



News Roundup

March 14, 2011

News

Energy Efficiency Standards Save Consumers, Businesses More than \$1.1 Trillion

(March 7, 2012)

New ACEEE Study Finds Typical Household Will Save \$10,000 from 2010-2025 from existing standards. Updated and new standards for other products that can be completed between now and 2015 could net consumers and businesses another \$170 billion and reduce pollution even further.

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World's first 'Outstanding' rating for a retail building awarded to UK supermarket by the Building Research Establishment Environmental Assessment Method (BREEAM)

(March 6, 2012)

The supermarket, which overlooks the London Olympic Park, generates 100 percent of its energy through renewable sources, including wind power, small-scale hydro and biomass.

Our Mission

The GLOBE Alliance (Global Leadership in Our Built Environment) is a broad-based international action network of environmental, business, industry, financial, faith-based, academic and community organizations around the world who share a commitment to advocating for sustainable building practices as a key strategy for combating climate change.

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Doha, the emerging green building laboratory (March 5, 2012)

Opportunities for sustainable development are rich as this sunny Arab state prepares for life after oil, says Leon Kaye

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Concentrating on building efficiency is Europe's new climate-change mantra (March 2, 2012)

Since buildings burn 40% of all the energy consumed, insulating them effectively could help the EU meet climate targets

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World Bank Institute (WBI) Offers Learning Programs and e-Courses on Energy Efficiency (February 28, 2012)

The benefits of energy efficiency seem obvious to the government, but professionals such as architects, building contractors, and energy auditors are often not trained on what can be done to increase energy efficiency. The [World Bank Institute](#) (WBI) helps to build the capacity of such professionals to improve energy efficiency programs in support of the larger World Bank projects.

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NY vs. DC: Who Wins in Building Energy Benchmarking? (February 16, 2012)

Answer: they both win, because at least they are benchmarking their building stock. A look at schools, fire and police stations.

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Existing buildings to be made more sustainable in Abu Dhabi (January 15, 2012)

For more than a year, energy and water consumption efficiency have been brought to the fore in the emirate of Abu Dhabi, with new projects awarded building permits only if they prove efficient use of resources.

Urban planning authorities are now drawing up guidelines that will also make existing structures sustainable.

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New Research Identifies Ways to Boost Compliance with Building Energy Codes

(March 6, 2012)

Five case studies reveal low-cost strategies for local governments to improve energy efficiency

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Road to Doha - a Project by the Carboun Initiative

Carboun is proud to launch the Road to Doha project, which comprises a number of activities taking place throughout 2012. The yearlong activities will culminate in the United Nations Climate Change Conference COP 18 in Doha between 26 November and 7 December 2012.

[Read more in Carboun Letters: February 2012 >>](#)

Center for Green Schools at USGBC and McGraw-Hill Research Foundation Release New Report Examining Impact of School Buildings on Student Health and Performance

The Center for Green Schools at the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) and the McGraw-Hill Research Foundation today released a new white paper titled, "The Impact of School Buildings on Student Health and Learning: A Call for Research," at the second annual Green Schools National Conference in Denver, Colo., a conference dedicated to growing green schools across the nation.

[Read the press release >>](#)

[Read the white paper >>](#)

Upcoming Events

Exploring the Role of Cities and Buildings in the Green Economy: A New York City Event on the Road to Rio +20

When: Monday, March 26 3:00-6:00pm

Where: Skanska Offices at the Empire State Building

Who: This event is part of a collaborative effort between USGBC, the World Business Council on Sustainable Development, and the U.N. Environment Programme

For more information and to RSVP: [RSVP here](#) or email rsypevents@usgbc.org.

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When: April 22-25

Where: Abu Dhabi National Exhibition Centre, UAE

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