## Envelope Backstop Methodology

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## Background

**Goal:** Limit envelope trade-offs for projects that document compliance following ASHRAE Standard 90.1 Section 11 or Appendix G

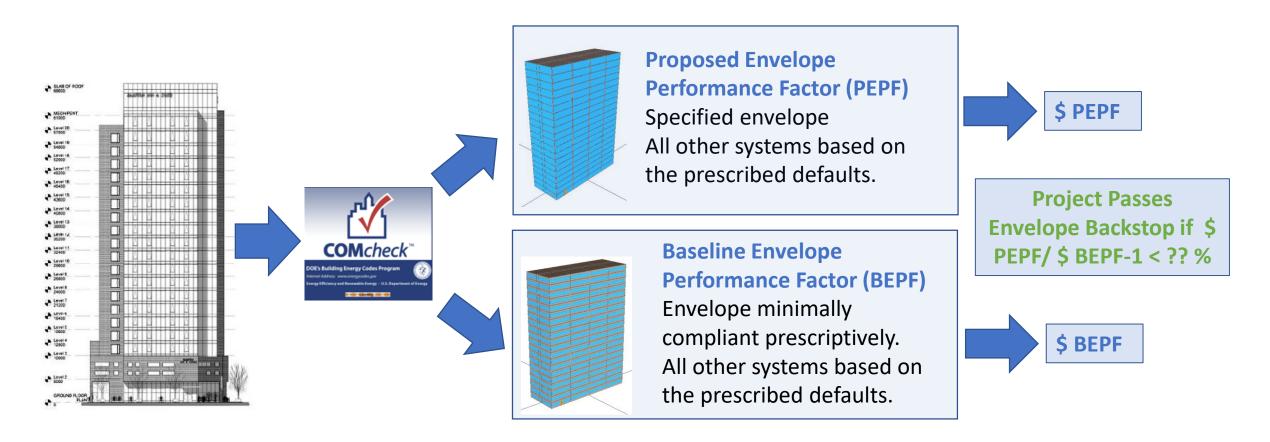
#### Reasoning:

- Once building is constructed, envelope is difficult or impossible to retrofit
- 90.1 performance options allow unlimited "trade offs" between envelope and systems with much shorter equipment life

#### **NY Stretch Energy**

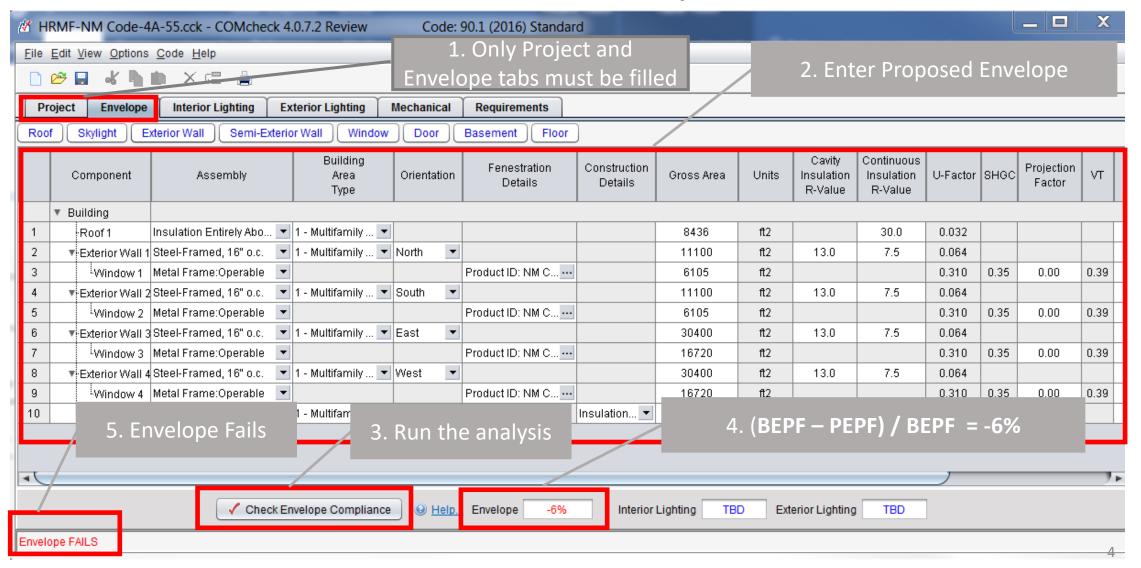
- The method was incorporated into NY Stretch Energy Code.
- The following slides are based on the work in support of NY Stretch development.

## 90.1 Appendix C Method

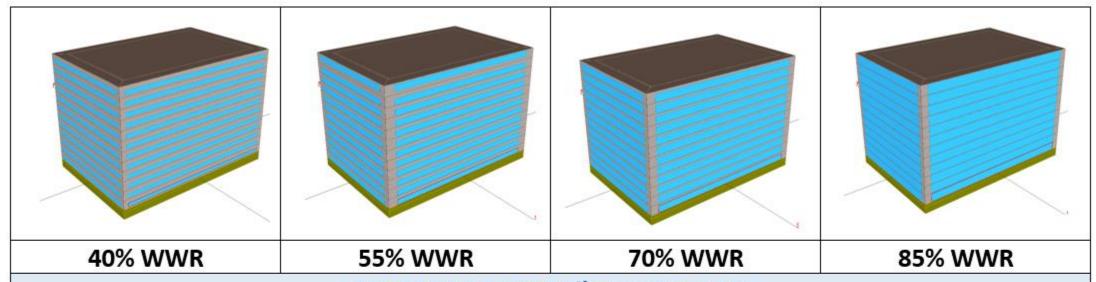


Account for the envelope thermal and solar properties, building shape, orientation, construction, impact of windows on daylighting, etc.

## **COMcheck Inputs**



### Large Office Configurations



ASHRAE 90.1 2016 Climate Zone 4A:

U-0.032 Flat roof

U-0.064 Steel-frame walls

U-0.38 / 0.4 SHGC metal frame fixed windows

**Proposed NY Stretch Climate Zone 4A:** 

U-0.030 Flat roof

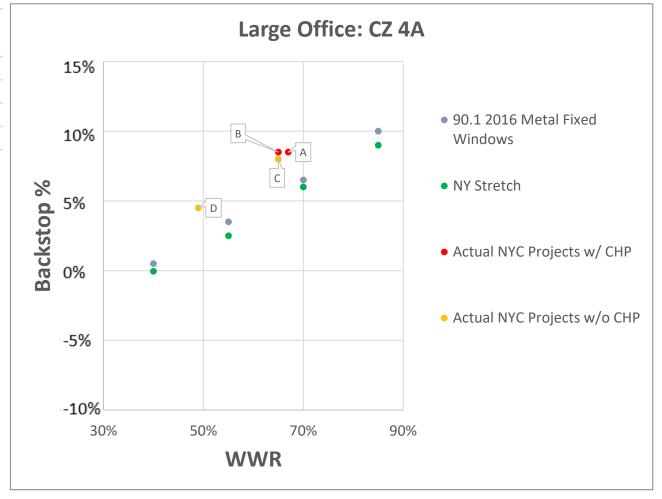
U-0.061 Steel-frame walls

U-0.36 / 0.4 SHGC metal frame fixed windows

<sup>\*</sup> WWR = Window to Wall Ratio is the ratio of window area to gross wall area

## Large Office Results

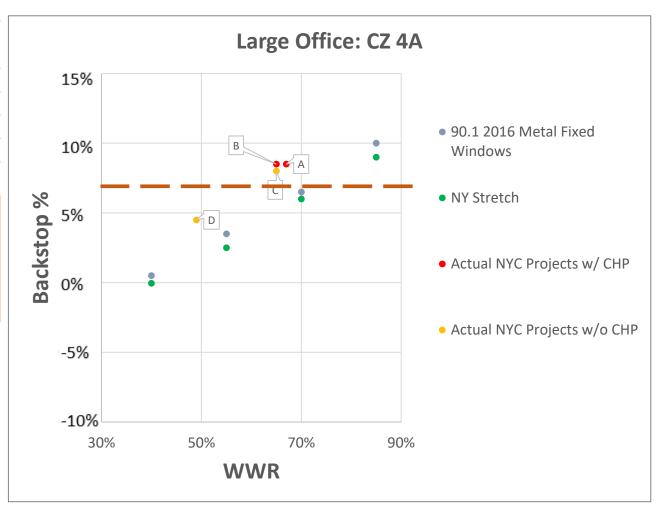
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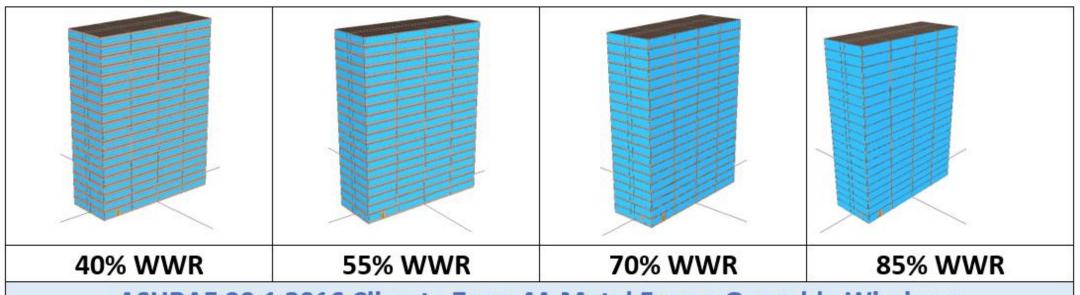
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**7%** Envelope Backstop can be met by non-residential projects with up to 70% WWR and envelope components minimally meeting 90.1 2016



## High-Rise Multifamily Configurations



**ASHRAE 90.1 2016 Climate Zone 4A Metal Frame Operable Windows** 

U-0.032 flat roof; U-0.064 steel-frame walls; U-0.46 / 0.4 SHGC windows

#### **Proposed NY Stretch Climate Zone 4A**

U-0.030 flat roof; U-0.061 steel-frame walls; U-0.43 / 0.4 SHGC windows

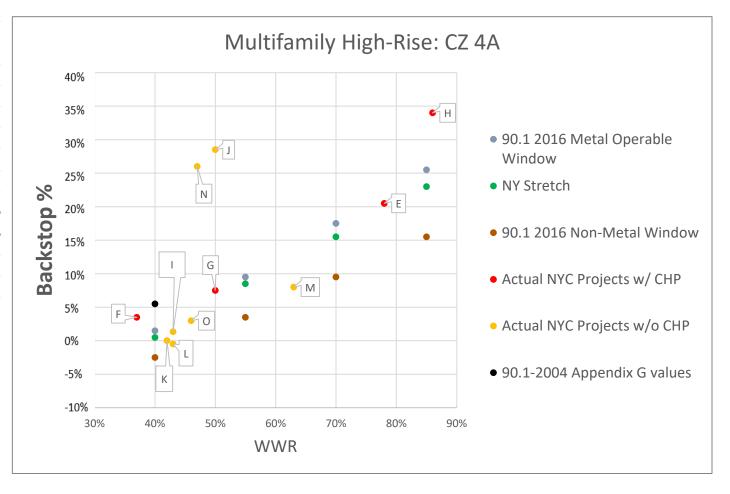
**ASHRAE 90.1 2016 Climate Zone 4A Non-metal Operable Windows** 

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## High-Rise Multifamily Results

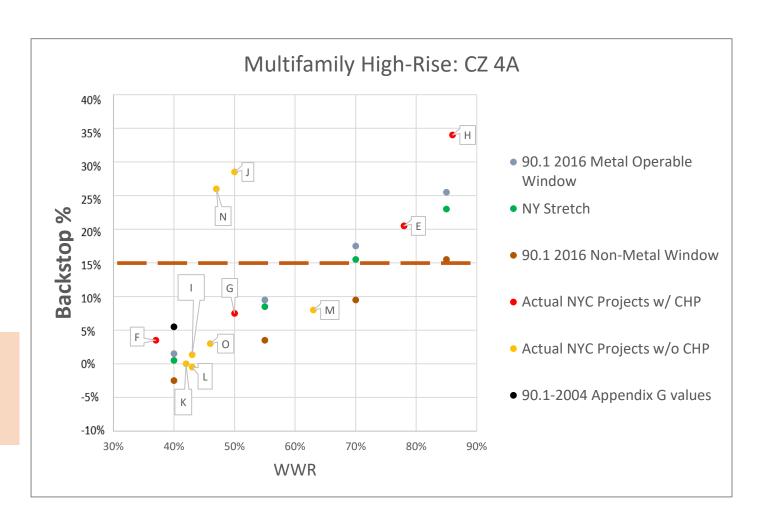
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| G         | Multifamily | 50% | 0.07            | 0.47               |  |
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| J         | Multifamily | 50% | 0.066           | 0.90               |  |
| K         | Multifamily | 42% | 0.044           | 0.41               |  |
| L         | Multifamily | 43% | 0.054           | 0.34               |  |
| M         | Multifamily | 63% | 0.054           | 0.34               |  |
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15% Envelope Backstop can be met by residential projects with up to 70% WWR and envelope components minimally meeting 90.1 2016



# Additional Analysis by ECB+ESC Working Group

## **Envelope Backstop Method Evaluation Criteria**

- The same method can be used for both Appendix G and Section 11
- Easy for modelers to document
- Manageable development effort
- Easy to maintain
- Considers all aspects of the proposed envelope
  U-values, SHGC, VT, thermal mass, orientation, attached shades, site shading
- Allows trade-offs between different aspects of the proposed envelope to preserve design flexibility

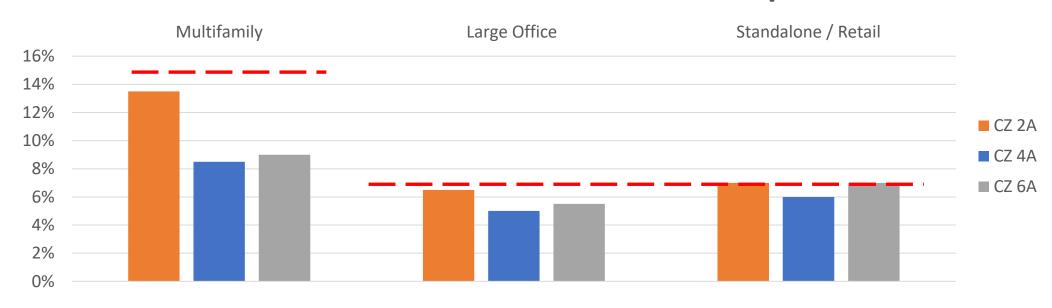
#### **High WWR + Code Compliant Envelope**



- Envelope Complies with 90.1 2016, steel-frame walls, fixed metal frame windows, 70% WWR
- Hotel has same envelope shape as Multifamily
- School/University has the same envelope shape as Large Office

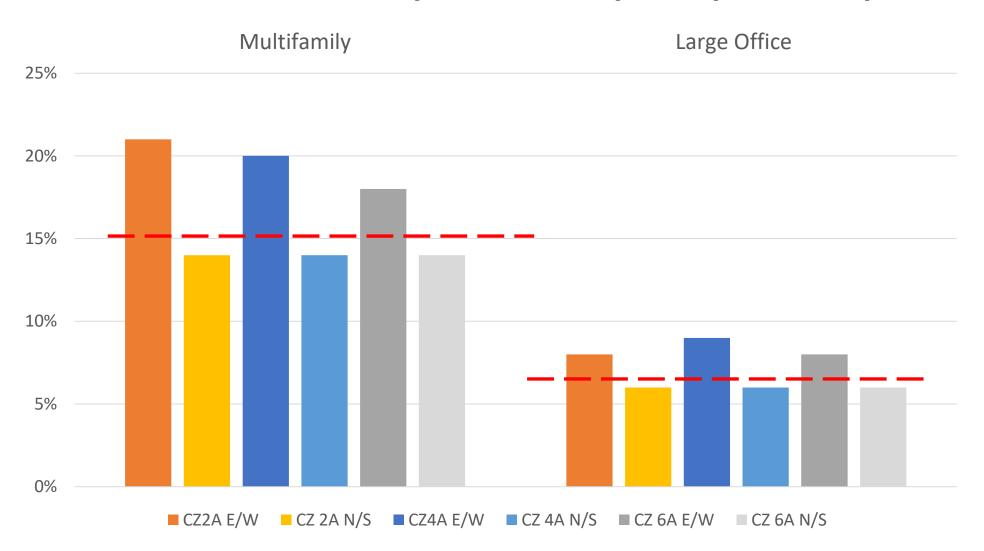
• Exposure-neutral

#### Low WWR + Below Code Envelope

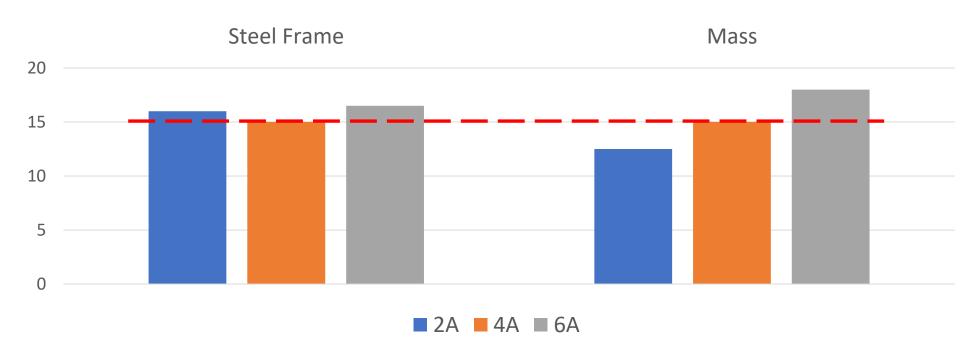


|                          | Wall U-factor (steel-frame) | Roof<br>R-value | WWR | Window U-Factor (metal fixed) | SHGC | VT   |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|-----|-------------------------------|------|------|
| Large Office CZ 2A/4A/6A | 0.124                       | 15/20/20        | 20% | 0.65/0.45/0.45                | 0.68 | 0.75 |
| Retail CZ 2A/4A/6A       | 0.124                       | 15/20/20        | 7%  | 0.65/0.45/0.45                | 0.68 | 0.66 |
| Multifamily CZ 2A/4A/6A  | 0.096                       | 15/20/20        | 20% | 0.65/0.45/0.45                | 0.68 | 0.75 |

#### 70% WWR Code Compliant Envelope: Impact of Exposure



#### **Low WWR Steel Frame vs Mass Walls**



|                 | Wall type   | Wall U | Roof R   | WWR | Window U      | SHGC |
|-----------------|-------------|--------|----------|-----|---------------|------|
| CZ 2A / 4A / 6A |             |        |          |     | (metal fixed) |      |
| Multifamily     | Steel-frame | 0.124  | 15/20/20 | 20% | 0.65          | 0.68 |
| Multifamily     | Mass        | 0.189  | 15/20/20 | 20% | 0.65          | 0.68 |