

# Green Building circa 1000 A.D.

The First  
Americans  
lived with  
the Sun...

Cliff House Ruin  
Mesa Verde NP



# Green Building Today

Today's Green Buildings use solar electric and solar thermal systems to offset majority of non-renewable fuel use.

50% building energy savings are possible with less than 10% increase in construction costs.

“Net Zero” houses are achievable and affordable

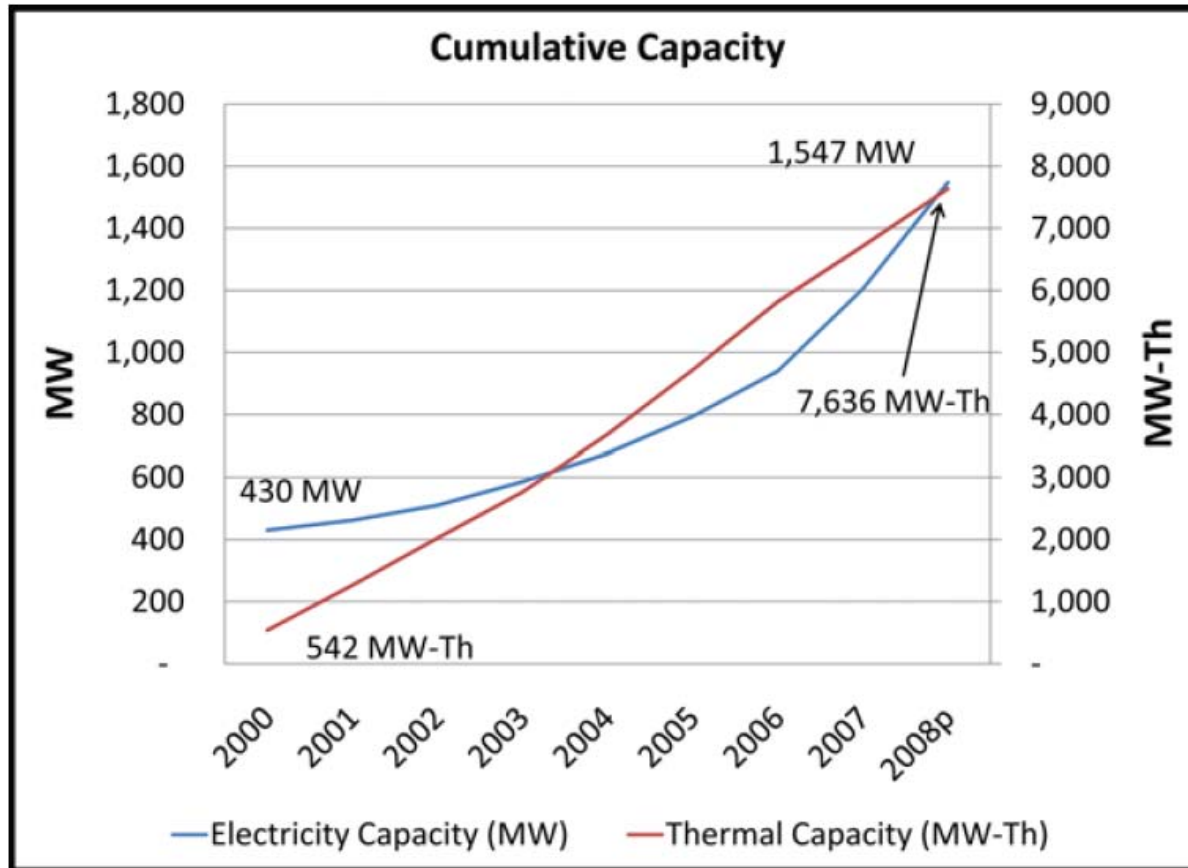


# The Solar Energy Resource

- ☉ In a single one hour period, the sun sends enough energy to our planet to meet all of our energy needs for an entire year.
- ☉ 100,000 kWh a year of solar energy falls on the average residential roof in the Northeast.
- ☉ There have been no rate increases for solar energy for the last 4 billion years. 😊

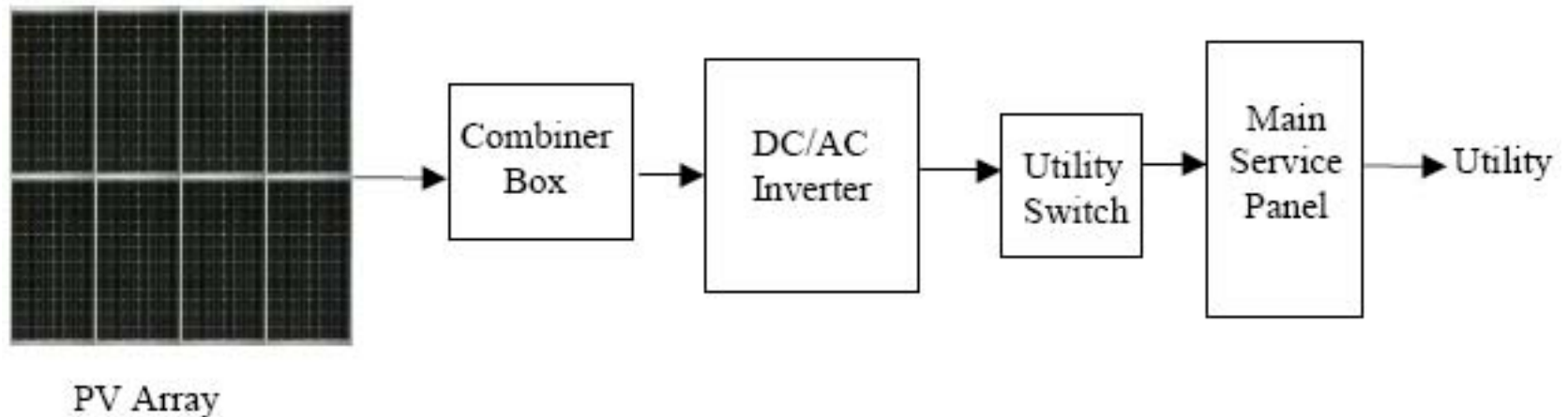


# Trends: Solar Capacity Growth in U.S.



Source: Larry Sherwood (IREC), EIA, SEIA, Les Nelson, PV News

# Kantor Net Metered PV System



**10.8 kW PV array will produce an average of  
12,800 kWh of electricity per year**

# Grid-Connected PV Systems

- ☪ Grid - connected PV systems operate in parallel with electric utility service. Creating “hybrid house” which runs on both solar and utility electricity.
- ☪ Bi-directional interface allows AC power produced by PV system to either supply home electrical loads, or return power back to the grid when PV system exceeds home demand.
- ☪ Maintenance-free sealed batteries can be added to provide power to critical loads during utility outages.



# Ground Mount PV Array

**48 SunPower high-efficiency modules**  
**225-watt modules**

**Total array = 10.8 kW**

**Four 12-module pole mounts to be located in field behind house**

Ground Mount example from Bridgewater, CT



# Sunny Boy Inverters

Two SMA “Sunny Boy”  
5 kW inverters transform  
DC power from array into  
240 VAC utility-grade  
power for house.

Inverters include GFI,  
disconnect switches, and  
LCD display

Efficiency = 95%



# PV Data Acquisition System (DAS)



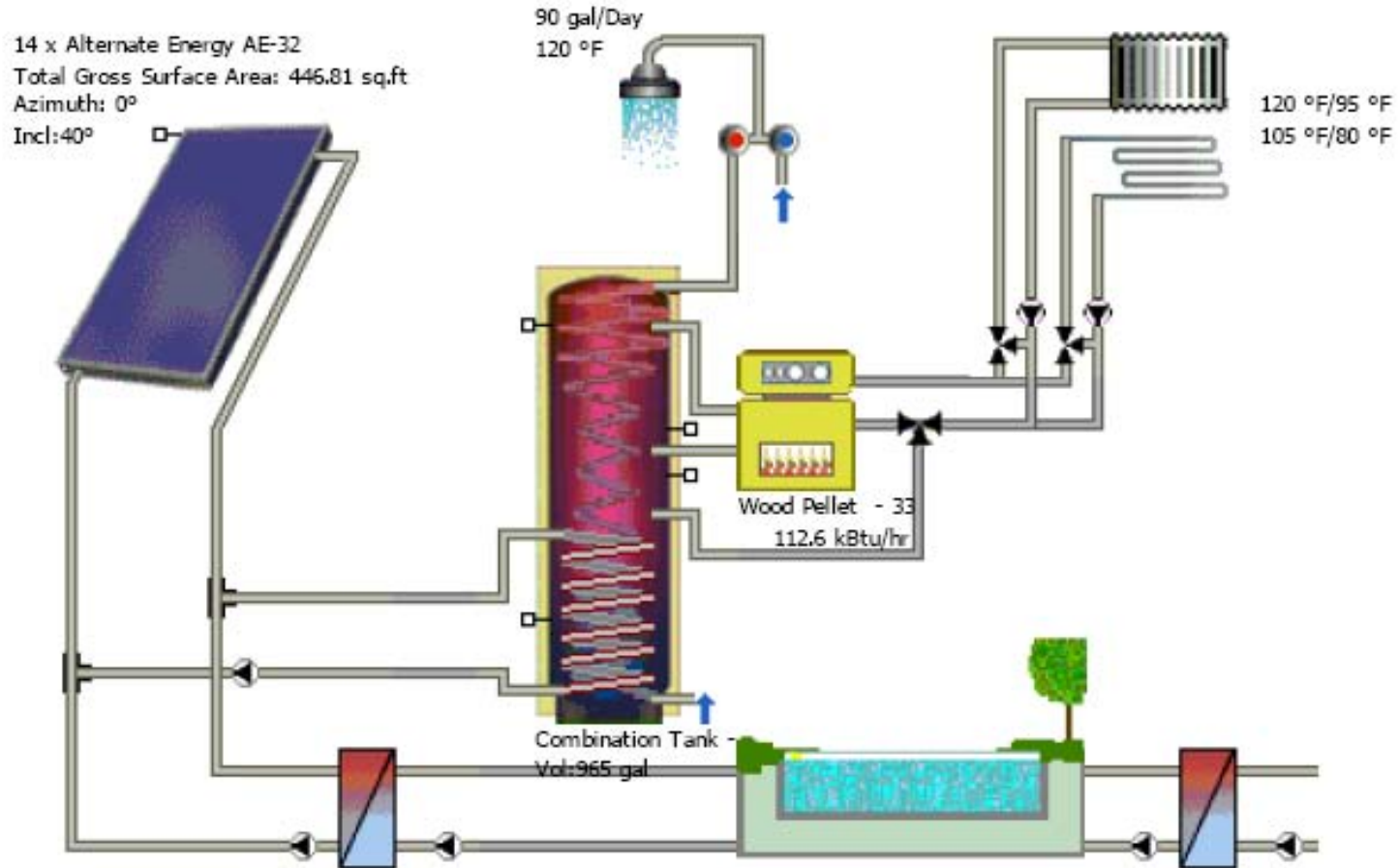
- Simple Internet Monitoring via SMA WebBox
  - Access your system info – anytime, anywhere via web browser
- Easy Installation- No Software to Install
  - RS485 communication between inverters
  - WebBox connects via LAN
- Optimize System Performance
  - Automatic email alerts
  - Historical data - view performance over time
- Options Include
  - Solar radiation, module & ambient temp monitoring
  - Flash View for LCD display



# Kantor Solar Thermal System



# Solar/Wood Integrated System



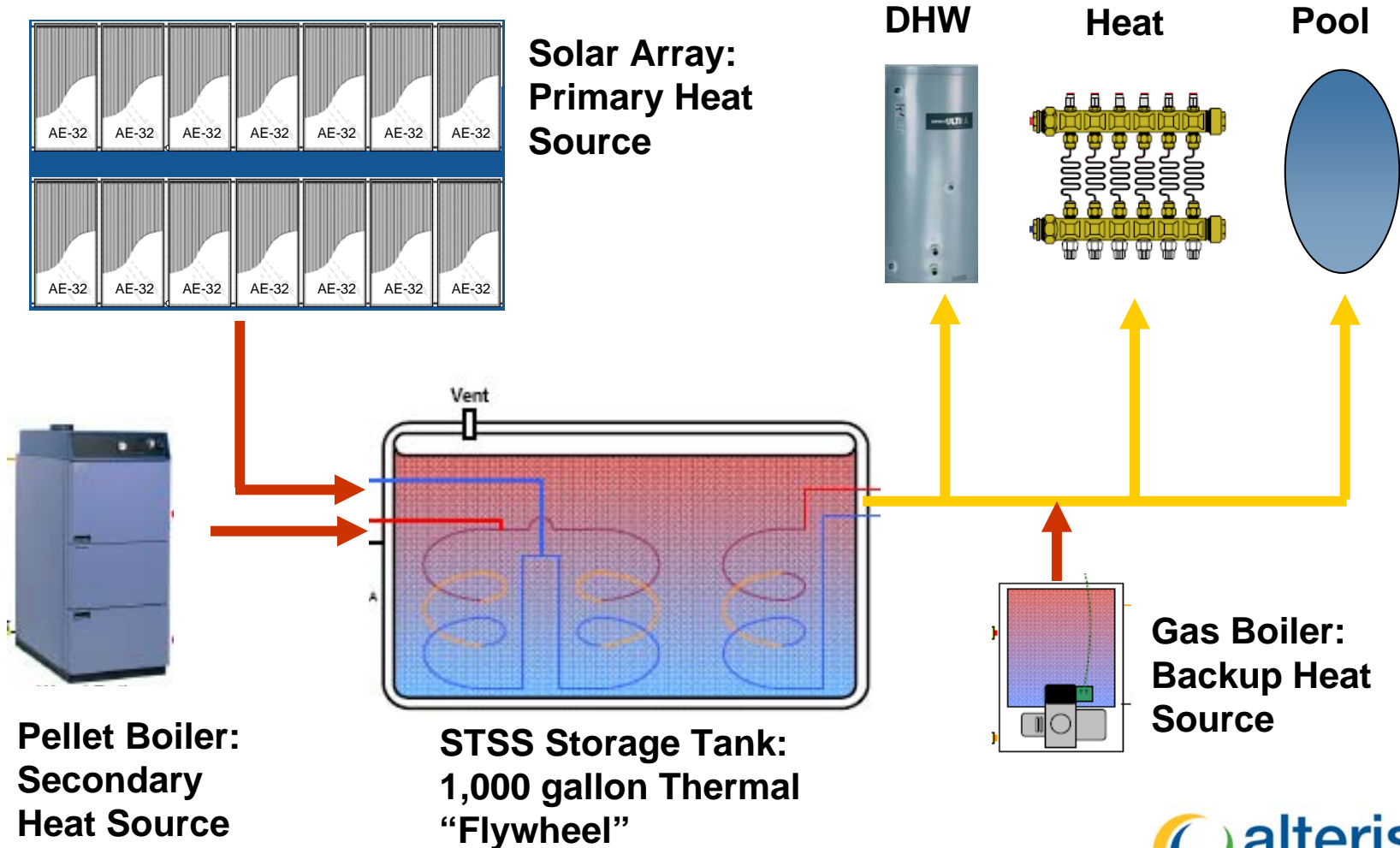
# STSS Thermal Storage System

- Ⓞ Sizes up to 1,500 gallons
- Ⓞ Non-pressurized tank
- Ⓞ EPDM rubber lining
- Ⓞ Ships as 4 x 12 flat
- Ⓞ Copper coil heat exchangers





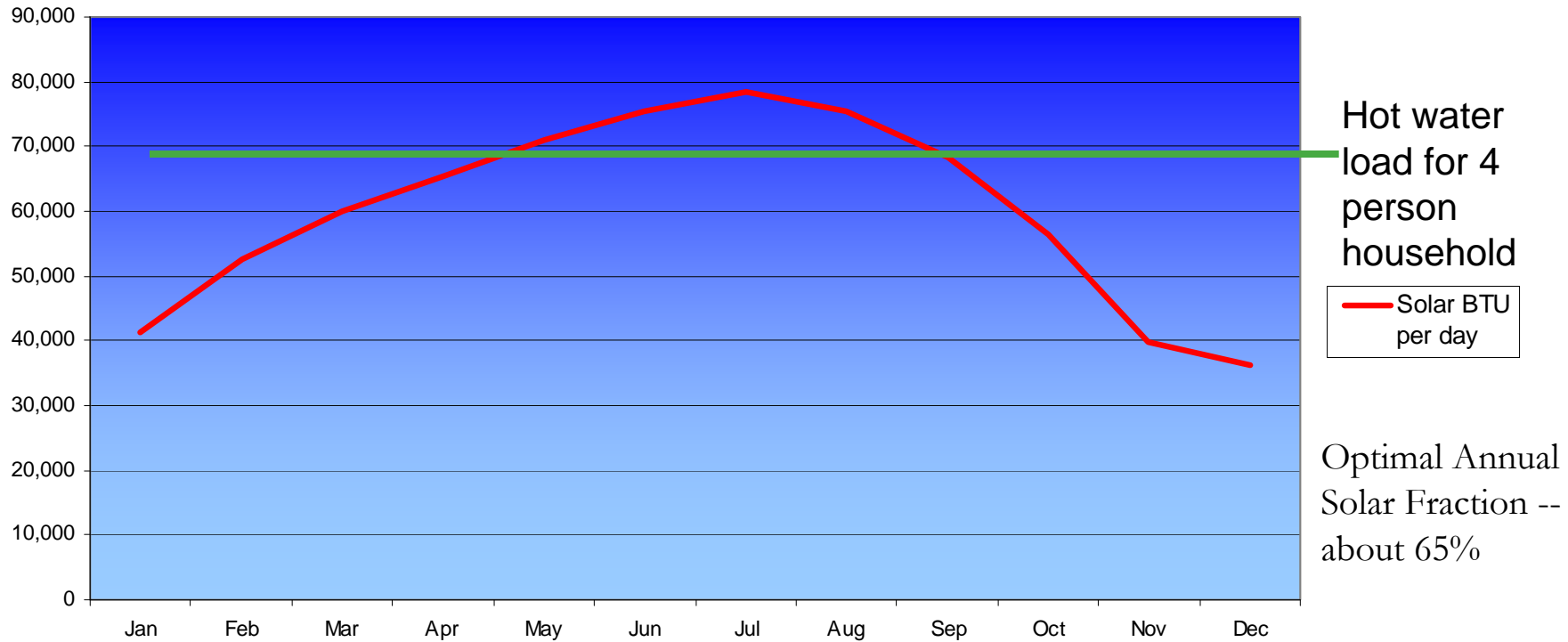
# Thermal Staging Concept



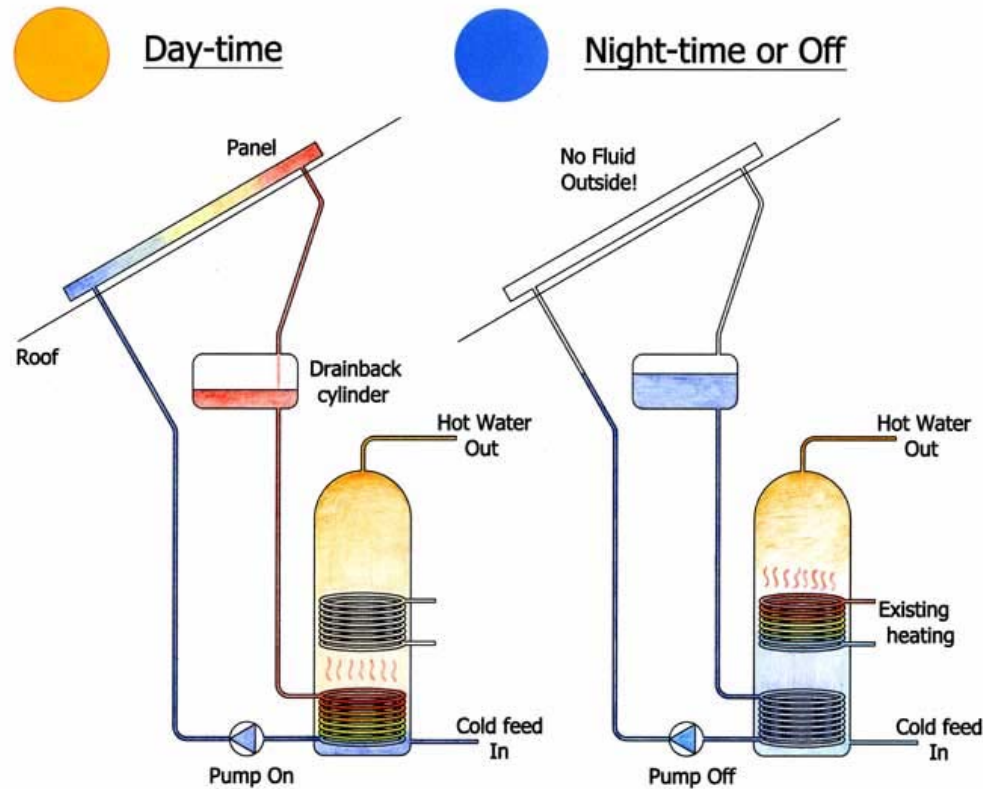
# Solar Energy Profile in Northeast

## Average BTU per Day by Month

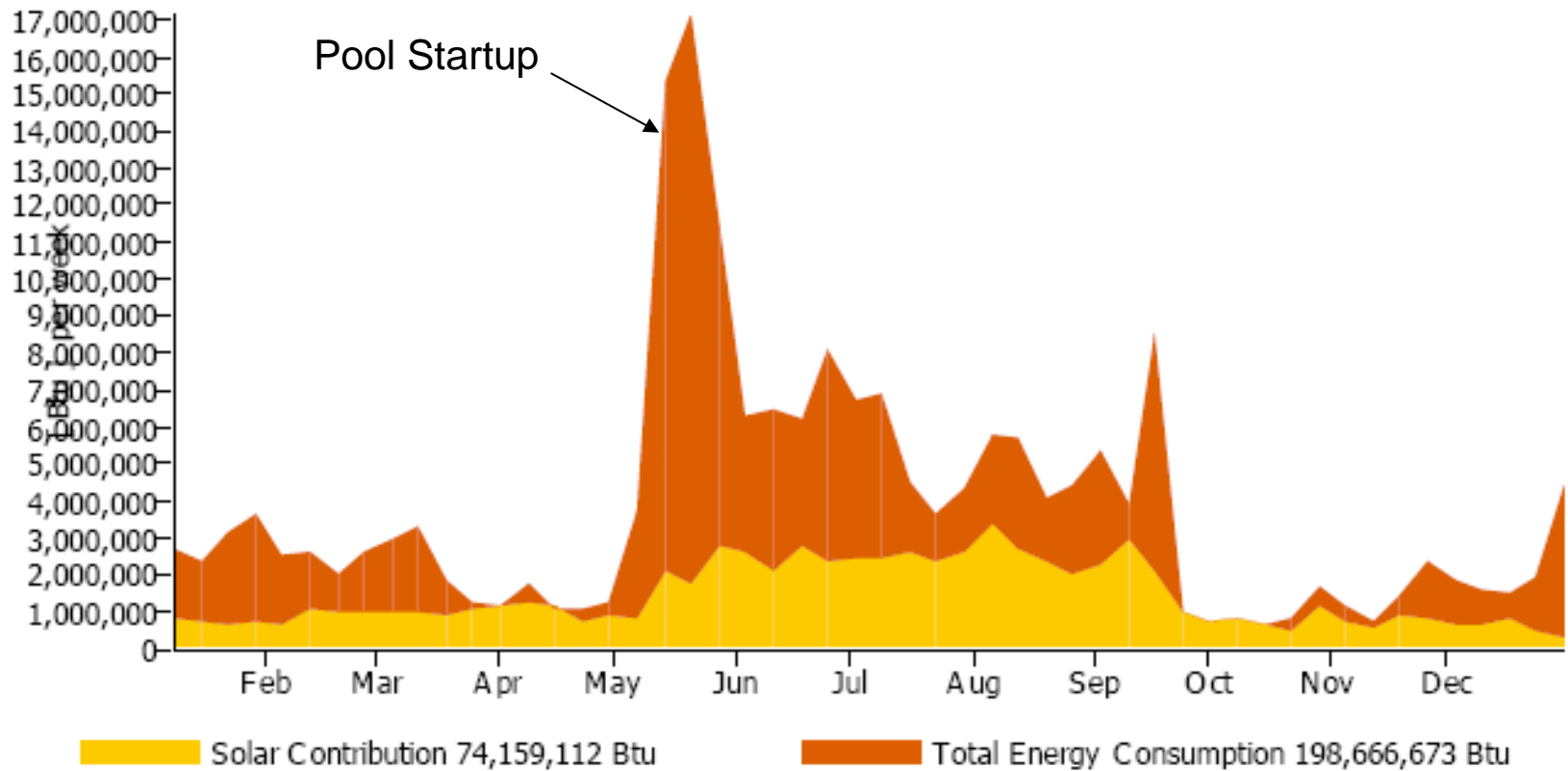
Flat Plate collectors - 9 sq meters  
Boston, MA insolation



# Drainback SHW Operation



# Thermal Energy Profile



# Evacuated Tube or Flat Plate?

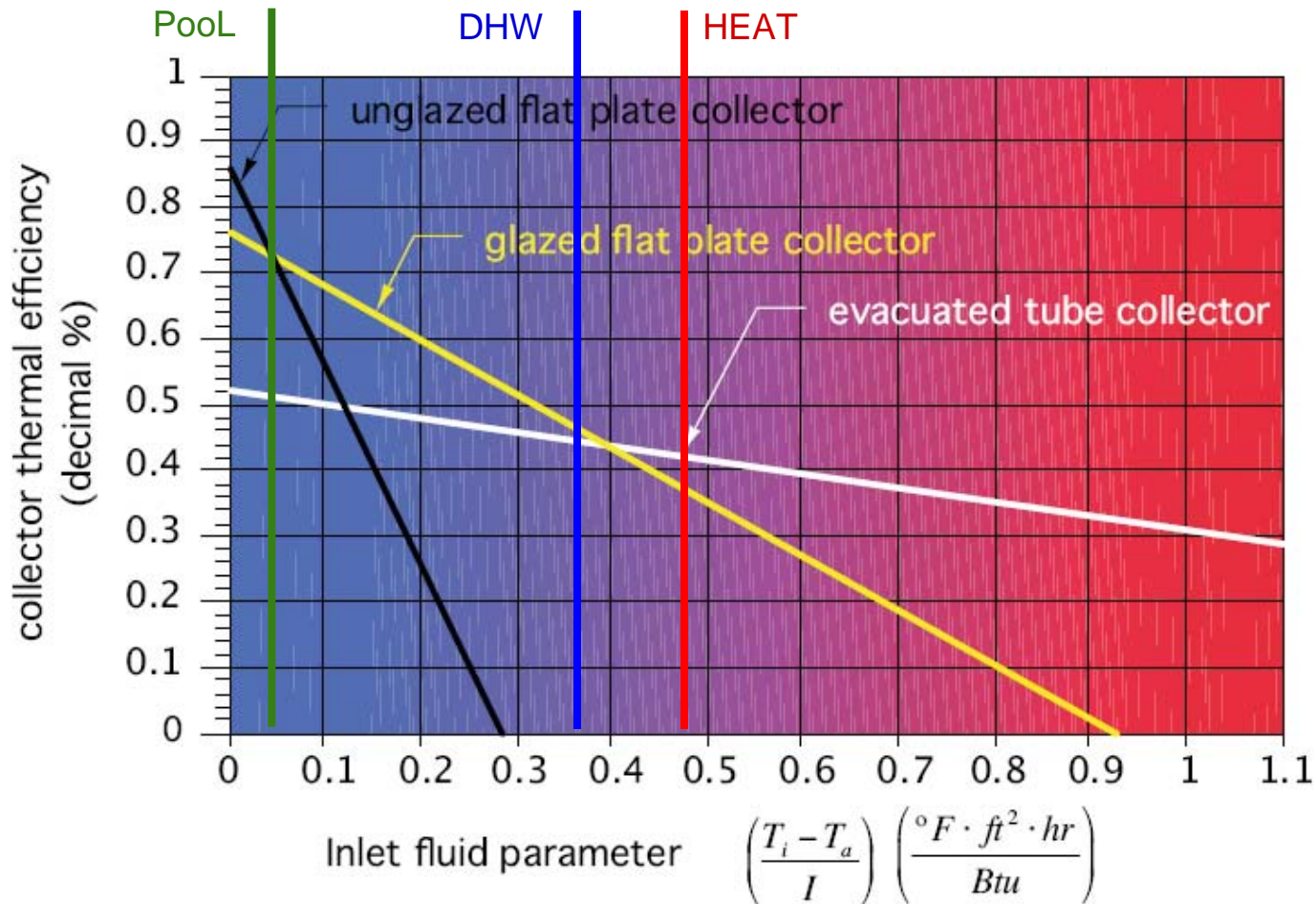
Which is best depends on application, climate, and delivery temperature.

Flat Plate collectors perform better for DHW & Pool heat.

**Thermomax System**  
**Pentagon**  
**Washington, DC**

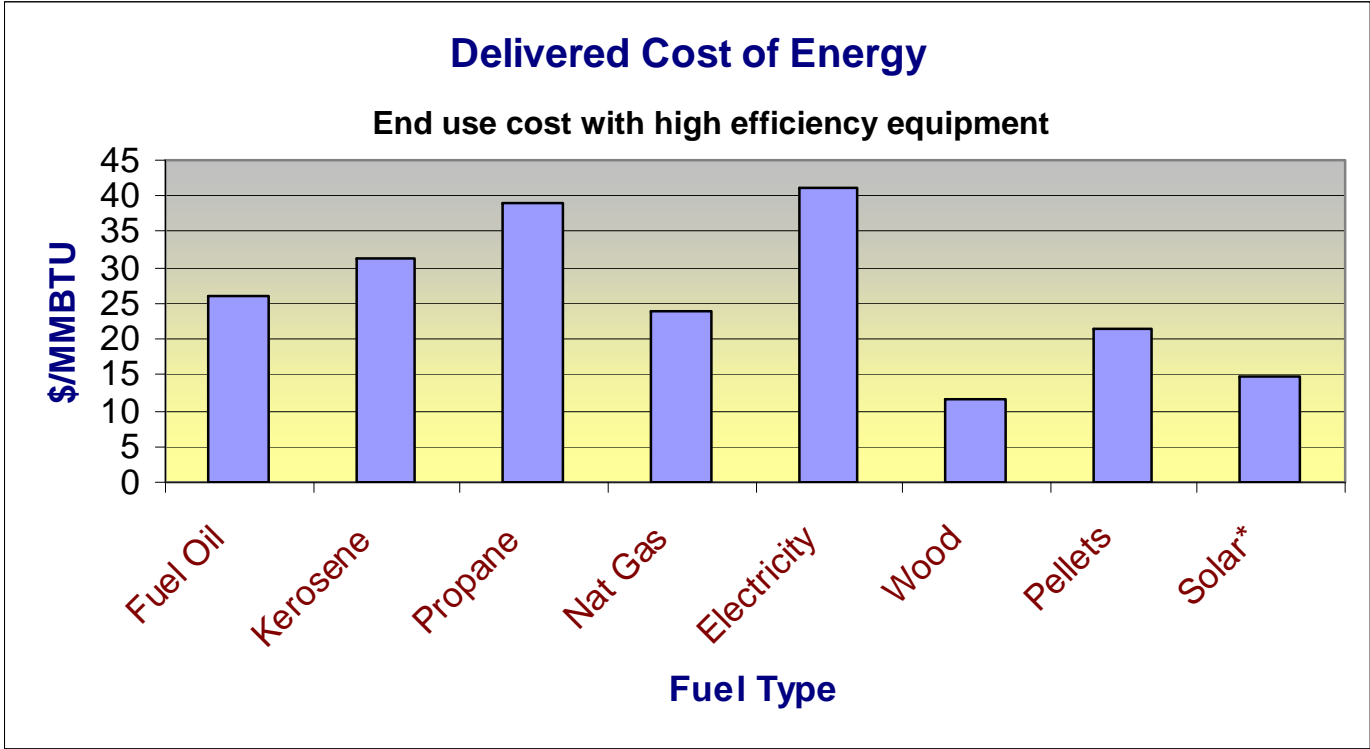


# Efficiency in Perspective





# Solar & Wood are least cost energy sources



*\*Solar – 20-year annualized cost*

average fuel prices for Northeast- Jan 2009



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