



Defining Whole Building Commissioning

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Learning Objectives



1. Discriminate between whole building commissioning and systems and assemblies.
2. Compare the values of whole building commissioning against the potential for market confusion and commoditization.
3. Explain potential impacts on current commissioning professional knowledge and skill sets.
4. Relate the potential value of whole building commissioning to owners, managers, and operations personnel.



“Commissioning of all building systems such as Building Envelope, HVAC, Electrical, Special Electrical (Fire *Veteran* Alarm, Security & Communications), Plumbing and Fire Protection.” *Whole Building Commissioning Process Manual Department of s, 2013*

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- What is your definition of WBCx?
 - Why do you feel it is (or is not) important for our industry to define and practice consistency around the term WBCx?
 - Do we as an industry deliver WBCx in our current approach? Do you feel this is even a capability today with how we are currently trained, organized, and the business approach of firms today?
 - How do you feel our providers would best staff and organize a team to be able to delivery WBCx?
 - How are market changes and forces influencing this topic of WBCx?
 - Is the increasing complexity of building systems and the technologies employed likewise impacting WBcx?
 - What do you feel should be our next steps as an industry on this topic of WBCx?