

Case History

Wegmans Food Markets, Inc.

Rochester, NY

The Company:

Wegmans Food Markets, Inc. is a 71-store supermarket chain with stores in New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Virginia, and Maryland. The family-owned company, founded in 1916, is recognized as an industry leader and innovator and has been named one of the '100 Best Companies to Work For' by FORTUNE magazine for 11 consecutive years. In 2008, Wegmans ranked #3 on the list.

The Energy Saving Challenge:

Wegmans is committed to reducing energy demand and greenhouse gas emissions from its refrigeration, lighting, transportation and packaging. With these goals in mind, the supermarket giant asked SmartWatt to design and implement a project to improve working conditions for their employees and save significant amounts of energy throughout their non-retail facilities.

SmartWatt responded by creating a program encompassing 8 facilities and nearly 2 million ft² that included replacing more than 6,000 lighting fixtures and installing over 1,300 occupancy sensors.

Savings:

Annual Energy Savings: \$690,000.00
Annual Displaced Energy: 8,200,000 kWh
KW Demand Savings: 950 KW
Eligible EPC Act 2005 Tax Deduction: \$1,120,000.00

Rebate:

New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) energy conservation rebate program paid a \$550,000.00 incentive on this project.

Environmental Impact:

This project is saving enough energy to power over 1,372 homes every year.

Source: NYSERDA



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Grocery Distribution Center
Rochester, NY**

Replacement of more than 6,000 lighting fixtures and installation of over 1,300 occupancy sensors throughout 8 non-retail facilities helped Wegmans save \$690,000 in energy bills.

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