

41 **1. Background**

42 The emissions of greenhouse gases (GHGs) from anthropogenic and natural activities since
43 the onset of the industrial age have led to their increased concentration in the atmosphere.
44 The absorption of radiations by these gases alters the amount of solar radiation reaching the
45 earth and the amount of infrared radiation that is absorbed into space. The result is an energy
46 imbalance in the atmosphere culminating in cooling or warming of the climate depending on
47 the radiating forcing being negative or positive respectively (Forster et al., 2007). Global
48 climate change has in recent times raised serious global concerns and is currently one of the
49 contemporary world's most worrisome problems.

50 The built environment is recognised for its high energy use and the relative share of total
51 energy consumed for heating and operating buildings is constantly on the rise (Raatikainen et
52 al., 2016). While the building sector provides facilities for human needs and benefits to the
53 society at large, it has had detrimental impacts on the environment over the last decade (Zuo
54 & Zhao, 2014). The consumption of energy by this sector is not without environmental
55 impacts (Ürge-Vorsatz, 2013) and implications on security of energy supply. While all stages
56 of a building's life cycle including construction and demolition generates GHG emissions,
57 the operational phase of buildings accounts for over 80-90% of emissions, emanating from
58 energy use for heating, lighting, cooling, ventilation and appliances (UNEP, 2012). The
59 operational energy of buildings is affected by the energy efficiency of the buildings and their
60 systems, as well as the behaviour of the occupants (Stephan & Stephan, 2016; Abanda &
61 Cabeza 2015). As reported in Lucon et al. (2014), the global building sector in 2010
62 accounted for about 32% of final energy use and over 8.8 GtCO₂ emissions, with energy
63 demand projected to double by mid-century. According to studies by de la Rue du Can et al.
64 (2015), direct and indirect emissions emanating from energy use in the global building sector
65 accounts for 31% of global carbon dioxide (CO₂) emissions originating from the combustion
66 of fuel for electricity production and heat to end-use sectors. The residential sector accounts
67 for 27% and 17% of global energy consumption and CO₂ emissions respectively (Nejat et al.,
68 2015).

69 Cameroon's residential sector constitutes the second highest electric energy consumer after
70 the industrial sector, accounting for 30% of total energy consumed (European Union Energy
71 Initiative Partnership Dialogue Facility, 2014). This sector has grown tremendously, with
72 strong evidence revealed through the housing boom and public construction sites observed in
73 recent times in the country. With an envisaged projected increase in population from the
74 current 23.34 million to 32.94 million in 2030 (United Nations, 2015), there is likely to be an
75 increased pressure on built environment services in Cameroon which will culminate in an
76 increase in energy demand from the residential sector. This increase in energy demand will
77 further put pressure on the energy infrastructure of the country which according to Nfah and
78 Ngundam (2009) is inadequate and unreliable. The envisaged increase in energy demand and
79 consumption in the country is likely to be accompanied by an increase in GHG emissions
80 based on the claims of Abanda (2012) that the amount of CO₂ emission associated with
81 energy consumption in Cameroon has since the 1980s been on the rise.

82 During the launch of the Global Alliance for Buildings and Construction at the 21st session of
83 the Conference of Parties (COP) in Paris, the likely positive effects of energy efficiency in
84 buildings was at the centre of focus (Global Buildings Performance Network, 2015). Energy
85 inefficiency in buildings results to the excessive consumption of energy which often
86 culminates in high energy cost in low-income households. The excessive energy consumption
87 also puts pressure on the grid electricity supply which is often generated from conventional

88 fuel associated with greenhouse gas emission that drives global climate change. As the power
89 crisis problem in developing countries exacerbates, culminating in an increase in the gap
90 between energy demand and supply, measures are adopted to resolve the power shortage
91 problem through the efficient use of the available power (Aman et al., 2013). While the
92 improvement of the behaviour of building occupants results to energy savings (Ouyang &
93 Hokao, 2009), the adoption of more energy efficient technologies in residential buildings
94 equally have an important role to play. Reducing energy consumption in buildings through
95 the implementation of cost effective energy efficient measures translates not only into a
96 reduction in energy bills of households, but as well reduces GHG emissions (AlAjmi et al.,
97 2016; Girod et al., 2014).

98 Studies conducted by Batih & Sorapipatana (2016) in Indonesia revealed that lamps
99 employed in indoor lighting are among the appliances with the greatest potentials for
100 electrical energy reduction in the built environment. Nallamotheu et al. (2015) noted that the
101 energy efficiency associated with the use of high efficient LED bulbs is over 57.5%. A
102 strategic area with potentials for energy savings and reduction in peak power demand in the
103 residential sector of Cameroon is lighting which is still dominated by the use of incandescent
104 lamps (SIE, 2012). Lighting in 2007 and 2010 respectively represented 30% and 20%
105 household electricity use in the country. Research related to the uptake of energy efficient
106 lighting technologies have been stepped up in several countries. For instance,
107 Khorasanizadeh et al. (2015) investigated the energy and economic benefits associated with
108 the transition towards LED lighting in the residential sector of Malaysia. Mins & Mills
109 (1997) studied the prospects and problems of energy efficient lighting in China, Martínez-
110 Montejo & Sheinbaum-Pardo (2016) analysed among others the impacts of minimum energy
111 efficiency standards of lighting product on residential electricity consumption and carbon
112 dioxide emissions in Mexico, while Figueroa (2016) assessed the drivers of uptake and
113 willingness to pay for an efficient lighting technology in the residential sector of Kenya.
114 While studies about efficient lighting have been conducted in other countries, such studies
115 have not been conducted for Cameroon. An extensive search of peer-reviewed articles about
116 studies related to transition towards efficient lighting in Cameroon in popular databases such
117 as Google Scholar, Science Direct and Emerald yielded no significant results. Studies
118 conducted in other countries cannot be adapted to Cameroon due to differences in local
119 circumstances. For example, housing types in Cameroon may not be the same like the
120 housing types in the Middle East and Europe due to cultural differences and occupant
121 behaviour. A study on the transition towards efficient lighting is therefore necessary for
122 Cameroon as it would assist the government and other stakeholders in the adoption of
123 appropriate strategies that would guarantee a transition towards efficient lighting and this
124 constitutes the motivation based on which this study was carried out.

125 The purpose of this study is to investigate the benefits for the transition towards efficient
126 lighting using light emitting diodes and compact fluorescent lamps in the residential sector of
127 Cameroon as well as the possible factors that could affect the adoption of LEDs in the
128 country, using the town of Buea as a case study.

129 The objectives are to:

- 130 • investigate the possible factors that affects the transition towards efficient lighting in
131 the residential sector of the country;
- 132 • determine the economic and environmental benefits associated with the transition
133 towards efficient lighting in the residential sector;

- 134 • assess the possible impacts of a government policy on the economic benefits of
135 transition towards LED lighting.

136 To achieve the above objectives, a research methodology has been established which draws
137 from the scarcity of secondary data on lighting technologies used in residential dwellings in
138 Cameroon. The main research method included: a survey of residential dwellings in the case
139 study area with a questionnaire to obtain the required data for the study-existing lighting
140 systems; and an analysis of the economic and environmental potentials associated with a
141 transition towards efficient lighting in dwellings.

142 **2. A review of Cameroon electricity sector and residential buildings**

143 **2.1 Cameroon electricity sector**

144 Cameroon has an enormous energy potential. According to Nfah and Ngundam (2009), the
145 country possesses the second largest hydroelectric potential (294 TWh) in Africa after the
146 Democratic Republic of Congo estimated at 1000 TWh. However, only 5.5% of the
147 technically-feasible capacity (115 TWh/year) has been developed. In Cameroon, electricity is
148 generated from three hydroelectric power stations (Edea, Song Loulou and Ladgo) and nine
149 thermal power plants (Fotsing et al., 2014). In 2010, Cameroon had an installed hydroelectric
150 power capacity of 729 MW while it had 776 MW installed capacity of thermal power plants
151 (diesel and natural gas) owned by both AES SONEL and independent power producers
152 (Ayompe & Duffy, 2014). Cameroon's electricity sector is currently poorly developed and
153 this has slowed down socio-economic development in the country. The sector faces both
154 structural and technical challenges, compounded by the low electrification rate in the country
155 (African Development Fund, 2009). Out of over 14 000 localities, only 3 000 are electrified
156 giving a national electrification rate of 22%. This low rate of electrification is a major setback
157 for the production of goods and services since energy constitutes an important factor of
158 production. In a nut shell, the Cameroon electricity sector faces an annual deficit between the
159 electric power demand and what the system is capable of supplying. This deficit is due to
160 very high rate of losses incurred in the process of generation, transmission and distribution of
161 electricity (European Union Energy Initiative Partnership Dialogue Facility, 2014).

162 Cameroon's electricity demand in 2012 was estimated at 3710 GWh (European Union
163 Energy Initiative Partnership Dialogue Facility, 2014). Electricity demand from low user and
164 medium user consumer in Cameroon is on the rise. On an annual basis, the demand of
165 electricity from these groups of consumers increases by an average of 6% with an estimated
166 demand of 4700 GWh and 7600 GWh in 2015 and 2025 respectively (Government of
167 Cameroon, 2010). On the other hand, industrial demand which is mainly determined by the
168 energy requirements of the aluminium industry was estimated at 1315 GWh in 2010 with its
169 demand estimated to triple by 2015. Based on recent studies conducted by the European
170 Union Energy Initiative Partnership Dialogue Facility (2014), growth in electricity demand in
171 the industry, tertiary buildings and residential sectors by 2025 against the 2012 benchmark is
172 forecasted at 109%, 55% and 79% respectively. The residential sector in the country is
173 characterised by the use of obsolete, inefficient and second handed appliances (Enongene et
174 al., 2016; Manjia et al., 2015; Kenfack et al., 2011) which results to increasing energy
175 consumption and demand from this sector.

176 The supply of electricity in Cameroon is done through a number of transmission lines. In
177 2010, the power company in the country operated three different transmission grids: the
178 southern interconnected grid (SIG); the northern interconnected grid (NIG); and the eastern

179 interconnected grid (EIG) through which all the electricity generated in the country is
 180 transmitted and distributed to the customers (Ayompe & Duffy, 2014). The southern
 181 interconnected grid covers six regions in the country: Centre, Littoral, West, Northwest,
 182 Southwest and South while the northern interconnected grid and the eastern interconnected
 183 grid covers three (Adamawa, North and Far North) regions and one (East) region respectively
 184 (Fotsing et al., 2014).

185 The reliability of the supply of electricity, which plays an unequivocal role to the growth of
 186 any modern economy by virtue of its diverse end use, is poor in Cameroon. The principal
 187 source of electricity in Cameroon is the hydroelectric system which suffers from under
 188 development (European Union Energy Initiative Partnership Dialogue Facility, 2014). The
 189 absence of effective strategies that will guarantee diversification of electricity generation
 190 sources exacerbates the situation. The results are frequent power cuts mostly experienced
 191 during the drier months of January to June (Nfah & Ngundam, 2009). During this period of
 192 seasonal drought, the energy generated by back-up thermal plants is usually insufficient to
 193 meet demand and the rationing of electricity does not guarantee the day-to-day operation of
 194 industries especially those connected to networks of low voltage.

195 2.2 Types of residential buildings in Cameroon

196 Building energy performance is influenced by a number of factors; climate, building size,
 197 building operation and maintenance, efficient technologies, and human behaviour (Li et al.,
 198 2014; Abanda & Cabeza 2015). Hence, the size of residential buildings constitutes an
 199 important component that depicts energy consumption. The sizes and characteristics of
 200 houses investigated in this study will be examined. In Cameroon, the Ministry of Housing
 201 and Urban Development classifies residential buildings in the country into six different
 202 categories (Manjia et al., 2015) based on the components of the building as shown in Table 1.
 203 The environmental and economic assessments conducted in this study will be based on the
 204 dwellings presented in Table 1.

205 **Table 1: Category of residential buildings in Cameroon**

Type	Component	Quantity	Minimal area (m ²)	Entire Minimal area (m ²)	Average number of incandescent bulbs
T1	bedroom	1	12	20	1
	kitchen	1	3		
	Toilet	1	3		
	corridor	1	2		
T2	Living room + Dining room	1	10	32	3
	bedroom	1	12		
	kitchen	1	3		
	Toilet	1	5		
	corridor	1	2		
T3	living room + Dining room	1	20	62	4
	bedroom	2	12		
	kitchen	1	10		
	Toilet	1	5		
	corridor	1	3		

T4	living room + Dining room	1	25	89	5
	bedroom	3	12		
	kitchen	1	10		
	Toilet	2	5		
	corridor	1	8		
T5	living room + Dining room	1	30	106	6
	bedroom	4	12		
	kitchen	1	10		
	Toilet	2	5		
	corridor	1	8		
T6	living room + Dining room	1	35	130	4
	bedroom	5	12		
	kitchen	1	10		
	Toilet	3	5		
	corridor	1	10		

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207 3. An overview of lighting technologies

208 3.1 Evolution and trend in the use of lighting technologies

209 Electricity became available in industrial areas at the end of the 19th Century and the lighting
210 technology was developed for using electricity as an energy source. Incandescent light bulb
211 was the first lighting technology that emerged (Wen & Agogino, 2008). Incandescent lighting
212 function is based on the flow of electric current through a metal filament in the bulb and the
213 resistance of the filament generates heat that causes the metal to glow and emit a yellowish
214 light. Fluorescent lamps on the other hand were established after the Second World War
215 (Schanda, 2005) and function on the basis that materials captivate radiation at one
216 wavelength and re-emit radiation in a longer wavelength (Luo, 2011). Fluorescent lamps
217 were further developed to compact fluorescent lamps (CFLs) which are more efficient than
218 the former albeit they both use the same technology (Silveira & Chang, 2011). Light emitting
219 diodes (LED) were first fabricated in the mid-1960s using Gallium arsenide phosphide (Wen
220 & Agogino, 2008) and the technology entails a quantum method for converting electrical
221 energy directly into light (Sebitosi & Pillay, 2007). Unlike in the other lighting technologies,
222 generation of light in LEDs is based on the principle of electroluminescence, in which
223 electrons and holes recombine in a semi conductor diode releasing energy in the form of
224 photons (Luo, 2011).

225 For close to a century, incandescent bulbs emerged as the main lighting technology for
226 residential buildings due to the visual comfort. The main attempt to introduce fluorescent
227 bulbs in residential lighting in the 1960s failed (Menanteau & Lefebvre, 2000). This was
228 despite the superior technical qualities; a lifetime 5-10 times longer than incandescent bulbs,
229 their luminous efficiency five times greater than that of incandescent bulbs and their ability to
230 give off very little heat. This failure was associated with the consumer's perception of the
231 bright light emitted by the fluorescent bulb as being cold and disappointing compared to the
232 warm light emitted by incandescent bulbs, which was associated with visual comfort

233 (Menanteau & Lefebvre, 2000). More so to this visual discomfort, the uptake of fluorescent
 234 tube required a change in the domestic light fittings since the fluorescent tubes were not
 235 compatible with the existing installation at the time and this served as a disincentive for their
 236 uptake.

237 A number of factors influence the adoption of lighting technologies. In their study, Min et al.
 238 (2014) revealed that the five most important bulb characteristics based on which consumers
 239 make their choice include: price, energy use, colour, lifetime and brightness. Both LED and
 240 CFL stand out as more efficient lighting technologies. Compared to incandescent bulbs, they
 241 possess a longer life span and their use decreases the overall light energy consumption (Hicks
 242 et al., 2015). However, as reported by Wada et al. (2012), the low capital cost of incandescent
 243 bulbs acts as a disincentive for consumers to use the more expensive and more energy
 244 efficient lighting technologies such as compact fluorescent bulbs and light emitting diodes.
 245 According to Wada et al. (2012), this low capital cost of incandescent bulbs accounts for the
 246 reason why they are the dominant lighting technology used in many countries. From a cost
 247 perspective, it can be argued that consumers who prefer incandescent bulb to other efficient
 248 lighting technologies make their preference based on the capital cost with little or no
 249 knowledge of the operating cost of the technologies. This is confirmed by the study of Min et
 250 al. (2014) which demonstrated the willingness of a consumer to pay \$0.14 and \$0.46 more for
 251 a bulb for an increase in lifetime and decrease in power rating respectively. Some consumers
 252 as well have a stronger preference for incandescent bulbs over CFL on the grounds that the
 253 latter contains toxic materials like Mercury (Min et al., 2014).

254 The skyrocketing of energy prices globally at the end of the 20th century called for innovation
 255 and adoption of energy efficient technologies. The innovation in the incandescent technology
 256 led to the introduction of the halogen cycle which increased the working life of the bulb and
 257 the luminous efficiency from 15 to 20lm/W (Menanteau & Lefebvre, 2000). With a luminous
 258 efficiency that exceeded 60lm/W, fluorescent lighting appeared as a better technology suited
 259 in the context of rising energy price and consequently emerged as a more competitive energy
 260 source compared to the incandescent bulb.

261 **3.2 Comparison of different lighting technologies**

262 According to Pode (2010), different lighting technologies could be compared based on the
 263 following characteristics: luminous efficacy – a measure of how well a lighting technology
 264 can produce visible light; installation and operation cost; colour rendering index (CRI) - an
 265 index employed for the quantification of the capacity of a light source to render colour of
 266 surfaces accurately; and lamp life. LEDs possess the highest and lowest capital and operating
 267 costs respectively among the different lighting technologies (Khorasanizadeh et al., 2015) as
 268 shown in Table 2.

269 **Table 2: Comparison of characteristics of different lighting technologies**

Lamp type	Luminous efficacy (lm/W)	Lifetime of lamp (h)	Color rendering index	Installation cost	Operation cost
Incandescent	12-35	2000-4000	100	Low	High
Fluorescent	50-100	10000-16000	90	Medium	Medium
CFL	40-75	6000-12000	80	Medium	Medium
LED	20-150	20000-100000	80	High	Low

270 Source: Khorasanizadeh et al. (2015).

271 Based on the comparison of the different lighting technologies presented in Table 2, it is
272 anticipated that a shift in favour of the LED technology with lower energy consumption could
273 yield significant energy savings which could translate into reduced environmental impact and
274 climate change mitigation through reduced emissions (Khorasanizadeh et al., 2015). In this
275 regard, a policy that will encourage the adoption of LED lighting will be beneficial to both
276 the government and the population. In recent years, several countries have embarked on the
277 replacement of inefficient lamps such as incandescent lamps with more efficient lighting
278 technologies as a measure to cut down on energy cost (Azcarate et al., 2016).

279 **4. Methodology**

280 This study surveyed residential buildings in Buea, the South West Regional capital of
281 Cameroon with the aid of a questionnaire. Microsoft Excel was used in computing the
282 average number of each lighting technology used in the different types of surveyed dwellings
283 and the average daily duration (hours) for lighting. An economic and environmental analysis
284 for the substitution of incandescent lamps in the surveyed dwellings with CFLs and LEDs
285 was conducted using Microsoft Excel spreadsheets. The economic analysis was based on the
286 net present value (NPV), simple payback time, benefit cost ratio (BCR) and a life cycle cost
287 (LCC) analysis. The impact of government policies pertaining to the provision of different
288 rates of subsidy for LEDs for use in the residential sector was assessed using the return of
289 investment for LED adoption in the first year. Sensitivity analysis was performed by varying
290 the discount rate and the daily lighting duration.

291 **5. Description of survey and analysis**

292 **5.1 Household surveys**

293 A total of 100 households in the case study area were randomly sampled with the use of a
294 questionnaire. The questionnaire was composed of four different sections. Section 1 was
295 designed to capture socio-economic data of the surveyed household while section 2 was
296 geared at capturing data on the characteristics of the dwelling under survey and their attitude
297 and preferences towards different lighting technologies. The third section of the questionnaire
298 was design to collect information on current household lighting system employed in the
299 surveyed dwellings. This section captured information on the different types, number and
300 power rating of bulbs used for lighting in the dwellings. The final section of the questionnaire
301 was designed as a time of use diary to collect information on the daily duration of use of the
302 different bulbs in the dwellings.

303 **5.2 Environmental analysis**

304 The environmental analysis for the GHG emissions associated with the use of the different
305 lighting technologies in dwellings was conducted using the formula presented in equation 1.

$$Emission (kgCO_{2-e}/yr) = Activity\ data \times emission\ factor \quad (1)$$

306 Activity data in this case represents the annual energy consumption in kWh for a lighting
307 technology obtained as a product of its power rating and its duration of use in hours for a
308 period of one year. The emission factor is the quantity of GHG emitted per unit of the
309 activity. Put differently, it is the amount of GHG emitted per kWh of electricity consumed.
310 The emission factor considered in this study is 860g CO_{2-e}/kWh, which is the amount of
311 emissions associated with the generation of a kWh of electricity in Cameroon (African
312 Development Fund, 2009). The environmental benefits in terms of GHG emission saving

313 associated with the switch from incandescent to CFL and LED lighting was obtained by
 314 simply subtracting the annual emissions associated with either CFL or LED from that of
 315 incandescent as presented in equation 2.

$$Emission\ savings = E_i - E_e \quad (2)$$

316 Where;

317 E_i = emission associated with incandescent lighting and
 318 E_e = emission associated with efficient lighting (CFL or LED).

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320 In order to conduct the environmental analysis, the daily duty cycle for lighting will be
 321 required. From the time of use dairy employed in the survey, the average daily required
 322 duration for artificial lighting for each dwelling was obtained by summing up the lighting
 323 duration of the seven days of the week and dividing the sum by seven. By summing up the
 324 average daily duration of all the buildings and dividing the sum by the total number of
 325 buildings, the average daily duty cycle for lighting in dwellings was determined to be six
 326 hours. The obtained average daily duty cycle for lighting alongside the average number of
 327 incandescent bulb(s) used per residential dwelling class was used as inputs in the
 328 environmental and economic analysis. Using the T1 building type as an example, the
 329 environmental analysis computation for substituting incandescent lamp with CFL is presented
 330 in Table 3, uploaded in Github (2017). The same steps were followed to determine the
 331 emission saving associated with LED for T1. The environmental analysis for the other
 332 residential building types considered in this study was performed using the same approach. A
 333 detailed result of the environmental analysis for all the building types is presented in section
 334 6.7. Artificial lighting duration is variable over the course of the year due to varying daylight
 335 hours and for this reason, a sensitivity analysis was conducted by changing the average daily
 336 lighting duration from 6 hours to 4 and 8 hours.

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338 **Table 3: Environmental analysis computation**

Number of incandescent bulb	Power rating of incandescent bulb	Number of CFL	Power rating of CFL	Average daily duty cycle
1	60W	1	20W	6 hours
ADI ⁱ = 0.06kW * 6hours * 365 days = 131.4 kWh/year				
ADCFL ⁱⁱ = 0.02kW * 6 hours * 365 days = 43.8 kWh/year				
Emission from incandescent = 131.4 kWh/year * 0.86 kg CO _{2-e} /kWh = 113 kg CO _{2-e} /year				
Emission from CFL = 43.8 kWh/year * 0.86 kg CO _{2-e} /kWh = 37.67 kg CO _{2-e} /year				
Emission saving = 113 – 37.67 = 75.33 kg CO _{2-e} /year				

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340 **5.3 Economic analysis**

341 Economic analysis was conducted to determine the benefits of substituting incandescent light
 342 bulbs in dwellings with CFL and LED. The 20W CFL and 60W incandescent bulb were
 343 considered for the analysis since they constitute the dominant lamps used in the surveyed
 344 dwellings for the CFL and incandescent category respectively. A sensitivity analysis was
 345 conducted by varying: the daily duration of lighting from 6 hours to 4 hours and 8 hours; and
 346 the discount rate from 5 to 10%. The average number of incandescent light bulbs used in the
 347 surveyed dwellings is presented in Table 1. The T1 building type has an average of one bulb
 348 since most of this building category surveyed were a single room in an apartment rented out
 349 to mostly university students. The input data employed in the economic analysis is presented

350 in Table 4. The cost of the different lighting technologies is based on commercial prices
 351 obtained from local dealers in Buea. This cost represents the capital cost of the respective
 352 bulb only, since a switch from incandescent to CFL and LED will not require a change in
 353 fittings.

354 **Table 4: Input data for the different bulb types**

Bulb type	Incandescent	CFL	LED
Power rating	60	20	10
Lifetime (h) based on manufacturers' specification	2000	5000	50000
Cost price (in USD)	0.58 (CFA350)	0.83 (CFA500)	19.88 (CFA12000)
Average daily duty cycle (hrs)	6	6	6
Lifetime (years)	0.91	2.28	22.83
Number of bulbs required for 22 years	25	10	1
Lumens (as per manufacturer's specification)	720	1200	810

355 Note: CFA the currency unit used in Cameroon. The full meaning is Communauté Financière
 356 Africaine

357 From Table 4, the expected lifetime of the LED bulb is 50000h which corresponds to 22.83
 358 years at a daily usage of 6 h while the CFL with an expectant lifetime of 5000h corresponds
 359 to 2.28 years and incandescent bulb is expected to last for 2000h (0.91 year). Put differently,
 360 in 22.83 years for which a single LED could be used for lighting, incandescent lamps must be
 361 replaced 25 times and CFLs 10 times. The lumens generated by the 20W CFL and the 10W
 362 LED is greater than that generated by the 60W incandescent bulb. It is important to re-
 363 emphasise that 22.83 years on the basis of daily usage of 6h for LED is not unrealistic. In
 364 Malaysia, similar results have been found (Khorasanizadeh et al., 2015).

365 **5.3.1 Net Present Value**

366 In calculating the NPV of a proposal or project, the cost and benefits needs to be quantified
 367 for the expected duration (lifetime) of the project (Commonwealth of Australia, 2006).
 368 Projects or programmes with a positive calculated NPV is indicative of the efficient use of
 369 the investor's resources and is a signal that the project could be economically viable. The
 370 NPV was computed using equation 3.

$$NPV = \sum_0^t \frac{B_t - C_t}{(1 + r)^t} \quad (3)$$

371 Where:

372 B_t = the benefit at time t,

373 C_t = the cost at time t, and

374 r = is the discount rate

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376 The economic benefit for the analysis represents saving through reduced electricity
 377 consumption brought about by the use of energy efficient light bulbs while the cost employed

378 in the analysis represents the cost of electricity supply from the grid for lighting as well as the
 379 capital (investment) cost of the efficient bulbs without need to change fittings. Using T1 as an
 380 example, the NPV for substituting incandescent lamp with CFL for year one was computed
 381 as shown in Table 5, uploaded on Github (2017). The same steps were followed for
 382 computing the NPV of the LED technology.

383 **Table 5: Computation of NPV for CFL**

Number of incandescent bulb	Power rating of incandescent bulb	Number of CFL	Power rating of CFL	Average daily duty cycle
1	60W	1	20W	6 hours
Annual electricity consumption for incandescent = 0.06kW * 6hours * 365 days = 131.4 kWh/year				
Annual electricity consumption for CFL = 0.02kW * 6 hours * 365 days = 43.8 kWh/year				
Annual electricity price for incandescent (year 1) = 131.4 kWh * \$0.12/kWh = \$15.77				
Annual electricity price (cost) for CFL (year 1) = 43.8 kWh/year * \$0.12/kWh = \$5.26				
Benefit of CFL in year 1 = 15.77 – 5.26 = \$10.51				
Net cash flow (NCF) = $B_t - C_t = 10.51 - 5.26 = \5.25				
NPV = $5.25/(1+0.05)^1 = \$5$				

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385 The NPV for the different years was computed following the same procedure in Table 5. The
 386 NPV for the entire lifetime of the project was obtained by summing up the obtained NPV
 387 from year zero to the last year. The NPV for the different building types was obtained using
 388 the same approach.

389 **5.3.2 Benefit cost ratio (BCR) and simple payback period**

390 The benefit cost ratio was computed by dividing the total discounted benefits by the total
 391 discounted cost. Projects with benefit cost ratio greater than 1 possess greater benefits than
 392 costs and the higher the ratio, the greater the benefits relative to the costs. The simple
 393 payback period represents the time required for the profits or other benefits of an investment
 394 to equal its costs. Using T1 as an example, the BCR for substituting incandescent with CFL
 395 was computed as follows;

396 Total discounted benefit = \$138.37

397 Total discounted cost = \$75.34

398 $BCR = \$138.37/\$75.34 = 1.84$

399 Similarly, the BCR for the other building types were computed.

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401 The payback period for CFL for a T1 building was achieved by determining the year in which
 402 the investment cost recuperated. The investment cost of CFL for T1 (year 0) is \$0.83 while
 403 the cash flow for year 1 is \$5.26, indicating that the real payback period is located within the
 404 first year since the \$0.83 investment is paid back. Assuming the same monthly amount of
 405 cash flow is achieved within the first year, the amount of cash flow expected at the end of
 406 each month obtained by dividing the cash flow of year one by 12 is given as \$0.44. Hence,
 407 the investment cost of \$0.83 will be paid at the end of the second month, which corresponds
 408 to a payback period of 0.17 year. The same approach was employed for obtaining the
 409 payback period of LED. In calculating the payback period of the sensitivity cases, the same
 410 procedure was followed but the yearly cash flow of the respective sensitivity case was used..

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412 **5.3.3 Return on investment (ROI)**

413 Return on investment simply measures the gain or loss of an investment relative to the money
 414 invested. The higher the ROI, the higher the profits compare favourably to the costs of the
 415 investment. ROI is simply calculated by dividing the net benefits by the investment cost of
 416 the project. Using T1 as an example, the ROI for substituting incandescent lamp with LED in
 417 year one for six hours lighting duration with no government subsidy was computed as
 418 presented in Table 6, uploaded on Github (2017). Similarly, the ROI for the 4 and 8 hours
 419 duration of lighting was computed using the same approach.

420 **Table 6: Computation of ROI for LED in year 1**

LED capital cost	Annual electricity price for incandescent lighting	Annual electricity price for LED lighting
\$19.88	\$15.77	\$2.63
Benefits of LED = \$15.77 - \$2.63 = \$ 13.14		
Cost for operating LED = \$2.63		
Net benefit of LED = \$13.14 - \$2.63 = \$10.51		
ROI = (10.51/19.88)*100 = 52.87%		

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422 **5.3.4 Life cycle cost analysis**

423 The life cycle cost analysis of a lighting technology embodies the total fixed and operating
 424 cost of the technology over its life expressed in today's money. The major cost associated
 425 with a particular lighting technology includes: the capital cost, operating and replacement
 426 cost. The LCC of the lighting technologies was computed over a duration of 22 years
 427 (rounded down from 22.83 to 22 for the worst case scenario instead of rounding up to 23),
 428 which corresponds to the lifetime of the LED bulb (used for six hours daily) considered in
 429 this study. Over the duration considered in the LCC analysis, incandescent bulbs will require
 430 to be replaced annually while CFL will need to be replaced after every two years. The present
 431 worth of the replacement cost of the technologies was computed using equation 4.

$$C_B = C_B \left(\frac{1+i}{1+d} \right)^n \quad (4)$$

432 Where; C_B is the present worth of bulb replaced at year n , i is the inflation rate while d
 433 represents the discount rate adopted as 2% and 5% respectively.

434 Using the annual operating cost (O/yr) and the lifetime (N), the present worth of the operating
 435 cost (C_o) of each technology type was computed using equation (5).

$$C_o = (O/yr) \times \left(\frac{1+i}{1+d} \right) \left[\frac{1 - \left(\frac{1+i}{1+d} \right)^N}{1 - \left(\frac{1+i}{1+d} \right)} \right] \quad (5)$$

436 Using the capital, the operating and replacement costs of each lighting technology, their LCC
 437 was computed using equation (6).

$$LCC = \text{Capital cost of bulb} + C_B + C_o \quad (6)$$

438 The annualized LCC (ALCC) of each lighting technology in terms of its present value was
 439 calculated using equation (7).

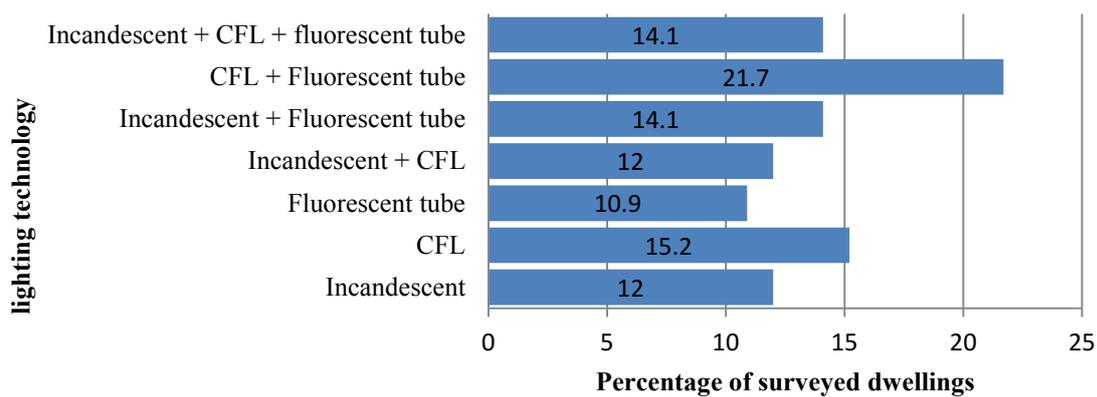
$$ALCC = LCC \left[\frac{1 - \left(\frac{1+i}{1+d}\right)}{1 - \left(\frac{1+i}{1+d}\right)^N} \right] \quad (7)$$

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441 **6. Analysis of results and discussion**

442 **6.1 Types of lighting technologies used and their power rating**

443 The results of the survey revealed that three different types of light bulbs are used in
 444 dwellings. These include: incandescent, CFL and fluorescent tubes. LED was not used in any
 445 of the surveyed dwellings. Majority (15.2%) of the surveyed households used CFL only for
 446 lighting while 12% and 10.9% used only incandescent and fluorescent tube respectively for
 447 lighting and this is supported by the claim of Richardson et al. (2009) which holds that the
 448 number of installed lighting units, the lighting technologies used and their power ratings
 449 varies from dwelling to dwelling with the variation accounted by human choice. Over 60% of
 450 surveyed dwellings use a combination of two or all three of the technologies for lighting as
 451 indicated in Figure 1 and this corroborates a study by Enongene et al. (2016) who found that
 452 residential dwellings in Cameroon use a mixture of different lighting technologies for
 453 artificial lighting. Of the incandescent lamps used in the surveyed dwellings, the 60W
 454 incandescent lamp dominates as it is the most widely used for this category of lighting
 455 technology as shown in Table 7. Residential lighting with CFLs is dominated by the 20W
 456 lamp since it was used in 33 of the surveyed dwellings as presented in Table 7. Lighting of
 457 dwellings using fluorescent tube is through the use of two main bulbs: 40W and 60W.
 458 Fluorescent tube lighting is dominated by the 40W category which was found to be used in
 459 43 dwellings while the 60W fluorescent tube was used in 21 dwellings.



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461 **Figure 1: Current lighting technologies used in dwellings**

462 **Table 7: Power rating of incandescent bulbs and CFLs used in dwellings**

Bulb type	Power rating and number of buildings where used			
Inc	40W (6)	60W (36)	75W (7)	100W (8)

CFL	11W (1)	18W (2)	20W (33)	22W (3)	26W (1)	30W (2)	36W (1)	40W (10)	60W (3)	75W (3)	80W (6)	85W (6)
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463 Where Inc: incandescent and the numbers in parenthesis represents the number of surveyed
464 building(s) in which a bulb of a particular power rating is used.

465 **6.2 Potential factors influencing the adoption of efficient lighting (LED)**

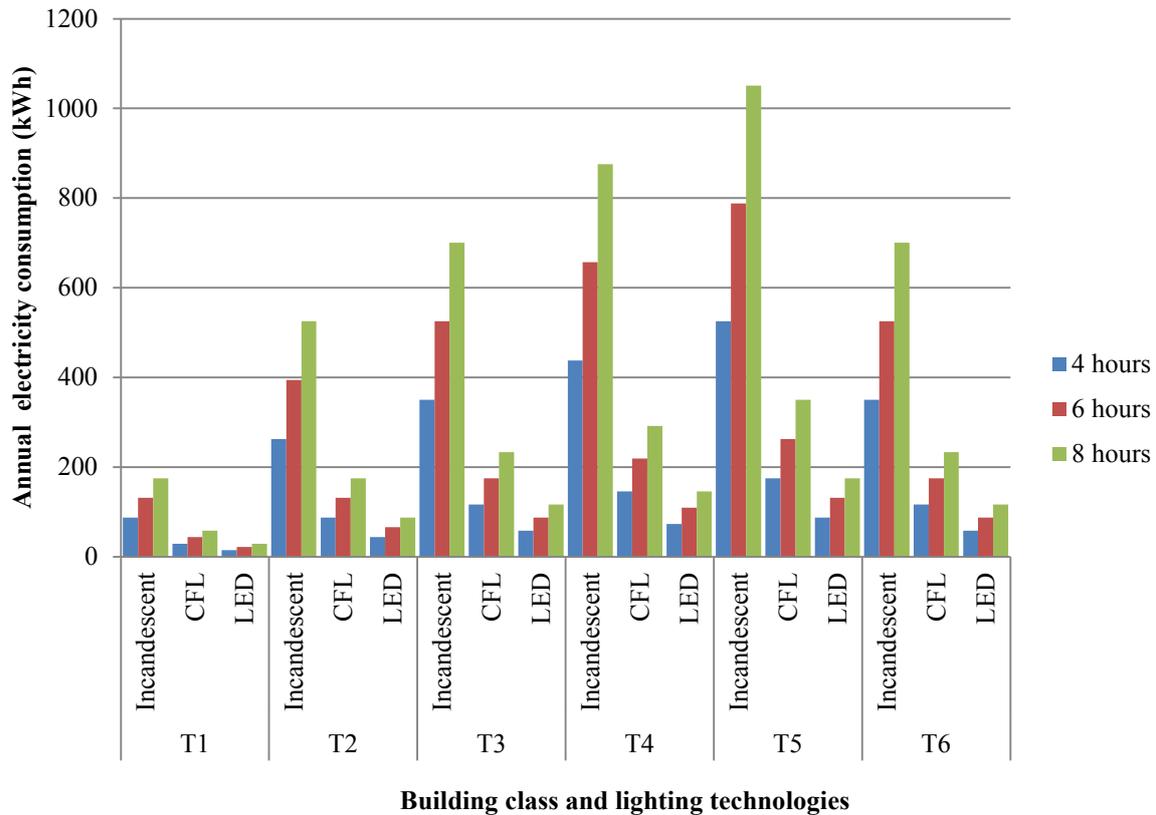
466 From the surveys, household income, level of education of household head and unit type
467 emerged as possible factors that have potential of influencing the adoption of LED in
468 residential buildings. It was found out that the higher the income of a household head, the
469 more financially viable and likelihood of the household to invest in LED lighting. The same
470 trend is expected for the level of education of household head. The higher the educational
471 level of a household head, the greater the likelihood of LED adoption since such individuals
472 are likely to understand the benefits in terms of cost reduction associated with the transition
473 towards efficient lighting. This agrees with studies by Mills and Schleich (2012) who
474 reported that income and education levels are determinants of energy-efficient technology
475 adoption with higher levels of income and education associated with energy-efficient
476 technology adoption. Preference for LED lighting increased among households following a
477 disclosure of information on energy savings and cost reduction associated with LED lighting.
478 In a similar study conducted by Zhou and Bukenya (2016), the authors reported that energy
479 savings information of a technology significantly impacts the willingness of the consumer to
480 pay for that technology. Pertaining to unit type, the survey revealed that single-family
481 detached dwellings are more likely to adopt LED lighting compared to apartment dwellings.
482 This is not unexpected due to the sharing of a common electricity meter which is common
483 among apartment dwellings in the study area unlike single-family detached houses with an
484 own electricity meter. Hence, apartment dwellings with a shared electricity meter are not
485 motivated to invest in LED lighting since the monthly electricity bills from the power
486 company is shared among households who tend to be dissatisfied with the amount they are
487 charged to pay. Under such a scenario, dwellings will prefer to use incandescent lamps with
488 low capital but high operating cost for lighting. The sharing of electricity meters therefore
489 stands out as a disincentive for the adoption of LED lighting in dwellings since energy
490 savings which translate into cost reduction is an incentive for household occupants to invest
491 in energy efficient technologies (Stephan & Stephan, 2016).

492 **6.3 Energy consumption of lighting technologies**

493 The annual energy consumption for each lamp type based on a daily lighting duration of 6
494 hours for the different building classes is presented in Table 8. The energy consumption of
495 each lamp type increases from T1 through to T5 due to an increase in the number of bulbs
496 and decreases to T6. The energy consumption decreases from T5 to T6 because the latter uses
497 less number of incandescent bulbs for lighting than the former. The results of the sensitivity
498 analysis revealed an increase in the energy consumption for all the lighting technologies with
499 an increase in the lighting duration as shown in Figure 2.

500 **Table 8: Quantity of energy consumed (kWh/year) by each lighting technology**

Building class	T1	T2	T3	T4	T5	T6
Number of bulbs required	1	3	4	5	6	4
Incandescent (60W)	131.4	394.2	525.6	657	788.4	525.6
CFL (20W)	43.8	131.4	175.2	219	262.8	175.2
LED (10W)	21.9	65.7	87.6	109.5	131.4	87.6



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503 **Figure 2: Variation of energy consumption with number of lighting hours**

504 **6.4 Annual electricity cost for lighting using different lamps**

505 The annual electricity cost for lighting of the different lighting technologies and for different
 506 dwelling categories based on the current electricity tariff in Cameroon (US\$0.12/kWh) is
 507 presented in Table 9. The electricity price followed the same trend like the energy
 508 consumption, increasing from T1 through to T5 and decreasing to T6. A switch from
 509 incandescent lighting to CFL reduces the annual electricity bill by 66.8% while a switch from
 510 incandescent to LED lighting reduces annual electricity bill by 83% as indicated in Table 9.
 511 This reduction in power consumption and consequently electricity bills concurs with the
 512 findings of Aman et al. (2013) which holds that the use of LED is not only beneficial for
 513 utility, but for consumers as well. The reduction in energy consumption brought about by the
 514 use of the LED technology reduces the pressure on the utility grid on one hand while
 515 resulting to electricity cost reduction for consumers on the other hand. The implementation of
 516 energy efficiency measures in buildings have a potential role to play in reducing the amount
 517 of electricity to be generated (Batih & Sorapipatana, 2016) and this eliminates the need for
 518 the construction of new power plants. The transition towards LED yields the greatest energy
 519 cost reduction since the wattage of the LED bulb is lower than that of CFL and incandescent.

520 **Table 9: Annual electricity cost (USD) for lighting of different lamps**

Building class	T1	T2	T3	T4	T5	T6	Reduction (%)
Incandescent	15.77	47.30	63.07	78.84	94.608	63.072	0

CFL	5.23	15.77	21.02	26.28	31.54	21.02	66.8
LED	2.63	7.88	10.51	13.14	15.77	10.51	83

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522 **6.5 Investment profitability**

523 The results of the economic analysis for the substitution of incandescent bulbs with CFLs and
524 LEDs in the different residential buildings using the average daily artificial lighting duration
525 of six hours is presented in Table 10.

526 **Table 10: Results of economic analysis for substitution incandescent lamps with efficient**
527 **lighting based on 6 hours lighting duration.**

Building class		T1	T2	T3	T4	T5	T6
NPV	CFL	\$60.02	\$180.07	\$240.10	\$300.12	\$360.14	\$240.10
	LED	\$112.85	\$338.54	\$451.39	\$564.24	\$677.08	\$451.39
BCR	CFL	1.84	1.84	1.84	1.84	1.84	1.84
	LED	3.18	3.18	3.18	3.18	3.18	3.18
PBP	CFL	0.17 year					
	LED	1.92 years	1.92 years	1.92 years	1.92 years	1.92 years	1.92 years

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529 The economic benefit for the analysis represents saving through reduced electricity
530 consumption brought about by the use of energy efficient light bulbs. The cost employed in
531 the analysis represents the cost of electricity supply from the power company for lighting as
532 well as the capital cost of the efficient bulbs without need to change fittings. The NPV for
533 CFL ranges from \$60.02 to \$360.14 while that for LED ranges from \$112.85 to \$677.08. The
534 NPV of LED is higher than that of CFL per building class, implying that transition to LED
535 appears to be a more profitable option. The simple payback period for CFL and LED were
536 obtained as 0.17 year and 1.92 years respectively. CFL has a lower payback period compared
537 to LED due to its lower capital cost (Khorasanizadeh et al., 2015). The benefit cost ratio
538 (BCR) for CFL and LED were obtained as 1.84 and 3.18 respectively. The higher BCR of
539 LED implies that it yields greater benefits irrespective of its higher capital cost. According to
540 Chueco et al. (2015), these benefits of LED are associated with its low energy consumption
541 and long useful lifetime. A sample worksheet used for the economic analysis is presented in
542 Appendix I, uploaded on Github (2017).

543 The results of the sensitivity analysis performed on the average daily artificial lighting
544 duration are presented on Table 11 and Table 12.

545 **Table 11: Results of economic analysis based on daily lighting duration of 4 hours**

Building class		T1	T2	T3	T4	T5	T6
NPV	CFL	\$47	\$141.01	\$188.01	\$235.02	\$282.02	\$188.01
	LED	\$89.14	\$267.43	\$356.57	\$445.71	\$370.37	\$356.57
BCR	CFL	1.77	1.77	1.77	1.77	1.77	1.77
	LED	2.58	2.58	2.58	2.58	2.58	2.58
PBP	CFL	0.25 year					
	LED	2.83	2.83	2.83	2.83	2.83	2.83

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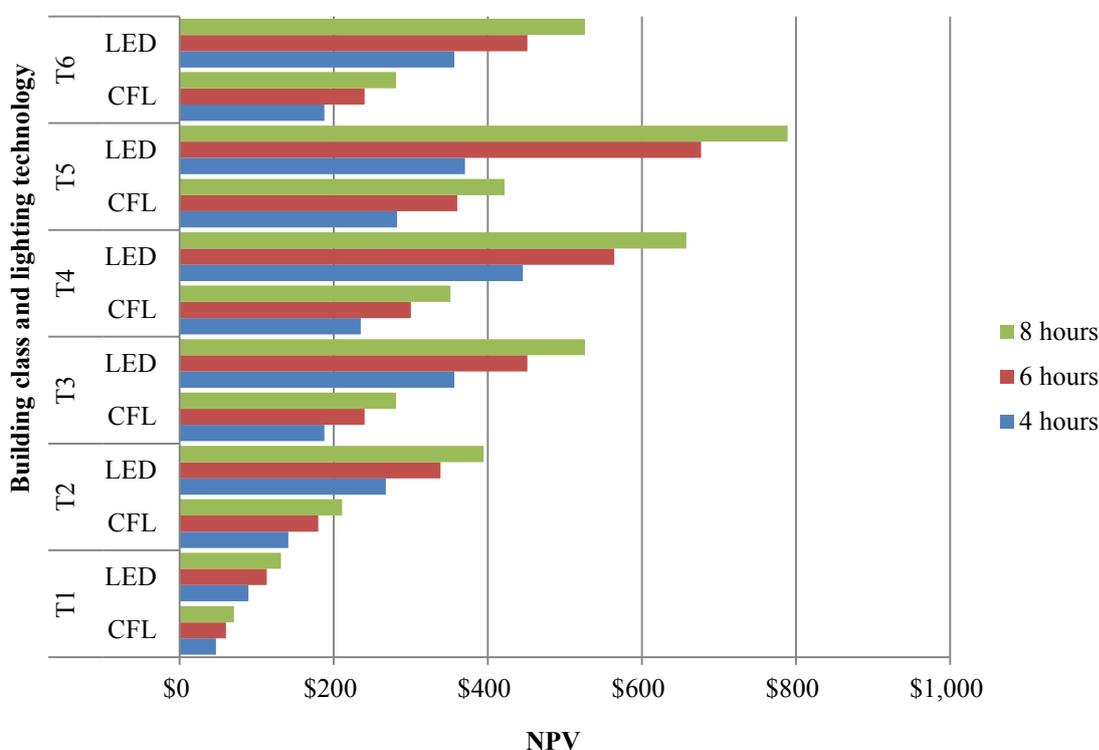
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547 **Table 12: Results of economic analysis based on daily lighting duration of 8 hours**

Building class		T1	T2	T3	T4	T5	T6
NPV	CFL	\$70.28	\$210.83	\$281.11	\$351.38	\$421.66	\$281.11
	LED	\$131.56	\$394.68	\$526.24	\$657.80	\$789.36	\$526.24
BCR	CFL	1.88	1.88	1.88	1.88	1.88	1.88
	LED	3.33	3.33	3.33	3.33	3.33	3.33
PBP	CFL	0.13 year					
	LED	1.5 years					

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549 The NPV of CFL and LED increases with an increase in the duration of artificial lighting as
550 shown in Figure 3.



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552 **Figure 3: Variation of NPV with daily lighting duration**

553 The BCR for both CFL and LED increases with increase in the lighting duration (Table 13)
554 while the PBP for both lighting technologies decreases with an increase in the daily duration
555 of artificial lighting as shown in Table 13. This implies that, transition from incandescent to
556 more efficient lighting technologies is more beneficial for longer lighting durations. Hence, it
557 would be more beneficial for dwellings to replace an incandescent lamp used for longer
558 durations such as security light, with LED.

559 **Table 13: Benefit cost ratio and payback period of CFL and LED for different lighting**
 560 **durations**

Lighting technology	Benefit cost ratio			Payback period (years)		
	4 hours	6 hours	8 hours	4 hours	6 hours	8 hours
CFL	1.77	1.84	1.88	0.25	0.17	0.13
LED	2.59	3.18	3.33	2.83	1.92	1.5

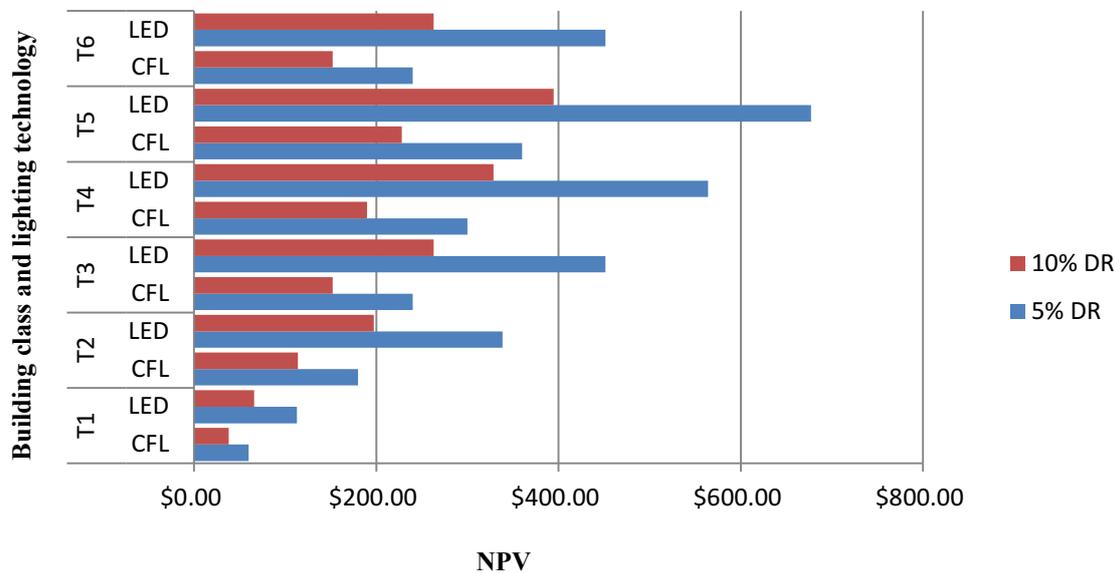
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562 The result of the sensitivity analysis using 10% discount rate is presented in Table 14. The
 563 NPV for both CFL and LED witnessed a decrease with an increase in the discount rate from 5
 564 to 10 % (See Figure 4). The BCR of CFL decreased from 1.84 at 5% discount rate to 1.83 at
 565 10% discount rate while that of LED decreased from 3.18 at 5% discount rate to 2.68 at 10%
 566 discount rate. The PBP witnessed no change with an increase in the discount rate.

567 **Table 14: Result of sensitivity analysis using 10% discount rate**

Building class		T1	T2	T3	T4	T5	T6
NPV	CFL	\$38.01	\$114.02	\$152.02	\$190.03	\$228.03	\$152.02
	LED	\$65.75	\$197.25	\$263.01	\$328.76	\$394.51	\$263.01
BCR	CFL	1.83	1.83	1.83	1.83	1.83	1.83
	LED	2.68	2.68	2.68	2.68	2.68	2.68
PBP	CFL	0.17 year					
	LED	1.92 years					

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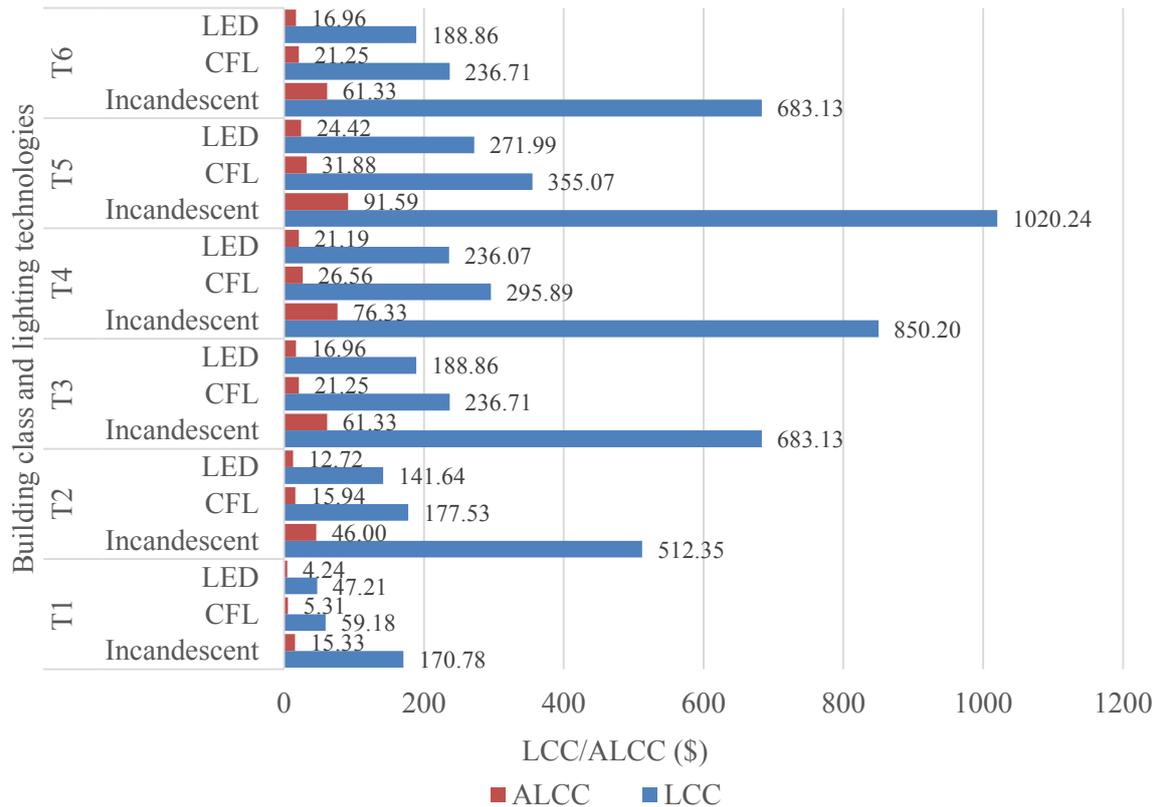


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570 **Figure 4: NPV of CFL and LED at 5 and 10% discount rate (DR)**

571 The result of the LCC analysis is presented in Figure 5.

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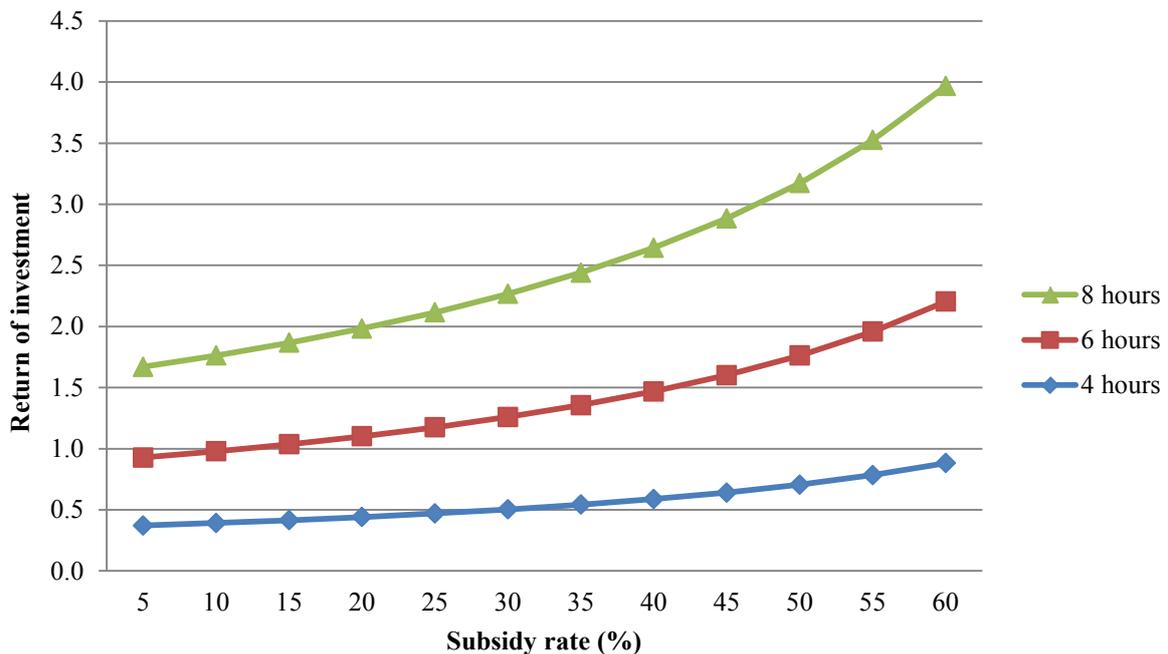
574 **Figure 5: Results of LCC analysis of different lighting technologies employed in**
 575 **residential dwellings.**

576 The LCC and the ALCC of the LED technology is the least for all the building classes
 577 seconded by CFL while incandescent emerged as the lighting technology with the highest
 578 LCC and ALCC. Albeit the high capital cost of the LED technology, it emerges as the most
 579 economically viable technology for artificial lighting compared to CFL and incandescent as a
 580 result of its low operating cost and zero replacement cost. The incandescent technology with
 581 the lowest capital cost proves the most uneconomically viable option due to its high operating
 582 and replacement cost. The reduction of energy consumption brought about by an
 583 improvement in energy efficiency translates into cost savings (al Irsyad & Nepal, 2016).

584 **6.6 Possible effect of subsidy by the Cameroon government on the return of investment**
 585 **of LED**

586 Albeit the long term economic benefits associated with the use of the LED technology in
 587 residential dwellings, the high capital cost of the technology could stand as a disincentive for
 588 its adoption. This corroborates the study conducted by Zografakis et al. (2012) who found out
 589 that office buildings where the cost of replacing all incandescent lamps by energy efficient
 590 ones was high were less likely to adopt energy efficient lamps. The subsidization of energy
 591 efficient lighting technologies is crucial for their uptake in such buildings. The possible
 592 impact of the government of Cameroon on LED adoption through the provision of subsidy is
 593 examined in this section. The potential outcome of different rates of government subsidy (on
 594 LED purchase cost) on the return of investment of LED in the first year of adoption is
 595 presented in Figure 6. The return on investment increases with an increase in the subsidy rate
 596 by the government for all three daily artificial lighting durations. The return on investment as

well increases with an increase in the lighting duration. A return on investment that is greater than one (1) depicts that the investment or project is profitable and worthwhile. For the six and eight hours lighting duration scenarios, with a government subsidy of 10% and 5% respectively on the LED capital cost within the first year, consumers would experience a return on their investment since the ROI is equal to one for the six hours duration and greater than one for the 8 hours duration. For the four hours lighting scenario, consumers would be able to experience a return within the first year if the government of Cameroon could subsidize the capital cost of LED by 30%. The subsidy to be paid by the government would translate into reduced electricity consumption in the residential sector and GHG emission savings (Khorasanizadeh et al., 2015). This is as well supported by Zografakis et al. (2012) who concluded that the provision of subsidy for energy efficient lighting technologies yields benefits to the environment and the society in general.



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610 **Figure 6: Return of investment for different subsidy rate and lighting durations by**
 611 **substituting incandescent lamps with LEDs in the first year**

612 **6.7 Environmental Potential of efficient lighting adoption**

613 The environmental analysis was conducted for the operational phase of the technologies. The
 614 results of the environmental benefits in terms of greenhouse gas emission savings of
 615 replacing incandescent lamps with CFLs and LEDs in residential buildings for an average
 616 daily duration of use of 6 hours is presented in Table 15. The lower carbon emissions
 617 associated with the LED technology compared to the traditional lighting mode results in an
 618 increasing interest of the role of LED in addressing environmental impact of lighting systems
 619 (Khorasanizadeh et al., 2016).

620 **Table 15: Greenhouse gas emissions savings (KgCO_{2-e}/yr) for replacing incandescent**
 621 **lamp by CFL and LED**

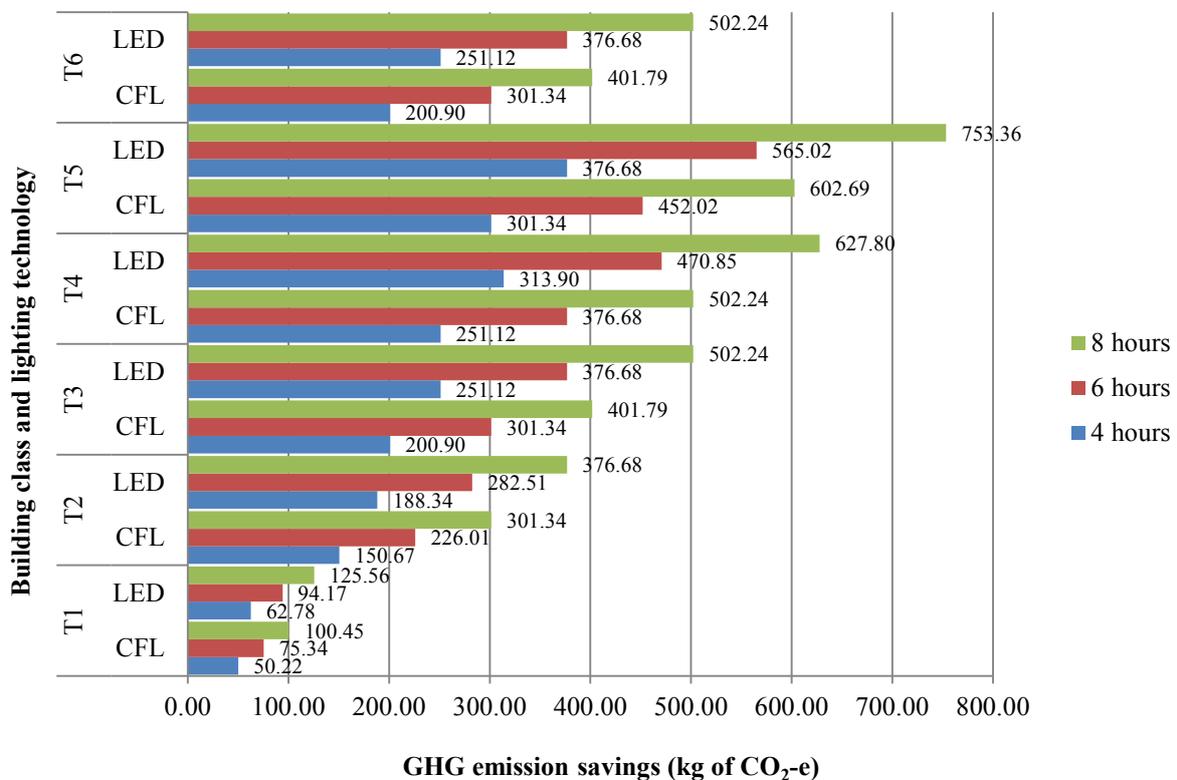
Building class	T1	T2	T3	T4	T5	T6
Emissions from incandescent	113	339.01	452.02	565.02	678.02	452.02

Emissions from CFL	37.67	113	150.67	188.34	226.01	150.67
Emissions from LED	18.83	56.50	75.34	94.17	113	75.34
CFL emission saving	75.34	226.01	301.34	376.68	452.02	301.34
LED Emission saving	94.17	282.51	376.68	470.85	565.02	376.68
CFL % emission reduction	66.6	66.6	66.6	66.6	66.6	66.6
LED % emission reduction	83.3	83.3	83.3	83.3	83.3	83.3

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623 The GHG emission savings increases from T1 to T5 and decreases to T6. The GHG emission
624 savings was computed using the emission factor of 860 gCO_{2-e}/kWh, which corresponds to
625 the emission associated with the generation of a kWh of electricity in Cameroon. The
626 environmental benefits associated with LED is greater than that of CFL and this is in
627 agreement with the study of Principi and Fioretti (2014) who assessed the life cycle
628 environmental burden of CFL and LED and concluded that LED has a significant impact on
629 reducing carbon footprints as a result of its higher energy efficiency during its operational
630 phase. The lower carbon emissions associated with the LED technology compared to the
631 traditional lighting mode results in an increasing interest of the role of LED in addressing
632 environmental impact of lighting systems (Khorasanizadeh et al., 2016).

633 The environmental potentials of both lighting technologies increased with an increase in the
634 daily duration of artificial lighting in dwellings. The result of the sensitivity analysis on the
635 environmental benefits of replacing incandescent lamps with CFLs and LEDs is presented in
636 Figure 7.



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638 **Figure 7: Results of sensitivity analysis on the environmental benefits of replacing**
639 **incandescent lamps by CFLs and LEDs**

640 **7. Conclusion**

641 With an increase in the power crisis in developing countries coupled with global concerns
642 over climate change, there is a clear rationale for the reduction in energy consumption. The
643 use of energy efficient appliances is one major way of reducing energy consumption and
644 mitigating climate change. This study focussed on assessing the economic and environmental
645 benefits associated with a transition from incandescent lighting to CFL and LED in different
646 residential building types (T1 to T6) in Buea, Cameroon. The study encompasses a survey of
647 residential buildings, an economic and environmental analysis. Artificial lighting in
648 residential buildings in Cameroon is achieved through the use of incandescent lamps,
649 compact fluorescent lamps and fluorescent tube dominated by 60W, 20W and 40W
650 respectively.

651 Results of the economic and environmental analysis revealed that a switch from incandescent
652 lighting to CFL and LED in all the different classes of residential building culminates in
653 economic and environmental benefits through reduction in energy bills and greenhouse gas
654 emission savings respectively with greater benefits achieved for LED. The results conclude
655 that albeit transition towards efficient lighting in the residential sector of Cameroon has
656 potential to culminate in the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions and energy consumption,
657 there is a likelihood of resistance pertaining to the adoption of LED lighting among apartment
658 dwellings as a result of the sharing of a common electricity metre. The sharing of a common
659 electricity meter in apartment dwellings is therefore a potential factor that will affect the
660 transition towards LED lighting in the residential sector of Cameroon. Hence, proposed
661 strategies adopted by national governments geared towards the adoption of energy efficient
662 technologies at the country level should take into account national circumstances since
663 strategies used in one country may not easily be replicated in other countries.

664 While a country wide national campaign on the benefits of LED and the formulation and
665 implementation of favourable government policies that would promote the adoption of the
666 LED technology has a role to play in the transition towards efficient lighting in Cameroon,
667 further studies on the energy saving potentials of LED lighting that takes into account the
668 percentage of apartment dwellings and single family detached dwellings in Cameroon should
669 be conducted as well as the identification of possible mechanisms whose implementation
670 would provide incentives for apartment dwellings to adopt LED lighting. Also, there is need
671 for further research in this area to survey few hundred households in Cameroon based on
672 which a meaningful statistical analysis could be conducted to identify variables that would
673 influence the adoption of LED lighting.

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873 **Appendix I: Economic analysis of efficient lighting (CFL for T2 building**
 874 **class), uploaded in Github (2017)**

Year	CP	OC	TC	DC	TB	DB	NCF	NPV
0	59.64		59.64	59.64	0	0	-59.64	-59.64
1		7.88	7.88	7.51	39.42	37.54	31.54	30.03
2		7.88	7.88	7.15	39.42	35.76	31.54	28.60
3		7.88	7.88	6.81	39.42	34.05	31.54	27.24
4		7.88	7.88	6.49	39.42	32.43	31.54	25.94
5		7.88	7.88	6.18	39.42	30.89	31.54	24.71
6		7.88	7.88	5.88	39.42	29.42	31.54	23.53
7		7.88	7.88	5.60	39.42	28.02	31.54	22.41
8		7.88	7.88	5.34	39.42	26.68	31.54	21.34
9		7.88	7.88	5.08	39.42	25.41	31.54	20.33
10		7.88	7.88	4.84	39.42	24.20	31.54	19.36
11		7.88	7.88	4.61	39.42	23.05	31.54	18.44
12		7.88	7.88	4.39	39.42	21.95	31.54	17.56
13		7.88	7.88	4.18	39.42	20.91	31.54	16.72
14		7.88	7.88	3.98	39.42	19.91	31.54	15.93
15		7.88	7.88	3.79	39.42	18.96	31.54	15.17
16		7.88	7.88	3.61	39.42	18.06	31.54	14.45
17		7.88	7.88	3.44	39.42	17.20	31.54	13.76
18		7.88	7.88	3.28	39.42	16.38	31.54	13.10
19		7.88	7.88	3.12	39.42	15.60	31.54	12.48
20		7.88	7.88	2.97	39.42	14.86	31.54	11.89
21		7.88	7.88	2.83	39.42	14.15	31.54	11.32
22		7.88	7.88	2.70	39.42	13.48	31.54	10.78
Total	59.64	173.45	233.09	163.4	867.2	518.89	634.1	355.47
NPV								338.54
BCR (Total DB/Total DC)								3.18

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876 Where:

877 CP: capital cost

878 OC: operation cost

879 TC: total cost

880 DC: discounted cost

881 DB: discounted benefit

882 NCF: net cash flow

883 NPV: net present value

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ⁱ ADI; activity data for incandescent lamp

ⁱⁱ ADCFL; activity data for CFL