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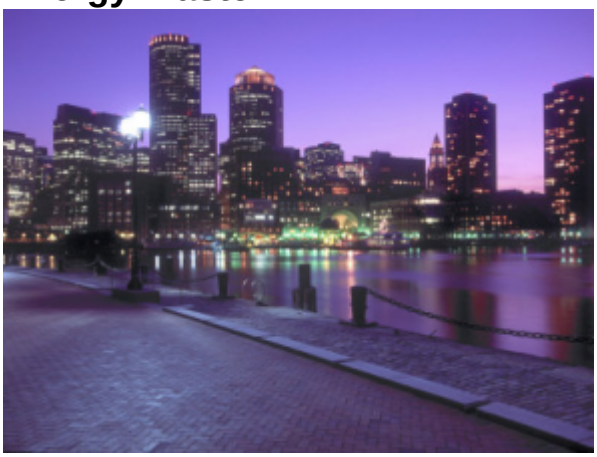
City of Boston Dials Down PC Energy Consumption By Nearly 45 Percent

PC Power Management Software Helps City Cut Costs by Reducing PC Energy Waste



Seattle - April 17, 2007 - Verdiem, the leading developer of power management software for PC networks, today announced that the City of Boston has reduced PC energy use by an average of 44 percent on all computers using Verdiem's SURVEYOR software. Using SURVEYOR, the City of Boston is saving an average of 180 kWh of electricity or about $25 per PC annually. The city installed this software on all PCs at Boston City Hall in February 2007.

"From our green building requirements to our clean vehicle policies, sustainability is a critical component of the City of Boston's future," said Boston Mayor Thomas M. Menino. "Using Verdiem's SURVEYOR demonstrates the city's commitment to lead by example by reducing energy use and harmful greenhouse gas emissions while saving taxpayer money."

Studies show that PCs and monitors use as much as 14 percent of all power consumed in office environments. By using Verdiem's SURVEYOR, organizations like the City of Boston can centrally manage the sleep, shut down and wake cycles to eliminate PC power waste and reduce spending on energy. Verdiem and its customers are helping to reduce global warming and CO2 emissions. Based on its existing customer base, annual use of Verdiem technology reduces greenhouse gas emissions at a rate equal to taking more than 8,000 passenger cars off the road for an entire year, or conserving 4,317,988 gallons of gasoline.

'The residents of Boston are justifiably proud of their beautiful and historic city," said Kevin Klustner, CEO, Verdiem. "They can take equal pride in the city's commitment to a green future. By deploying SURVEYOR, Mayor Menino is reducing the city's spending on energy and increasing its sustainability."

Under Mayor Menino's leadership, solar installations have been placed on a number of municipal buildings; the city has undertaken a large-scale retrofit of its school bus fleet of 500 school buses, using ultra low sulfur diesel, are being equipped with pollution control technologies, reducing tailpipe emissions by more than 90 percent; the city has completed installation of 25 combined heat and power units, a key element of the Boston Public Schools overall energy management program that saves taxpayers at least $8 million annually; and Boston was recognized as a national leader by the EPA's Green Power Partnership Program.

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