

Barriers for Energy Efficiency

Title:

Lack of Management support for implementation of audit findings

Category:

Implementation assistance

Summary:

Success of energy audit relies on the support of the management in implementation of the measures suggested in the detailed energy audit.

Back ground:

It is known that detailed energy audit brings out the energy savings proposals. These proposals require support and budget allocation from the top management.

In many of the industries the top management support was poor with respect to implementation of energy saving proposals.

In a recent energy audit study in a MNC, during the negotiation stage of the energy audit contract itself the management was very keen in not investing the money for the savings. The plant was interested only in implementing the measures, which even do not call for a minor investment also.

In actual practice a simple measure such as trimming of impeller is carried out outside will cost about Rs. 2000 (all-inclusive). While the savings will pay back in two months. The management was not keen in taking up such measures also.

This case was more predominant in case of medium and large investments also. More over the many managements think energy audit is purely deals with house keeping measures such as arresting the leakages, etc.

Lesson learnt:

Energy Conservation will never succeed in a plant without support and backing of the top management.