

Status of Energy Benchmarking in the Metropolitan Washington Region

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2013-2016 Climate Action Plan Goal

Built Environment and Infrastructure

- Goal: To reduce non-transportation energy consumption, which accounts for two thirds of the region's greenhouse gas emissions
- Implementation Actions:
 - 100% of jurisdictions track and/or benchmark energy performance in all government,
 - 75% of jurisdictions participate in a regional EPA Portfolio Manager Master Account Sharing, and
 - 75% of jurisdictions disclose energy performance of all government buildings.

Energy Benchmarking, Portfolio Manager, and Scoring

What is Energy Benchmarking?

- Tracking building energy and water use
- Use of a standard metric to compare the building's performance against past performance and nationwide sample

EPA's ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager

- Online tool to measure and track energy and water consumption (and GHG emissions)
- Assesses: size, location, operations, hours of operation, density of workers, etc
- Benchmarks the performance of one building or a whole portfolio of buildings

Portfolio Manager Scoring

- Compares building energy data against national sample of buildings
- 1–100 ENERGY STAR score
 - Median energy performance 50
 - Top energy performer 75

Energy Benchmarking Regional Status

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CAP Status

Reported: 92% tracking and/or benchmarking

CAP Goal: 54%

Master Account Sharing

- MWCOG CAP Account
 - 407 properties
 - 5 jurisdictions: DC, Alexandria, Arlington, Greenbelt, Rockville
 - 1 school: LCPS
- Virginia Energy Purchasing Governmental Association (VEPGA) Master Account
 - 381 properties
 - 8 counties/school systems

Next Steps

- Reach out to more jurisdictions to get benchmarking status
- More jurisdictions to participate in MWCOG
 Master Account
- MWCOG and VEPGA Master Account Sharing