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QUESTION 2: Two window retrofit technologies that should be considered include secondary glazing systems (aka storm windows) and automated shading. Secondary glazing systems provide a lower-cost option for window retrofits and field studies have demonstrated substantial energy savings, including air-sealing benefits. They can also be integrated with automated shades to provide a solution that not only improves insulation but can also modulate solar heat gains to optimize savings throughout the year. Further, these attachments are rated through the Attachments Energy Rating Council, which could be used as a criteria to guarantee a minimal level of performance. The Partnership for Advanced Window Solutions (PAWS) and DOE's SWIP Affordable Window Retrofit Campaign can provide technical assistance to implement programs.