Fact Sheet
California's Building Energy Benchmarking and Public Disclosure Program: AB 802

What is AB 802?

The State of California passed Assembly Bill 802 to establish:

- **Data Access:** standards under which utilities must provide whole building energy use data upon request

- **Benchmarking reporting:** requirements for owners to benchmark their properties and report their results

Who's required to comply?

California buildings with a gross floor area of 50,000 square feet or greater with either

- No residential utility accounts or
- 17 or more residential utility accounts of a single energy type

Are there any exemptions?

There is no process to file for an exemption, but the following are not required to report to the state:

- Buildings reporting to a local ordinance that has received an exemption listed on the Energy Commission's website

- Condominium projects

- Buildings with more than half of the building area used for (1) scientific experiments requiring controlled environments, or for (2) manufacturing or industrial purposes

- Buildings scheduled to be demolished one year or less from the reporting date

BUILDING TYPE	REPORTING DEADLINE	PUBLIC DISCLOSURE
No residential utility accounts	June 1, 2018 and annually after	After June 1, 2019
17+ residential utility accounts	June 1, 2019 and annually after	After June 1, 2020

What is needed to comply?

Benchmarking requires combining the energy bills from a building's utility with basic physical and operational characteristics of the building (such as size, type of use, and hours of operation). Building owners must enter this information into ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager which will generate results to track building performance over time and compare the performance against that of its peer buildings. Building owners must annually report their data directly through Portfolio Manager via the reporting link on the Energy Commission's website.

How do I get my whole-building data?

You are able to request your utility to provide whole-building data if your building has at least

- 3 commercial utility accounts or
- 5 residential utility accounts

For buildings that don't meet these thresholds, you'll have to request for tenant authorization.

How do I submit my data?

Submit your data directly to the Energy Commission through Portfolio Manager by clicking the reporting link on the Energy Commission website at www.energy.ca.gov/benchmarking.

Option 1: All energy use data available

- Report all building characteristics and energy usage

Option 2: No energy use data available

- Report only building characteristics
- Only applicable to buildings with fewer than 3 utility accounts that did not receive customer permission or buildings that received a trade secret exemption

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