TRANSFORMING THE COMMERCIAL LIGHTING MARKET

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Reduced Wattage Lamp Replacement Initiative

- What was the market test?
- What did NEEA and BPA learn?
- What are the efforts at expansion now?



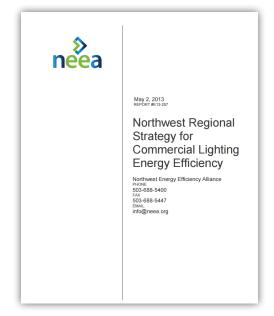






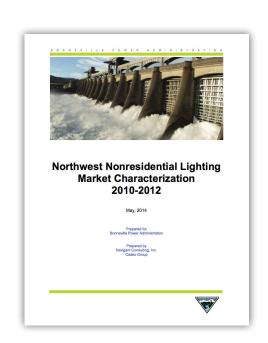


- Upstream incentives
- Relationship building with distributors and manufacturers
- Maintenance market opportunity
- 80 aMW energy-savings potential

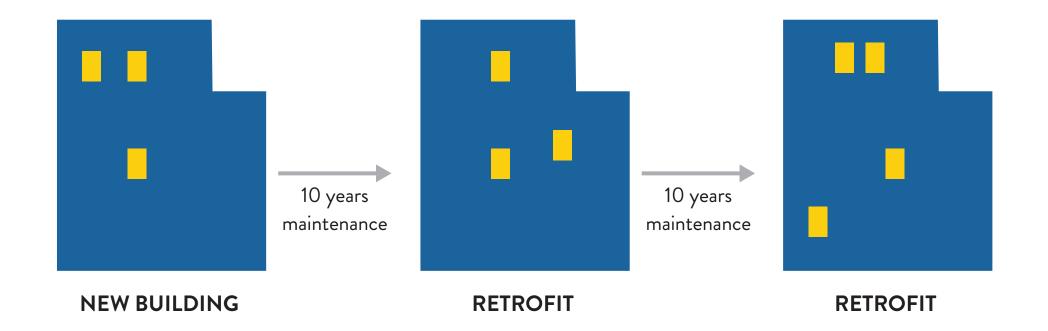




- Huge market
- Low-cost replacement, not substantial lighting system retrofit
- Majority of T8 lamp sales

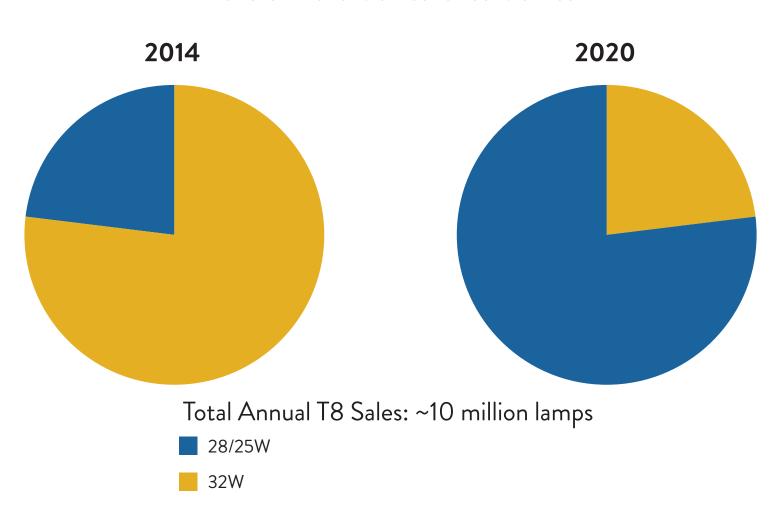








Transform the Maintenance Market

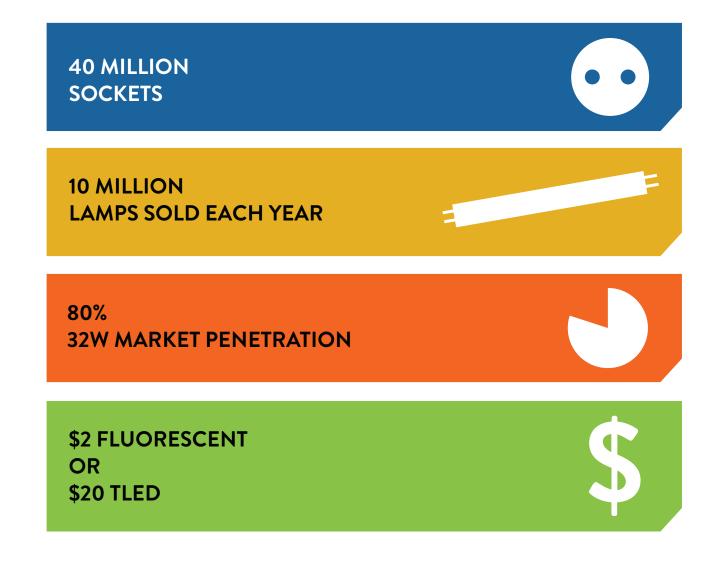




Low-wattage T8 lamps become default product choice over 32W lamps in T8 lamp maintenance market.









- Five distributors participated.
- NEEA collected sales data from all participating distributor locations.
- The market test lasted more than one year.



Incentives on all lamps sold above baseline

INCENTIVIZED SALES

NEGOTIATED FIXED BASELINE

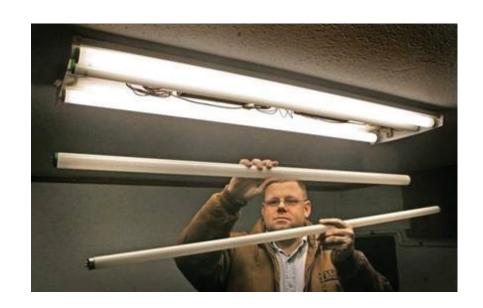
Promotional Period Sales Small incentive on all lamps sold plus bonus for reaching goals

INCENTIVIZED SALES

Promotional Period Sales



- Training
- Stocking
- Pricing agreements
- Price parity
- Ordering system
- Staff spiffs
- Marketing





- Manufacturers provided distributors with
 - Technical training about the products
 - Marketing support
 - Improved pricing
 - End-user outreach



- Program design appeals to distributors and manufacturers
 - Simple data submission and reporting requirements
 - Regional footprint
 - Important product category
 - Opportunity to influence maintenance market





- Volatility in low-wattage sales volumes
- Ingrained purchase patterns
- Sales staff motivation
- Inertia



- Obtained approval to expand from the market test
- Number of participants has increased and is still increasing
- Distributors and manufacturers are changing how they stock and sell T8s
 - Price parity
 - Increasing stock of low-wattage lamps



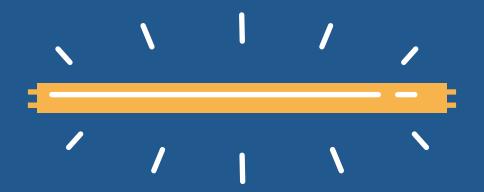
- Increase number of participants to capture at least25% more of the T8 market
- Continue incentives
- Provide market penetration bonuses
- Increase use of manufacturer resources
- Offer branch-level support
- Engage end-customers





CONCLUSIONS

- Obtained a valuable sales data set
- Strengthened relationship with distributors and manufacturers
- Learned valuable lessons for future market transformation initiatives
- Set stage for large-scale energy savings





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