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## LOCAL NEWS

### Greater Victoria 2030 Resiliency District launches

Source: Canadian Property Management

The City of Victoria and District of Saanich are partnering with the Building Owners and Managers Association of British Columbia (BOMA BC) to create the Greater Victoria 2030 Resiliency District. This partnership will help achieve aggressive energy and emissions reductions targets, while also enhancing the resilience of buildings.

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### New rebates for EV charging stations make it easier to go electric

Source: Province of British Columbia

it will soon be easier for residents of British Columbia to buy and install electric vehicle (EV) charging stations at home and at work, thanks to more than \$4 million in new CleanBC rebates. To help with the upfront costs that come with EVs, homeowners can get a \$350 provincial rebate to install a Level 2 charging station in a single-family home. A \$2,000 rebate, along with several hours of free support, is available for the installation of a Level 2 charging station designed for multiple users in condominiums, apartments and workplaces. **Click on the read more button below** to read the full article and quick facts about the incentives program. Here are the direct links to incentives for [BC Hydro Customers](#) and [FortisBC Electricity Customers](#).



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### CleanBC creators win environmental awards

Source: Journal of Commerce/ConstructConnect

The creators of CleanBC were recently recognized for their climate change-fighting work at the Clean50 awards in Toronto earlier this month.

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## Rebates help save money, energy and emissions



Whether you're replacing old heating equipment or are planning to develop or renovate a building to meet new energy performance standards, FortisBC has rebates on high-efficiency boilers and water heaters as well as custom incentives for optimizing building controls. If your properties include apartment buildings, you can also get water-saving upgrades and an energy assessment at no cost from the rental apartment efficiency program.

[Find FortisBC rebates for your building at fortisbc.com/businessrebates](https://www.fortisbc.com/businessrebates)

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## ENERGY-EFFICIENT BUILDINGS

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### Energy Step Code Council lessons learned report

**Source: Province of British Columbia**

The BC Energy Step Code is a performance standard, part of the BC Building Code, designed to drive steady increases in the energy performance of new buildings. The council represents a multi-stakeholder advisory body charged with developing implementation guidelines and asking local governments to follow them. Learn more about how British Columbia became the first North American jurisdiction to create a regulated pathway to net-zero energy-ready buildings and lessons learned from the program.



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### Capital Plan for Clean Prosperity: Greening buildings would turbocharge Canada's GDP

**Source: Corporate Knights**

In Canada, there are many economic opportunities in the quest for sustainability. A Corporate Knights assessment indicates that making buildings more green can significantly boost the country's GDP and create more jobs for Canadians.

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## Endress+Hauser Canada Ltd. break ground on \$28M, zero carbon building

Source: Daily Commercial News/ConstructConnect

Construction on Endress+Hauser Canada Ltd.'s environmentally sustainable, \$28-million customer experience centre and administrative home is underway in Burlington, Ont.

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## TECHNOLOGY

### Fuel of the future: Technion researchers have developed an inexpensive, environmentally friendly and safe hydrogen technology

Source: FuelCellsWorks

Researchers at the Technion-Israel Institute of Technology have developed an innovative, clean, inexpensive and safe technology for producing hydrogen. The technology significantly improves the efficiency of hydrogen production while eliminating the risk of a volatile encounter between oxygen and hydrogen.

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## RENEWABLE ENERGY

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### Clean energy fuels job growth in B.C. and Canada

Source: Vancouver Sun

More than 32,000 people work in the clean energy sector in B.C., responsible for producing about \$8 billion of the province's GDP. The clean energy sector is projected to create jobs at four times the rate of the rest of the economy and companies in B.C. are poised to lead the way.

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### World's largest wind turbines to be built off Yorkshire coast

Source: The Guardian

Once it begins generating power in 2023, the Dogger Bank offshore windfarm in the North Sea will be the largest windfarm in the world, generating electricity for 4.5 million homes.

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### Delivering Effective Quality Service since 1991



Executive Air Conditioning is a local HVAC contractor that has been serving the lower mainland since 1991. We pride ourselves on customer service and specialize in preventative maintenance, service and repair, and installation work. As a contractor, we strongly believe in being environmentally responsible by utilizing our "Green Initiatives" to keep customers informed of ever changing regulations and committed to leaving a positive effect in our community and the environment.

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## NATIONAL NEWS

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### Quebec follows Canada into electric vehicle pledge

Source: Canada's National Observer

Quebec has joined the Drive to Zero Pledge, which commits signatories to make zero-emission technology commercially viable for the truck and bus industry over the next five years. The province has already

created a system of rebates on electric vehicle purchases, financial assistance for installing charging stations and a network of stations across Quebec province.

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## BOMA BC ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS

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**BOMA BC** is taking an active role in promoting energy efficiency and sustainability with its members by providing cost-effective tools and resources to improve performance in buildings. We offer direct assistance for your energy management needs, utility tracking and reporting software, energy training, total waste management services, and a green building certification program. All members are encouraged to contact BOMA BC to see what programs are right for your organization.



### BOMA Strategic Energy Management Services

Through the BOMA Energy Management Program (EMP), partially funded by BC Hydro, BOMA is pleased to provide direct assistance to members with strategic energy management planning. BOMA BC members will have access to a qualified energy management professional who will work one-on-one with your organization to develop a strategic energy management plan. These plans are essential for organizations who are addressing the sustainability of their building portfolio and want a structured and effective way to reduce operating costs, improve building performance and reduce the environmental impact of the building.



This complimentary service for our members has very limited space, contact BOMA's Energy Manager, [David Salsberg](#) to find out more.

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### Building Tune-Up Program

The BOMA BC Building Tune-Up Program is a recommissioning (RCx) program to identify low-cost energy and emissions savings through adjustments or minor upgrades to BOMA members' building automation systems (BAS). Targeting largely B & C class buildings, the program provides 100% of the cost to conduct a detailed assessment of operational energy conservation measures (ECMs), a further fixed value amount to implement the identified measures, along with the full cost to verify the measures after implementation. Building owners and/or managers can apply directly to BOMA BC to be a candidate for this service.

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## BOMA uTrack

BOMA uTrack (powered by PUMA) is a utility tracking and reporting service offered to all members, at preferred pricing, to help reduce energy costs and track greenhouse gas emissions. Sign up now and start saving energy and money! BOMA uTrack clearly identifies utility spending and savings among multiple sites, prioritizes energy projects by identifying least efficient facilities and sets achievable targets while easily charting and reporting on the results. For more information please contact [David Salsberg](#).



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## BOMA e-Energy Training

The BOMA eEnergy Training course is an interactive online course for professionals to gain a comprehensive understanding of energy management. Participants develop the skills and knowledge to identify energy reduction opportunities in buildings and learn how to develop strategies to encourage stakeholders to save energy. The BOMA eEnergy Training course is an interactive online course for professionals to gain a comprehensive understanding of energy management. Participants develop the skills and knowledge to identify energy reduction opportunities in buildings and learn how to develop strategies to encourage stakeholders to save energy.



For more information or to register for the course, please go to the [BOMA Learning Website](#)

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## BOMA BEST® 3.0

BOMA BEST® 3.0 is a national green building certification program developed to address an industry need for realistic standards for energy and environmental performance of existing buildings based on accurate, independently-verified information. Currently BOMA BEST® 3.0 provides seven modules for certification (office, light industrial, shopping centre, open air retail, multi-unit residential, health care and universal). These certifications focus on 10 key areas of environmental management (energy, water, air quality, comfort, health and wellness, purchasing, custodial, waste, site and stakeholder engagement).



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## BOMA Total Waste Management

The Total Waste Management (TWM) Program is a one-stop, cost-effective recycling service. The service provides a comprehensive waste audit and custom solutions to meet all BOMA members' recycling needs (paper, cardboard, mixed containers, batteries, electronics, and organics).



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