## DC'S NEW BUILDING ENERGY PERFORMANCE STANDARDS





## SUSTAINABLE DC VISION



#### **GOALS: 2032**



**ADAPT TO CLIMATE CHANGE** 

**CLIMATE READY BUILDINGS** 

**CUT ENERGY USE 50%** 

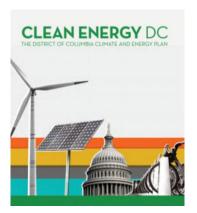
**50% RENEWABLE ENERGY** 

**NET ZERO NEW BUILDINGS** 

**NET ZERO RETROFITS** 

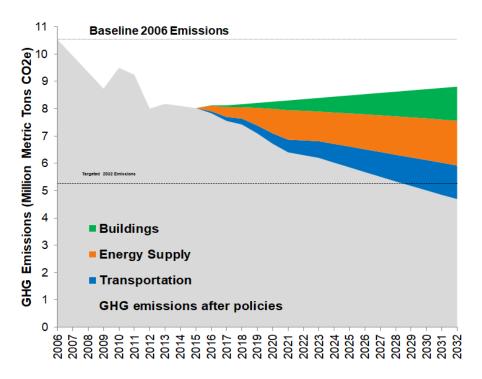
**CUT GHG EMISSIONS 50%** 



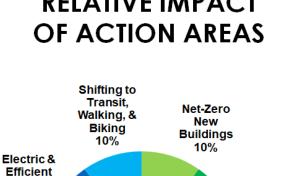


MAYOR BOWSER: COMMITTED TO ZERO CARBON BY 2050

#### **ESTIMATED GHG SAVINGS: 56%**



## **RELATIVE IMPACT**



Vehicles

20%

Local Renewable

**Energy** 

5%

**Efficient** 

Existing Buildings 20%

Renewable

Energy

Outside DC

35%



# CLEAN ENERGY DC OMNIBUS AMENDMENT ACT OF 2018, TITLE III....



#### **BENCHMARKING**

Lowers minimum building square footage required to benchmark over time; Creates data verification requirements

#### **ENERGY PERFORMANCE**

Improves the performance of existing buildings by implementing a **Building Energy Performance Standard** 



#### **BENCHMARKING 101**

Clean and Affordable Energy Act of 2008 requires all private and DC-owned buildings to report their calendar year (CY) energy and water use to the DOEE for public disclosure by April 1 annually.

#### **Covered Building List**

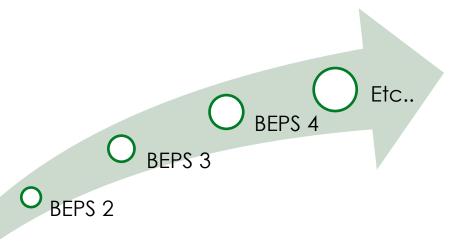
- □ CY2009 and on DC-owned buildings > 10,000 sq. ft.
- $\square$  CY2013 and on Private buildings > 50,000 sq. ft.
- □ CY2021 and on Private buildings > 25,000 sq. ft.
- $\square$  CY2024 and on Private buildings > 10,000 sq. ft.

#### Third Party Data Verification Required

■ Beginning CY2023 and every three (3) years etc.

#### **BUILDING ENERGY PERFORMANCE STANDARD 101**

Clean Energy DC Omnibus
Amendment Act of 2018 requires
an establishment of a minimum
threshold for energy performance
that will be "no lower than" the
local median ENERGY STAR score
by property type (or equivalent
metric).

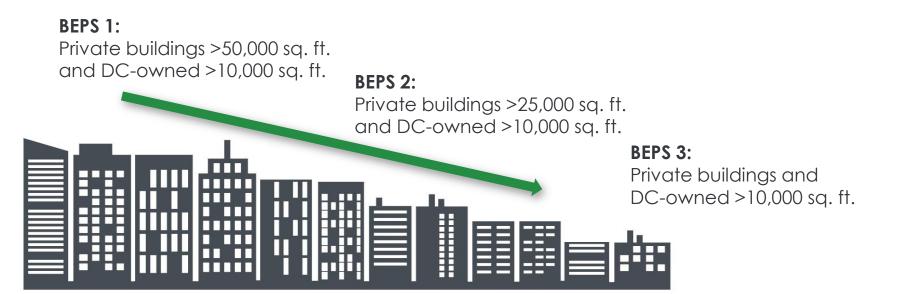


BEPS 1

Standards are set every 6 years (with 1+yr adjustment for COVID in Period 1).

#### **BEPS APPLICABILITY**

As the benchmarking requirements ratchet down in square footage over time, the buildings will be required to meet the BEPS in the following periods until all buildings 10,000 sq. ft. and over are following the performance standards.



#### **BEPS APPLICABILITY EXAMPLE # 1**

## My multifamily housing unit is 45,000 sq. ft.

Does BEPS 1 apply?
 NO, because it is
 under the 50,000 sq. ft.
 threshold for private
 buildings.

## When do I start benchmarking?

 Benchmarking is not mandated for my building until April 1, 2022, but I could voluntarily start early to begin understanding the energy usage in my building.

## When does BEPS apply?

Not until the 2<sup>nd</sup> BEPS period. But if I start strategic energy management strategies now, I could save money and be above the standard when it is applicable to my building.



#### **BEPS APPLICABILITY EXAMPLE # 2**

## My office building is 22,000 sq. ft.

Does BEPS 1 apply?
 NO, because it is
 under the 50,000 sq. ft.
 threshold for private
 buildings.

## When do I start benchmarking?

 Benchmarking is not mandated for my building until April 1, 2025, but I could voluntarily start early to begin understanding the energy usage in my building.

## When does BEPS apply?

 Not until the 3<sup>rd</sup> BEPS period. But if I start strategic energy management strategies now, I could save money and be above the standard when it is applicable to my building.



#### WHEN BEPS APPLIES

My multifamily building is 150,000 sq. ft.

Does BEPS 1 apply? YES, so let's see if my building meets the performance standard.

My ENERGY STAR Score was a 72.

The BEPS for my property type was an ENERGY STAR Score of 64. My office building meets the standard!

What do I need to do to comply?

Nothing for BEPS 1!
But I should look
ahead to BEPS 2
and make sure my
building continues
to meet the
standard.

For this example, 2018 data was used.



#### WHEN BEPS APPLIES AND I DON'T MEET THE STANDARD

My office building is 80,000 sq. ft.

Does BEPS 1 apply? YES, so let's see if my building meets the performance standard.

My ENERGY STAR Score was a 40.

The BEPS for my property type was an ENERGY STAR Score of 68. My office building does not meet the standard.

What do I need to do to comply?

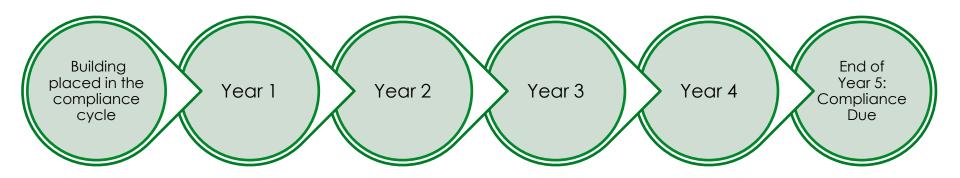
I have options. Let's go to the next slide to learn more!

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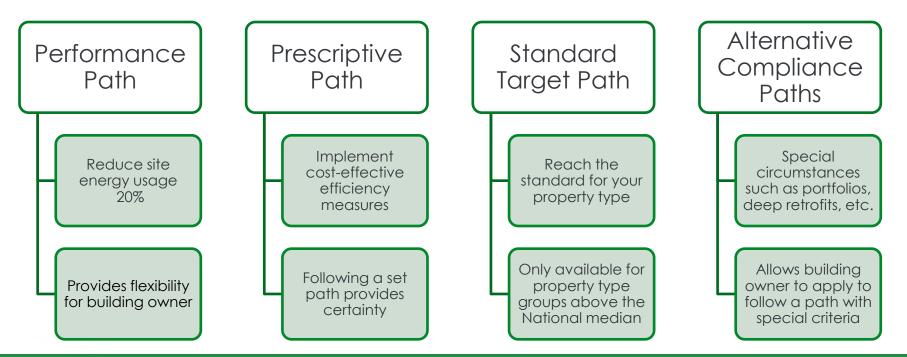
#### **COMPLIANCE CYCLES**

Buildings that do not meet the standard for a BEPS period will be placed in a 5-year compliance cycle (COVID-adjusted 6 years for Cycle 1). The building owner has until the end of the cycle to bring their building into compliance.

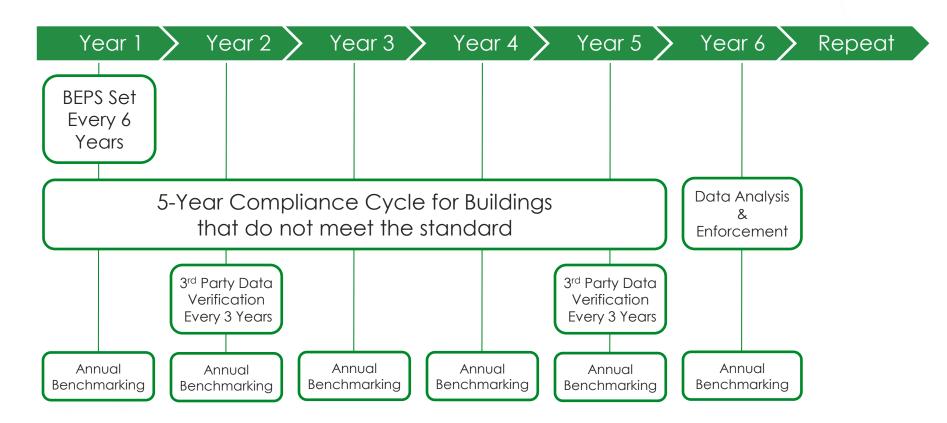


#### **COMPLIANCE PATHS**

Building owners have a variety of paths to choose from to bring their buildings into compliance:



#### **BEPS REVOLUTION**



#### BEPS PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION

- BEPS Task Force meets every other Tuesday open to the public
- Draft rules ready for public comment late Summer 2020
- Minimum of one round of public comment, open for 30 days (extended to 60 days)
- Final rules published in late 2020
- BEP Standards announced this Fall

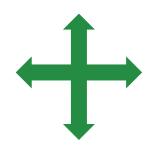
#### WHAT YOU CAN DO NOW

- Double-check your benchmarking data
- Compare 2019 scores to the 2018 median for your property type to get a sense of how your building is performing
- Get an on-site energy audit to understand building characteristics, equipment, and energy use
- Identify energy conservation measures
- Engage with building tenants
- Create an internal team to start aligning energy actions
- Develop a strategic energy management plan

#### **ALIGNMENT: ASSISTANCE, INCENTIVE, FINANCING**



HIGH-PERFORMANCE BUILDING HUB









## COMMERCIAL & INSTITUTIONAL REBATES AND SERVICES

#### STANDARD REBATES

Lighting

Refrigeration

Motors

Food Service& Vending

HVAC

#### **INSTANT REBATES**

Lighting

#### **DIRECT INSTALLATION**

Cost share with a DCSEU-provided contractor

#### **CUSTOM REBATES**

 Technical assistance and rebates for any measure or operational improvement you are making in your District-based building that provides costeffective electric or natural gas savings.

#### PAY FOR PERFORMANCE

 Designed for commercial, and institutional (C&I) building larger that ~100,000 square feet, the program offers incentives for energy conservation measures based on pre- and post-project metered data that determines actual energy saved.

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#### NO-COST TECHNICAL SUPPORT



## IDENTIFYING OPPORTUNITIES

- Site walkthroughs
- Capital planning assistance
- No-cost technical assistance
- Interval data analysis
- Peer-to-peer information exchange
- New technology seminars

### FINDING SOLUTIONS

- Project planning & prioritization
- Unbiased review of vendor quotes
- Data logging baseline energy usage
- Guidance on operations and maintenance adjustments

## PROJECT ANALYSIS

- Cash flow and ROI analysis
- Post-installation data logging
- Project savings regression analysis

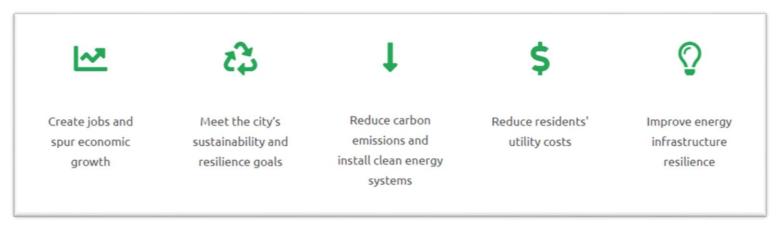
### CALCULATING IMPACT

- Demonstrating value to decision makers
- Analysis of reduced operations and maintenance costs
- Increased comfort and employee performance
- Guidance on PR.



#### DC GREEN BANK

The DC Green Bank's mission is to leverage public purpose funding to attract private capital to:



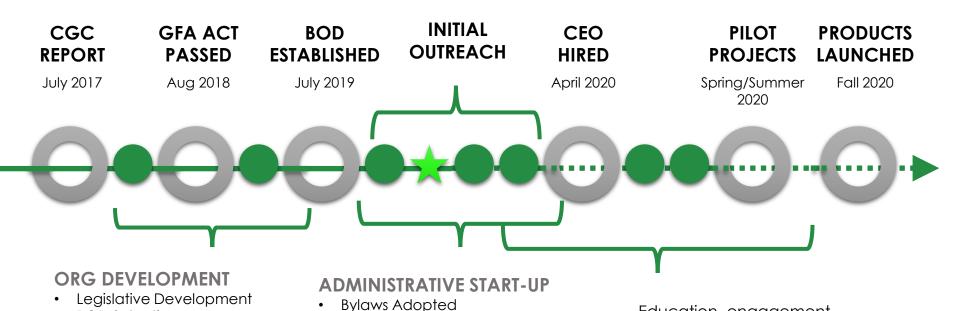
The DC Green Bank can be used by residents or businesses to complete sustainable projects that normally would not happen. DC Green Bank will offer loans, leases, credit enhancements, and other financing services to close funding gaps for clean energy projects and energy efficiency improvements.

#### DC GREEN BANK SCHEDULE

**BOD** Selection

Market Analysis

Start-up Planning



Consultants Hired

Banking & Insurance

Staffing & Management

Education, engagement,

and product development

#### HIGH-PERFORMANCE BUILDING HUB

DOEE is working with IMT and partners to design a hub to support YOU through this transition by creating a platform for collaboration, innovation, capacity building, training, and technical assistance.



#### IN CONSIDERATION:

- Training in high-performance building design and construction techniques
- Support for high-efficiency projects
- Direct technical assistance
- Targeted research and resource development
- Market support and development
- Opportunities for knowledge exchange and collaboration

Go to imt.org/hub to sign up for updates!

#### CONSTRUCTION CODE UPDATE

#### 2017 DC Construction Codes adopted May 29, 2020

- 23% reduction in site EUI (over 90.1-2010 baseline)
- Significant changes made to the Energy Conservation Code Commercial
  - Updates to 90.1-2013, with local amendments
- Minor updates to the Energy Conservation Code Residential and Green Construction Code
  - Updates to 2015 IECC, with local amendments
- Effective immediately for new construction, one year grandfather for existing
- Energy Conservation Code alternative compliance paths expanded to include:
  - Appendix Z DC's voluntary NZE code for commercial and multifamily
  - Living Building Challenge, Passive House (PHI/PHIUS), and LEED + LEED Zero

#### **LEARN MORE!**

doee.dc.gov/service/BEPS <u>info.beps@dc.gov</u> <u>info.benchmark@dc.gov</u>

- Sign up for the newsletter
- Attend a BEPS Task Force meeting
- Participate in a targeted focus group
- Attend a future education session or webinar
- Submit public comments on the rules
- Tell your friends/coworkers/clients about BEPS!



