APEC Cool Roof Study (Interim Update)

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OBJECTIVES OF STUDY

- Compile information on experience of APEC economies with cool roofs (Background/technical study)

- Characterise the energy, GHG and air quality benefits (Modelling)

- Build capacity to implement cool roof technologies and policies in developing APEC economies (Policy context)

WORK SCOPE/STRUCTURE

- Background/desktop research
(scientific evidence, case studies, cool roof council/institutions, key suppliers/manufacturers, key researchers and experts)

- Modelling of potential benefits throughout APEC
(consolidate available methodologies and data, select modelling scenarios, parameters, analysis of energy/cost savings)

- Policy evaluation and recommendation
(barriers to implementation, analysis of local energy efficiency policy, gap analysis)

TYPE OF ROOF PRODUCTS

- Low sloped roof - single ply membranes, bitumen, metal decking

- Steep sloped roof - conventional tiles

- Other types - coatings, paints

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TYPES OF ROOF MATERIAL

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Source: Florida Solar Energy Center [43]

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EXPERT PANEL

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- Objective: to facilitate implementation of cool roofs across APEC developing economies
- Three categories:
  - Technical experts (research, academia)
  - Product experts (manufacturers, roofing industry)
  - Policy experts (government agencies, Green Building Councils)

Focus on APEC Asian region but also international experts.

TECHNICAL EXPERTS

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- US   Lawrence Berkley, Oakridge, National Center for Atmospheric Research
- EU   Mediterranean institutions (University of Athens, Technological institute of Crete)
- Asia   Japan (University of Tokyo, Meiji, Musashi Univiersity, Tokyo Metropolitan Government)

       National University of Singapore, University Malaya, Universiti Tecknologi Malaysia

       Asian Institute of Technology

PRODUCT EXPERTS

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- Manufacturers
- Akzo Nobel
- BASF
- GAF Materials Corporation (USA)
- Centre for Environmental Innovation in Roofing(USA)

POLICY EXPERTS

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- Intergovernmental Agencies (UNEP, UN SBCI, World Bank, APEC, Asian Development Bank)
- National government agencies (US Department of Energy, Singapore Building Construction Authority, various national energy and environment ministries)
- Green building councils, Cool Roof Councils
- Academic experts

SURVEY/QUESTIONNAIRE

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- Ascertain views on cool roof industry in APEC developing economies.
- Questions to seek opinion on national policy initiatives (are they sufficient? What needs to be done?), what are the drivers and barriers for implementation of cool roofs.
- Survey academics, institutions, industry, government

SURVEY STATUS

- Web-based survey sent to numerous participants.
- 18% response to date.
- Recurring issue is lack of available data, in particular long-term data on Cool Roof performance compared to other roof forms and payback periods.
- Most agree governments should do more to promote use of Cool Roofs, e.g. through tax incentives/subsidies
- Need for regionally specific modelling also cited

MODELLING

- High level analyses
- Identify existing cool roof calculators/models (analyse their parameters, assumptions)

- *Objective of modelling is to quantify the potential benefits (energy, costs, pollution) of implementing cool roofs in APEC developing economies through high level analysis.*

MODELLING APPROACH

- Case study of Singapore.
- Simulate performance of cool roofs on building.
  - Key variables
    - Building type
      - typical landed residential
      - typical high rise residential
      - typical industrial/warehouse
    - Roof albedo
      - high
      - medium
      - low
- Output: energy savings

NEXT STEPS

- Analyse results of Survey
- Complete Model simulations
- Analyse results of Modelling

TIMELINE (8-10 MONTHS)

Work Scope	Timeline (month)										
	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May
1. Background Research											
2.Establish network of experts											
3. Estimate savings											
4. Survey, and analysis											
5. Develop Model/ identify parameters											
6. Policy analysis											
6. Recommendations and Reporting											

THANK YOU

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