



Cost of Efficiency – LCD Television

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- LCD can be made more efficient
- Light management film costs offset by savings on lamps, inverters, and smaller power supply
- Net additional manufacturing costs, if any, are small
- LED backlights offer additional efficiency, with cost adder, but LED cost adders decreasing as volumes grow
- Net savings from lower operating cost not visible to consumers



Technology / Market Forecasts from the McLaughlin Consulting Group

- Prism Film (BEF), Reverse Prism Film, Polarization Recycling Film (DBEF) and Brightness Enhancement Diffusers
<http://www.mcgweb.com/reports/bef2007.htm>
- The Fast Track for LEDs into Large-Area LCDs
<http://www.mcgweb.com/reports/led07.htm>
- Both studies use proprietary cost/performance database to calculate low cost configurations
- LED model also has preference/value function to predict incremental selling prices for features



Light Management Films

- Polarization recycling – 3M or wire-grid films improve usable light output by ~ 55%
→ 35% reduction in light/power input
- Prism films focus light to viewer in front
- Combine with polarization recycling – together improve light output ~ 110%
→ 47% reduction in power input
- Light management films (mostly) pay for themselves in lamp, inverter and power supply savings



Light Management in Backlights: Example for 46" LCD-TV

Differences — 46" LCD-TV, 2009			
	Street price	Electricity saving/ year	Power (W)
A	\$6	\$0	0
B	\$7	\$3	-13
C	\$4	\$16	-64
D	\$0	\$33	-127

Most common 2009

Most common 2010

source: McLaughlin Consulting Group LCD Brightness Enhancement film study
<http://www.mcgweb.com/reports/bef2007.htm>

TV use 5 hours/day, power cost = \$0.14/ kWh

- A: No BEF or DBEF, 3 gain diffusers (25 CCFLs)
- B: BEF (Cavity, Area Diffuser) (24 CCFLs)
- C: DBEF(Cavity, Area Diffuser) (20 CCFLs)
- D: BEF+DBEF (Cavity, Area Diffuser) (15 CCFLs)



LED Backlight for LCD-TV

- LCDs now more efficient than CCFLs
- Performance gap growing
- Cost premium shrinking, but still high
- But, performance features come with LEDs



Additional LCD-TV Efficiencies

- Dynamic backlight, local dimming
- Improved LCD array aperture
- Increased filter transmission

Future

- Eliminate color filters



Summary on LCD Efficiency

- Technology exists to improve backlight power consumption
- Most film power reductions pay for themselves
- Power efficiency can be accelerated with incentives and consumer recognition
- Life cycle reductions in power usage result in net savings in most cases
- LED backlight cost gap narrowing