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# Decarbonization by 2050: Enabling Grid Enabled Communities

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# A vision for a net-zero U.S. building sector by 2050



**Reduce U.S. building emissions 60% by 2035 and 90% by 2050 vs. 2005 while enabling net-zero emissions economy-wide and centering equity and benefits to communities**

## **Prioritize equity, affordability, and resilience**



Ensure that at least 40% of the benefits of federal building decarbonization investments flow to disadvantaged communities



Reduce the consumer cost of decarbonizing key building segments 50% by 2035 while also reducing energy burdens



Increase the ability of communities to withstand stress from climate change, extreme weather, and grid disruptions



## **Increase building energy efficiency**

Reduce onsite energy use intensity in buildings 30% by 2035 and 45% by 2050, compared to 2005



## **Accelerate onsite emissions reductions**

Reduce onsite GHG emissions in buildings 25% by 2035 and 75% by 2050, compared to 2005



## **Transform the grid edge at buildings**

Increase building demand flexibility potential 3X by 2050, compared to 2020, to enable a net-zero grid, reduce grid edge costs, and improve resilience.



## **Minimize building life cycle emissions**

Reduce embodied emissions from building materials and construction 90% by 2050, compared to 2005.

# Buildings are central to multiple decarbonization pillars

Building upgrades **improve lives** by increasing high-quality jobs, economic security, equity, health, and community resilience



**Limit scale of required electricity infrastructure** needed under deep grid decarbonization



**Enable fast, secure, and interactive distributed energy resources** like EVs, onsite generation and storage



**Reduce on-site combustion** through electrification of heating, water heating, and cooking

## The Affordable Homes Earthshot

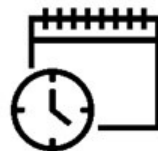
Reduce by 50%+ the cost of the package of technology needed to decarbonize affordable housing while lowering energy bills by 20% within a decade.



50%+ lower  
upfront cost



20% lower  
energy bills



Within a  
decade

# Transform the grid edge at buildings

*Demand-side management through building energy efficiency and demand flexibility can reduce the cost and scale of grid transformation to meet decarbonization goals*



## KEY ISSUES

### Distribution system challenges

New behind-the-meter loads from heating and transport electrification will strain existing grid distribution infrastructure without effective load management

### Lack of distributed resource integration

Demand management measures are not typically coordinated with other distributed energy resources such as on-site PV, EVs, and batteries

### Lack of valuation and incentives

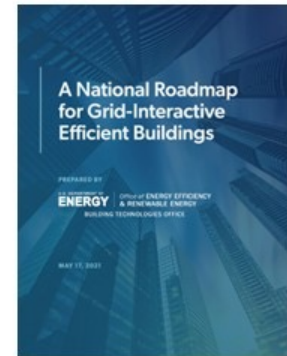
Demand-side measures are often excluded or undervalued in power markets and stronger regulatory/economic incentives are needed to increase demand flexibility deployment



## EXAMPLE INITIATIVES

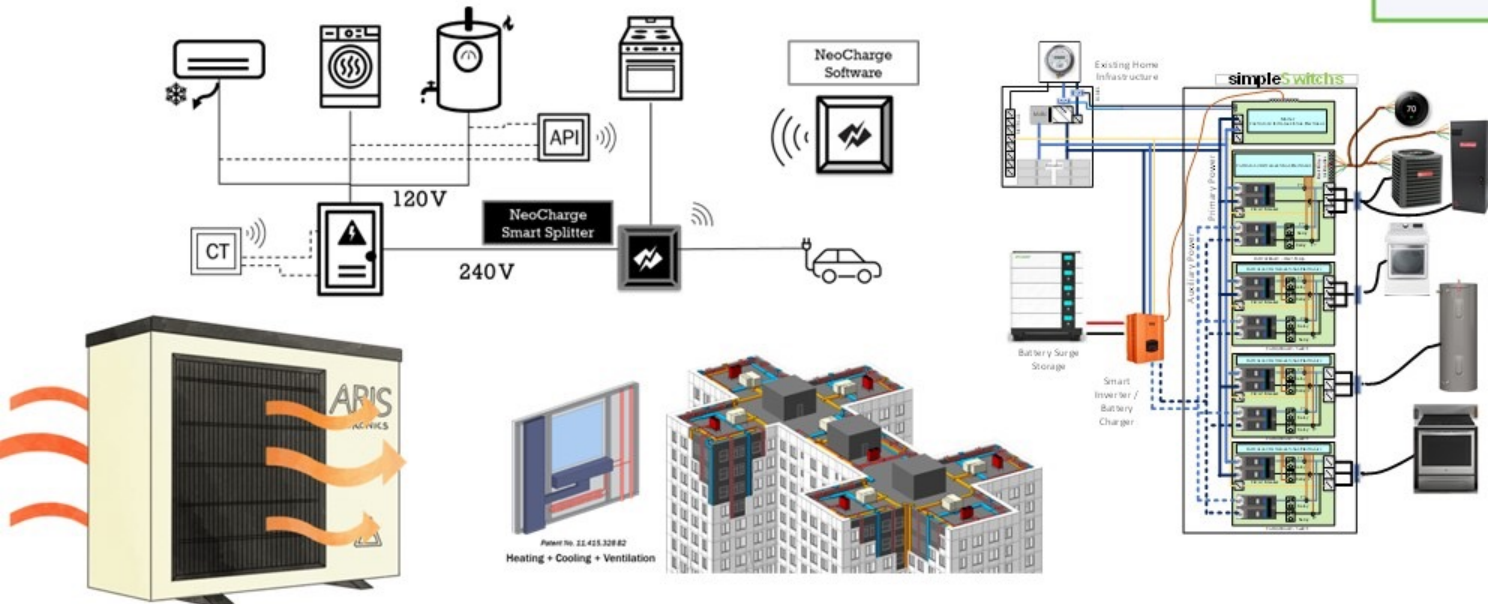
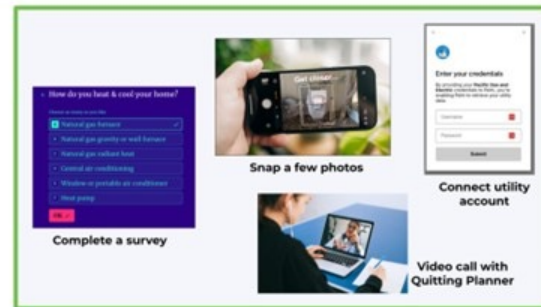


## Connected Communities



# Example Effort: EAS-e Prize

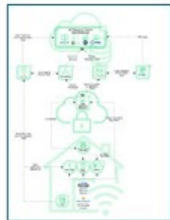
EAS-e (Efficient, Affordable Solutions for Electrification) Prize was awarded to companies and technologies that are advancing innovative approaches to building electrification especially in affordable housing



Decarbonizing  
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# Multiple lenses into Connected Communities

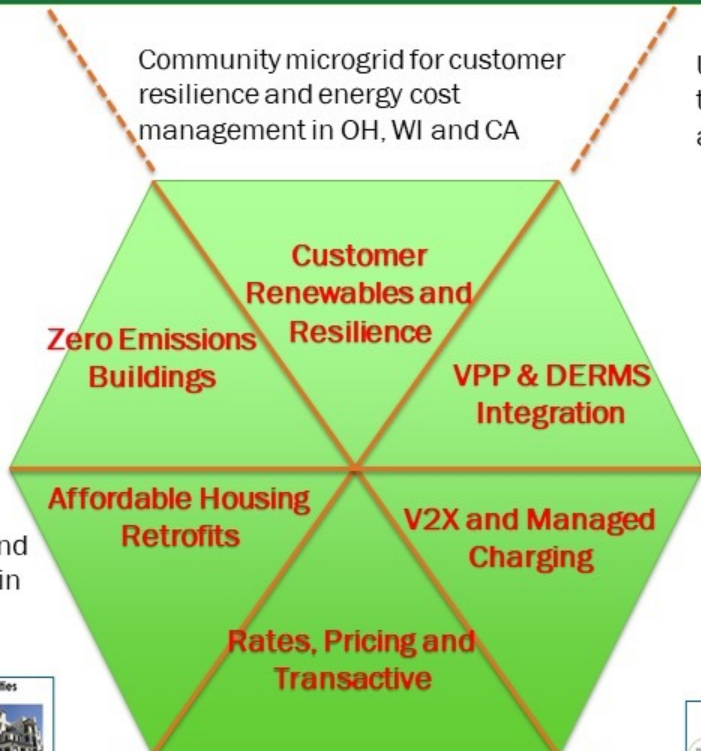


Commercial and residential electric ZNE demos in CA, NC, WA



Community microgrid for customer resilience and energy cost management in OH, WI and CA

Utility DERMS deployment with multiple building types incl. LMI communities in OH, NY, OR, UT, NC and WA



Community deployment of 120V HPs and ESCO model for electrification retrofits in NY, MA and WA

Using V2B with EVs for customer resilience in CA; V2G and fleet charging in affordable housing in WA



**Key Idea / Takeaway:**  
Evaluate feasibility of two-way market interactive "prices-to-devices" concept for rural co-ops in NH to manage load





## Questions?

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