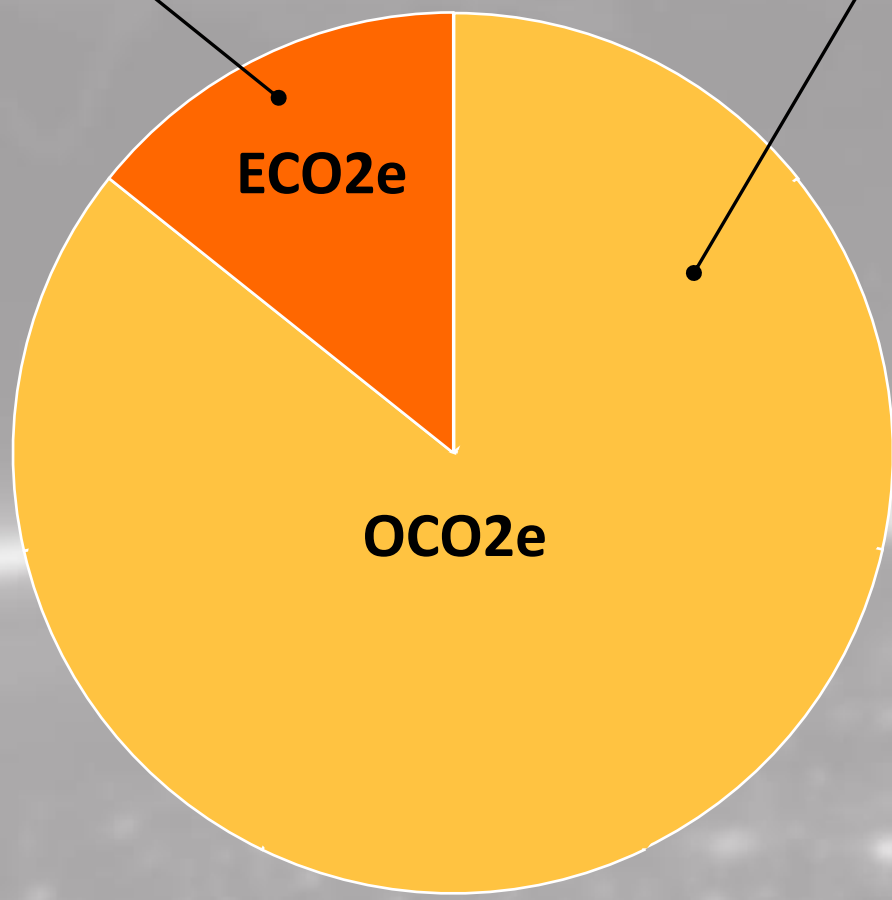


Operational Carbon

CO2e Emissions

Embodied Carbon

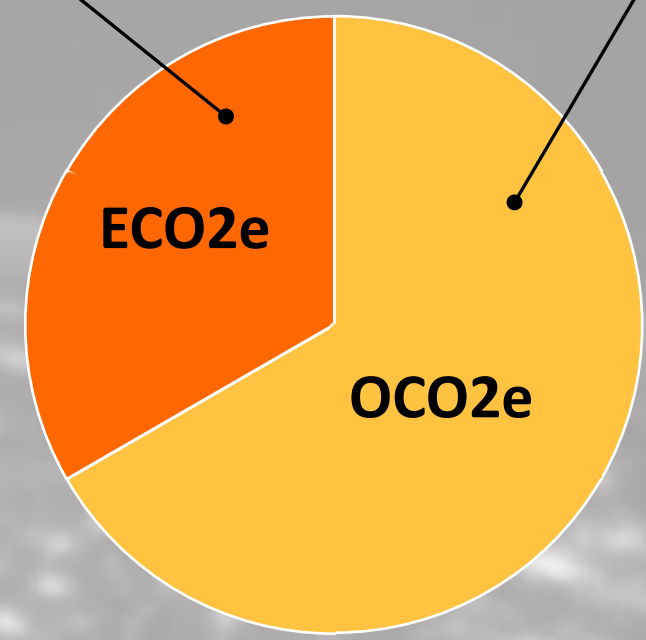
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Typical Buildings

Operational Carbon

Embodied Carbon



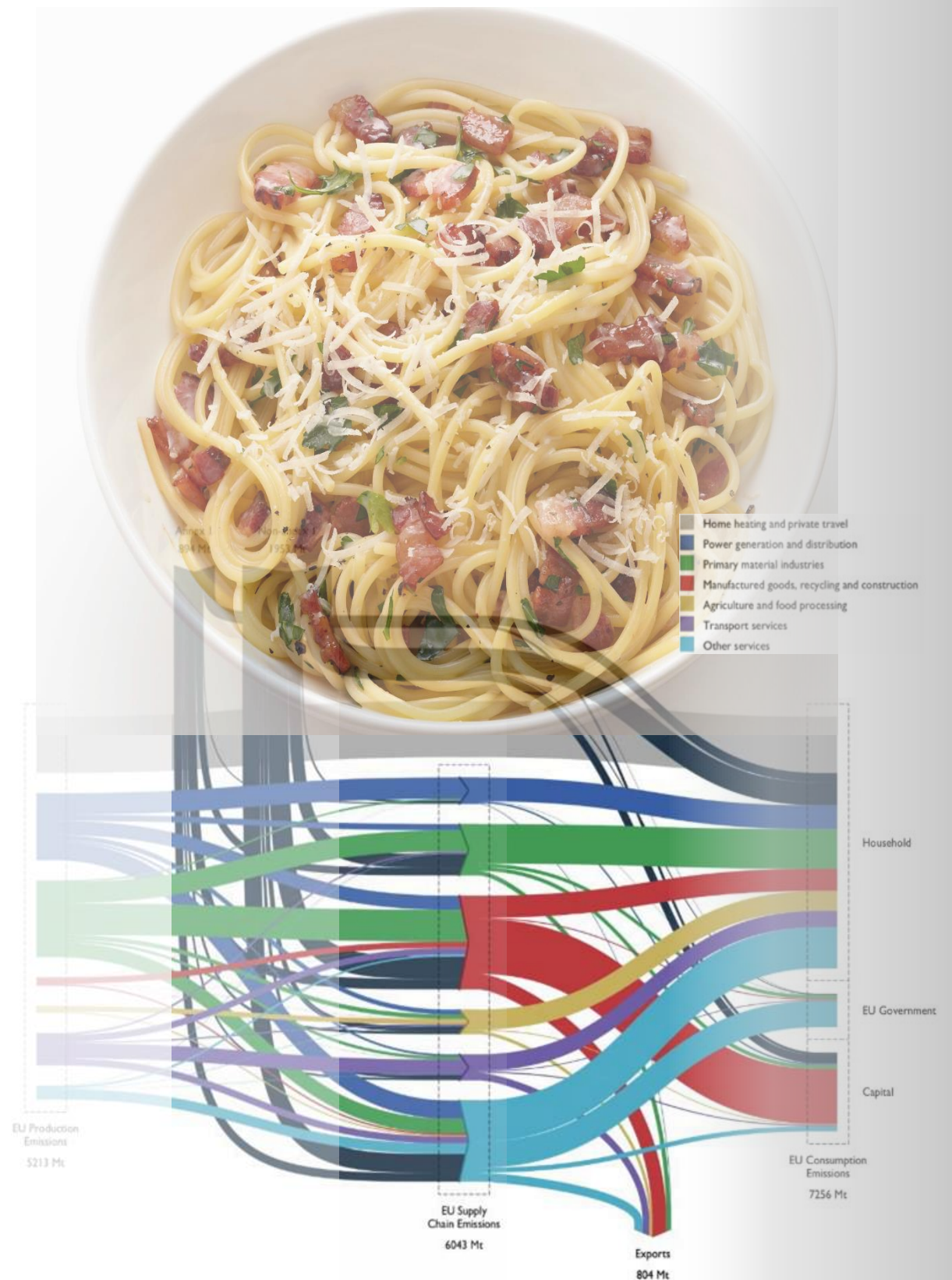
High Performance Buildings

# Spaghetti Carbon – Era: Disentangling Operational & Embodied Carbon

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- Project
  - Cases
    - Case 1: Code Home assemblies, ACH50 3.0 /hr, no heat pumps, regular erv
    - Case 2: Code Home assemblies, ACH50 3.0 /hr, efficient systems
    - Case 3: PHIUS+ 2015\_high embodied carbon
    - Case 4: PHIUS+ 2015\_Holzraum
    - Case 5: PHIUS+ 2015\_Holzraum\_improved carbon (basement)**

General Report: data & results

Name PHIUS+ 2015\_Holzraum\_improved carbon (basement)

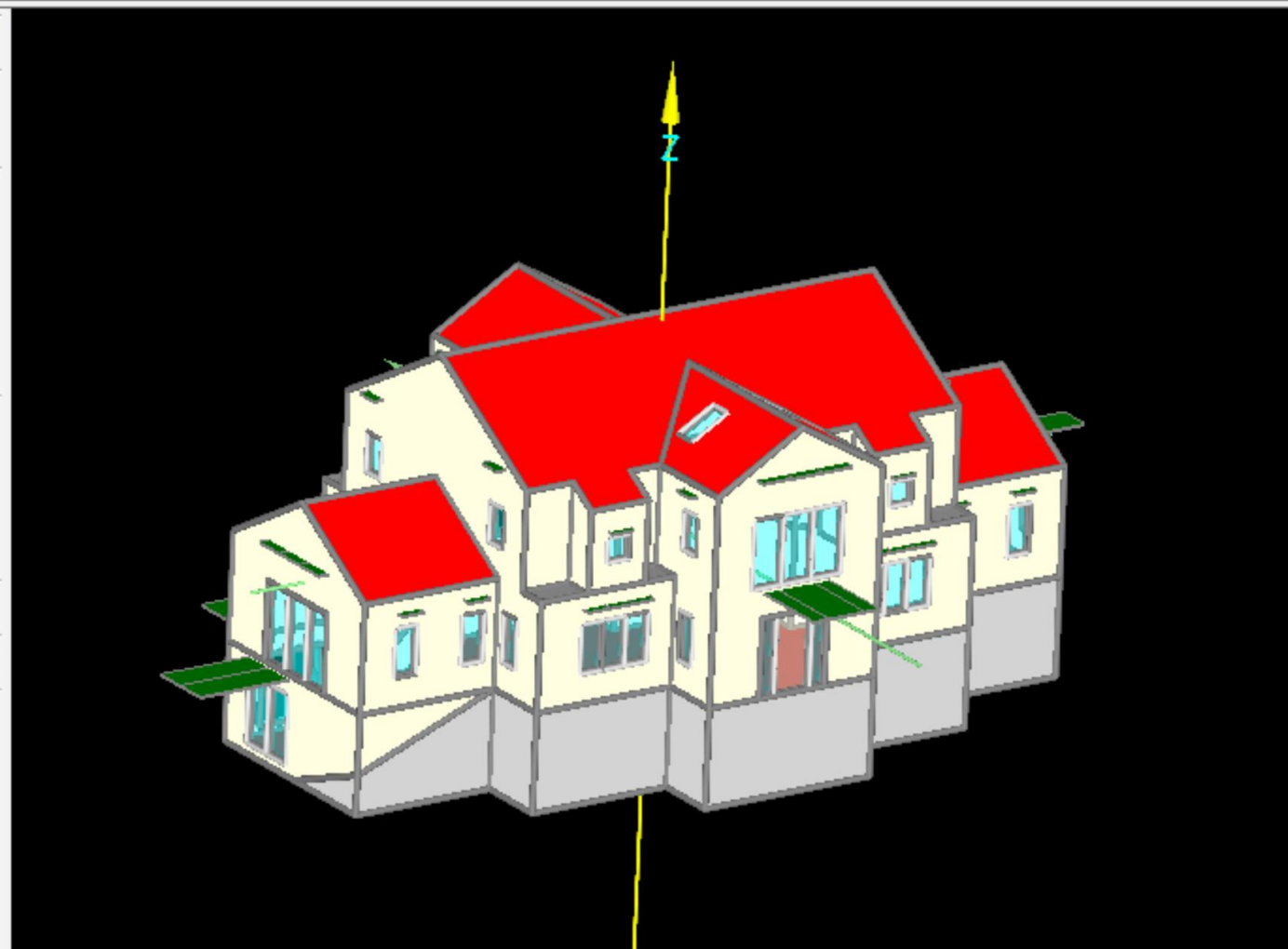
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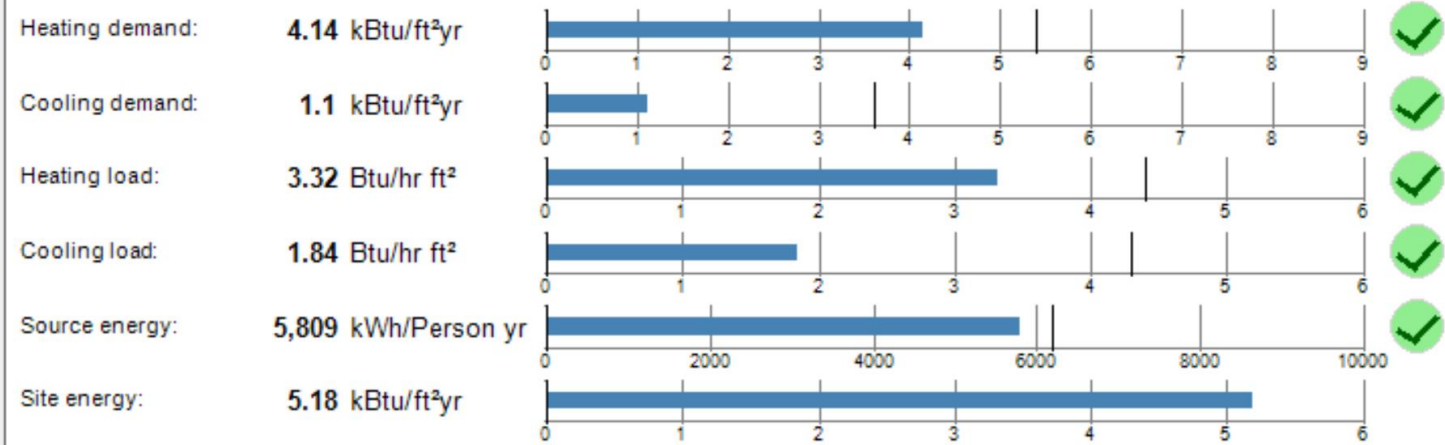
Certificate criteria

PHIUS+ 2015

Use WUFI month mean shading factors



Data state/results Show warnings Calculate WUFI shading





Autodesk Revit 2019.2 - 1719\_Chambers Road - 2018-10-15.0001 - 3D View: {3D}

Type a keyword or phrase

File Architecture Structure Steel Systems Insert Annotate Analyze Massing & Site Collaborate View Manage Add-Ins BIMObject® Modify

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Circulation: Railing, Ramp, Stair

Model: Model Text, Model Line, Model Group

Room & Area: Room, Room Separator, Tag Room, Area, Area Boundary, Tag Area

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Starting View {3D}

Project Browser - 1719\_Chambers Road - 2018-...

- Views (all)
- Legends
- Schedules/Quantities (all)
- Sheets (all)
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  - A0.1 - CODE & PARTITION TYPES
  - A0.2 - SCHEDULES
  - A1.0 - MAIN FOUNDATION PLAN
  - A1.1 - FLOOR PLAN - BASEMENT
  - A1.2 - FLOOR PLAN - 1ST FLOOR
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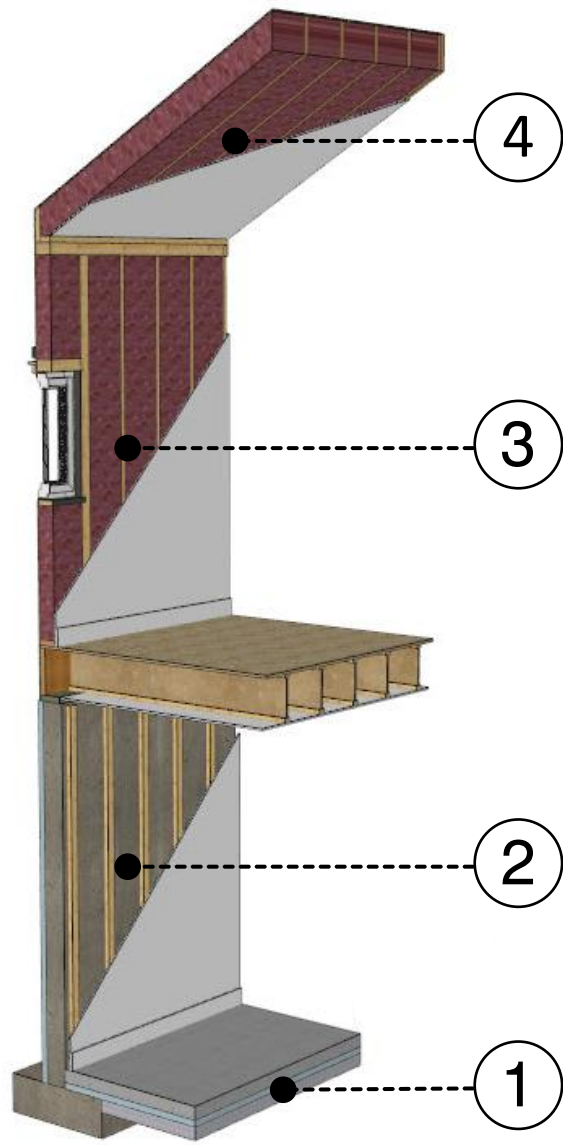
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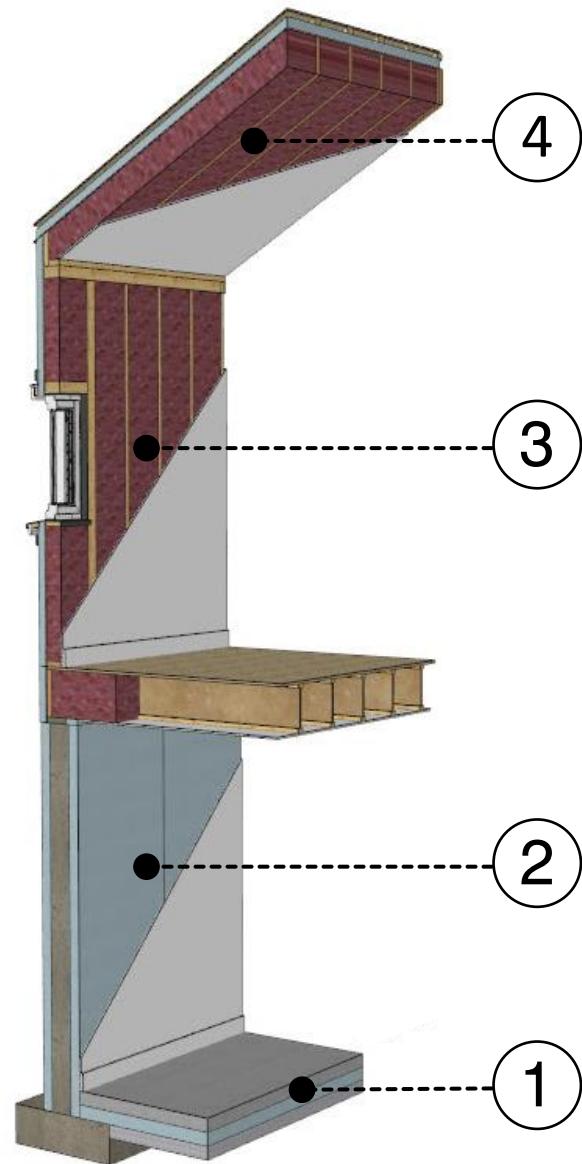
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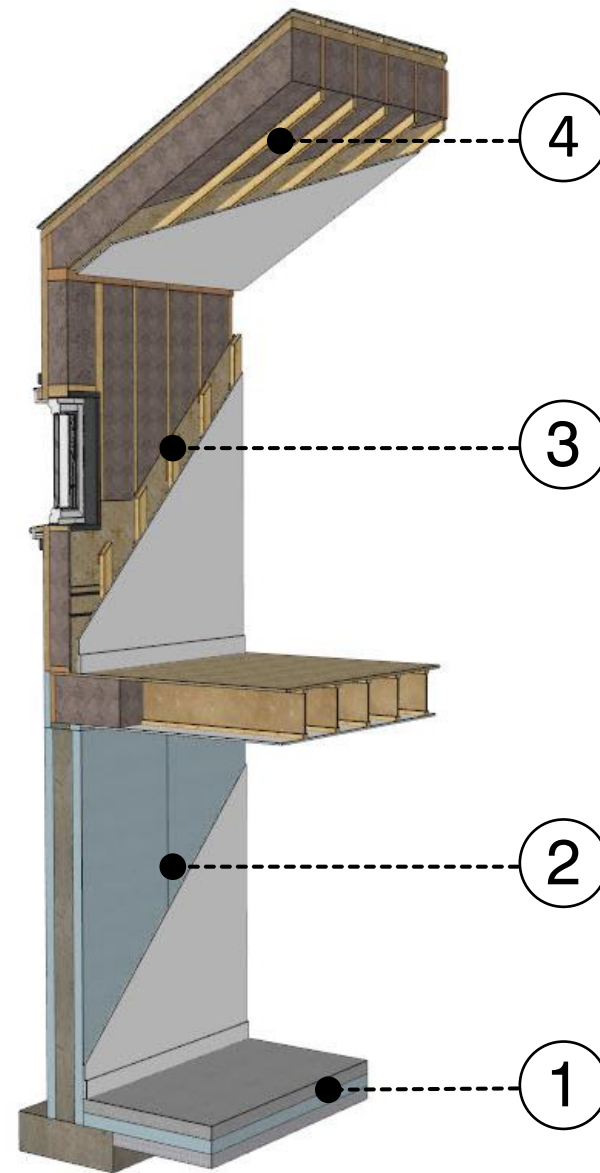
**CODE BUILDING**  
**Case 1&2**

- 4. Roof: FG (R19), LVL
- 3. AG-Wall: FG (R19), 2X6
- 2. BG-Wall: EPS (R10), 8" CMU
- 1. Slab: XPS (R10), 4" CC



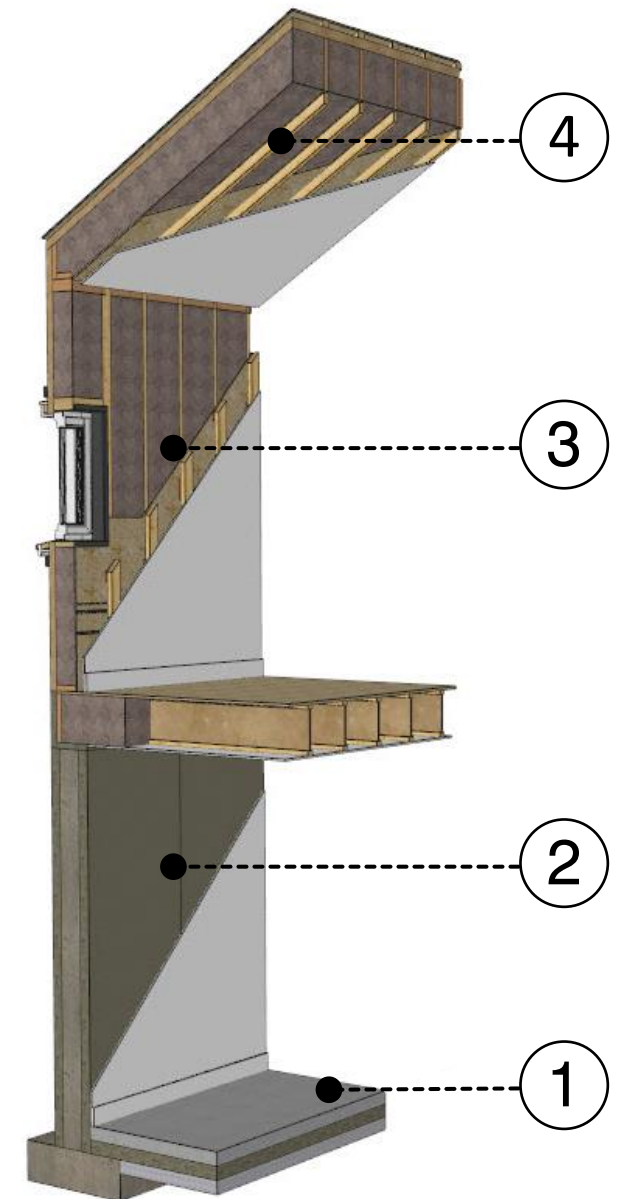
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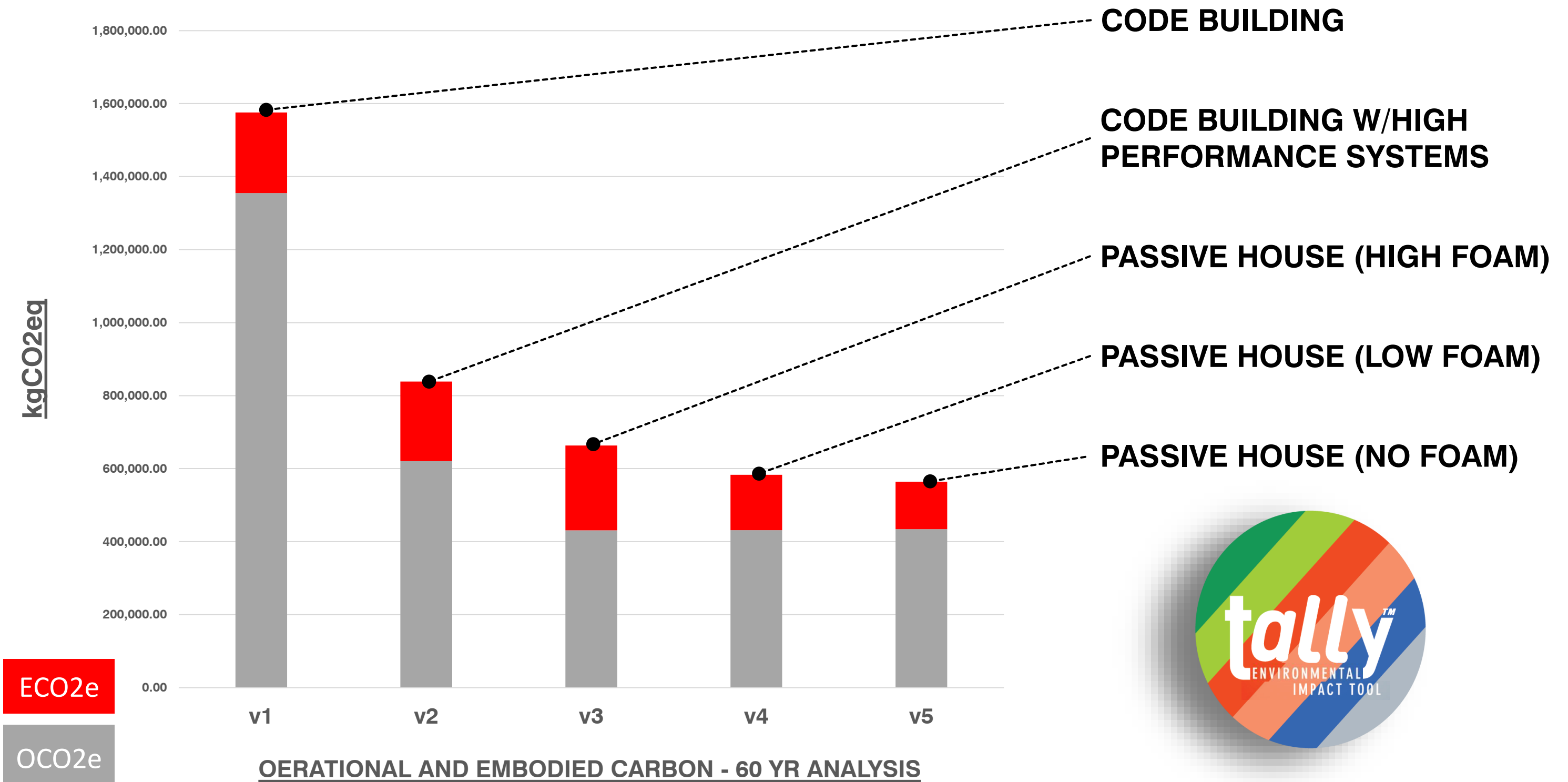
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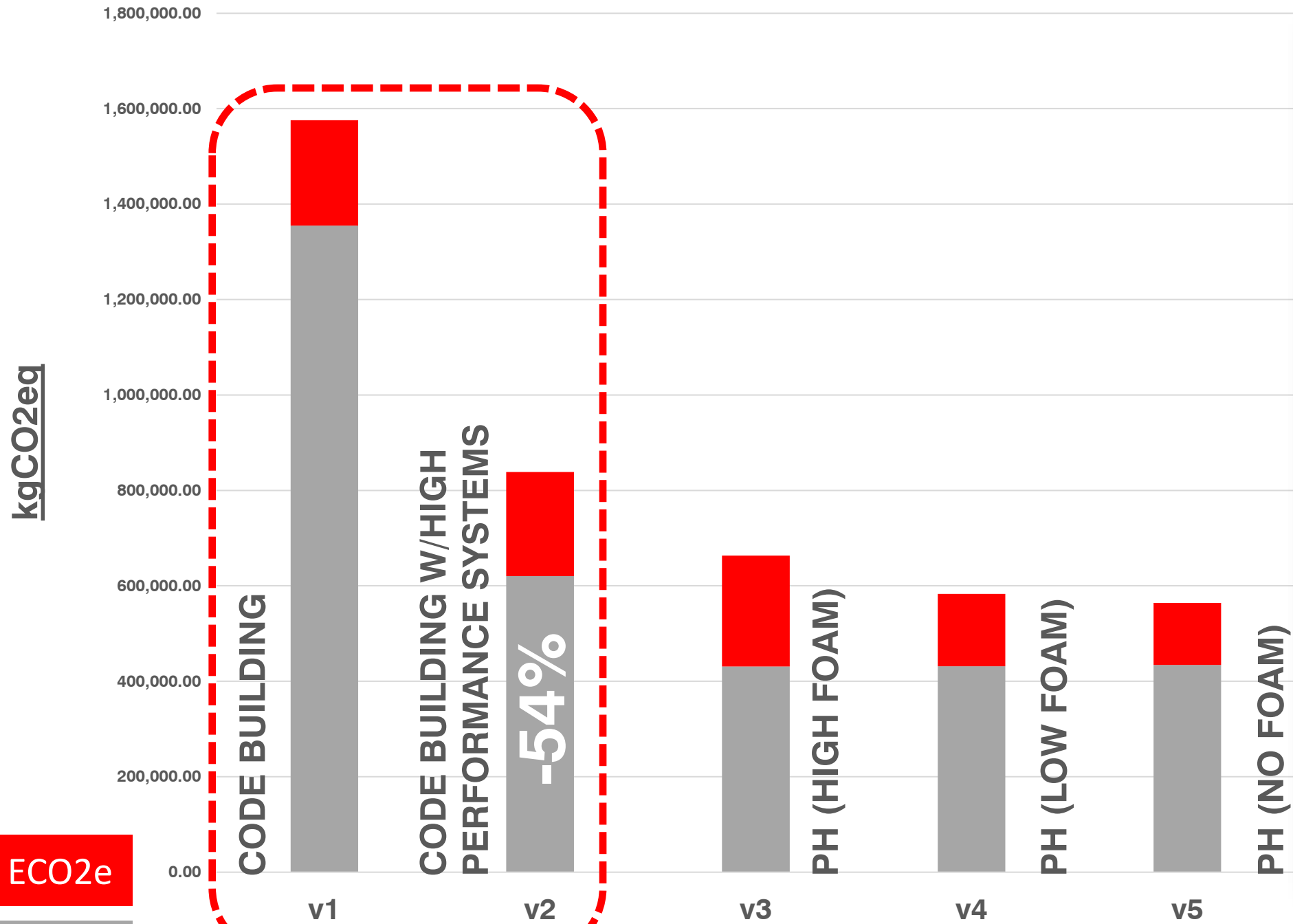


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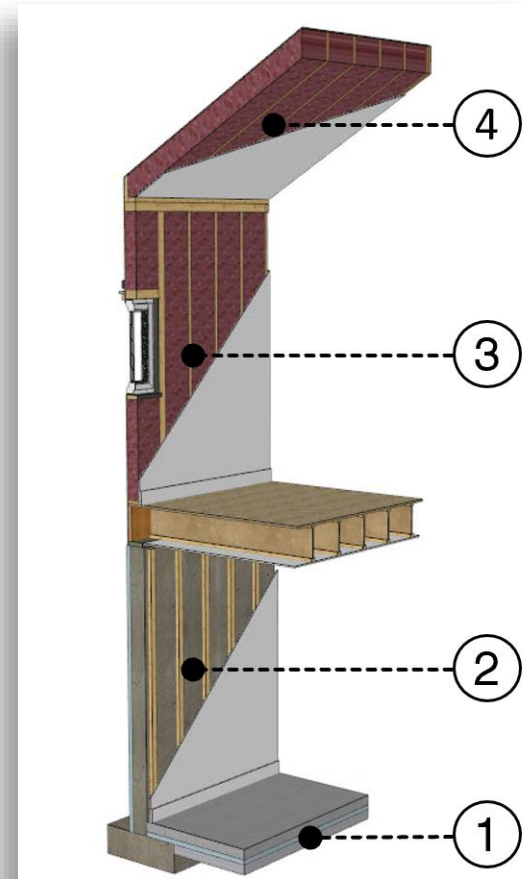


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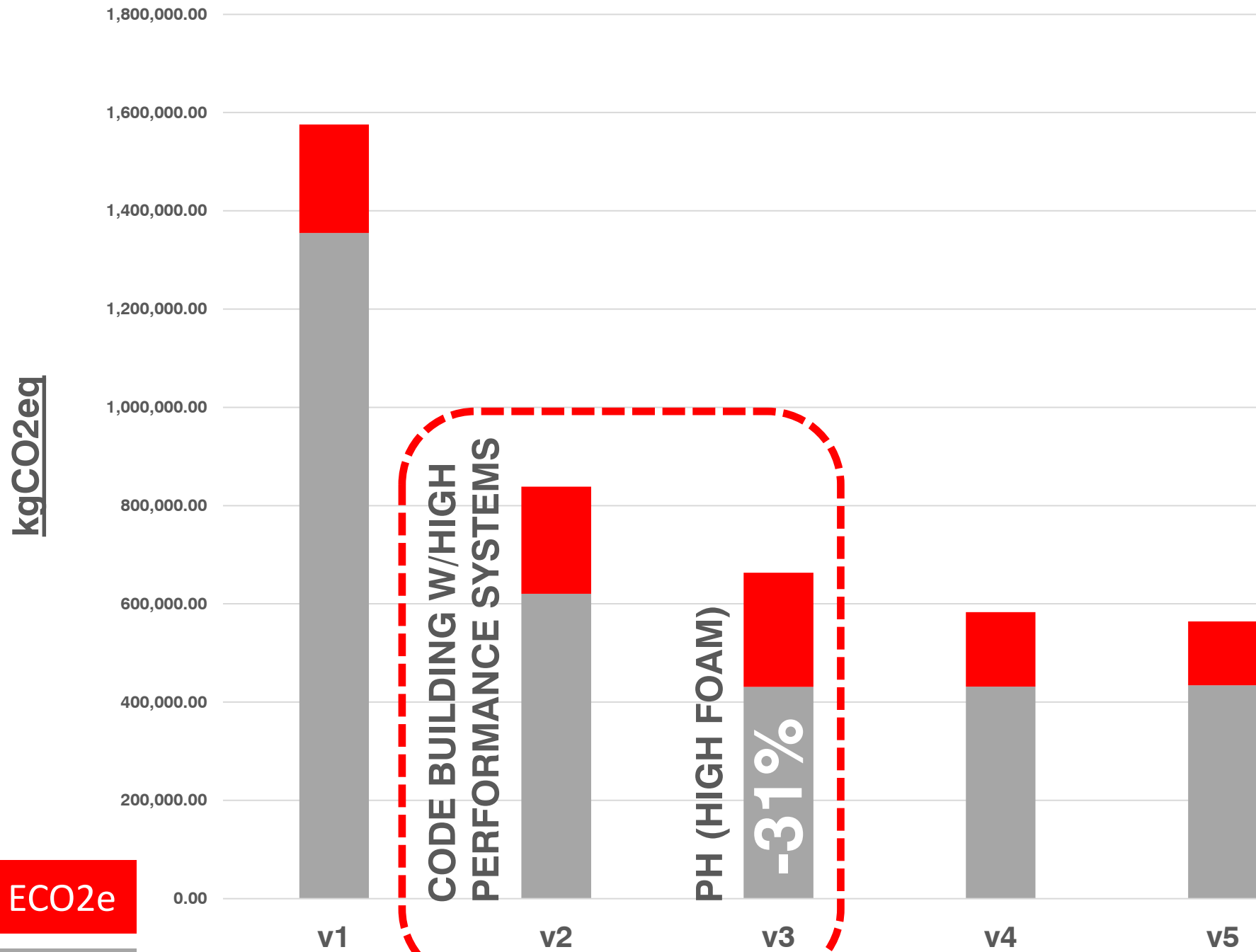


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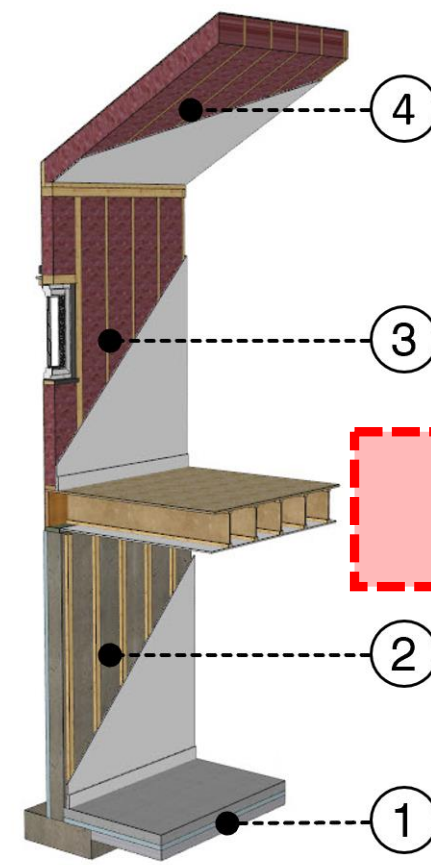
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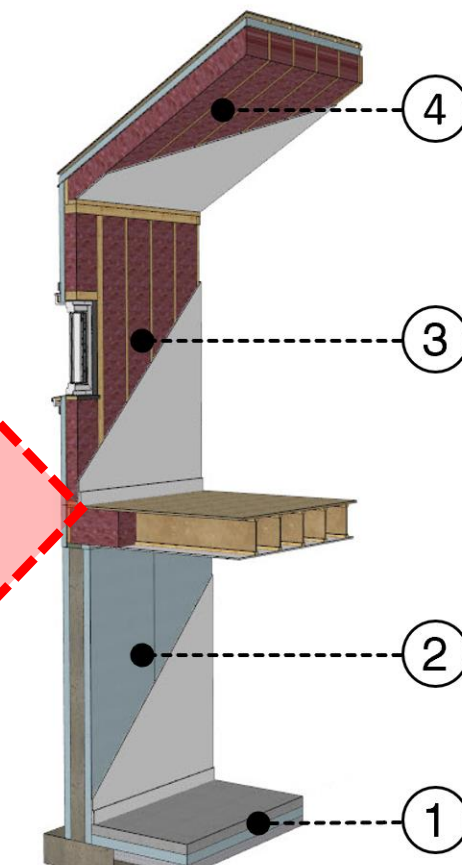


**OPERATIONAL AND EMBODIED CARBON - 60 YR ANALYSIS**



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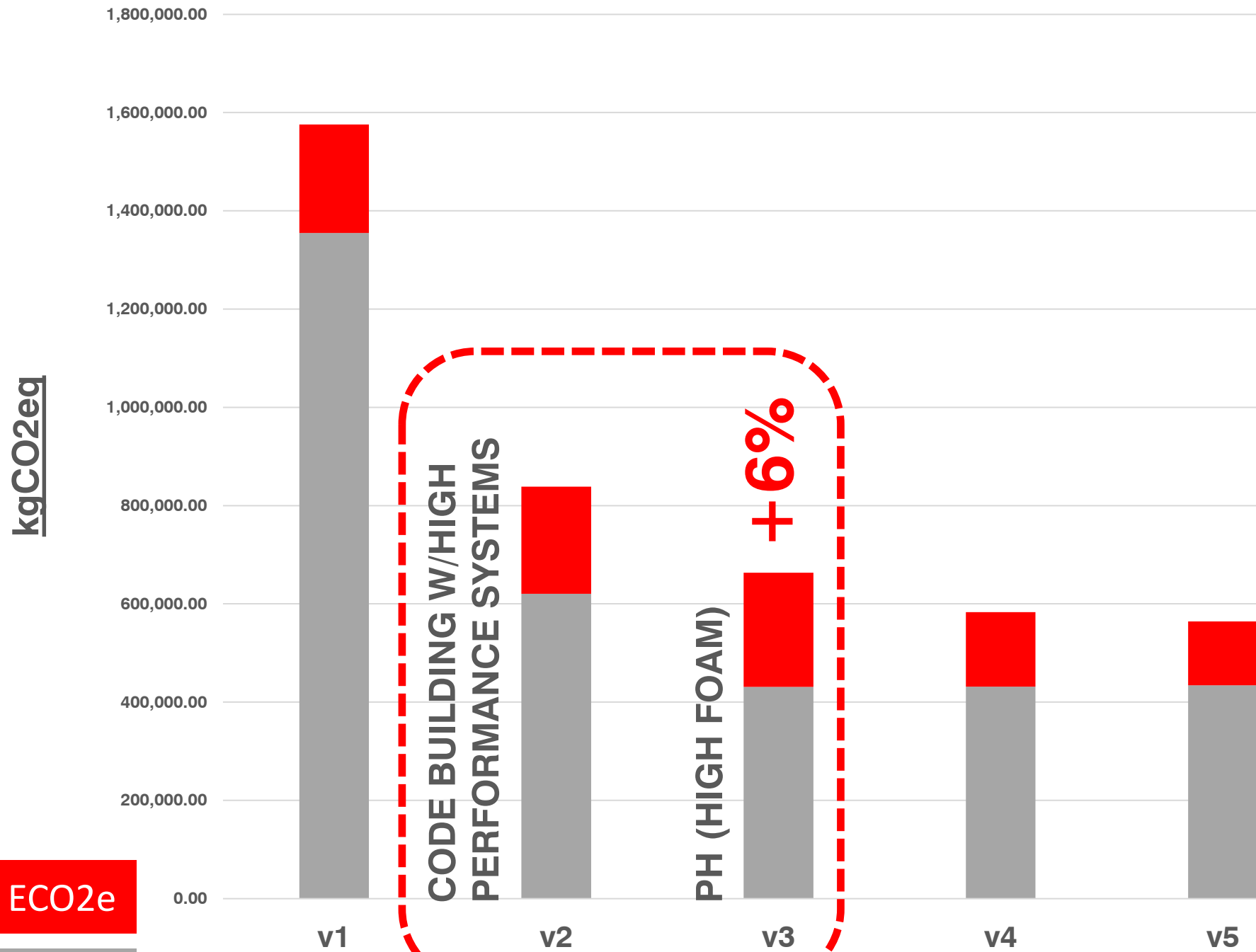
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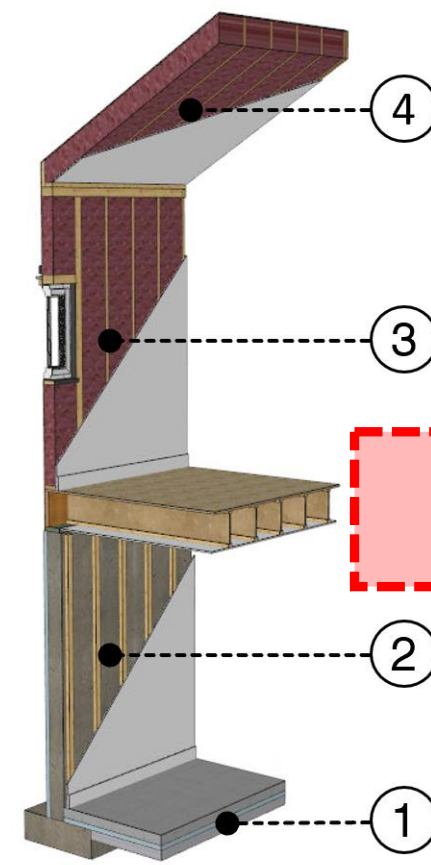
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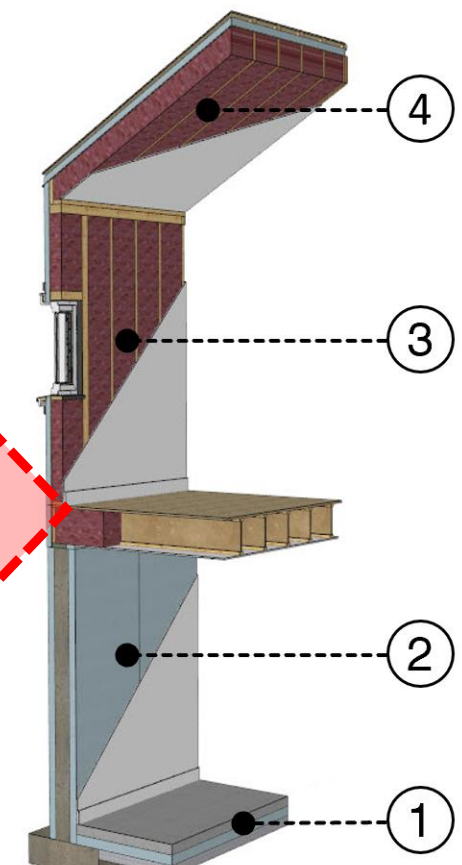
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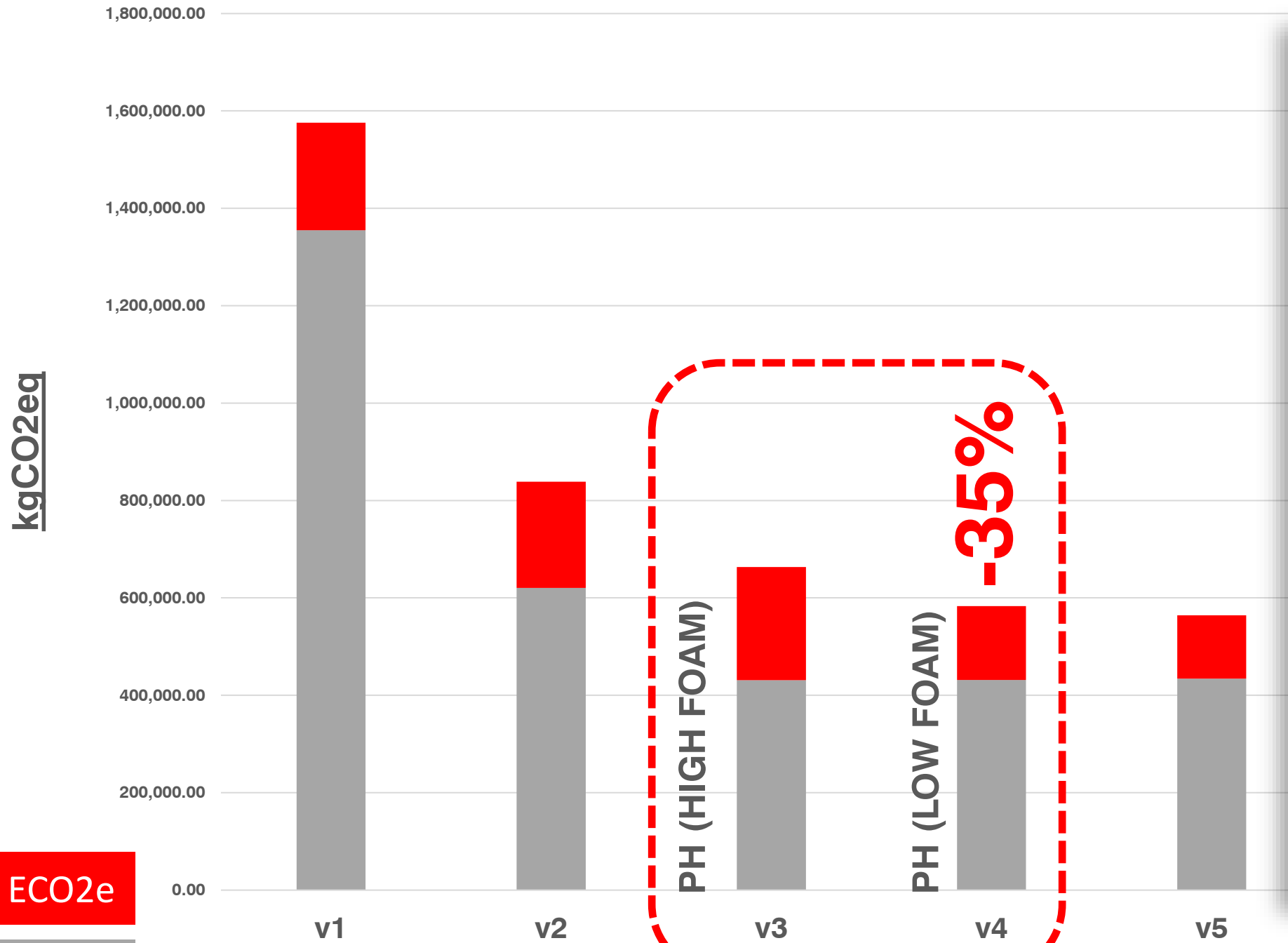


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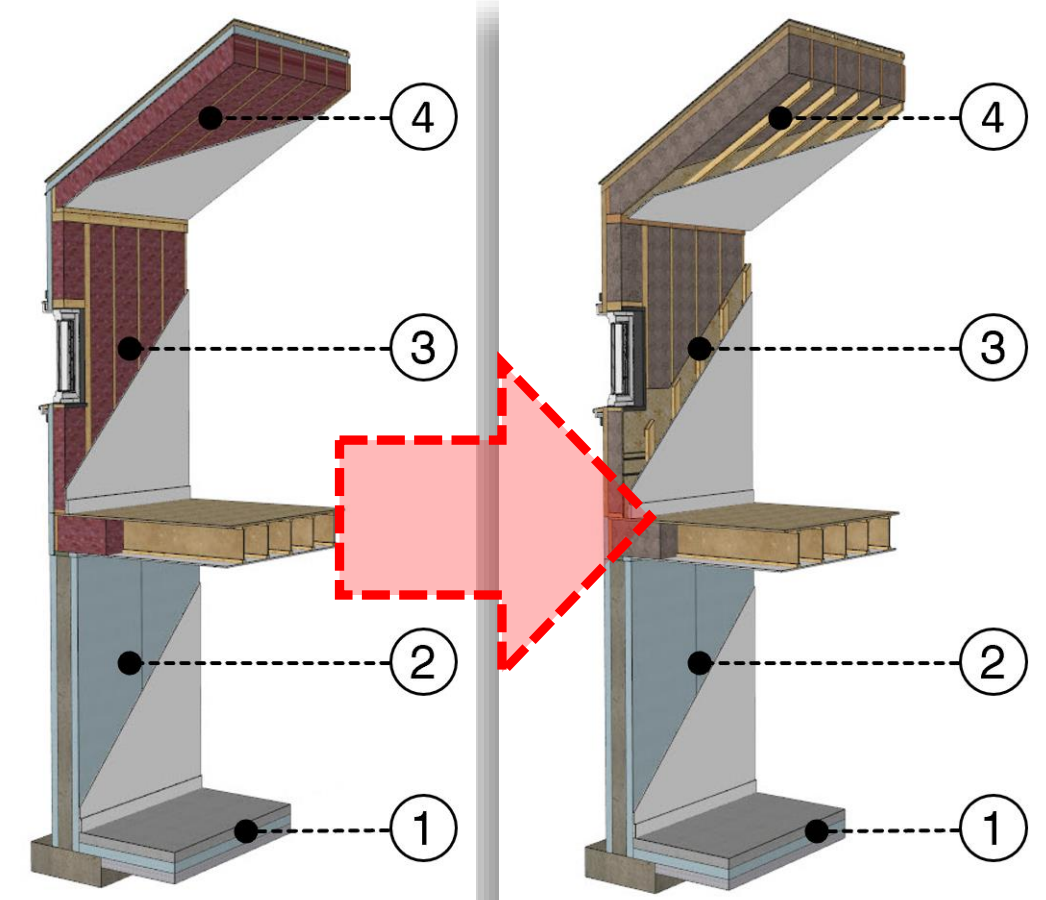


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# UPGRADE PH ENVELOPE TO LOW CO2e PH ENVELOPE



**OPERATIONAL AND EMBODIED CARBON - 60 YR ANALYSIS**



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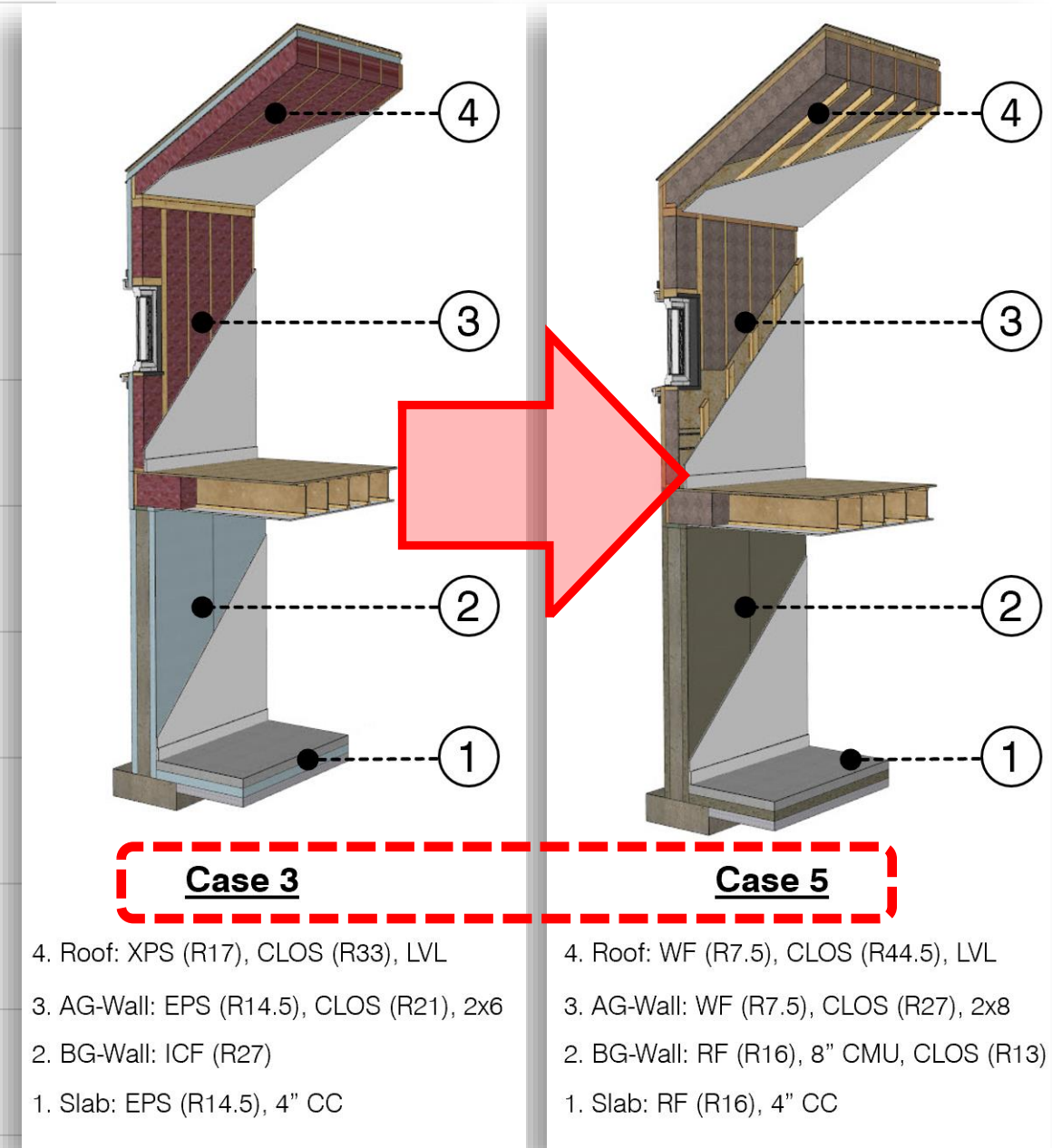
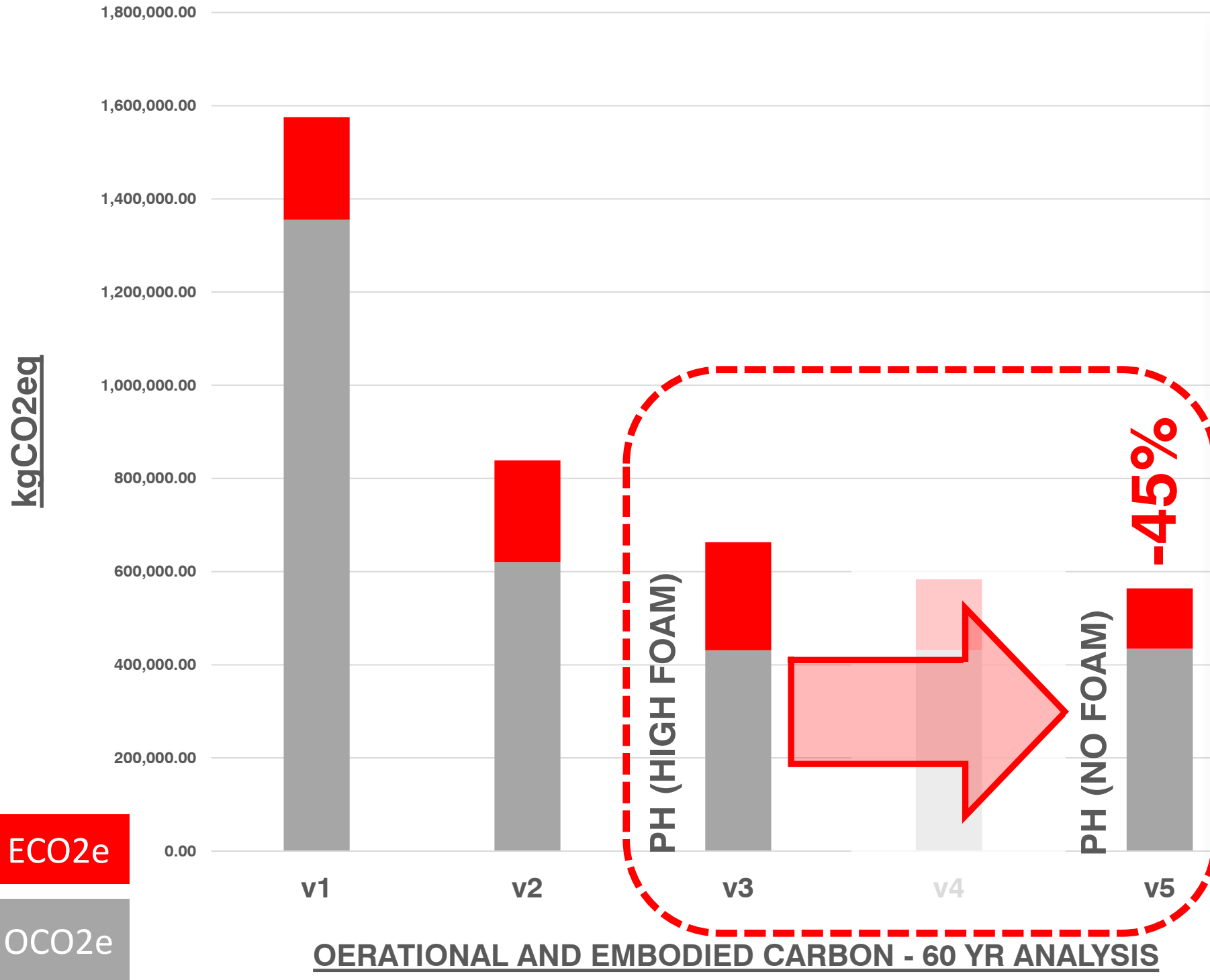
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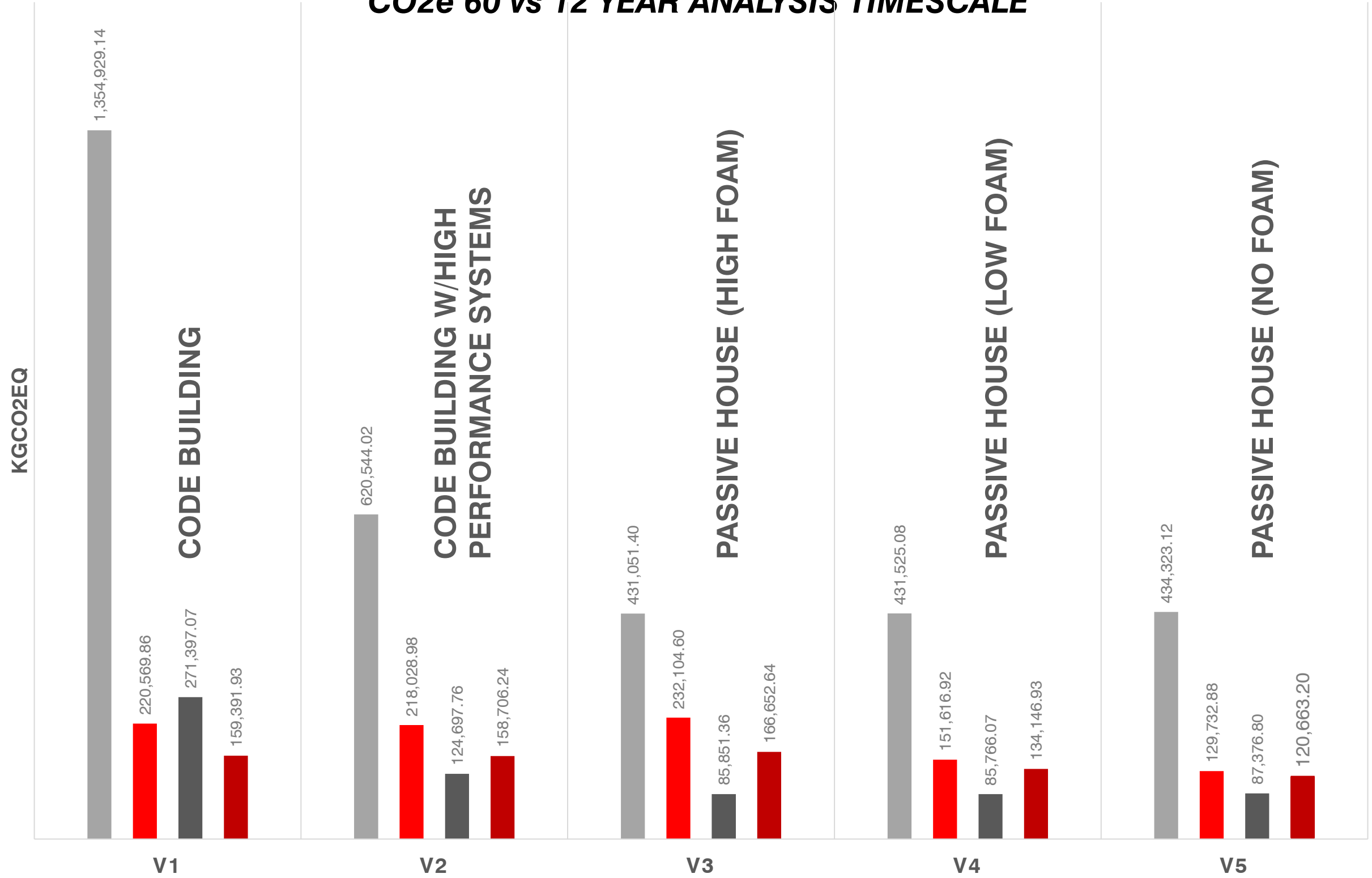
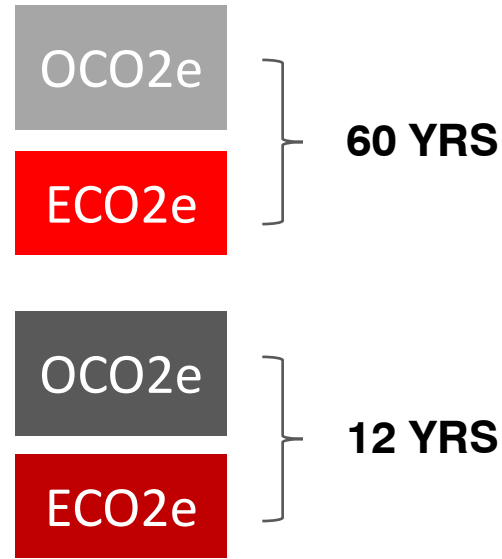
# UPGRADING THE LOW CARBON PH ENVELOPE WITH FOAM

## FREE MATERIALS DECREASED ECO2e ~54%

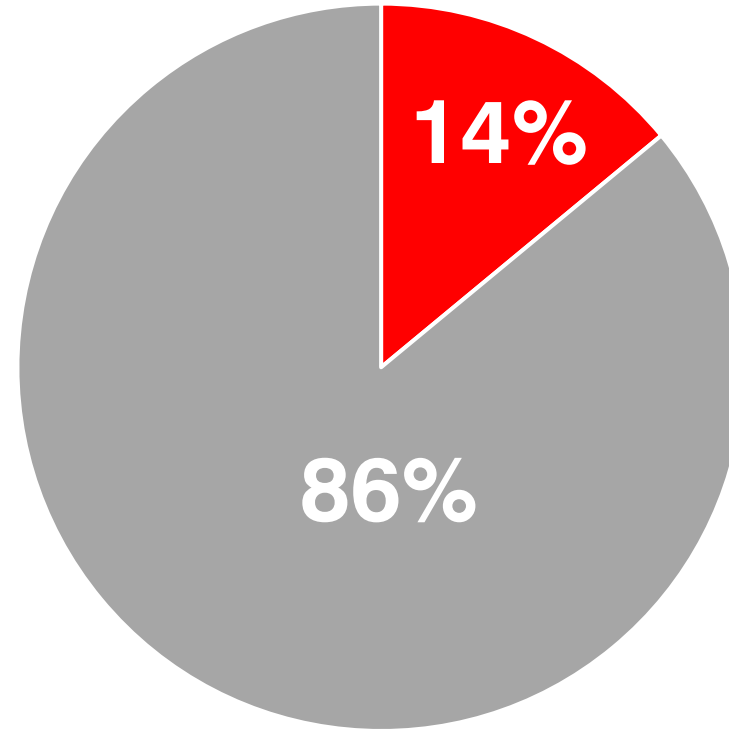
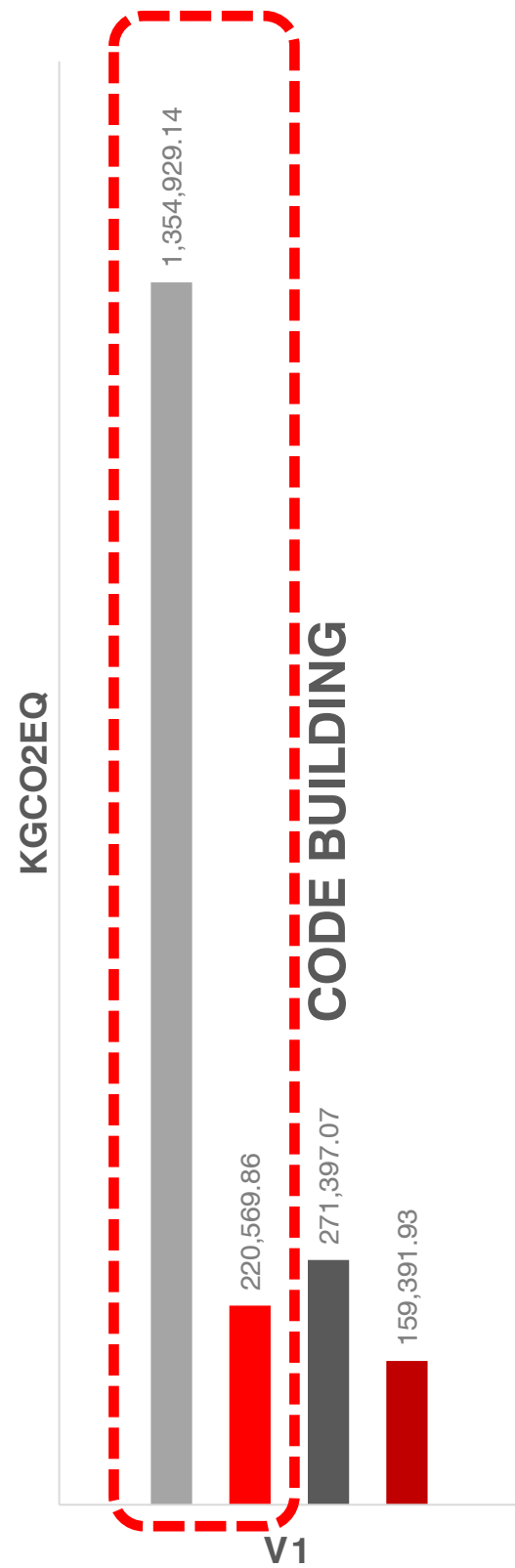
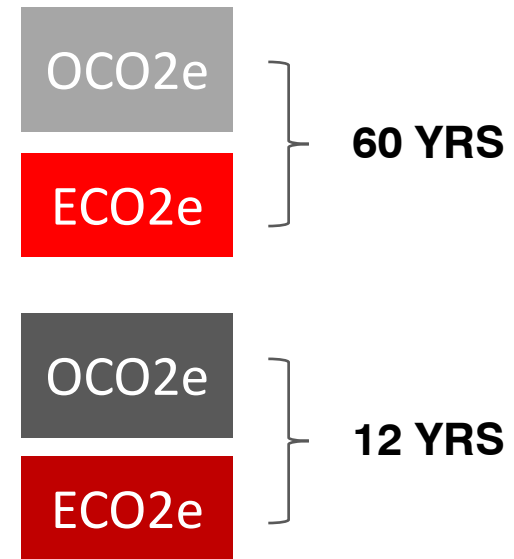




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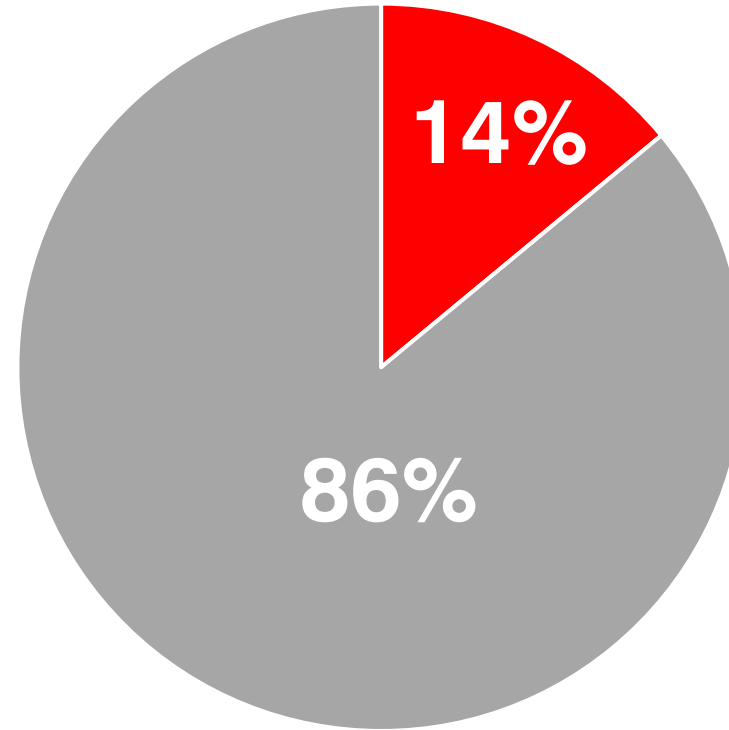
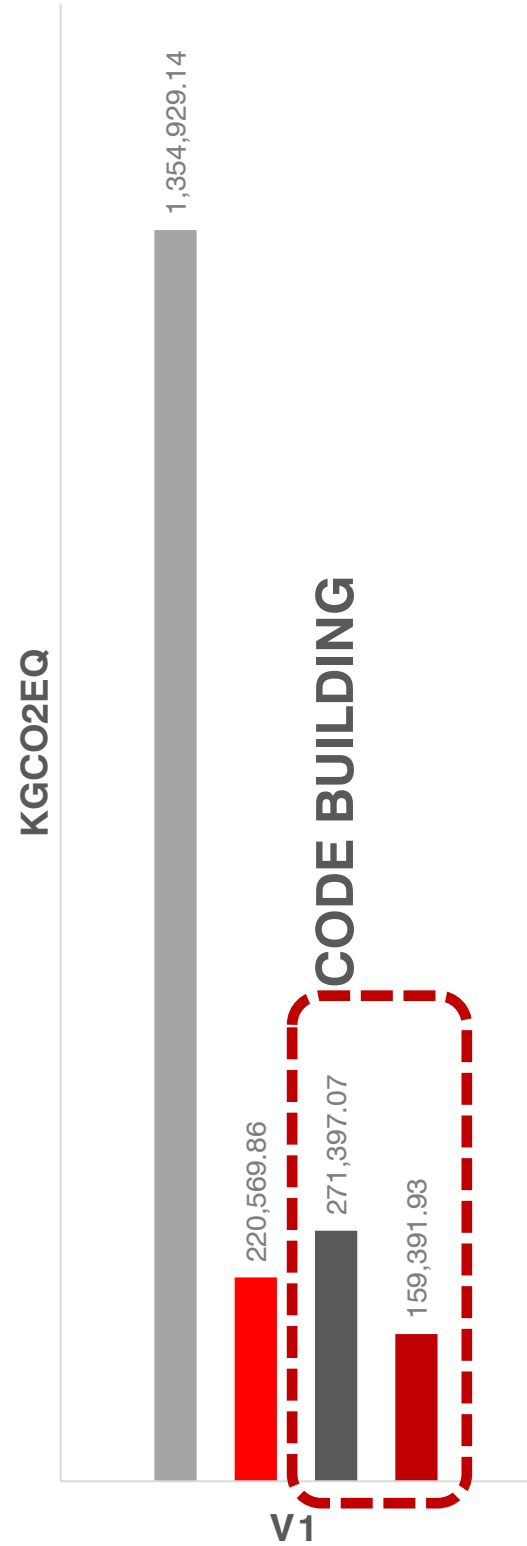
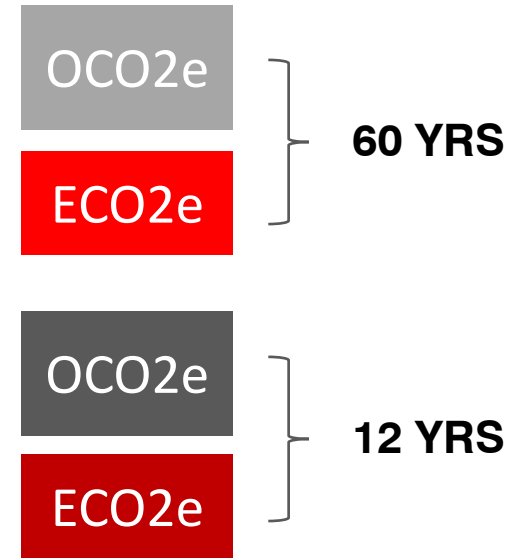


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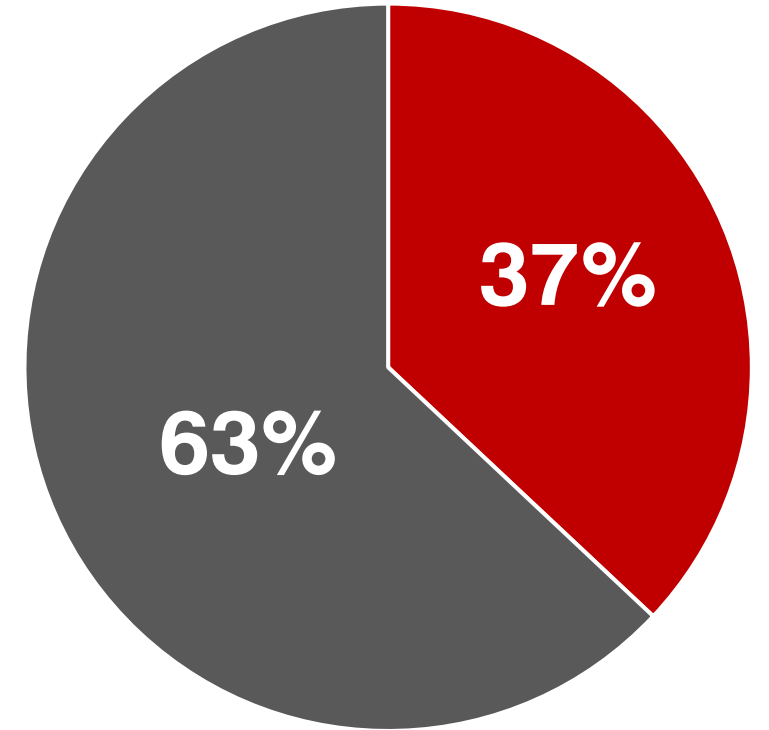


TOTAL CO2e  
60 YRS

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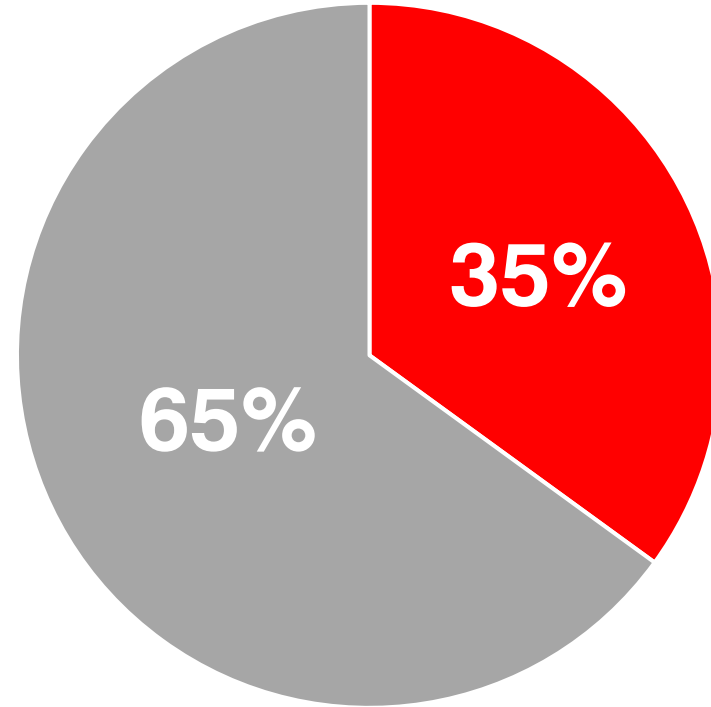
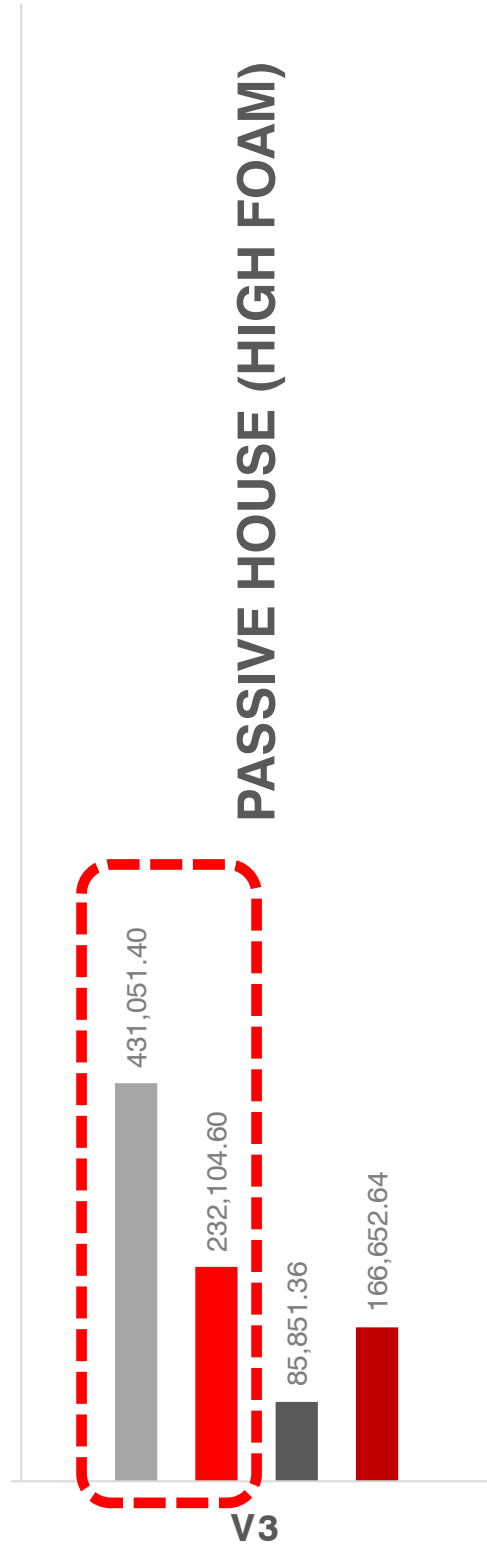
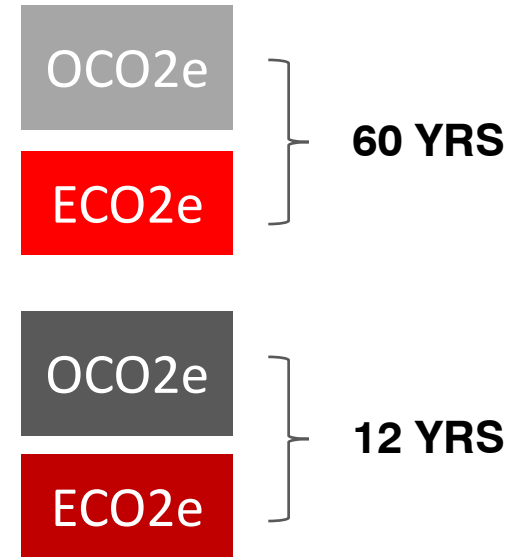


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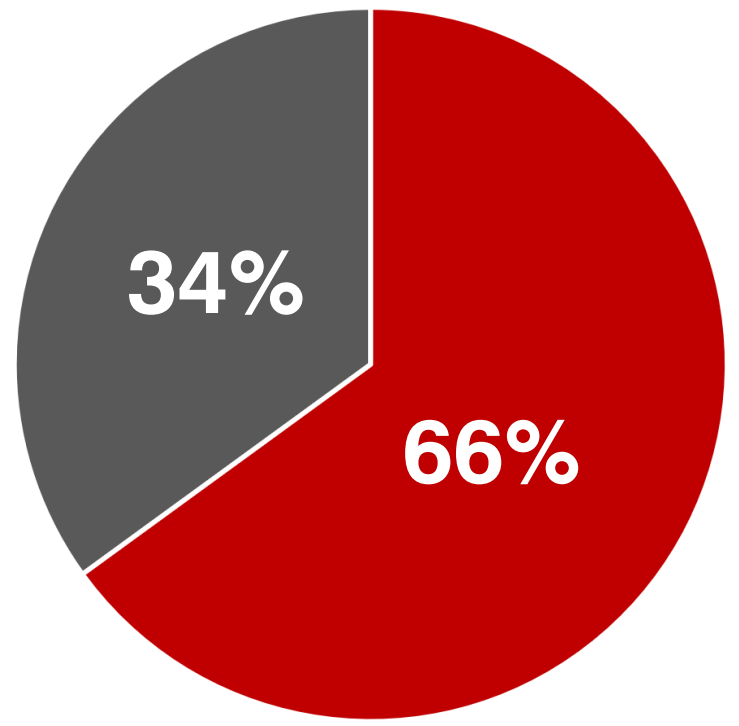
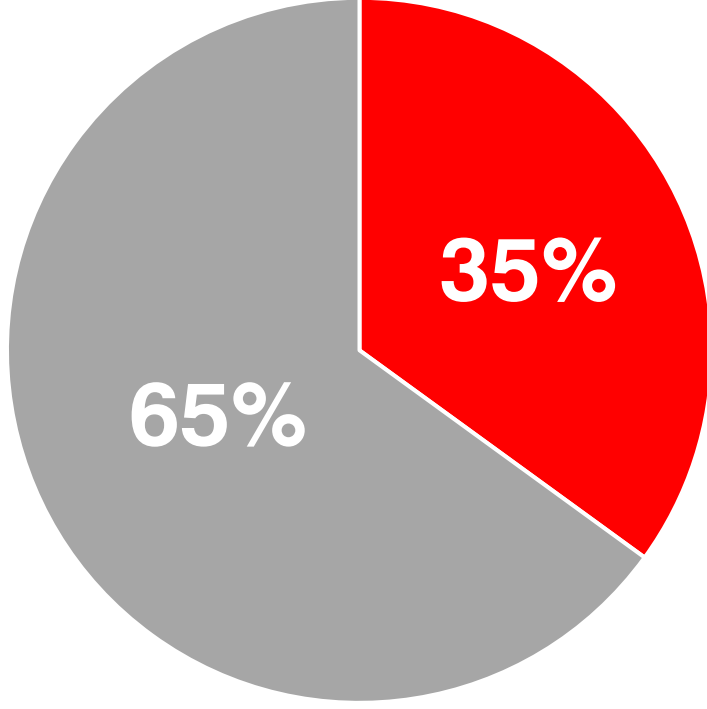
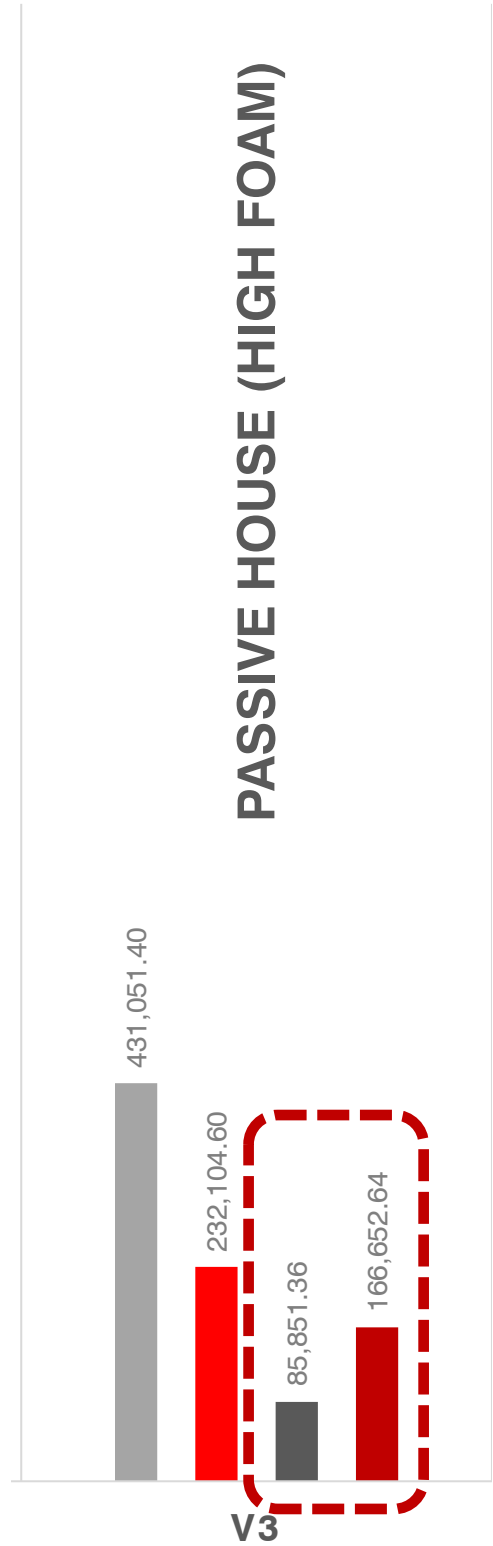
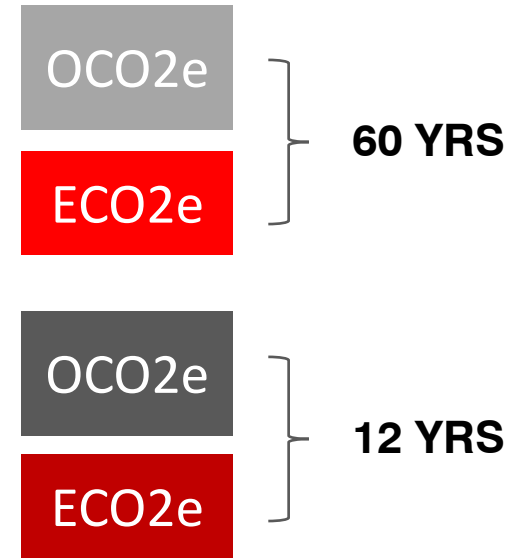


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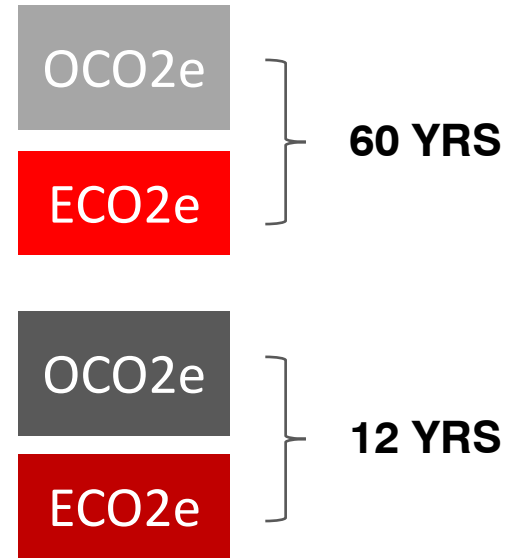
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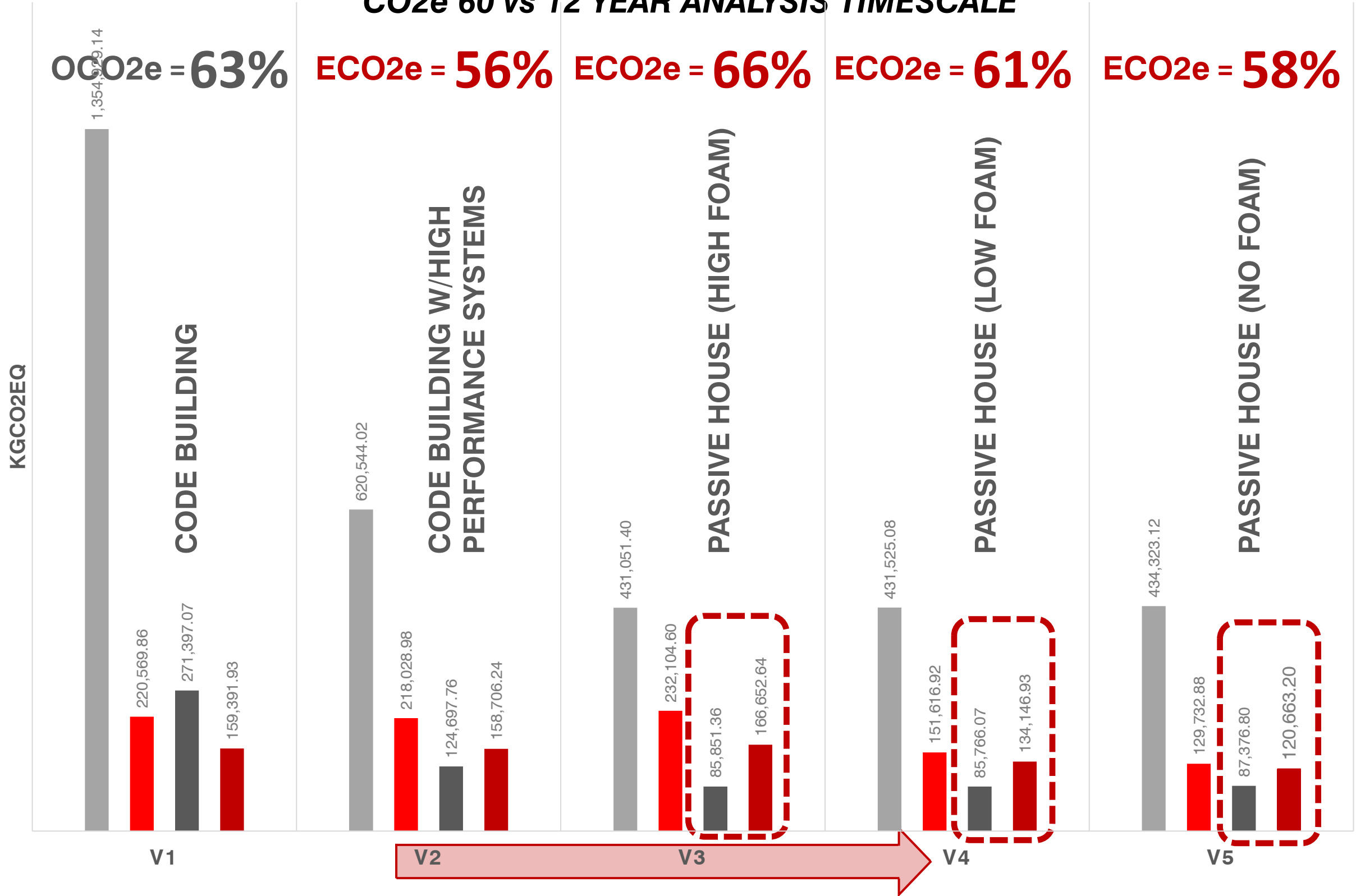
OCO2e = 1,354,959.14  
ECO2e = 63%

ECO2e = 56%

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ECO2e = 58%





Blueprint Robotics

**Factory Built – Opportunity to Scale up  
Passive House**



**Factory Built – Waste Reduction  
and Opportunity to Specify  
Sustainable Building Materials**



# OPPORTUNITIES

## Specification and Optimization for Prefabrication



### Wood Fiber as Vapor Open Exterior Insulation and Sheathing

- Up to 4x the drying capacity compared to outside layers for typical plywood or OSB sheathed assemblies.

### Wood Stud Wall filled with Cellulose

- Moisture Management and Hygric Buffering

### Interior Structural OSB- or Zip Sheathing

- Interior Air-Barrier and Vapor-Retarder

### Service Cavity

- Separation of Service access from Permanent Performance Envelope.
- Air-Barrier Protection

### Pre-Installed, Triple Glazed Passive House Windows





## Passive House Detailing and Instructions

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SECTION G-G

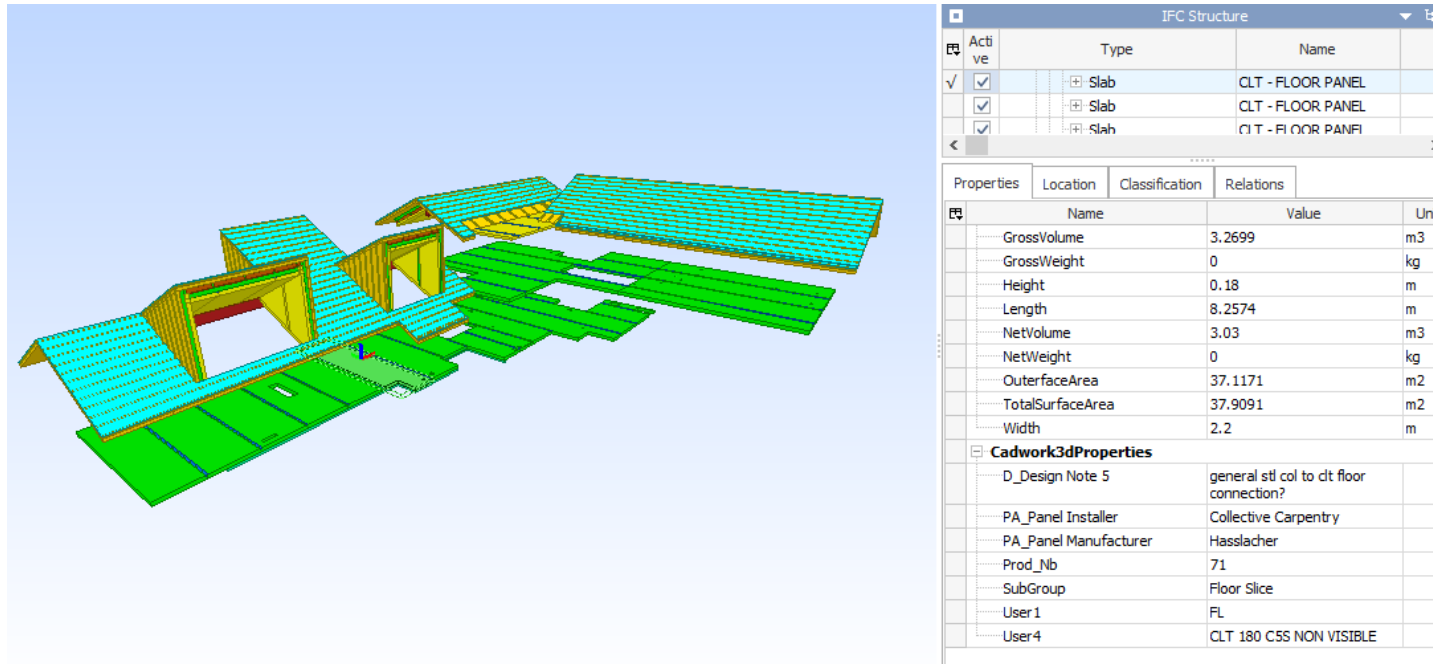
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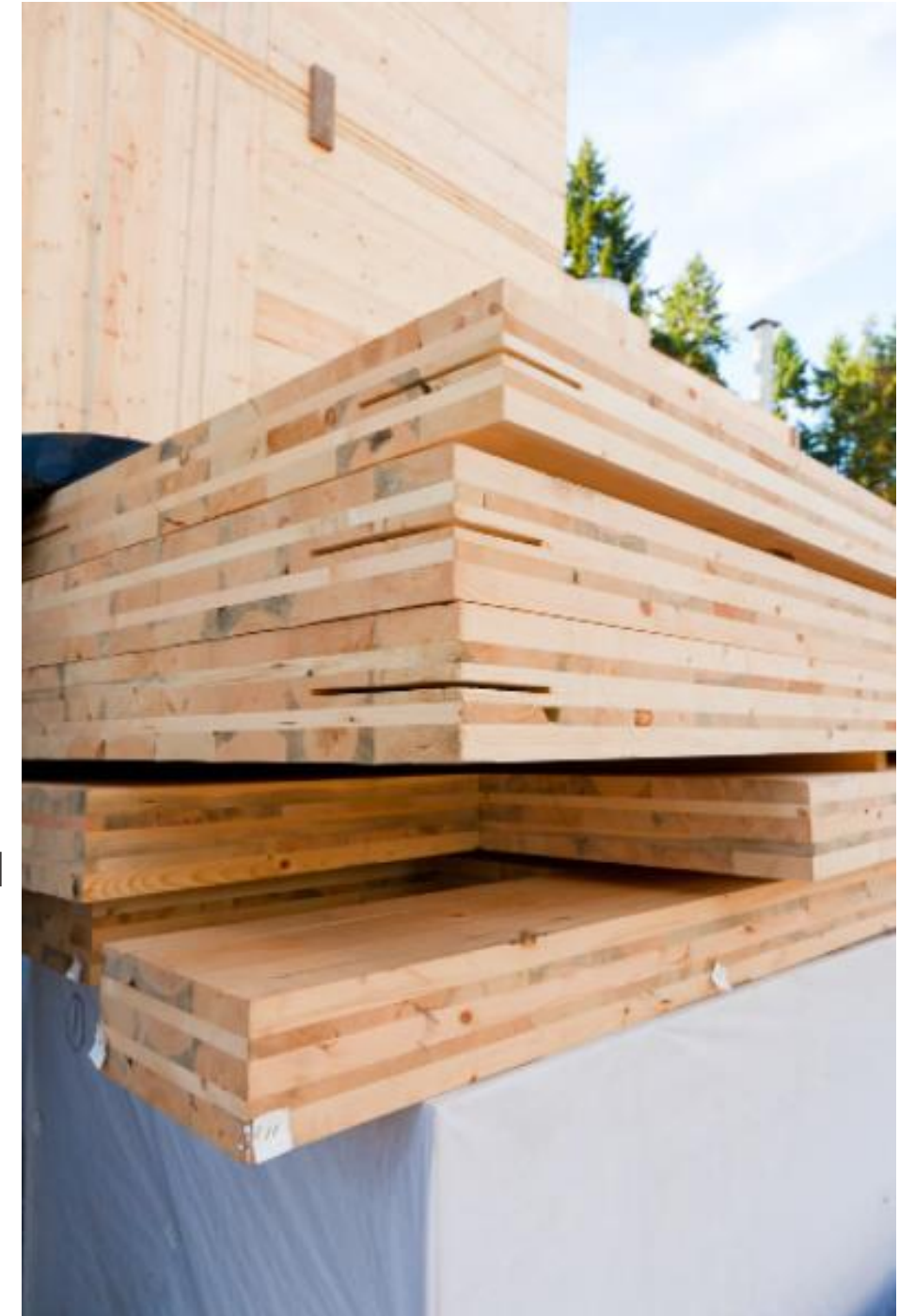
# OPPORTUNITIES

## Future SIMM



Once a holistic parts-based model is virtually constructed, it begins to offer limitless opportunities as an evolving visual database that can store and release project data in very organized ways.

It can guide present and future operational, performance, and repurposing goals and can stay accessible throughout and beyond the building's lifecycle.





***Reaching to meet PH certification shouldn't supersede the broader design goals to achieve the best possible outcome including sustainability and occupant's health and comfort.***

***Certification and Wufi modeling needs to be looked at as an adaptive tool that is part of the overall design process, but it shouldn't take over.***

***Passive House Certification is instrumental for the push towards lowering energy consumption in the building sector on a large scale.***

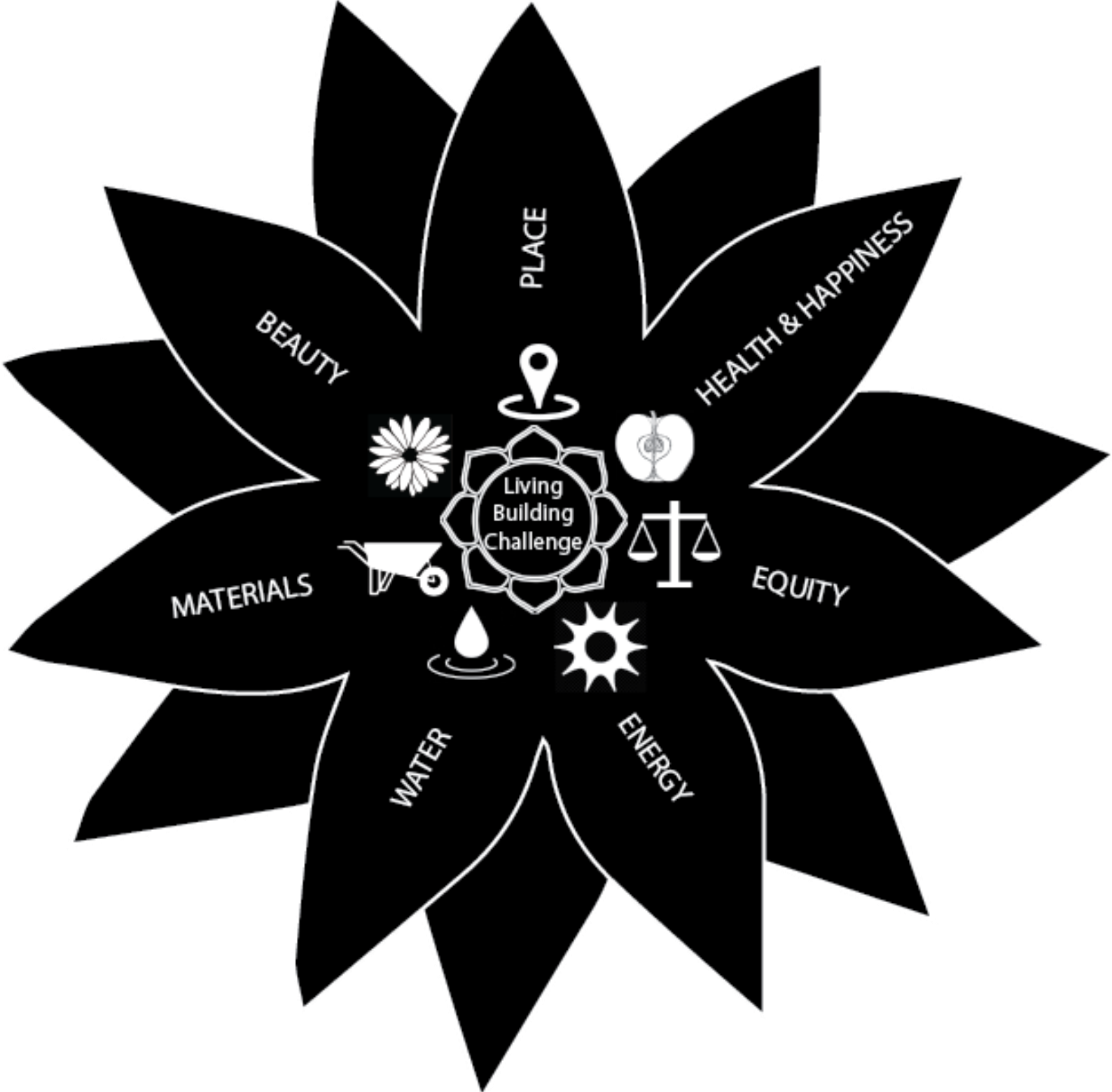
***PHIUS certification assures quality control and provides education to build better buildings far beyond the building code, paving the way for broad adaptation.***



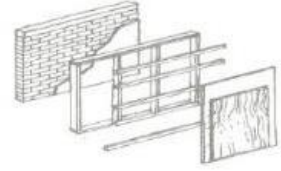
# NUTHATCH HOLLOW

A Living Building Challenge and  
Passive House Project

Presented by Christina Aßmann,  
NCARB, LEED AP BD+C, WELL AP, CPHC



# MATERIALS



- Most challenging
- Red list of materials/chemicals
- Understand and offset embodied carbon
- Regional materials
- Reduce or eliminate waste

UniverCity Childcare Centre  
Burnaby, BC  
Courtesy: space2place

# WATER



- Net-Zero Water
- Rainwater
- Waste Water Treatment

# ENERGY

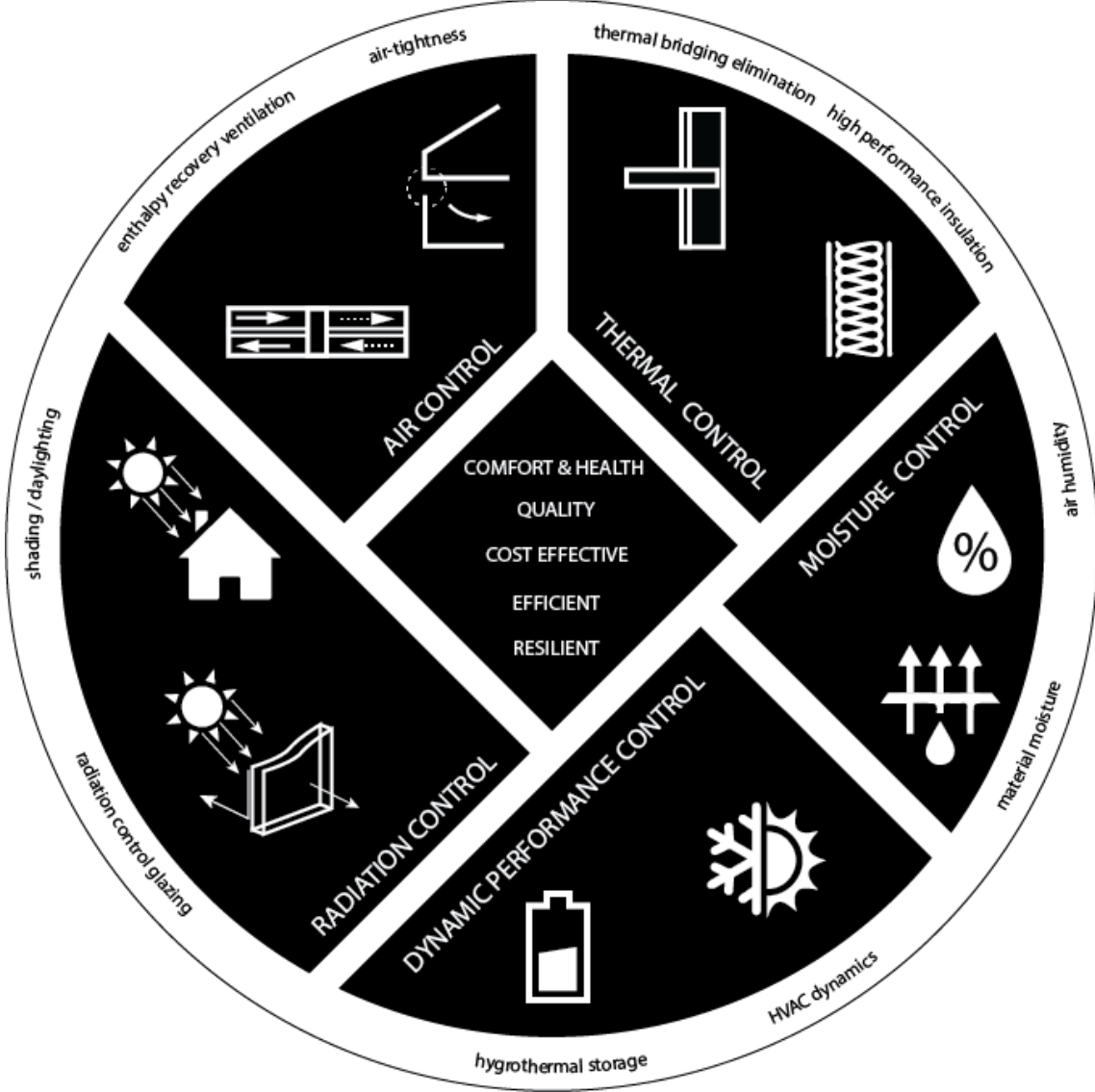
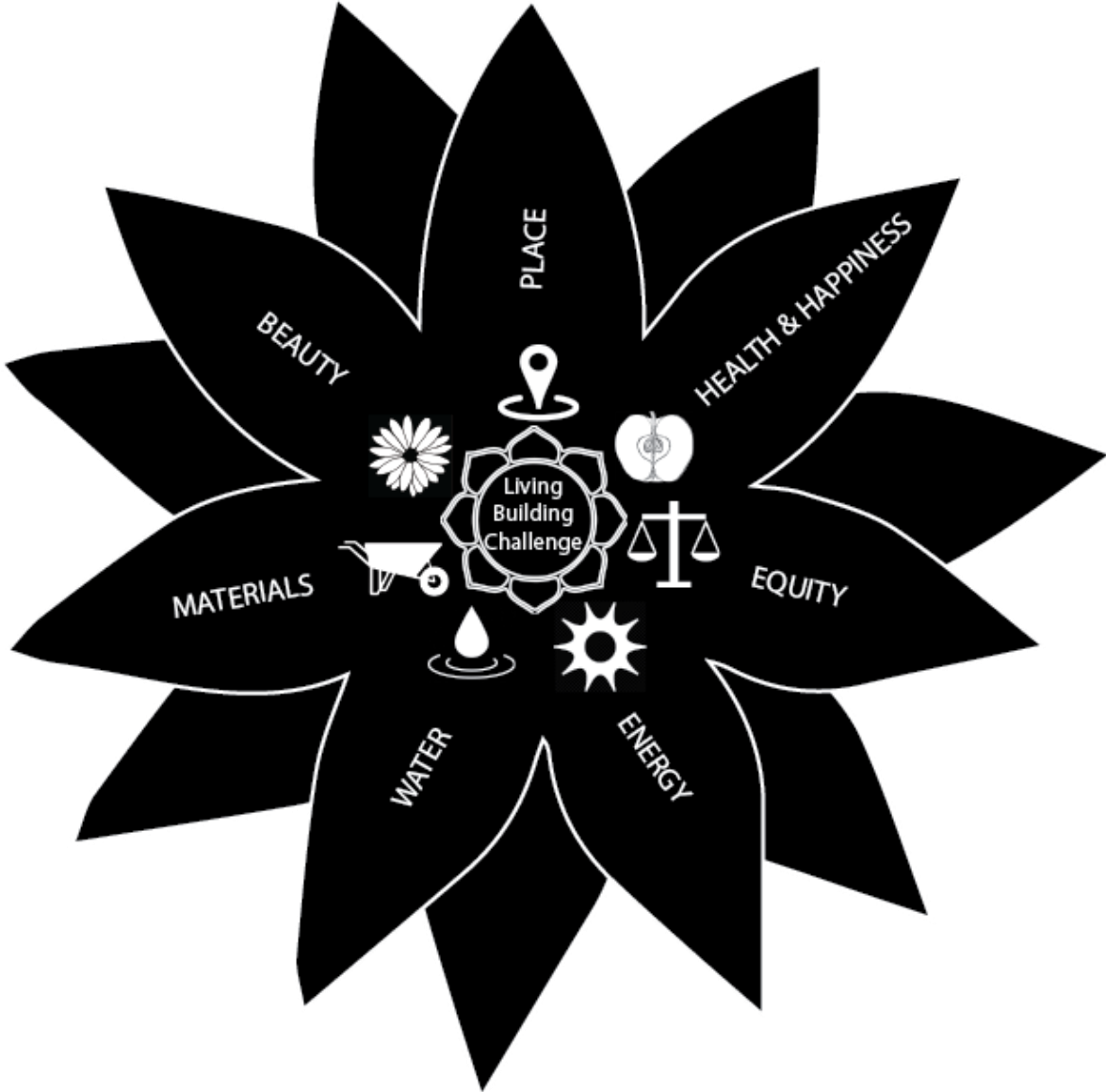


- Net Positive
- No On-Site Combustion
- Resilience

Rooftop Solar Array at The Bullitt Center  
Seattle, WA  
Photo: Benjamin Benschneider

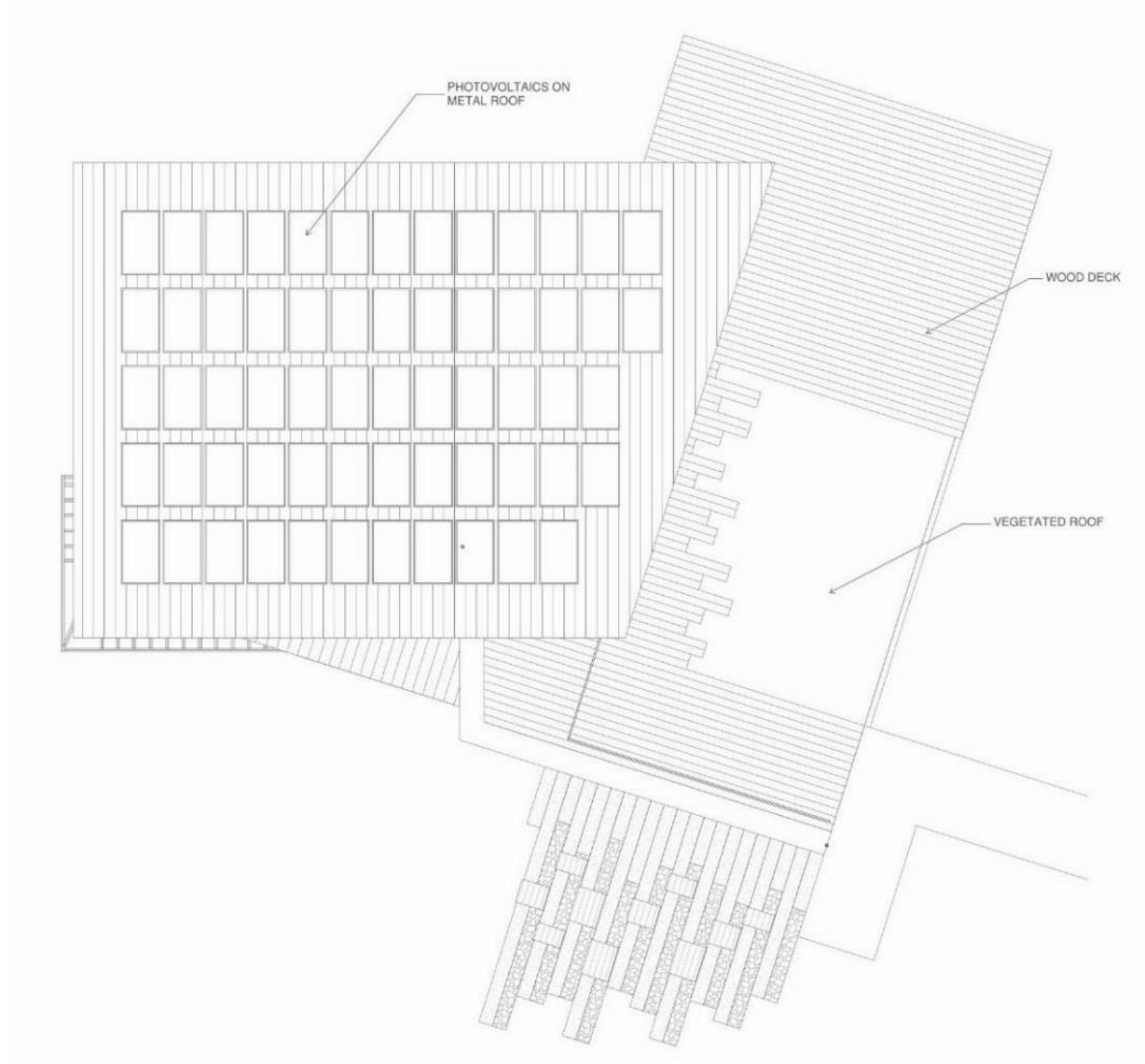


# Living Building Challenge and Passive House

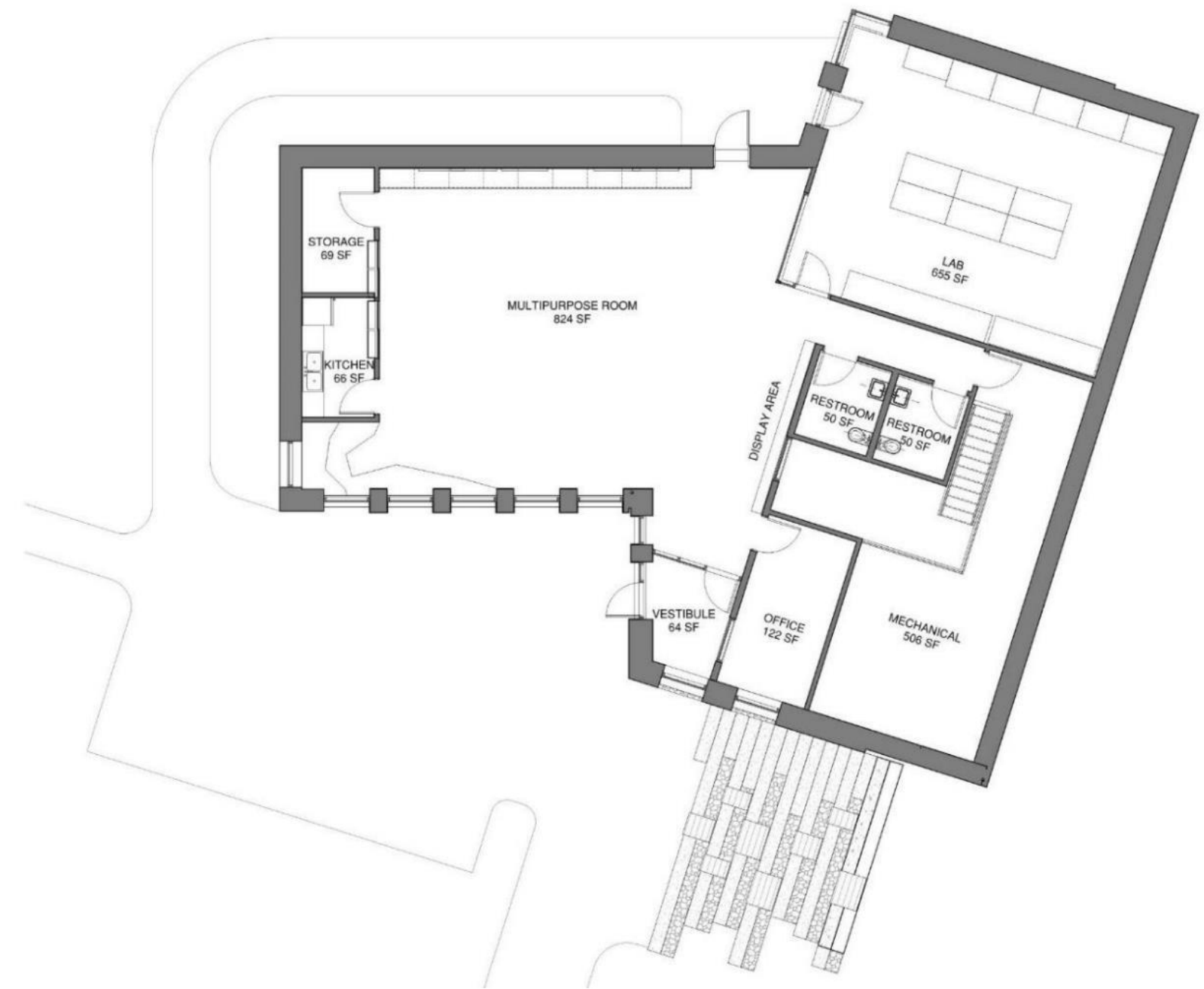




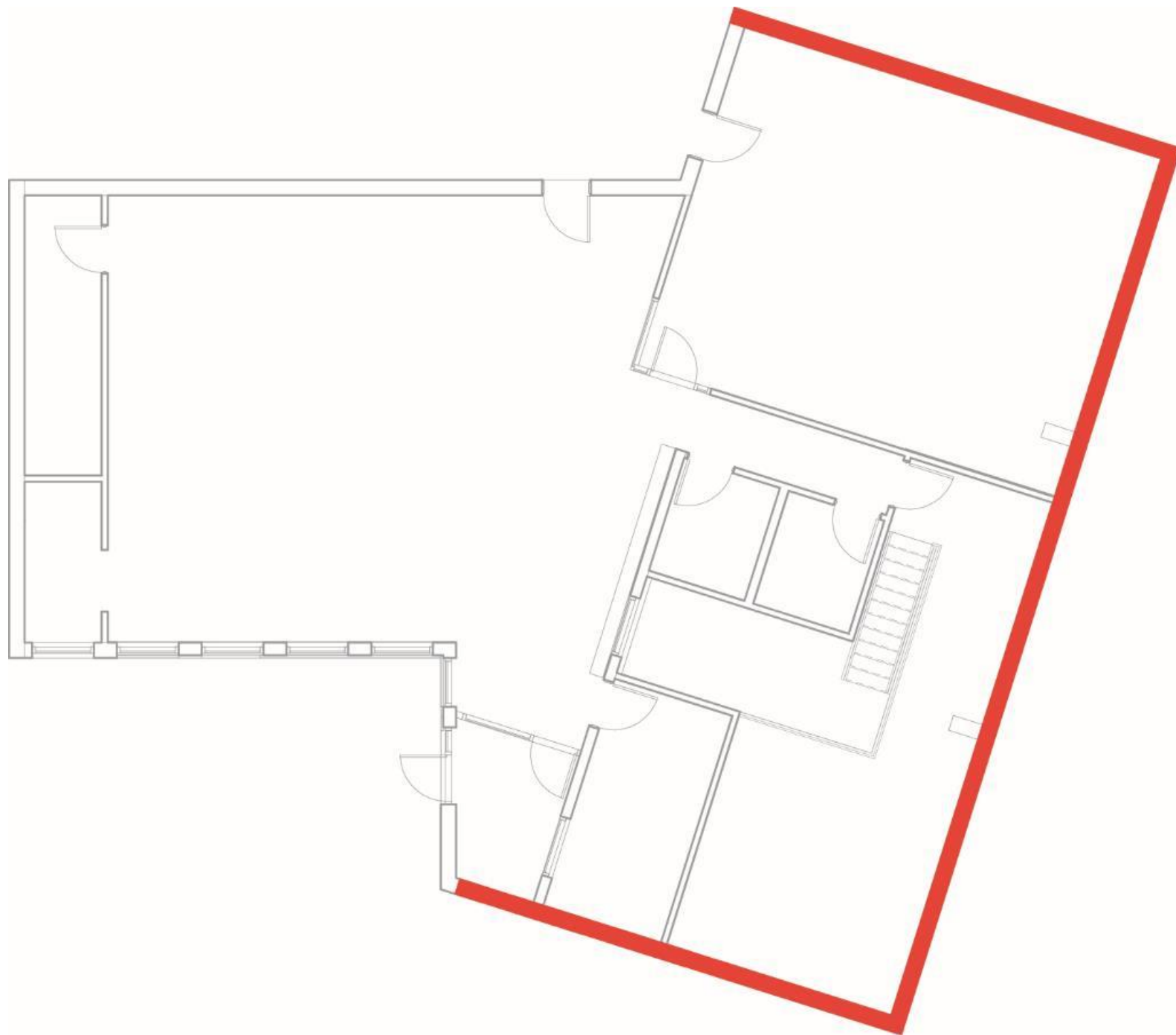
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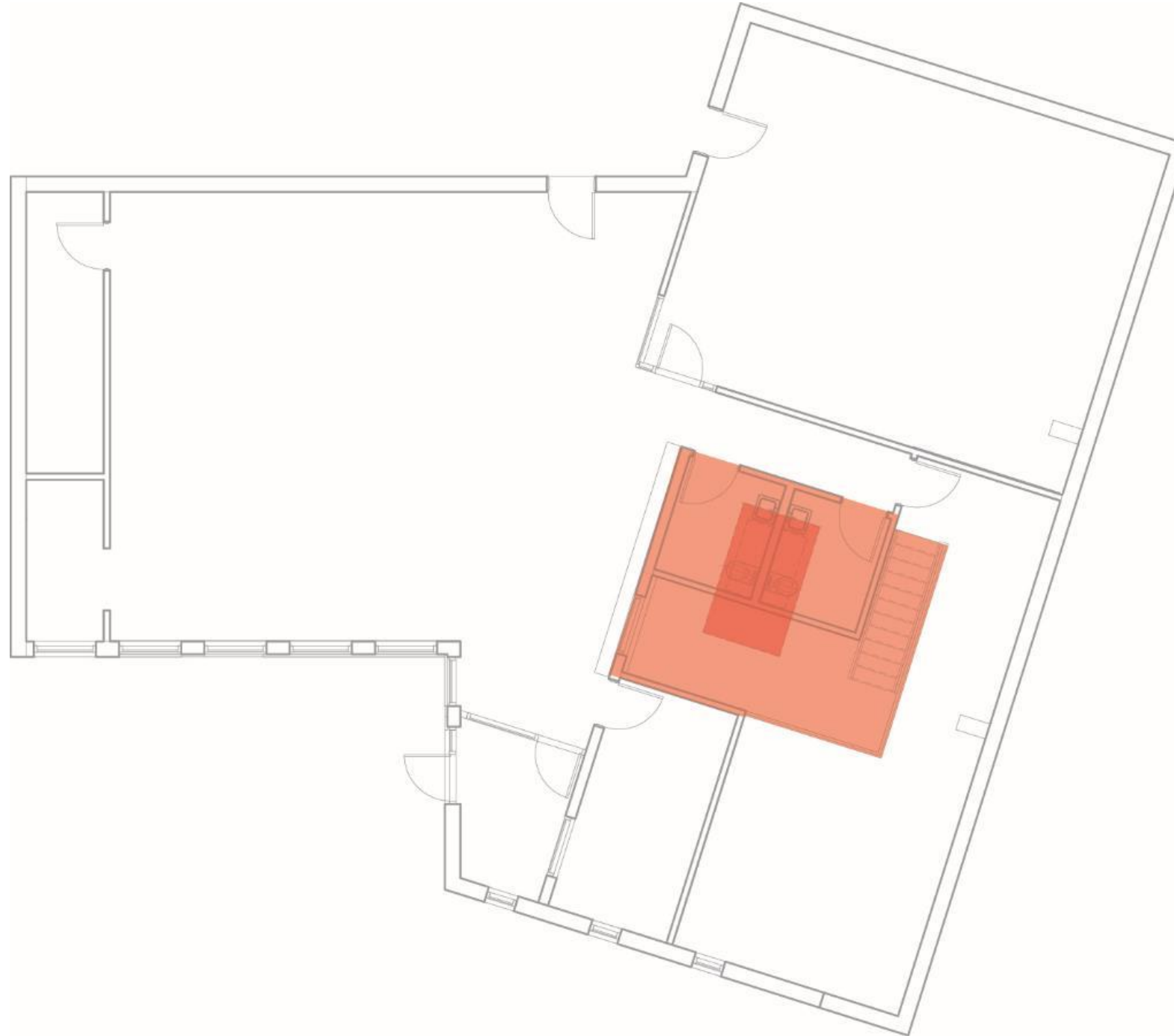
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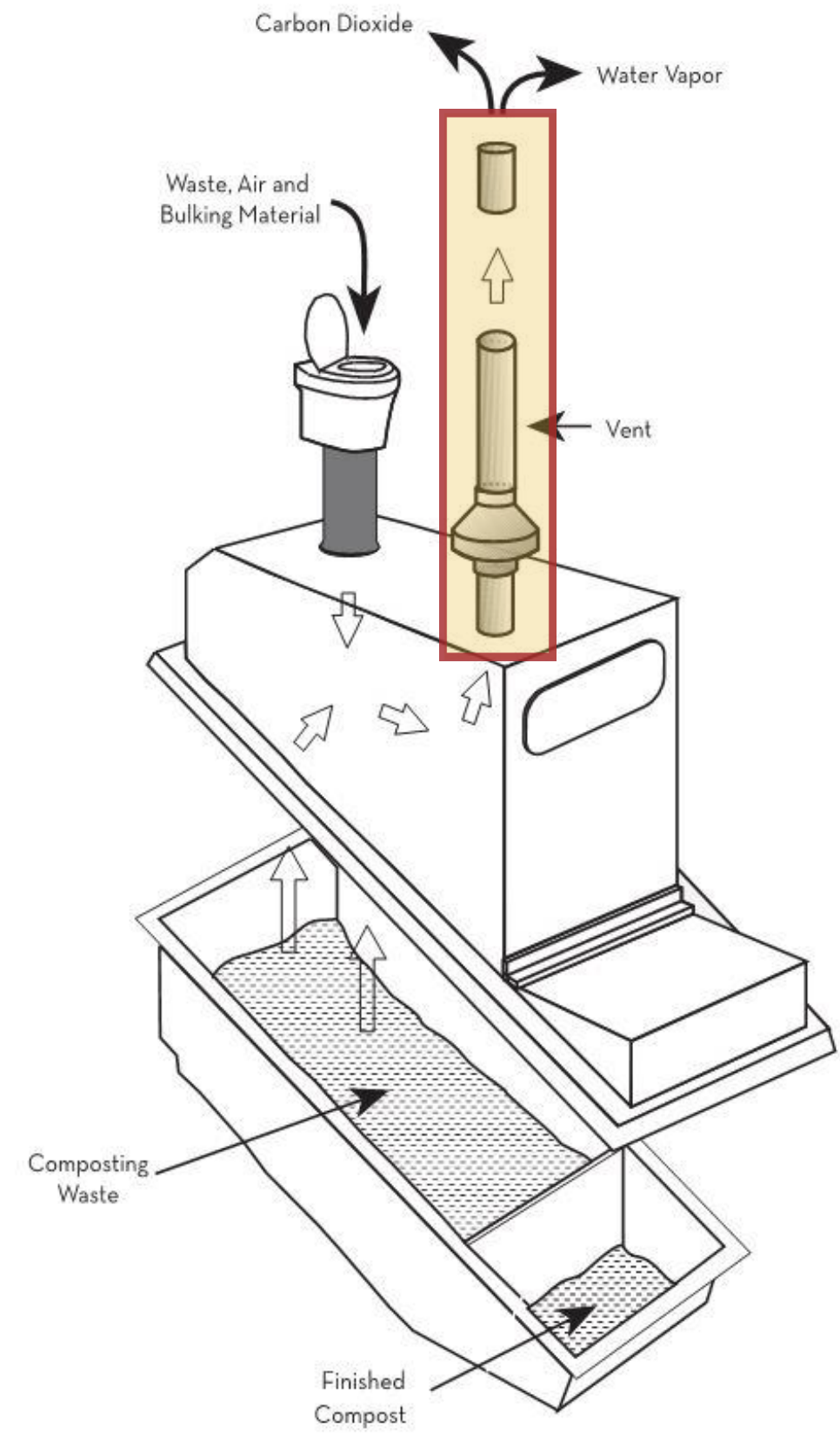
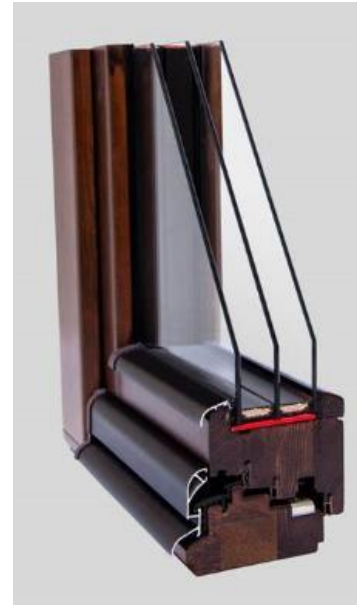
NUTHATCH HOLLOW Existing Foundation Wall



# NUTHATCH HOLLOW Composter



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