

C-5 FUEL CELL FACILITY 167TH AIRLIFT WING MARTINSBURG, WV

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Project Background

- ◉ Client: 167th Airlift Wing – WV Air National Guard
- ◉ Site: Martinsburg, WV
 - WV Eastern Regional Airport
- ◉ Purpose
 - C-5 Galaxy Conversion Project

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Project Background

- ◉ Design/Build Contract
 - Kinsley Construction – Design/Build Manager
 - ◉ Holds all subcontracts
 - LSC Design – contracted by Kinsley Construction
 - ◉ Holds all design team subcontracts
 - All contracts based on lump sum



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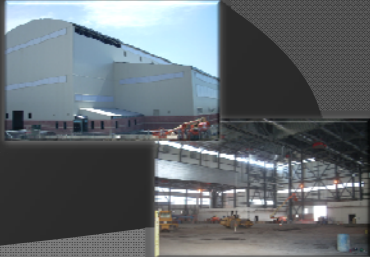
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Project Background

- ◉ Cost: \$26.8 million
- ◉ Schedule
 - NTP for design: October 2008
 - Office Mobilization: March 2009
 - Scheduled Completion: March 2010
 - Expected Completion: July 2010 – extensions granted for additions to scope and weather delays




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Breadth Topics

- ◉ Electrical Breadth Study
 - Addition of solar collection system
- ◉ Structural Breadth Study
 - Design of load-bearing concrete walls in place of masonry

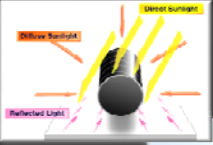



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Solar Energy Collection

- Goal of Analysis
 - Determine if the installation of Solyndra panels is a positive addition
 - Potential energy production
 - Building power usage
 - Purchase and installation costs
 - Payback period

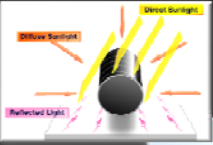




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Solar Energy Collection

- Solyndra, Inc. Panels
 - Array of cylinders
 - Collects direct, diffuse, and reflected light
 - Reflected light gain based on roof material
 - Airflow between cylinders
 - Reduced wind uplift
 - Cooler operating temperatures

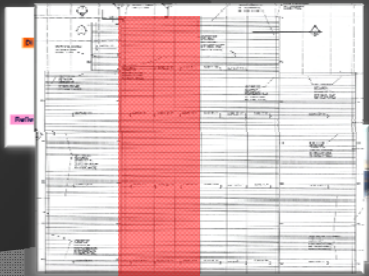
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Electrical Breadth Study

- How many Solyndra panels can be installed on the roof?
 - Orientation of building
 - Dimensions of panels vs. Dimensions of roof
- 3 sections of usable roof space on SW side
- 13 panels lengthwise along slope of roof
- 78 panels across the roof

1014 panels total



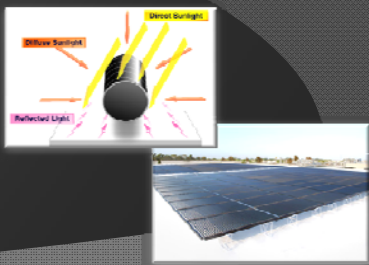
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Electrical Breadth Study

- Energy Production Potential
 - Power Rating of Solyndra panel
 - Monthly insolation values for location
 - Max annual output: 274 kWh/panel
 - Reflectivity reduction: 88%
 - Potential annual output: 241 kWh/panel

$241\text{kWh/panel/year} \times 1014 \text{ panels} = 244,374 \text{ kWh/year}$



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Electrical Breadth Study

- Building Energy Usage
 - Existing hangar energy usage
 - Average office energy usage
 - Total Expected Energy Usage = **213,773 kWh/year**
- Cost of Installing Solyndra System
 - \$7 per Watt per panel
 - \$7/W/panel x 200W x 1014 panels
 - **\$1,419,600** to purchase and install

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Electrical Breadth Study

- Payback Period of System
 - Cost of electricity: 6.64 cents per kWh in WV
 - Expected savings plus sale of electricity
 - \$0.0664/kWh x 244,374 kWh/year = **\$16, 226/year**

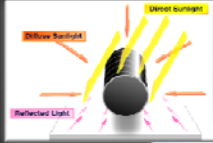

\$1,419,600 / \$16,226/year = 87.5 years

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Conclusion and Recommendation

- System produces more than building uses
- Payback period is extremely long
 - Low cost of energy for project location
 - More feasible in higher cost region
- Recommendation: Do not install Solyndra system on this project.

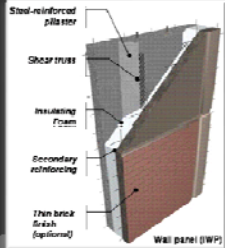



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Precast Concrete Walls

- Goal of Analysis
 - Is precast concrete a better option than CMU for wall construction?
 - Exterior façade
 - Interior load-bearing walls

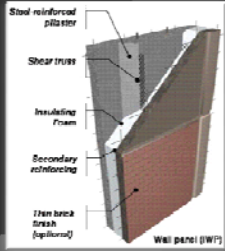


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Precast Concrete Walls

- Exterior Façade
 - Currently split-face CMU to match existing buildings
 - Carbon Cast panels
 - Thin-brick technology to match aesthetics
 - Produced in controlled conditions
 - Higher quality product than masonry



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Structural Breadth Study

- Load Determination
 - Dead Load: 21.3 PSF
 - Live Load: 20 PSF
- Strength Design Method
 - Load combination: 1.2D + 1.6L
 - Total Axial Load = 3.22 kips

$P_D = 1193 \text{ lbs}$
 $P_L = 1120 \text{ lbs}$
 $P_U = 1.2P_D + 1.6P_L = 3223 \text{ lbs} = 3.22 \text{ kips}$

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Structural Breadth Study

- Using 8" wall thickness
 - Bearing Capacity
 - Axial Load Capacity
- Minimum Reinforcement
 - #4's @ 18"oc in vertical direction
 - #4's @ 12"oc in horizontal direction

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Structural Breadth Study

- Cost Comparison
 - Masonry package: \$230,011
 - Precast package: \$506,084
 - \$38/SF estimate from High Concrete
- Increased Floor Space
 - Change from 12" masonry to 8" concrete walls
 - 117 SF added at \$340/SF
 - \$39,720 worth additional usable space

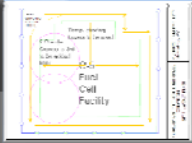
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Structural Breadth Study



MASONRY LOGISTICS PLAN



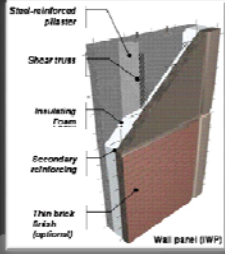
PRECAST LOGISTICS PLAN

- Schedule Comparison
 - Masonry package: 25 days on-site
 - Precast concrete package: 15 days on-site
 - Not on critical path: does not change project schedule
- Productivity Impact
 - Fewer workers for precast
 - More moving equipment for precast

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- Cost of change is more than double
- Overall schedule not reduced
- Increased floor space
- Higher quality facade
- Recommendation: Use the masonry system as designed instead of precast concrete option.

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Hangar Slab Sequence

- Goal of Analysis
 - Determine most efficient sequence for concrete placement in hangar area
 - Cost
 - Duration
 - Productivity

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Hangar Slab Sequence

- Industry Survey
 - Larger pour size = higher productivity
- 3 Sequences
 - As-built
 - More pours/smaller width
 - Less pours/greater width

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Hangar Slab Sequence

- Cost and Duration Comparison
 - Larger pour width costs less and completed faster
 - Smaller pour width costs more and completed slower
- Quality Comparison
 - Larger width makes finishing more difficult
 - Higher quality with smaller width pours

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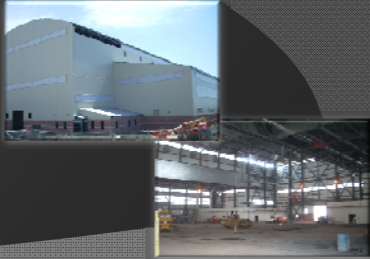
- Quality vs. Cost
- Hangar dimensions
- Recommendation: Employ the slab pour sequence that was chosen by project team.
 - Slightly larger pours if dimensions allow

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Design/Build Productivity

- Goal of Analysis
 - Does design/build construction increase productivity for the management and design team as well as in the field?




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Design/Build Productivity

- Measurements
 - Preconstruction activity time
 - Paperwork during construction
 - Ability to work ahead

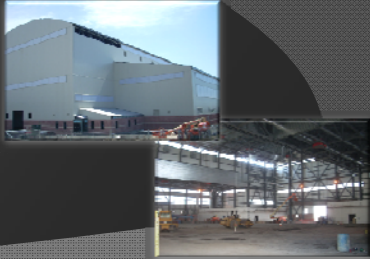


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Design/Build Productivity

- Research Steps
 - Project Manager Survey
 - Owner Perspective
 - Causes of Delays
 - Potential Benefits



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Design/Build Productivity

- Findings of Research
 - Preconstruction time reduced
 - Design is better the first time
 - Estimating is completed simultaneously
 - Subcontractors acquired earlier for design-assist
 - Less paperwork during construction
 - RFI's handled in open meetings
 - Change Orders almost completely eliminated
 - Submittal process much shorter; subcontractors know the specifications

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Design/Build Productivity


- Findings of Research continued
 - Able to start activities sooner
 - Procurement of long-lead items
 - Subcontractors determine means and methods of construction during design phase
 - Subcontractors can schedule labor and equipment to reduce chance of delays
- Success of delivery method depends on the team
 - Good contractor with good design can make any method work
 - D/B requires background knowledge of project
 - Owner must know what they want

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- If the design/build team and owner coordinate well, there is potential for higher productivity

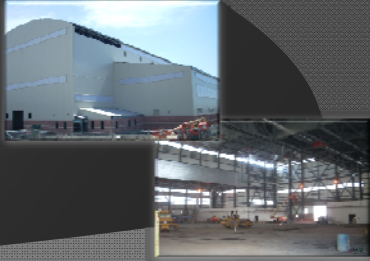


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Conclusions

- Project Team made good decisions in selection of systems and design methods
- For other projects, proposed changes may be more beneficial
- Use of Design/Build delivery should continue to be implemented at greater levels



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