



# Steele Hall Energy Retrofit Project

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# Steele Hall Description

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## Building :

- 🌲 Built in 1920
- 🌲 Major renovations in 2000 and 2007
- 🌲 Earth Sciences, Environmental Studies and Chemistry research labs and offices
- 🌲 Five floors (including mechanical penthouse)
- 🌲 47,495 sq. ft.



# Project Goals

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## Capital renewal

- 🌲 Replacing failing steam coils in AHUs
- 🌲 Upgrade aging Laboratory air control system

## Hot Water Conversion

- 🌲 Replace steam coils with hydronic heating coils
- 🌲 Replace ancillary steam heating equipment with hydronic equipment

## Energy Efficiency Measures

- 🌲 Develop cost effective Energy Efficiency and Carbon Reduction measure



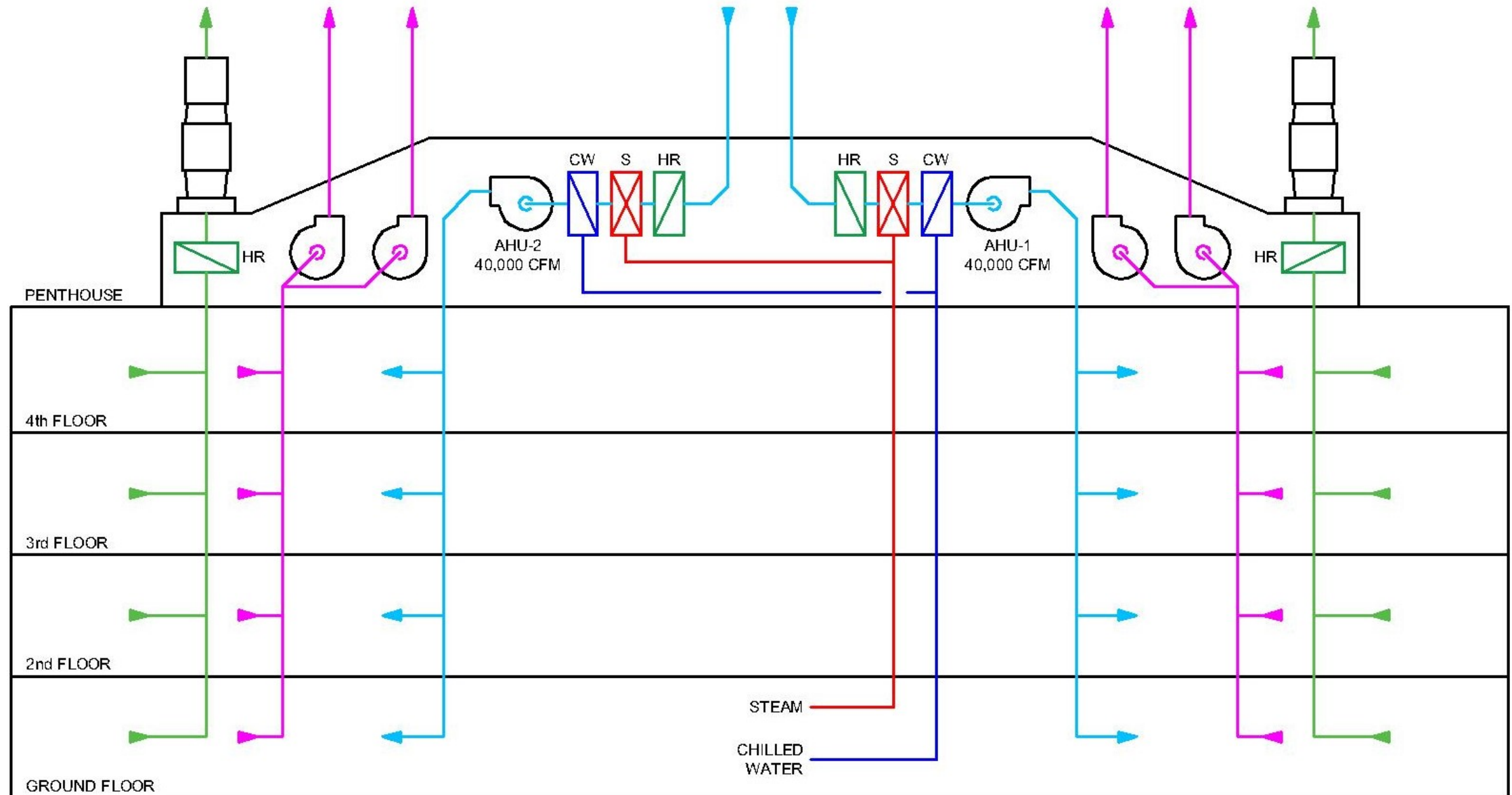
## Mechanical Systems Before Project

- 🌲 Two 40,000 CFM, 100% OA AHUs
- 🌲 AHUs equipped with run-around heat recovery, steam and CHW coils
- 🌲 Two main exhaust systems of three 20,000 CFM fans c/w heat recovery coils
- 🌲 Two exhaust systems of two 4,500 CFM fans w/o heat recovery
- 🌲 Separate hot water heating network for air reheat and perimeter radiation
- 🌲 Campus Steam and CHW networks utilization



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## Yearly Energy Usage

- 🌲 Electricity : 1,500,000 kWh
- 🌲 Steam : 10,756,000 lbs
- 🌲 Campus CHW : 400,000 ton-hour
- 🌲 EUI : 362 kBTU/sq. ft. (106 ekWh/sq.ft.)
- 🌲 Energy cost : \$430,000
- 🌲 GHG emission : 1,920 MTCDE



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## Laboratories ventilation air reduction

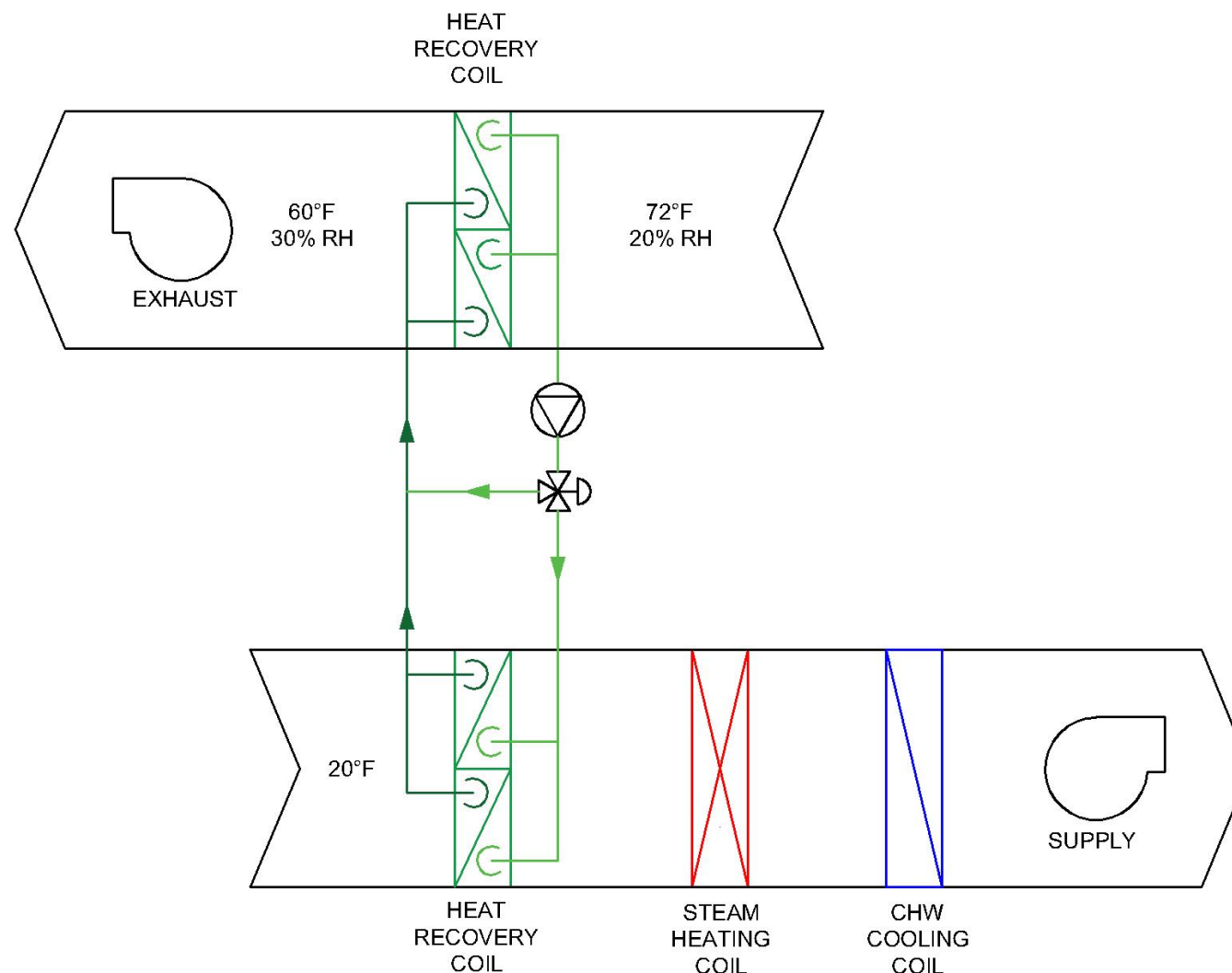
🌲 Laboratory Ventilation Risk Assessment realization

AIRFLOWS	BEFORE	AFTER	REDUCTION
Average supply/exhaust CFM	48,000	37,000	23%



## Existing heat recovery run-around system optimization – Initial arrangement

Average  
efficiency  
 $\pm 23\%$





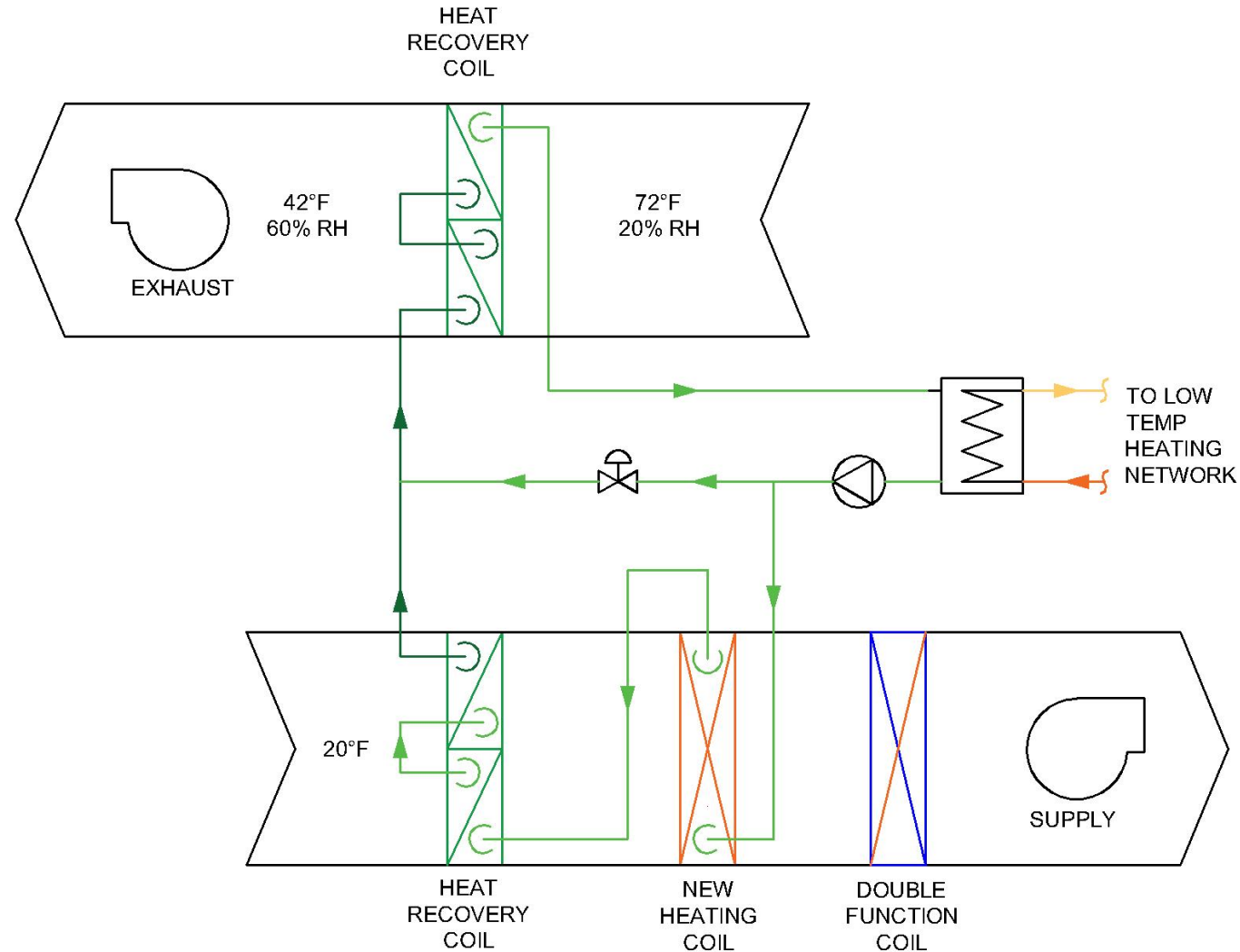


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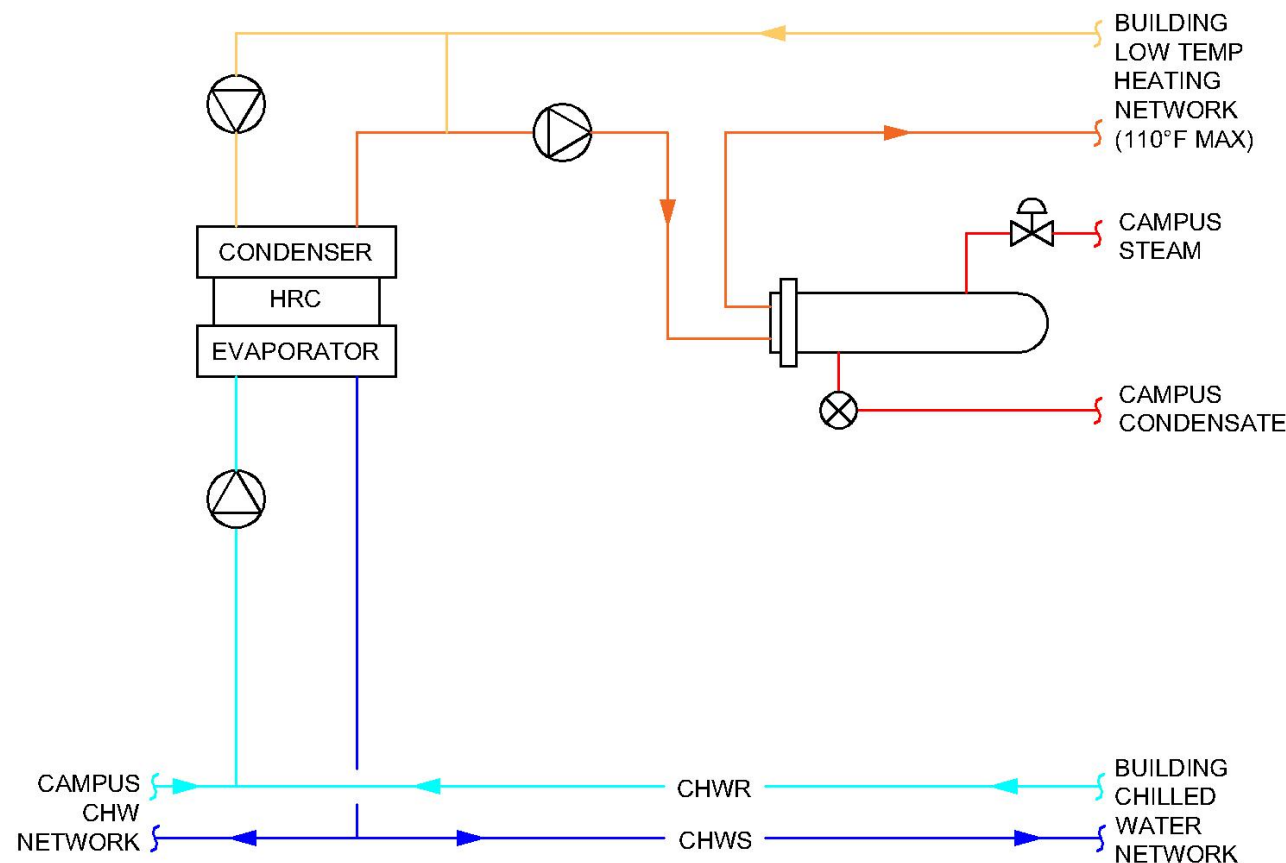
## Existing heat recovery run-around system optimization – New arrangement

Average  
efficiency  
 $\pm 58\%$





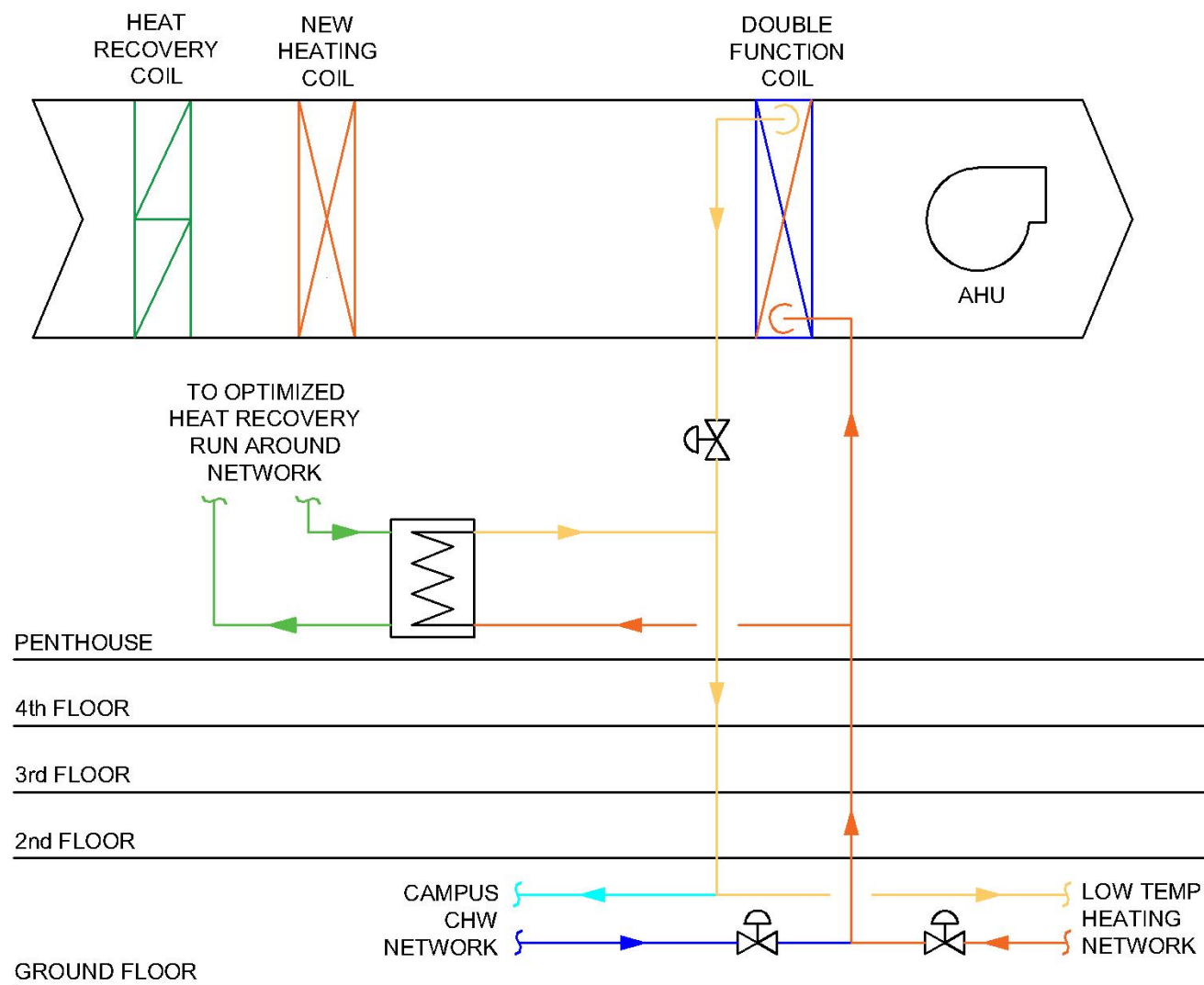
- ## Using the Campus chilled water network as an energy source





## Low temperature heating network deployment

- ❖ Replace existing VAV reheat coils selected at 110°F supply water temperature
- ❖ Use existing AHUs chilled water coils as double function coils for heating purpose using 110°F supply water temperature





# Project's Results

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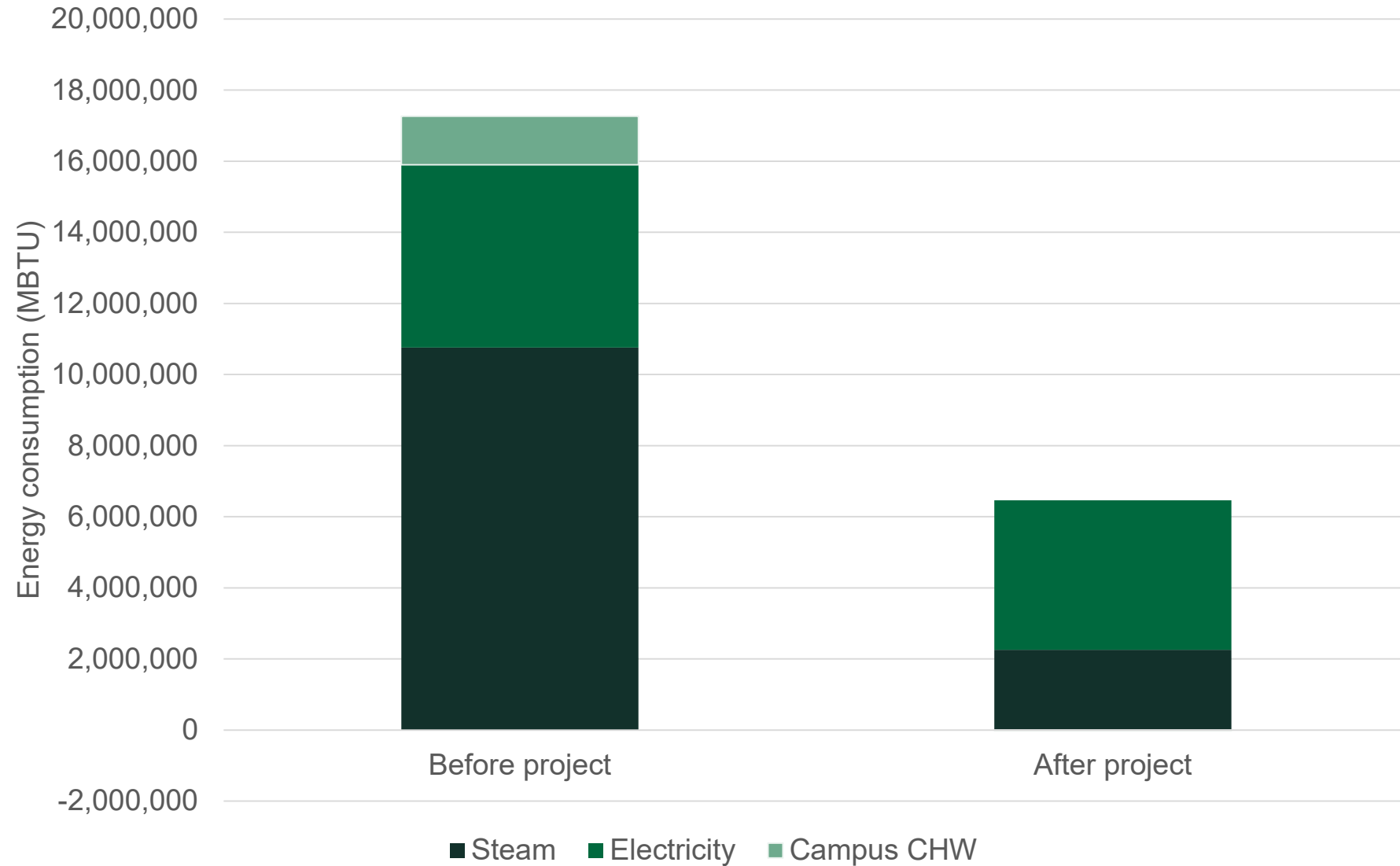
ENERGY	BEFORE	AFTER	SAVINGS	SAVINGS %
STEAM (lbs)	10,756,000	1,995,000	8,761,000*	81%
ELECTRICITY (kWh)	1,500,000	1,309,000	191,000	17%
CAMPUS CHW (ton-hour)	400,000	-6,100	406,100	102%
EUI (kBtu/sq ft)	357	134	223	62%
GHG emission (MTCDE)	1,900	595	1,305	69%
ENERGY COST (\$)	\$430,000	\$190,000	\$240,000	56%

\*Equates to over 100,000 gallons of #6 fuel oil saved at the central boiler plant



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## Place for improvement

- 🌲 Low temperature heating elements : 2 rows VS 4 rows reheat coils

## Successful achievement

- 🌲 Realize most of the building heating through air and minimize peripheral heating through radiators
- 🌲 Cost effective heat recovery chiller capacity selection
- 🌲 Thorough controls commissioning sessions and operational follow-up lead to a stable and efficient systems operation



# QUESTIONS ?

## Thank you !

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