

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE STATE OF MONTANA UNIVERSITY SYSTEM ADOPTING  
A COMMITMENT TO ENERGY EFFICIENCY THROUGH A “SMART BUILDINGS INITIATIVE”

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WHEREAS – Significant cost savings can be realized for the State of Montana and the MUS by improving energy efficiency within MUS buildings.

WHEREAS – Current efforts to improve energy efficiency throughout the MUS could be expanded and improved with additional resources, organization, coordination, and visibility.

WHEREAS – Enhanced coordination and collaboration will allow the MUS campuses to draw upon internal expertise to help implement an effective, system-wide energy action plan.

WHEREAS – A plan of this nature will increase student experiences and connect academic programs to operational efficiency efforts.

WHEREAS – Adoption of a system-wide energy action plan will assure commitment to specific targets for energy reduction and cost savings across the MUS.

WHEREAS – A portion of the savings generated from energy efficiencies resulting from this initiative will eventually make this program self-supported.

THEREFORE, be it resolved that, the Montana Board of Regents commits to developing a system-wide energy efficiency action plan that utilizes existing campus resources, including students, faculty, and staff, in order to identify and implement efficiency improvements in the operation of facilities and to produce savings that are reinvested in a self-sustaining energy efficiency program.