Annual Greenhouse Gas (GHG) By-Law: How to Comply Webinar

April 22, 2025

The City of Vancouver hosted an online webinar for building owners and managers who are required to start their energy and carbon reporting in 2025. It covers an overview of the policy, its requirements, how to comply and how to set up a BC Hydro auto-upload for energy data, followed by a question and answer session.

Land Acknowledgement

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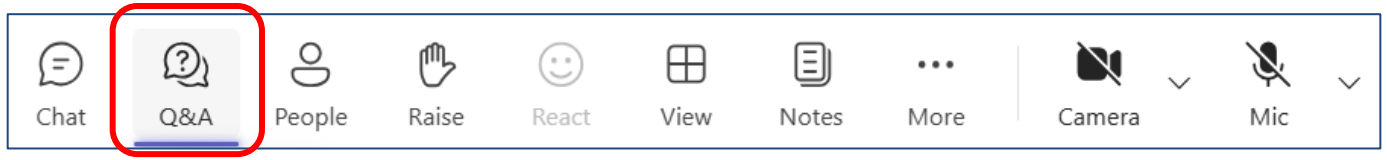
Housekeeping Items

- Audio/Video
  - Please mute your microphone and keep your camera off
- Recording
  - We will be recording this session today and posting it to our website resources
- Q&A
  - Use the Q&A function to ask questions during the presentation



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Policy Overview

GHG By-Law

- Establishes energy and carbon reporting rules for large commercial & residential and hotel buildings
  - Energy & Carbon Reporting (ECR)
    - Commercial & residential and hotel buildings ≥ 50,000 ft^2
- Goal to cut emissions from all buildings 50% by 2030 and 100% by 2050

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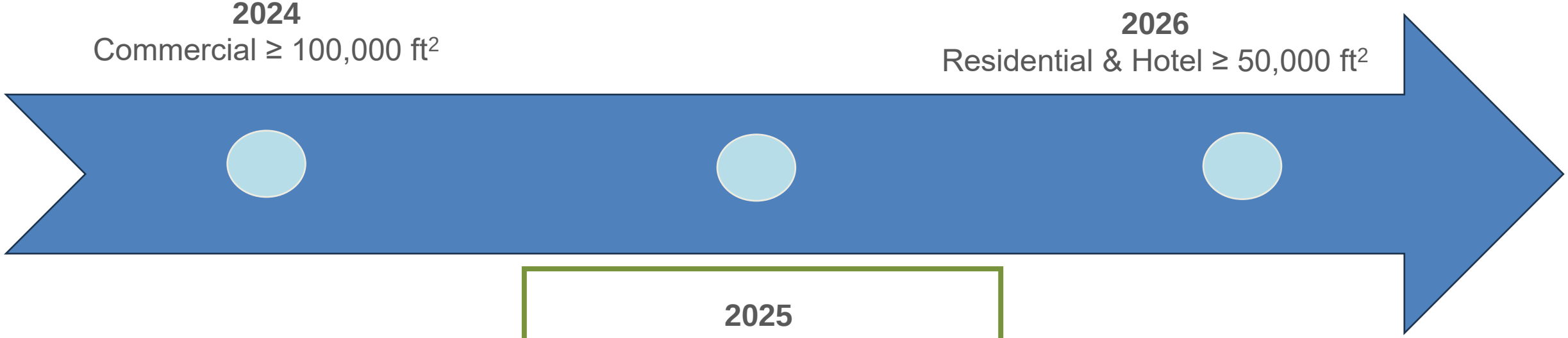
Energy & Carbon Reporting (ECR) Timeline



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ECR Compliance

To comply in 2025, commercial buildings 50,000 ft^2 & residential and hotel buildings 100,000 ft^2 and larger must **submit an annual error free energy and carbon report** containing building energy use from the previous year (365+ days) **by June 1**

- All reports will be reviewed and owners will be notified of the report status by email
  - **Pending Revisions:** Report contains errors. To reach compliance, the owner must resubmit an updated report or provide an explanation for the errors identified.
  - **In Compliance:** No errors are found and report is approved.

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Report Troubleshooting

Common Report Errors

1. Gross Floor Area Discrepancy
2. High Energy Use Intensity
3. Low Energy Use Intensity
4. No Electricity or Natural Gas Usage Included
5. Report does not contain whole building energy data
6. Energy Star is not connected to the Portal (BPRS)

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Q&A Session

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