

Energy Efficiency

Points: 10

7.) Government Energy Audits

Conduct energy audits of local government facilities and implement recommendations -or- Engage in performance contracting for energy in government buildings.

DESCRIPTION OF MEASURE

The local government has a plan to improve energy efficiency in its buildings by performing energy audits and/or engaging in performance contracting in buildings owned by the local government. To receive credit for this measure, at least 20% of the local government's buildings must have been audited and/or under a performance contract for energy efficiency when documents are submitted for Green Communities Certification. Additionally, a plan must exist that ensures all existing buildings will be audited or under a performance contract within two years.

DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED FOR CREDIT

- ✓ A copy of the implementation plan for auditing or having under a performance contract local government buildings
- ✓ A list of the existing local government owned buildings
- ✓ Documentation of each building audited
- X A copy of the performance management contract for each building under performance contract

The Douglas County Department of Property Management is responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of all of Douglas County's buildings. They also have recently begun a program for the purpose of auditing the energy usage of all Douglas County owned buildings/property excluding the courthouse and all have been audited to date, although no upgrades have been made.

CB Richard Ellis, Inc. is responsible for the Property Management of the Douglas County Courthouse. All light fixtures have fluorescent or LED lighting since they use less power as compared to incandescent lighting. Also, we recently applied for the Energy Star status. As per attached report titled "Statement of Energy Performance", the courthouse received an Energy Star rating of 88.