How To Proceed With An Assessment

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An assessment day will be schedule with the facility based on facility preference and analyst availability.

3. Conduct a pre-assessment phone interview

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4. Proceed with initial data collection

Analysts may request that you place data loggers or collect other information prior to analyst arrival.

Sample Assessment Reports and Recommendations can be found on our website.

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<td>Average Implemented Cost Savings</td>
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Established in 1987, Oregon State University Energy Efficiency Center offers no-cost energy assessments to qualified facilities courtesy of US Department of Energy funding.

The Energy Efficiency Center’s IAC program is a faculty supervised, student-ran research group on the Oregon State University campus with a mission to promote renewable energies and energy efficiency.

Implementation of IAC recommendations increases profitability by increasing efficiency and optimizing the industrial process. Additionally, the IAC team may be able to introduce proven advanced equipment and recent technological innovations to give your plant a competitive edge.

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**QUALIFICATIONS**

Industrial Assessment Centers serve small to medium sized manufacturers. In order to qualify for a no-cost industrial assessment the facility must:

- Operate within Standard Industrial Codes (SIC) 20-39
- Be located less that 150 miles of Oregon State University
- Gross Annual sales below 100 million
- Fewer that 500 employees at the plant site
- Annual energy bills between $100,000 and $2.5 million
- No professional in-house energy staff

The Oregon State Industrial Assessment Service allows for each facility to receive personalized attention and resources to improve facility productivity and energy use.

**WHAT TO EXPECT**

An industrial assessment consists of:

- One day site visit from a team of trained students and faculty for site analysis and data collection
- Three to six assessment recommendations specific to the facility and its goals
- On-site data collection and installation of data loggers for one to two weeks on areas of interest
- Personalized attention to facilities goals and specifications
- Minimal time commitment expected from the facility and recommendations hold the facility to no obligation to implement

This is a non-regulatory assessment. Your facility is not being monitored for compliance with any regulations. Assessments are designed to offer technically sound and economically feasible advice on how to save energy, reduce waste, and increase productivity.

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