

2012 Facilities Department Annual Report

Recently I was asked if I would participate in a study with the National Association of Counties as a representative sample of about 100 counties nationwide. The study has to do with energy use and data collection. Please read the attached letter from NACo for more details on the study.

I have accepted their offer and have submitted all data requested to date. As a Department Director I am mindful to be a promoter of Dunn County government and hope that this study may bring national recognition to our County.



July 20th, 2012

To Whom It May Concern:

The National Association of Counties (NACo) is undertaking a study to determine the most cost effective and successful energy upgrades available for county government buildings. Over the past decade significant upgrades have been undertaken by county governments—some more successful than others. With this in mind, NACo's goal is to evaluate county energy utilization overall, examine upgrade projects, and use that knowledge to help counties gain the most value from their investments.

Phase I of the study involves gathering building energy data from a representative sample of 100+ counties across the U.S. Our Energy Researcher, Emily Knoll, has the sizeable task of managing our data collection effort.

Your county was selected for our sample. We understand that you, like most county officials and staff, are probably very strapped for time just trying to deliver basic services. This is why we have done our best to keep our information request minimal. Emily has a concise list of the information we are looking for. Any assistance you can provide will be greatly appreciated and publicly recognized.

We understand that Dunn County has been undertaking significant energy tracking work. Considering, any data collection on your behalf is already complete. By simply exporting a spreadsheet of your energy use, you will be providing us everything we need for our study. Please keep in mind, our study is highly respectful of your counties' privacy. We guarantee to separate your county data from your county name, and at no time will we share your information beyond NACo staff.

We are very excited about the potential of this work and what it will mean for county governments across the country. We hope you will be too. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at jlang@naco.org or (202) 942-4224.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Jared M. Lang'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jared M. Lang
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