

INDUSTRIAL CASE STUDIES

Industrial Facilities Benefit from PACE

Texas Property Assessed Clean Energy (TX-PACE) enables industrial site owners to obtain affordable, long-term financing covering up to 100 percent of the cost for energy efficiency, water conservation, and on-site generation technologies. TX-PACE secures private financing for a term as long as the projected useful life of the improvements, resulting in utility cost savings that exceed the amount of the repayment.



REPUBLIC ELITE HARRISON COUNTY

The Republic Elite cabinet manufacturing facility, in Marshall, TX is Harrison County's first TX-PACE project. Using \$1.5M of TX-PACE financing, the property owner installed new energy efficient manufacturing equipment, lighting and HVAC units in the 280,000 square foot facility. These upgrades will save approximately 3 million kWh/year. Making these upgrades to the manufacturing facility will both directly increase energy efficiency as well as drive energy savings by improving manufacturing efficiency.

R.J. LIEBE ATHLETIC LETTERING CO. NAVARRO COUNTY

Liebe is the first manufacturing plant to complete a TX-PACE project. The TX-PACE assessment financed over 20 years provided the Missouri-based company a financially viable way to restore an aging, inefficient facility and relocate much of its light manufacturing operations to the new site. The flexible financing tool allowed Liebe to bypass the significant capital investment needed, retrofitting the lighting to LEDs, and installing HVAC in the plant's history. Reopening this facility created 60 permanent manufacturing jobs in Corsicana and is saving approximately 187,177 kWh of electricity annually.



TYPICAL EXAMPLES OF QUALIFIED IMPROVEMENTS:

Chillers, boilers, and furnaces · Pumps · Motors · Mechanical Insulation · Process
Heating · Heat recovery and steam traps · HVAC · Lighting · Water heating systems ·
Faucets Energy management systems and controls · Roofing · Windows · Doors ·
Insulation · Elevator modernization · CHP & Cogeneration · Solar panels · Wind turbines ·
Water management systems and controls · Irrigation equipment · Rainwater collection
systems · Toilets · Greywater systems

"As we work with more and more large brands, being environmentally friendly is a prerequisite to conducting business. In fact, we are graded on it. As a result, Liebe has strategically positioned all of our facilities to be as green as possible." - Mike Bernhagen, General Manager of R.J. Liebe Athletic Lettering Co.

THE FINANCIAL IMPACT OF TX-PACE

This example compares self-funding and conventional financing with TX-PACE financing:

- Industrial facility
- Project involves a \$2.5M 1.3MW C.P. system
- Annual net savings of \$473,000 (5.3 yrs simple payback)
- The project does not pass the company's hurdle rate for investment in energy efficiency (i.e. the ROI is probably not high enough)
- Conventional funding for 5 years at 4.0% (20% down payment)
- TX-PACE funding available for 20 years at 6.0%.
- Energy prices held constant. NPV discount rate at 8%.



FINANCING SCENARIO COMPARISON SUMMARY			
	Self-Funded	Conventional Loan	TX-PACE
Out-of-Pocket Investment	(\$2,500,000)	(\$500,000)	\$0
Savings (First Year)	\$473,000	\$473,000	\$473,000
Annual Payment	\$0	(\$561,568)	(\$217,961)
Cash Flow Impact Year 1	(\$2,027,000)	(\$588,568)	\$255,039
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Net Project Cash Flow Year 2	(\$1,554,000)	(\$677,136)	\$510,077
Years to Positive Project Cashflow	5.3	7.0	IMMEDIATE
Debt Service Over Finance Term	0	(2,807,839)	(2,368,742)
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10-Year Project NPV	\$673,869	\$431,691	\$1,711,330
Property Value Increase (20-Year NPV)	\$2,143,984	\$1,901,806	\$2,504,007

YOUR LOAN ASSESSMENT CAN INCLUDE:

- Cost of materials and labor necessary for the installation of a qualified improvement
- Permit fees
- Inspection fees
- Lender fees
- Program development and engineering fees
- Independent third party reviewer audit fees, including verification fees
- Any other fees or cost that may be incurred by the property owner incidental to the installation, modification or improvement
- Legal, consulting and other fees on an actual cost basis
- Changes to the existing property incidental to the installation