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DC POWERED LED TAXIWAY CENTERLINE LIGHTING SYSTEM: A CASE STUDY



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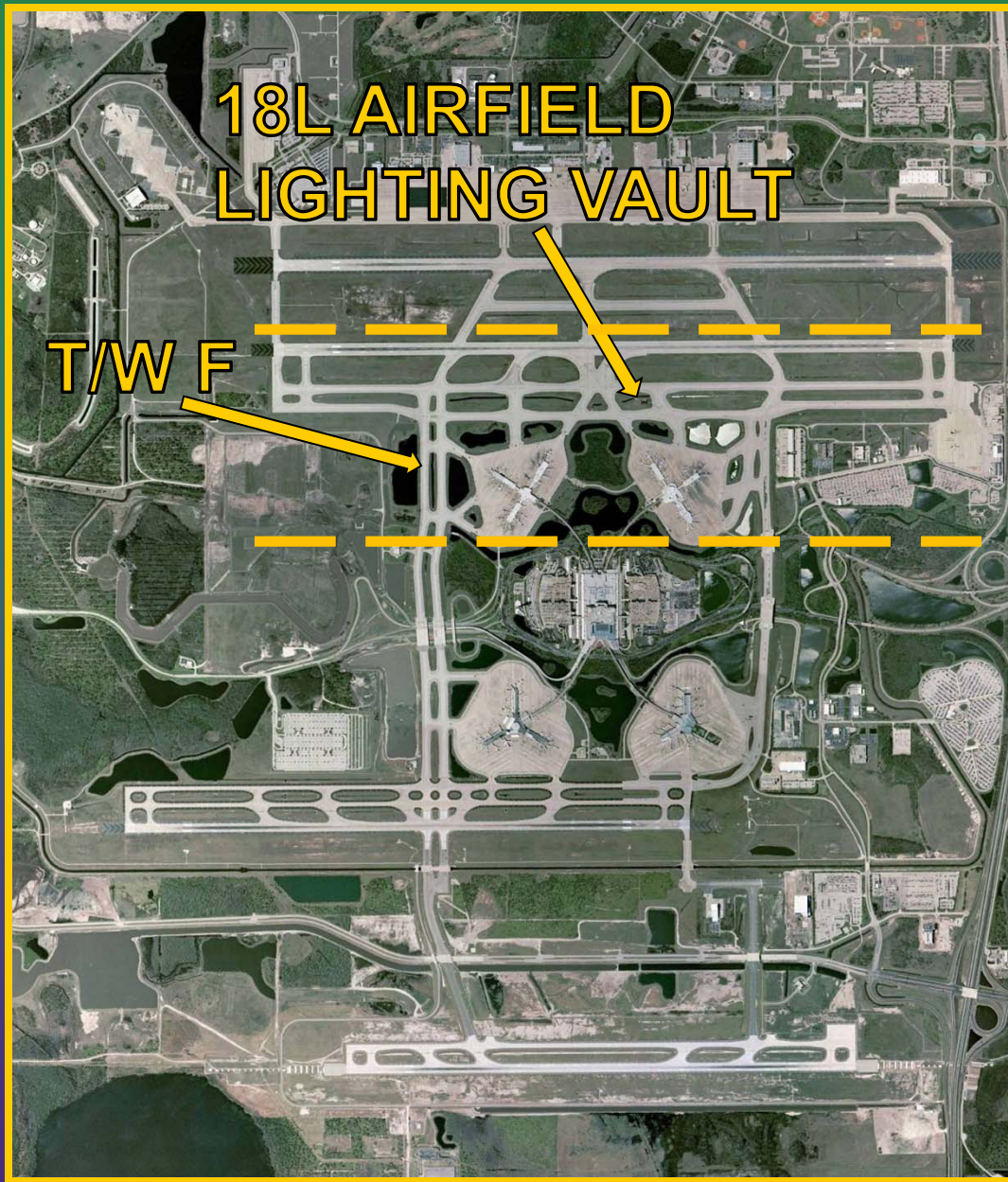
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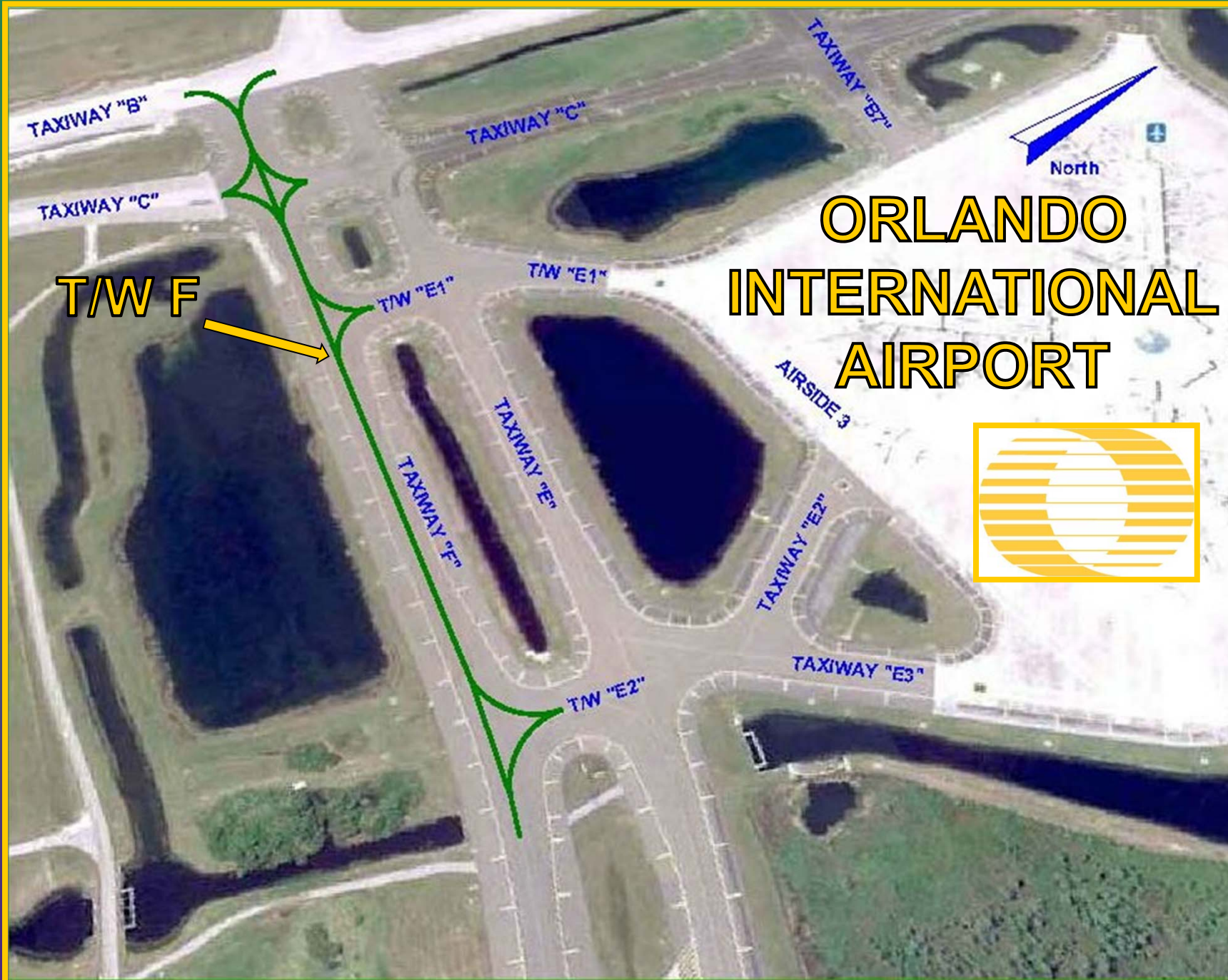
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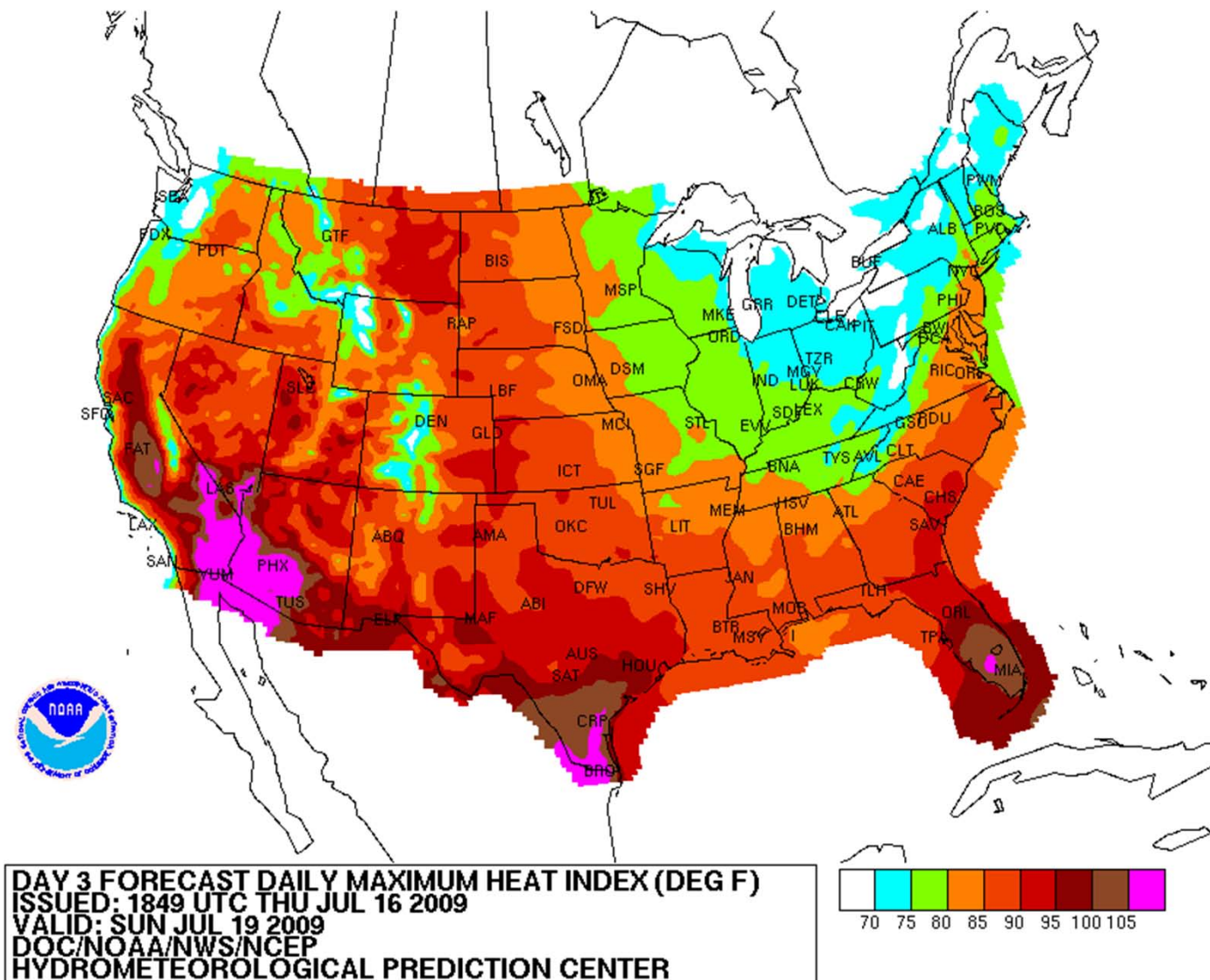


HIGH GROUND WATER



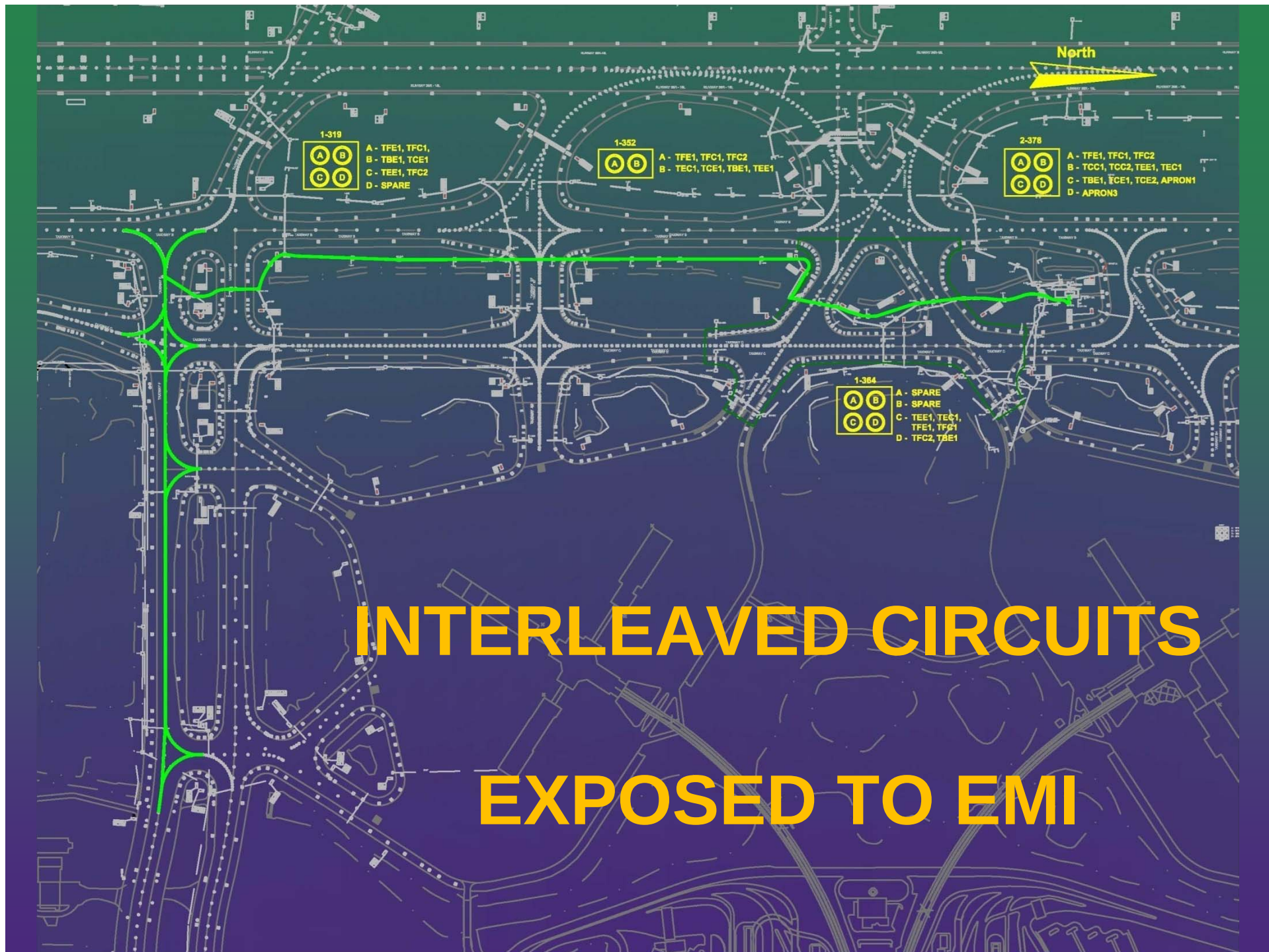
HIGH TEMPERATURES & HUMIDITY

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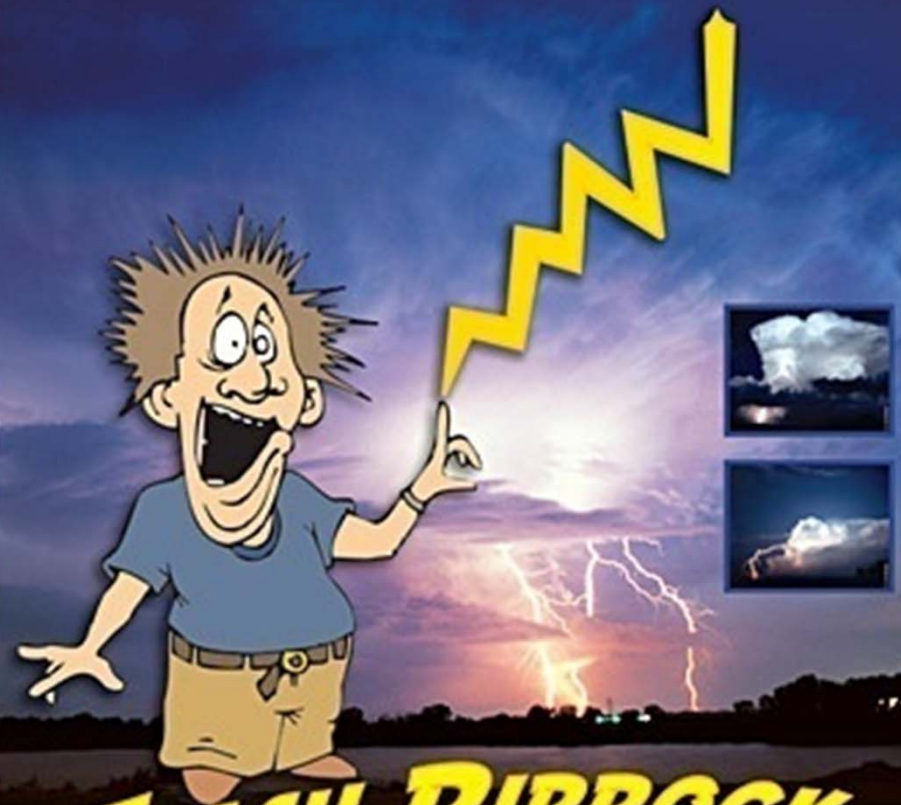


HEAVY AIRCRAFT





When the shocking truth strikes...IT'S TOO LATE!



FLASH RIPROCK

and the
Bolt from the Blue

"POSITIVE" LIGHTNING BOLTS COME FROM THE UPPER PARTS OF THUNDERSTORMS, STRIKING UP TO SEVERAL MILES AWAY. IF YOU HEAR THUNDER, AND LIGHTNING IS NEAR, THERE IS NO SAFE PLACE OUTSIDE. FOLLOW THESE SAFETY RULES: (1) GET INSIDE A HOUSE, A LARGE SHELTER OR A HARDTOP RV OR TRAILER. (2) USE THE TELEPHONE ONLY IN AN EMERGENCY. (3) REMAIN CLEAR OF THE ISOLATED TREES AND TELEPHONE POLES. (4) AVOID WIRE FENCES, CLOTHESLINES AND THE PIPES AND PAIRS. (5) IF YOU ARE OUTSIDE, SEEK SHELTER IMMEDIATELY. (6) "IF THUNDER ROARS, GO INDOORS" AND STAY INDOORS UNTIL 30 MINUTES AFTER THE LAST THUNDER CLAP IS HEARD.

SAFE CHOICES INCLUDE: (1) REMAIN AWAY FROM ANY WIRE REVER STRUCK BY LIGHTNING. (2) LIGHTNING DOES NOT ALWAYS STRIKE THE TALLEST OBJECT, ONLY THE TALLEST OBJECT IN A PARTICULAR AREA. (3) LEAVING CARS AND BUSES OPEN, BUT JUST IN CASE. (4) JUST BECAUSE IT IS NOT HEARD AS NOISE, IT IS STILL POSSIBLE FOR AND TO BE STRUCK BY LIGHTNING. (5) IN FACT, MOST PEOPLE CHOOSE TO LIGHTNING FROM A SHORT TIME IF NOT FROM THE ONLY WAY FROM A THUNDERSTORM. (6) REMAIN AWAY FROM ANY WIRE REVER STRUCK BY LIGHTNING. (7) REMAIN AWAY FROM ANY WIRE REVER STRUCK BY LIGHTNING. (8) REMAIN AWAY FROM ANY WIRE REVER STRUCK BY LIGHTNING. (9) REMAIN AWAY FROM ANY WIRE REVER STRUCK BY LIGHTNING. (10) REMAIN AWAY FROM ANY WIRE REVER STRUCK BY LIGHTNING.



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LIGHTNING



EXISTING CIRCUIT

- TFC1 CIRCUIT IS POWERED FROM THE 18L AIRFIELD LIGHTING VAULT.
- TFC1 CONSISTS OF 116 TAXIWAY CENTERLINE LED FIXTURES AND INCLUDES 22,000 FEET OF L-824 5 KV CABLE.



OIA DC CIRCUIT INSTALLATION TIME LINE

DATE	TIME	ACTION
PRIOR TO AUGUST 17		INSTALL POWER SUPPLY IN 18L VAULT AND PROVED INPUT POWER (240VAC) .
AUGUST 17 AND 18	2300-0500 HOURS	REMOVE EXISTING LED FIXTURES AND TRANSFORMERS, INSTALL NEW DC LED FIXTURES, REPAIR/REPLACE L-823 KITS AND BOLTS AS NEEDED, REPLACE 1 FIELD LIGHTNING ARRESTOR.
AUGUST 19	2300-0500 HOURS	COMPLETE NEW DC LED FIXTURE INSTALLATION, MAKE UP FIELD CONNECTIONS TO POWER SUPPLY AND TEST OPERATION.
AUGUST 20 THROUGH 22	2300-0500 HOURS	CONTINUE CIRCUIT BURN IN AND TESTING.
AUGUST 23	0800 HOURS	MOVE ALCS CONTROL AND MONITOR WIRING FROM EXISTING 6.6AMP CCR AND CONNECT TO NEW POWER SUPPLY AND BEGIN NORMAL OPERATION.



	Date	Time	TFC1 Step	TFC2 Step	Input KW TFC1 TFC2	
	9/29/11	18:48:45	0	1		.867
	9/30/11	00:42:25	5	5	1.661	4.612
	9/30/11	01:51:45	0	1		.867
	9/30/11	06:53:38	0	0		
	9/30/11	18:34:45	1	0	.088	
	10/1/11	01:22:52	5	5	1.661	4.612
	10/1/11	01:22:54	3	0	.101	
	10/1/11	01:25:55	5	5	1.661	4.612
	10/1/11	02:34:02	1	0	.088	
	10/1/11	06:51:04	0	0		
	10/1/11	18:55:42	1	0	.088	
	10/2/11	06:50:25	0	0		

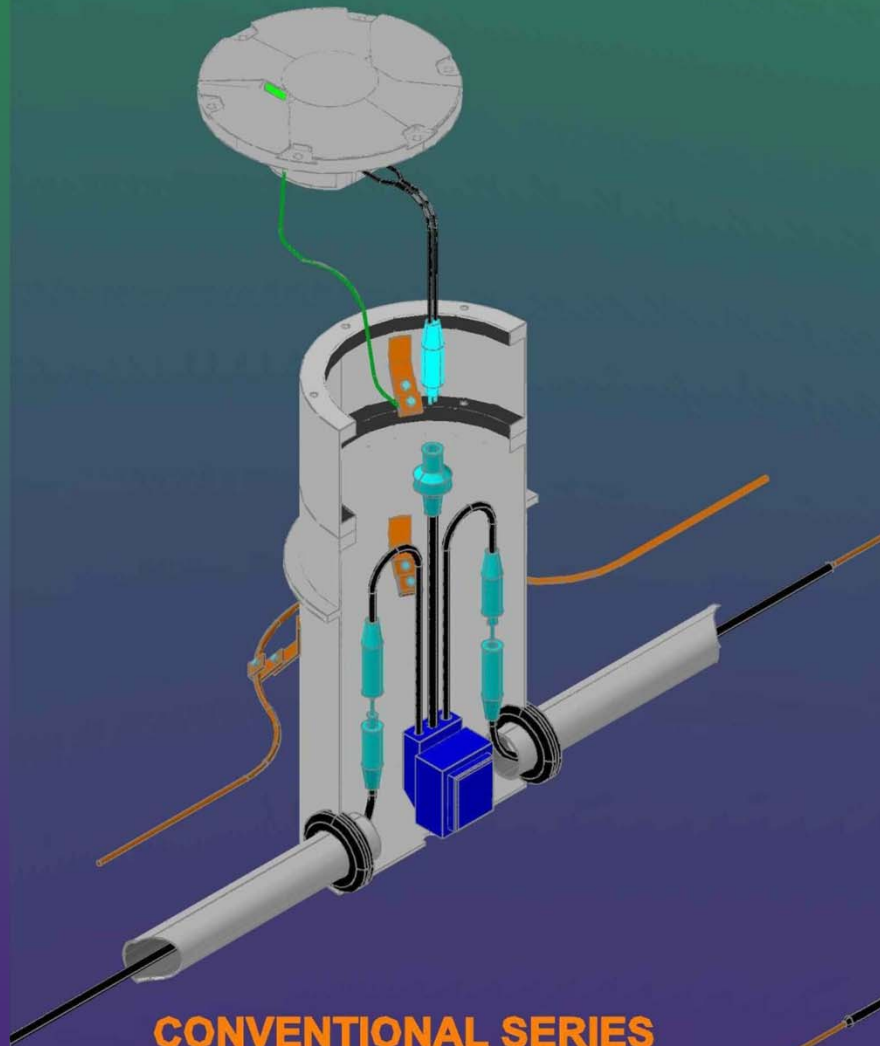
GOALS OF DC SYSTEM

- MAXIMIZE USE OF EXISTING ELECTRICAL INFRASTRUCTURE.
- MINIMUM SYSTEM COMPLEXITY.
- IMPROVED SAFETY.
- MAXIMUM ENERGY EFFICIENCY.
- SYSTEM RELIABILITY.

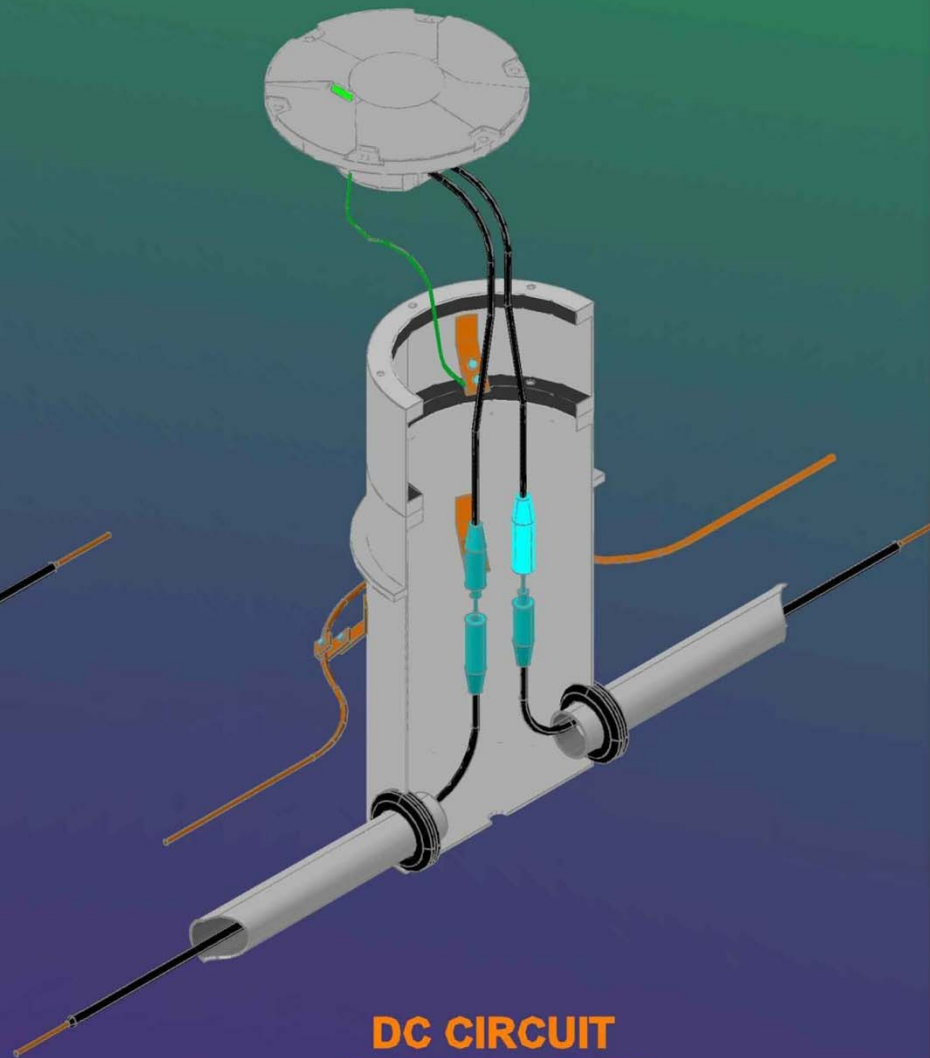


EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE

SIDE BY SIDE COMPARISON

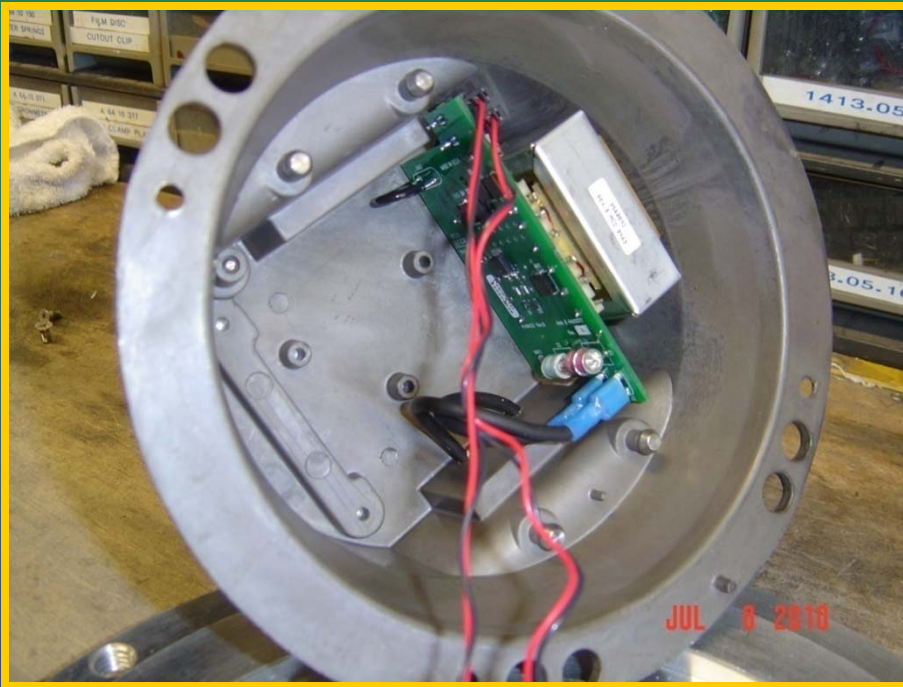


**CONVENTIONAL SERIES
CIRCUIT INSTALLATION**



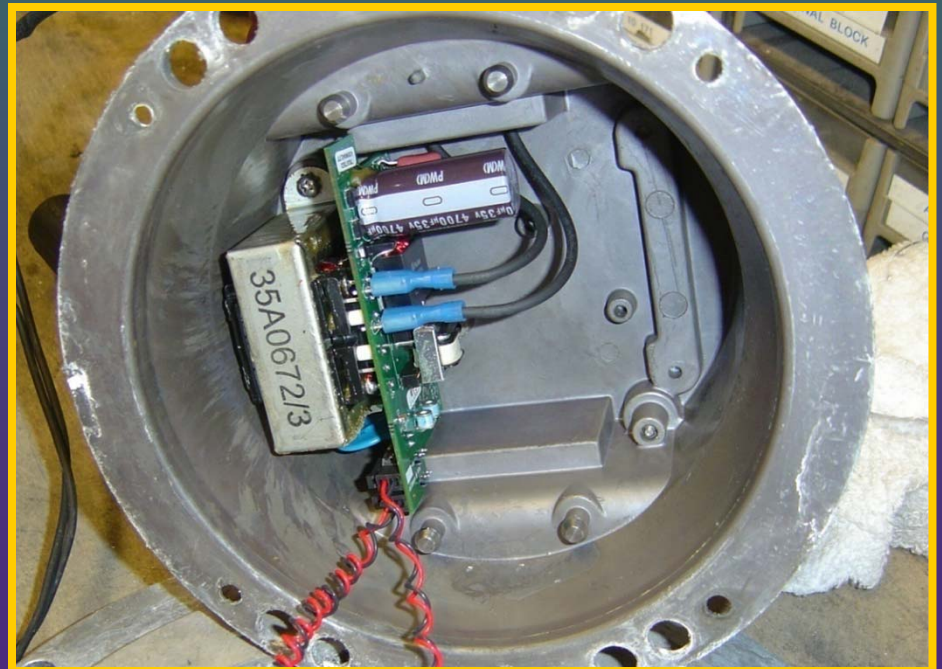
**DC CIRCUIT
INSTALLATION**

MINIMUM SYSTEM COMPLEXITY



DC LED FIXTURE

**STANDARD
LED FIXTURE**



MINIMUM SYSTEM COMPLEXITY

PULSE WIDTH MODULATION (PWM):

- WIDELY USED RELIABLE MEANS OF CONTROLLING POWER TO A LOAD,
- RELIABLE, FIRST USED IN THE 1960'S,
- VERY EFFICIENT,
- USED IN COMPUTER POWER SUPPLIES,
- MOTOR SPEED CONTROLLERS,
- ELECTRIC STOVES, LAMP DIMMERS, ETC.

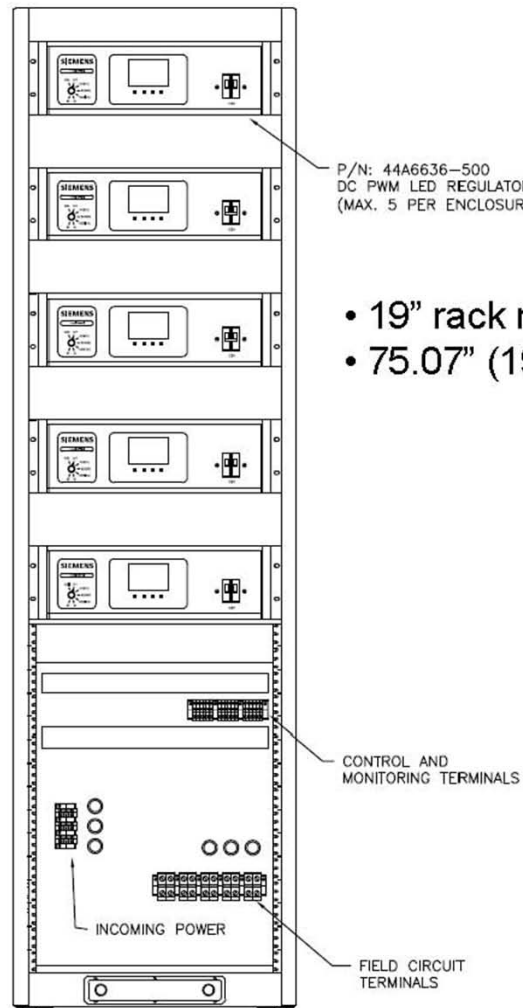
MINIMUM SYSTEM COMPLEXITY

- THE POWER SUPPLY IS SMALL, 19" RACK MOUNT.
- MULTIPLE POWER SUPPLIES CAN BE INSTALLED IN THE SAME VOLUME AS A CONVENTIONAL CCR.
- 3-STEP OR 5-STEP.



MINIMUM SYSTEM COMPLEXITY

Example APS Installation

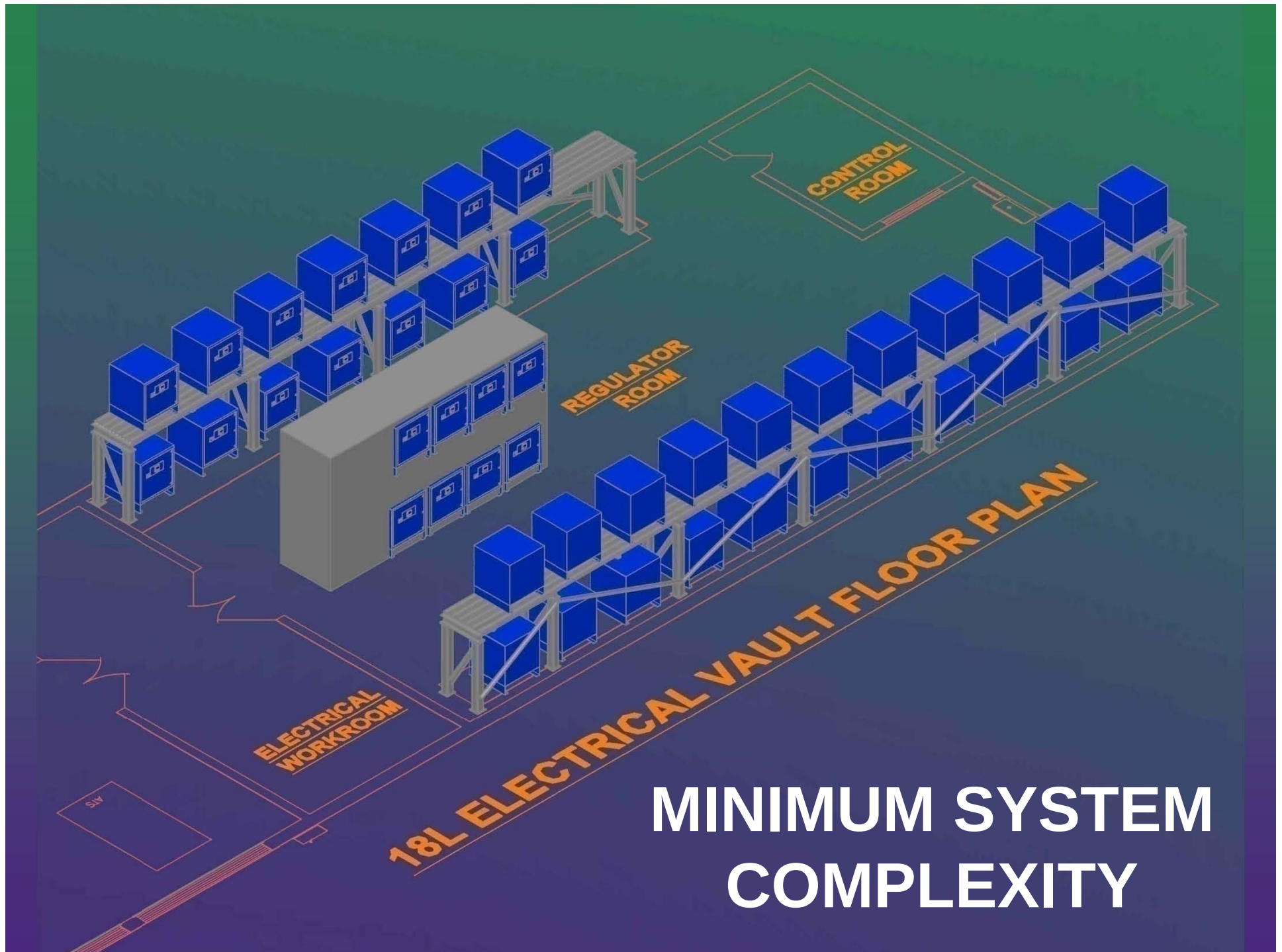


- 19" rack mount enclosure for five power supplies
- 75.07" (190.7 cm) High x 21.3" (54.1 cm) Deep

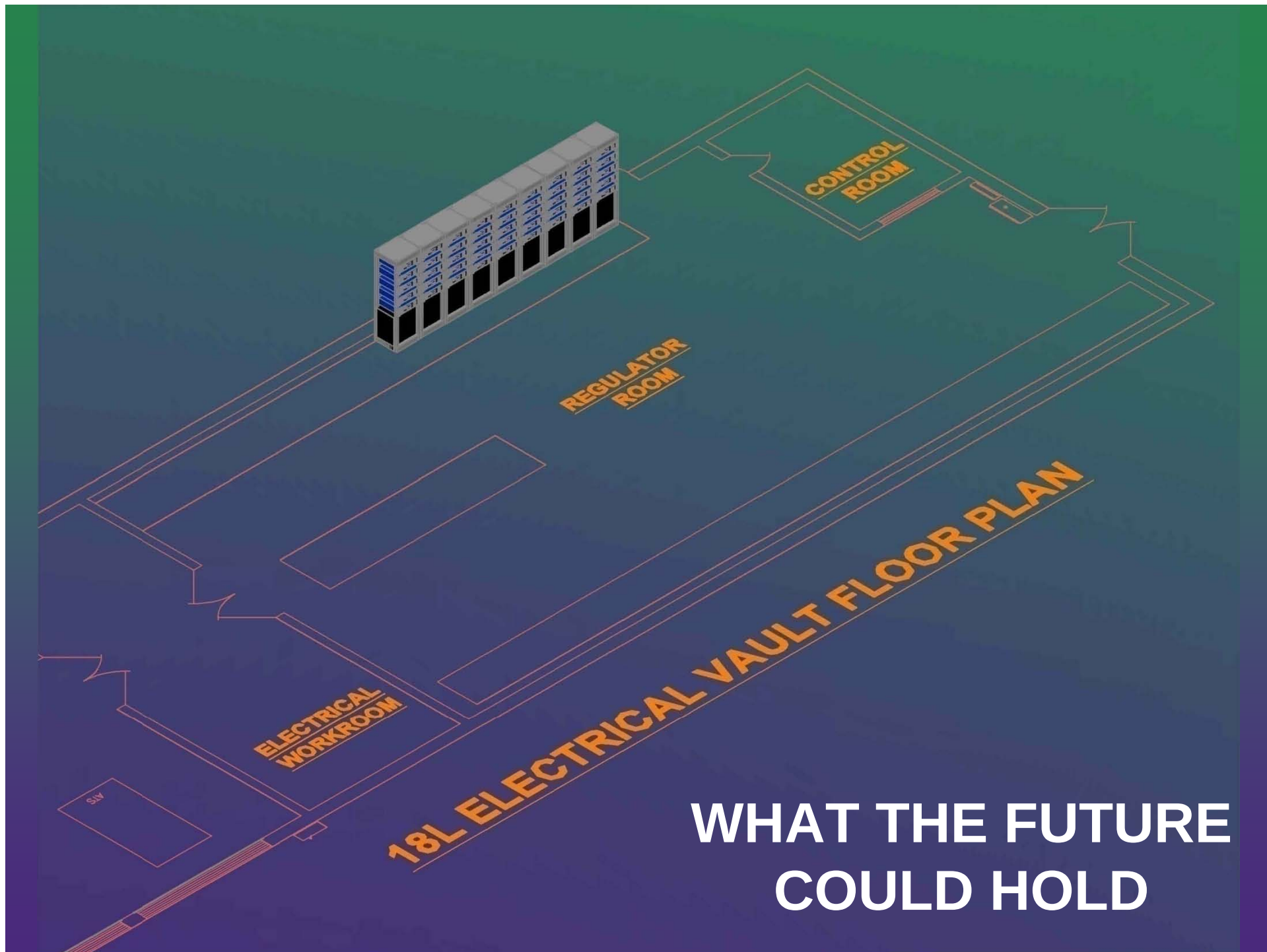


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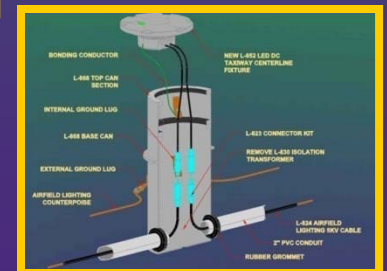


**WHAT THE FUTURE
COULD HOLD**

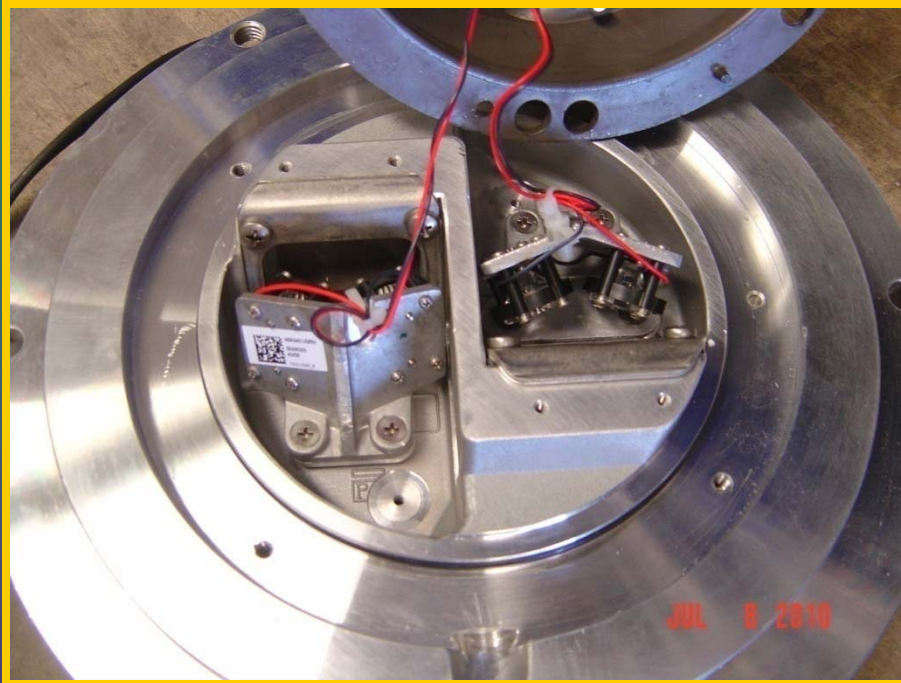


IMPROVED SAFETY

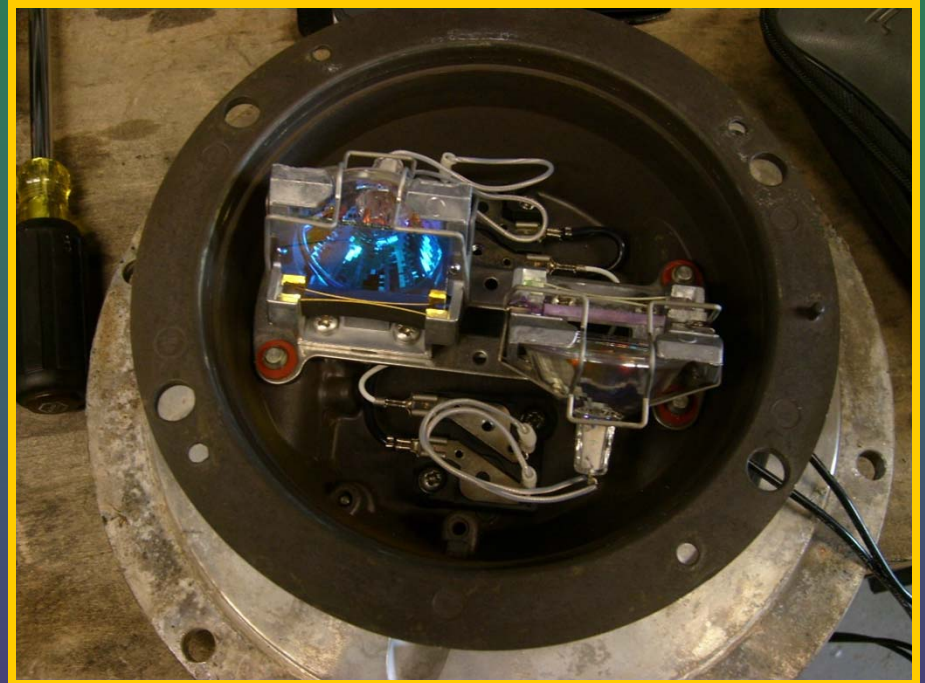
- THE MAXIMUM OUTPUT VOLTAGE FOR A 1 KW POWER SUPPLY IS 500 VOLTS.
- THE MAXIMUM OUTPUT VOLTAGE FOR A 2 KW POWER SUPPLY IS 1,000 VOLTS.
- NEW DC SYSTEM IS SIMILAR TO EXISTING SERIES CIRCUIT. TROUBLESHOOTING METHODS ARE SIMILAR. AIRFIELD ELECTRICIANS ARE FAMILIAR WITH SERIES CIRCUIT OPERATION.



MAXIMUM ENERGY EFFICIENCY

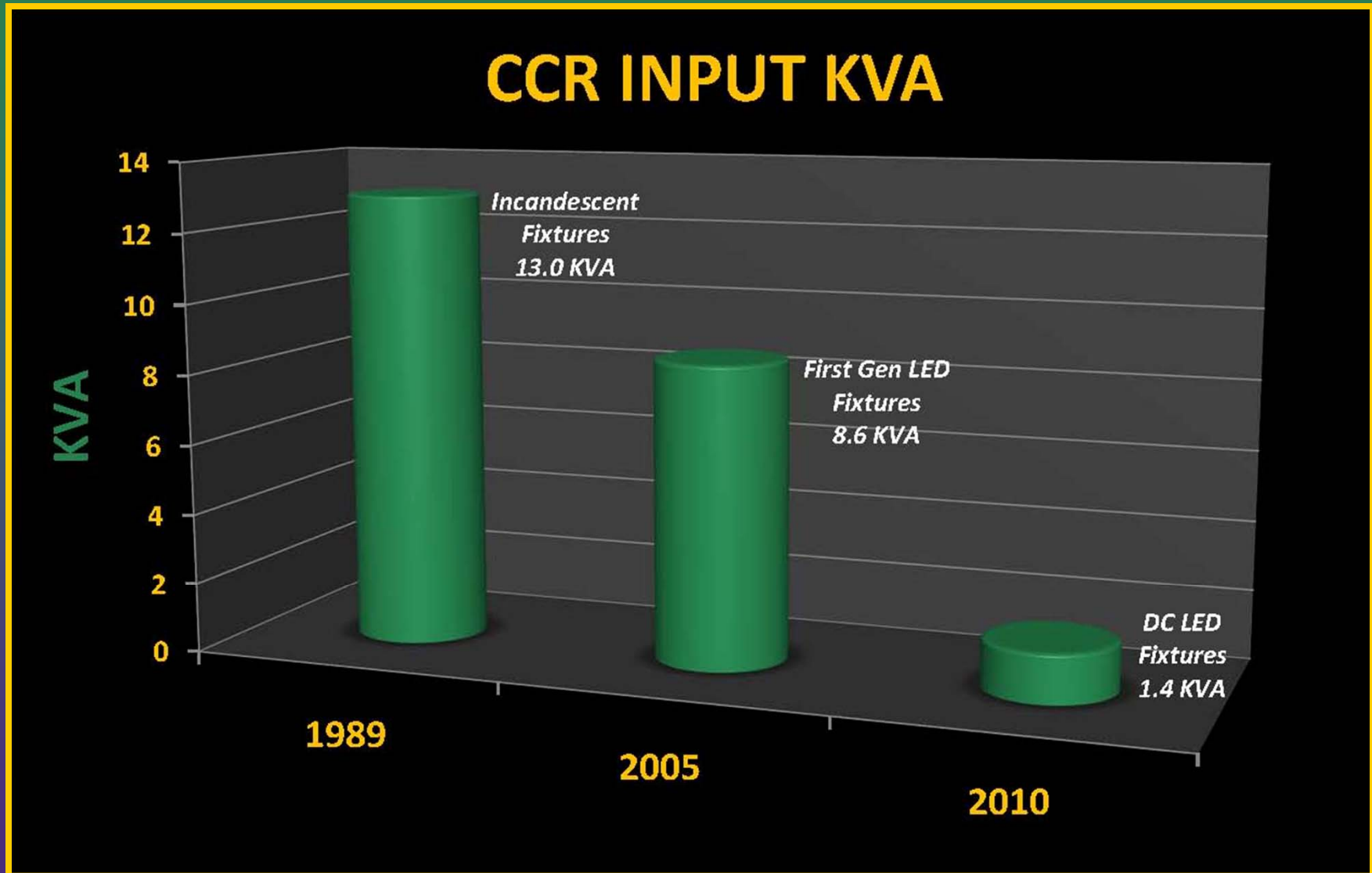


**DC LED L-852D
10.2 WATTS**



**INCANDESCENT L-852D
60 WATTS**

MAXIMUM ENERGY EFFICIENCY



ROI System Parameters

- **Number of Fixtures** **116**
- **Energy Price per kWh** **\$0.12**
- **Average Operating Time per year in hours** **2628**
- **Based on operation for 12 hrs./day over the course of 1 year. Interleaved circuit, TFC1 is energized 50% of the time & TFC2 is energized 50% of the time. Assume bad weather requires both circuits to be operated simultaneously 10% of the time. Use 60% of 12 hr./day*365 days per year for calculations.**

Return on Investment

System Factors	APS LED	Incandescent	Cost (Savings)	Comments
Capital Equipment Cost-Power Supply	\$9,000.00	\$9,000.00	\$0.00	Investment differential for the circuit power supply.
Fixture Purchase Cost	\$600.00	\$400.00	\$200.00	Investment differential for each fixture.
Capital Equipment Cost-Isolation Transformer	\$0.00	\$80.00	(\$80.00)	Investment differential for fixture isolation transformer.
Total of Capital Equipment Investment			\$13,920.00	
Energy Costs and Savings			Savings (Cost)	
Power Supply Size Used (Watts)	2,000	10,000		
Average Fixture Load (VA)	4.9	30		
Average Isolation Transformer load (VA)	0	4.5	140	This figure is for heating losses for the isolation transformer. For the APS LED, no isolation transformer is used.
				140 The Incandescent load is entered as follows: For a bi-directional 2 x 30W fixture, using one 65W isolation transformer, this is $13/2=6.5\text{VA}$.
Total Energy Savings (or Costs) per year	\$305.39	\$1,892.79	\$1,587.40	

Return on Investment

Maintenance Cost	APS LED	Incandescent	Cost (Savings)	
Average Replacement Lamp Cost	\$0.00	\$40.00		
Average Replace Lamp Labor; Fuel Cost; Coordinate Airfield Closure per Fixture	\$0.00	\$35.00		Industry average cost by customer survey to replace Incandescent lamps.
Average lamp replacements per year	0	2		Incandescent Industry Average by Customer Survey.
Routine Maintenance Cost per year	\$0.00	\$17,400.00	\$17,400.00	
Total Energy Savings per year	\$305.39	\$1,892.79	\$1,587.40	
Total Yearly Savings			\$18,987.00	
On Total Investment of			\$13,920.00	
APPS LED Return on Investment (ROI)			0.073	Years
Fixture Lifetime (years) - 15			Cost (Savings)	Life Cycle Cost
Total System Acquisition Cost	\$78,600.00	\$64,680.00	\$13,920.00	Includes power-supply cost plus total of fixtures and transformer costs.
Installation Cost	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Total Operating Cost (energy)	\$4,580.85	\$28,391.85	(\$23,811.00)	Energy price per kWh is assumed to remain unchanged
Routine Maintenance Cost (light-source + labor only)	\$0.00	\$261,000.00	(\$261,000.00)	Based on routine replacements of light-sources plus labor costs over lifetime of all fixtures.
Total Life Cycle Cost	\$83,180.85	\$354,071.85	(\$270,891.00)	
After 15 years, the total estimated reduction of emissions is 97.5 metric tons of CO2, or about one year's worth of emissions from 18 vehicles or 8.3 to 11.9 homes.				

SYSTEM RELIABILITY

- **SYSTEM HAS MINIMAL COMPLEXITY RESULTING IN GREATER RELIABILITY.**
- **FEWER COMPONENTS TO FAIL THAN CONVENTIONAL LED SYSTEMS.**
- **PWM IS PROVEN TECHNOLOGY.**
- **LOWER OPERATING VOLTAGE.**
- **EXISTING PHYSICAL INFRASTRUCTURE (CANS & CONDUIT) IS PROVEN RELIABLE SYSTEM.**



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