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**Commercial Building Exterior Lighting**

**Code:** 2002 Energy Code

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**Section:** Section 805.5

**Question:**

What is the lighting budget for exterior lighting for commercial buildings?

**Answer:**

Section 805.5 does not limit the amount of exterior lighting that may be installed. Rather than limit the lighting to a prescribed budget, the efficiency of the installed lighting must have a source efficacy of at least 45 lumens per watt.