This Month's Theme: Electrification

Clean Energy Advocates Negotiate Banner Agreement with DTE Energy

Settlement provisions include closing dangerous coal plants years ahead of schedule, adding thousands of megawatts of renewable energy. Read more

Maryland is Leading the Transition to All Electric Buildings (article 3/26/23)

Maryland legislature enacted the Climate Solutions Now Act (SB 528) which mandates a 60% reduction in state’s GHG emissions by 2031 relative to 2006 levels and net zero GHG emissions by 2045. The Act includes a requirement “to transition to an all electric building code in the State” and expressly “supports moving toward broader electrification of both existing buildings and new construction as a component of decarbonization.” Details

N.Y. ditches gas stoves, fossil fuels in new buildings in first statewide ban in U.S. (article 5/3/23)

The law effectively requires all-electric heating and cooking in new buildings shorter than seven stories by 2026, and in 2029 for taller buildings. And although it allows exemptions for manufacturing facilities, restaurants, hospitals and even carwashes, the measure does not do what some climate activists had feared: give cities and counties license to override the ban. Read more

Events

Governor Gretchen Whitmer Signs C-PACE Amendments
Governor Gretchen Whitmer signed SB 302 & SB 303 this past week! These bills bring common sense changes to Michigan’s C-PACE statute, expanding C-PACE financing and making it more accessible to Michigan’s property owners. Join Lean and Green
Michigan for a discussion PACE 3.0 What You Need to Know Wed. Aug 9th noon.

GLREA - Solar Stories
A monthly series of stories about solar.
7:00 PM

Home Electrification Expo
A free public event for homeowners, renters, & building professionals, featuring live music, food trucks, and industry experts. More info here.
5:00 - 9:00 PM
Ann Arbor
Farmer’s Market

Smart Buildings Exchange
Panel including RMI’s CEO Jon Creyts and Debra Smith from Seattle City Light will discuss the crucial role of organizational leadership in accelerating building retrofits. More info here.
9:00 AM (PT)

Foresight Forums
A series of monthly webinars are being offered (at 10 am ET) by Foresight. Upcoming topics include (click topic to register):
- Understanding Scope 1, 2, & 3 Greenhouse Gas Emissions - August 24
- Best Practices in Carbon Accounting - September 21
- Unlocking Opportunities: Corporate Energy Markets - October 26
- Sustainability Reporting for Increased Profitability - November 16
- Ahead of the Curve: Forecasting Sustainability Trends for 2024 - December 14

News Corner

Congratulations on being recognized for your work and leadership - Julie and Greg!
View the full list of honorees here
(*note a subscription is required to access article)

MI HEALTHY CLIMATE PLAN 2022 Report

The Charging Station - July 2023
A2ZERO Newsletter - Electrification
Humane Society of Huron Valley grid tied with DTE July 2!

189.8kW DC roof mounted system

TORONTO 2030 DISTRICT Summary Report 2023

Toronto 2030 District released the results and conclusions of a four-part series of reports produced by the Pathways Project. Taken together, these reports explore credible pathways to achieving net-zero operational greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions for the built environment (i.e., buildings) in the Toronto core by 2050.

New Member Shoutouts

Join the 2030 District and start your Zero Net Carbon journey!

Property Owner/Manager

Slavik Management  Wilson White Company  Amerilodge Group

Member Resources

Free Benchmarking Support
Building Electrification Plans—already completed an energy audit? Grant funds available for commissioning and electrification planning!
Energy Management Grants

A2 2030 District announces its 2023 Energy Management Grant Program. Member buildings are eligible for grant funding for Energy Audits, Retro Commissioning and Electrification Plans. We support you wherever you are on your carbon neutrality journey. Contact jculbertson@2030Districts.org if you are interested in learning more.

City of Ann Arbor Benchmarking Ordinance 2023

All commercial and multifamily parcels with buildings totaling 50,000 SF or more are required to benchmark by June 1, 2023. More information can be found here, such as how to file for an extension and the covered buildings list. The A2 2030 District is here to help you through the process. Contact: a2benchmarking@2030districts.org

Eliminate your Scope 2 emissions today by enrolling in DTE’s MIGreen Power Plan. It is now priced less than your regular power! Available for residential and business accounts. Contact jculbertson@2030Districts.org if you are a building owner/manager with multiple properties and the 2030 district can connect you with a MIGreen Power representative.

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