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Streamlined certification now available for groups of two or more existing building

The CaGBC has released the highly anticipated *Application Guide for Multiple Building Projects in LEED Canada EB:O&M*, which opens up the possibility of certifying multiple buildings that are on a shared site under the control of a single entity. The buildings are certified as a group within one LEED project registration, where the entire group, with a single LEED project boundary, receives a single rating and certification, and is referenced under a single project name.

As detailed in the Application Guide, some credits and prerequisites are awarded based on the performance of the group of buildings as a whole, while others are awarded on an individual building basis. For credits documented on an individual building basis, points are awarded based on the lowest performing building.

This new document can be found on our Existing Buildings [webpage](#) under Project Resources.

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LEED Canada EB:O&M Option B&C Calculator Updated to Reference Canadian Data

With the recent launch of the Canadian ENERGY STAR® Portfolio Manager tool, the LEED Canada EB:O&M Energy Efficiency Performance Option B&C Calculator required updating. The new calculator now allows buildings to more accurately benchmark their performance by referencing the national median energy use of their Canadian peers.

The Option B&C Calculator is used by LEED Canada EB:O&M 2009 projects that do not qualify for an ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager rating. It supports the documentation of Energy and Atmosphere

prerequisite 2 (Minimum Energy Efficiency Performance) and credit 1 (Optimize Energy Efficiency Performance).

Changes to the calculator include:

- ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager National Median Reference Values for Source Energy Use Intensity (EUI) have been revised for all property types, using current space type terminology and values from surveys of Canadian buildings;
- The list of space types that are ratable has been revised to include only offices, financial offices and K-12 schools;
- The allowable amount of "other" space type has been increased to 25% for Option B;
- ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager Source-Site ratios have been revised with Canadian values.

Projects documenting compliance with EAp2 and EAc1 through Option B or C are required to use the revised calculator (version 3).

Version 3 of the calculator is available on the CaGBC's Existing Buildings [webpage](#) under Project Resources.

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Register today for CaGBC's webinar **LEED v4: What Canadians need to know**

This webinar will help you determine the steps your organization needs to take in order to prepare for LEED v4, including education needs and efforts to collaborate across offices and teams. It will also assist you in conveying to clients how your firm can take advantage of the greater flexibility provided by a more sophisticated rating system, in order to better ensure top performance. CaGBC Chapter or National members are eligible to register for this webinar free of charge. Non-members can register for \$19 plus applicable taxes. For information on CaGBC membership, [please click here](#).

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December 11, 1 - 2 p.m. Eastern

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Greater Toronto Chapter LEED Breakfast Series - Session IV: LEED v4

If you live in the GTA, consider attending this great event to hear directly from Brendan Owens, the USGBC's VP of LEED Technical Development. Mark Hutchinson, Director of Green Building Programs for CaGBC, will also be on hand to provide a Canadian context. The focus will be on LEED for Existing Buildings: Operations and Maintenance.

December 6, 7:30 - 9 a.m.

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Changing of the Guard on Sites-Water TAG

After many years as a TAG Chair and a storied career creating energy efficient, green buildings, Steve Carpenter will be retiring from TAG and as president of Enermodal Engineering, a member of MMM Group. Steve has been a TAG chair since its 2004 inception and was an example of an ideal chair: unbiased, experienced in real world projects, able to rewrite TAG rulings on the fly, and quick at finding solutions that work. LEED Canada owes Steve a huge debt of gratitude as he played an instrumental role in developing LEED in Canada and putting LEED buildings at the forefront of green buildings in Canada.

Brenda Martens of Aedify will move from co-chair to chair of the Sites-Water TAG. Grant Peters of Fluent Engineering will assume the role of vice-chair.

Please join us as we thank Steve for his long and dedicated service and wish him all the best in his well-deserved retirement.



Steve Carpenter

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