Much like an automobile miles-per-gallon sticker or an appliance energy guide, the Florida Building Energy Rating Guide is a marketplace yardstick that estimates the building’s energy use and the benefits of energy-efficiency improvements. The rating guide provides a fair, balanced way to compare energy efficiency among various commercial buildings of the same size, occupancy and space use classification. Used for both new and existing commercial buildings, a prospective purchaser can purchase a rating guide from a certified energy rater.

Not only does the rating provide an estimate of the building’s annual energy usage in dollars (for electricity, natural gas, and other purchased fuel) and in millions of British thermal units (Mbtu) utility units, it also provides an overall energy efficiency rating and a breakdown of the separate energy end-users—cooling, heating, ventilation, lighting, and equipment. The rating guide compares the rated building to a baseline building with similar characteristics, and it shows how the costs are distributed, which is helpful in choosing which energy-efficiency improvements to invest in.

**How to Find an Energy Rater**

If you’re interested in seeing how your commercial building measures up, and what you can do to make it more energy efficient, hire a certified building energy rater to obtain a rating. Find an energy rater near you at: [http://fsec.ucf.edu/go/energyrater](http://fsec.ucf.edu/go/energyrater)
Purchased energy costs are based on typical energy prices as published annually by the Florida Public Service Commission. Cost estimates are based on statewide average commercial building utility rates that include variation based on time of use. To the degree that local energy estimates are different from these averages, actual purchased energy estimates will differ from the rating.

Your building energy rating considers energy use for cooling, heating, ventilation, lighting and most equipment used in this building class. The rating is intended as a guide and should be used only for comparison purposes. Actual energy use will vary. If changes are made to the physical building, its use classification, its equipment or control systems, this rating may change. Although every effort has been made to provide accurate information, this rating does not constitute or imply any type of warranty.

Your building performs better than the baseline building by 14%

Your Building: $28,597
Baseline Building: $33,184

Building Type: Office
Building Area: 40,000 SF

This notice is provided to you by an individual certified by the Florida Department of Community Affairs to perform a building energy rating evaluation. Any questions, comments, or complaints regarding the person or agency performing this service may be directed to the Florida Department of Community Affairs, Building Energy Rating System Program, 2555 Shumard Oak Blvd., Tallahassee, Florida 32319-2100; ((850) 487-1824), or the Florida Solar Energy Center, 1679 Clearlake Road, Cocoa, FL 32922. The Department or the Florida Solar Energy Center may request the owner's permission in the future to conduct a quality assurance review of this rating.