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Member since 2023

Winner of the 2009 and 2013 District Sustainability Award.

Reported Environmental Activities

✓ **Environmental Policy/Sustainability Mission Statement**

At The Tower Companies, we envision a world where buildings inspire and enrich the lives of their occupants and create positive social change. In this world, people seek out buildings that improve their health and well-being, connect them to thriving communities, and help sustain the environment.

✓ **Environmental Team**

The Tower Companies' Director of Sustainability serves on the Senior Leadership Team and the team also has a full-time Sustainability Associate who focuses on energy, water, and waste data. The Sustainability Department works with our Property Managers and Building Engineers to find and implement energy and water efficiency projects across the portfolio.

✓ **Annual Environmental Goals**

We are participating in ULI's Net Zero Imperative to eliminate carbon emissions in operations by 2050, as well as the Better Buildings and Better Climate Challenge from the Department of Energy. We also released a corporate sustainability report in 2019, which we plan to update in 2024.

✓ **Environmentally Preferable Purchasing**

We have a green purchasing policy in place to preference the purchasing of environmentally sustainable, recyclable, and healthy items across our operations.

✓ **Composting**

We offer common area composting and assist our tenants with setting up convenient composting in their office spaces.

✓ **Water Conservation**

We are a part of the Better Buildings and Better Climate Challenge from the Department of Energy and participate in their water efficiency programs, where we have documented substantial water efficiency in our portfolio over the past decade.

✓ **Energy Efficiency**

We consistently manage our energy load via innovative HVAC scheduling and setpoint adjustments and have seen significant reductions in total energy demand over the last decade. We also utilize peak load demand response and are able to shed significant load at short notice to help support the grid's stability.

✓ **Renewable Energy/Solar Panels**

We built one of the first solar panel arrays on a DC office building a decade ago and are always looking for opportunities to expand or improve solar production. Furthermore, we acquire 100% renewable electricity to cover operational electric use across our portfolio, and also acquire carbon offsets for operational gas usage.

✓ **Electric/hybrid vehicles, EV recharger station**

We have 12 EV Ports across our DC buildings to provide convenient charging for our clients and are looking at several expansion options.

✓ **LEED/Green Globes/Living Building Challenge/International Green Construction Code (IgCC)/Other**

Our buildings are LEED Certified as Existing Buildings for O+M at the Gold level, and our Green Lease Addendum requires commercial fit-outs to utilize LEED principles and sustainable practices within their projects.

✓ **Building Energy Performance Standards (BEPS)**

We are compliant with the BEPS Cycle 1 for 3 of our 4 DC properties and aim to remain fully compliant with BEPS.