# BOMA BESt and LEED EB: 0&M AN INFORMATIVE COMPARISON

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Green standards can bring at least 3% higher occupancy rates and a 7.5% increase in a building's value.

McGraw-Hill's 2006 *SmartMarket Report* 

#### LEED<sup>®</sup> certified buildings had a 92% occupancy rate.

Commercial Real Estate and the Environment, CoStar Group, Inc.,



### **Motives**

- Greater Indoor Air Quality 88%
- Corporate Environmental Commitment 88%
- Value of Public Relations 75%
- Employee Productivity 75%
- Operational Cost Reductions 75%
- Attraction/Retention of Workforce 69%
- Greater Building Value 31%
- Higher Occupancy Rates 19%
- Reduction of GHG Liability 13%

The Dollars and Sense of Green Retrofits, Deloitte and Charles Lockwood





### Impact

- Goodwill/Brand Equity 100%
- Employee Comfort 87%
- Employee Well-Being 87%
- Employee Health 75%
- Workforce Productivity 87%
- Attraction/Retention of Workforce 81%
- Greater Building Value 51%
- Higher Occupancy Rates 38%

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### Options

BOMA Building Environmental Standards (BESt)

 Developed by the Building Owners and Managers Association.

#### LEED for Existing Building: Operations & Maintenance

Developed by the USGBC and licensed for use in Canada by the CaGBC.







### Building Environmental Standards Online Rating Tool

Four Levels of Certification: Level 1: Meet BOMA BESt Best Practices Level 2: 70 % – 79% Level 3: 80 % – 89% Level 4: 90% +

Note: Best Practices consists of 14 Prerequisites

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### BOMA BESt Level 1 Applies to All Asset Classes;

Four asset classes for levels 2-4:

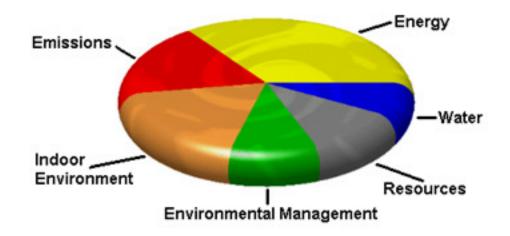
- Office Properties;
- Retail Properties Enclosed Shopping Centres;
- Retail Properties Open Air Retail and,
- Light Industrial Properties





### **BOMA BESt Categories**

- Energy (350 possible points);
- Water (80 possible points);
- Waste Reduction (110 possible points);
- Emissions and Effluents (175 possible points);
- Indoor Environment (175 possible points); and,
- Environmental Management System (110 possible points)







### **BOMA BESt Application Process**

# Registration and Application is online <u>www.bomabest.com</u>

- 1. Register your ID
- 2. Identify Building Seeking Certification
- 3. Submit Application Fee
- 4. Proceed through Questionnaire
- 5. Lock your data
- 6. On-Site Verification
- 7. Certification Received





**Registration and Application** 

- Application Fee depends on type, size and number of facilities.
- Fees for a single facility range from \$1,500 (BOMA member) to \$6,000 (non-BOMA member)
- Fees remain the same regardless of certification level or re-certification.
- Once the building is registered you have 6 months to complete your submission and lock your data.





### **BOMA BESt Tips**

- Review questionnaires on BOMA BESt website before you start;
- Start gathering your data before registering;
- Once registered go through the questionnaire online, save your data but do not lock it. It will provide you with a score and tips on how to improve it;





### **BOMA BESt Documentation**

- Policy Documents;
- HVAC equipment specs;
- Other energy/water efficiency features;
- Audits and assessments completed on the building e.g. BCA, Phase 1 ESA, waste audit, IAQ, etc.;
- Capital Plans;
- Contracts for purchasing green energy;
- Training records; and,
- Service contracts.





### Verification

- The Verifier will
  - 1. review the relevant documentation,
  - 2. interview the management team and,
  - 3. conduct a walkthrough of the building.
- If certification is not achieved the building has 30 days to resubmit.
- Re-Cerification anytime (additional cost)
- Re-Certification required every 3 years.







# LEED for Existing Buildings, Operation and Maintenance





- Designed to provide existing buildings with an entry point into the LEED<sup>®</sup> program, thus encouraging sustainable operations and maintenance practices in existing buildings.
- Rating system addresses building site maintenance, water and energy use, environmentally preferred products and cleaning practices, sustainable purchasing policies, waste stream management and indoor environmental quality.

### LEED<sup>®</sup> EB O&M Certification Levels

LEED Certified 40 - 49 Points

LEED Silver 50 - 59 Points

LEED Gold 60 - 79 Points

LEED Platinum 80+ Points

Must meet all 9 prerequisites in addition to credits achieved.





### Categories (110 possible points)

Innovation In Operations (6 possible bonus points)

Indoor Environmental Quality (3 Core Credits, 15 possible points) Regional Priority (4 possible bonus points)

> Sustainable Sites (8 Core Credits, 26 possible points)

> Water Efficiency (4 Core Credits, 14 possible points)

#### Materials & Resources (9 Core Credits, 10 possible points)

Energy & Atmosphere (6 Core Credits, 35 possible points)





### LEED<sup>®</sup> EB Application Process

Registration is online, PDF documentation and Digital Submission <u>www.cagbc.org</u>

- 1. Register your Building
- 2. Submit Application Fee
- 3. Collect Prerequisite / Credit Documentation
- 4. Submit Documentation and Certification Fee
- 5. 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Submission Review
- 6. Additional Audit Submission / Review
- 7. Receive Certification





#### **Registration and Certification Fees**

- Registration fee depends on **SIZE** of the facility.
- Registration fees for a single facility range from \$500 (CAGBC member) to \$1,500 (non-CAGBC member).
- Fees remain the same regardless of certification level or re-certification.
- Certification fees for a single facility range from \$3,000 (CAGBC member) to \$22,500 (non-CAGBC member).





#### Performance Period

- Prior to submission the facility must go through a "performance period".
- The "performance period" is the time in which the sustainable operation is being performed.
- Data is collected from this period to be submitted as part of the application process.
- Must be a minimum 3 months to a maximum of 24 months,
- Period may be different lengths for each credit but all must end within 1 month of each other.
- Submission required within 60 days of performance period end.





#### Documentation

- This program is very prescriptive. There are very detailed and specific documentation and practices that must be met to achieve a credit.
- Documentation may be in the form of written policies and programs, photographs, calculations, drawings.







#### **Submission Review**

- Independent Review Process has 2 Stages
  1. Preliminary Review
  - 2. Second Review and Certification
- CaGBC will review the documentation.
- Certification Time Period is typically 3-12 months, but can be longer.
- Recertification required every 5 years.





### **BOMA BESt & LEED® Similarities**

- Both programs aim to "green" the built environment.
- Both programs are focused on operation of an existing building.
- There are minimum requirements or "prerequisites" to qualify for each program.
- Each have registration fees
- Require verification before certification

### BOMA BESt & LEED<sup>®</sup> Similarities

- Four levels of Certification
- Certification Cost
- Energy Performance Focus
- Potable Water Use Reduction Focus
- Waste Reduction Focus
- Air Quality Focus
- Operations Focus







- BOMA consists of a questionnaire requiring supporting documentation or on-site demonstration of the response.
- LEED EB contains prescriptive credit requirements and documentation to receive points.
- LEED EB also requires proof the sustainable practices have been in place for a minimum of three months.
- Both require policies however BOMA requires the policy exists while LEED EB indicates the topics that must be covered.





- BOMA BESt is an inclusive rating system to be widely adopted to green the built environment.
- LEED EB was not designed for total market penetration but rather to promote excellence for early adopters, innovators and top performers.
- LEED EB requires increased documentation to off set the on-site review for BOMA.







- BOMA BESt uses energy intensity for benchmarking without incorporating effects of climate.
- LEED EB uses Energy Star portfolio manager and incorporates site, source and climate data.







- BOMA BESt Points are not disclosed (except for categories). This discourages point chasing.
- LEED EB Points are disclosed and process is clear.

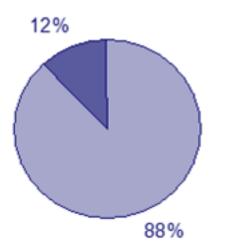


### BOMA BESt & LEED<sup>®</sup> Differences

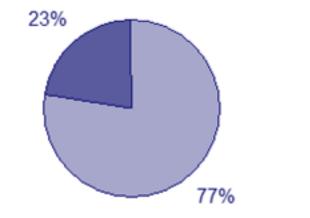
### **Operations vs. Tenant Credits**

**BOMA BESt** 

LEED EBOM



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### BOMA BESt or LEED EB







# Thank You & Questions







### BOMA BESt & LEED® EBOM Comparison

#### **Energy Performance Focus**

#### **BOMA BESt:**

- Walk through Energy Audit or acceptable equivalents
- Min 12 month Energy bills collected
- Snapshot\* of Current Building
  - Energy Uses
  - Lighting Fixtures
  - HVAC Equipment Efficiency
  - Green Energy Source
  - Energy Policy
  - Commissioning
  - Preventative Maintenance
  - Sub-metering

#### LEED<sup>®</sup> EBOM:

- Conduct Energy Audit that meets ASHRAE Level 1 Requirements
- Establish min, energy performance and achieve increased level of operating efficiency
- Encourage on or off site renewable energy
- Re-commission or conduct ASHRAE Level 2 Audit

\*Note: Snapshots can be construed as entering current building status as is, or a guideline for changes to pursue to meet the requirement suggested.



### BOMA BESt & LEED<sup>®</sup> EBOM Comparison

#### Energy Performance Focus – BOMA Point Distribution

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Purchase of "Green Power", Other Renewable Energy Sources





### BOMA BESt & LEED<sup>®</sup> EBOM Comparison

**Potable Water Use Reduction Focus** 

#### **BOMA BESt:**

- Conduct walk through water audit
- Snapshot of current water use in the building
  - Irrigation
  - Non-potable
  - Consumption monitoring
  - · Leak check procedure
  - Water conservation Policy

- Install permanent water meter(s) and track
  - Reduce potable water usage of indoor plumbing fixtures below LEED Baseline
  - Reduce potable water usage for irrigation
- Reduce potable water usage for cooling tower equipment





### BOMA BESt & LEED<sup>®</sup> EBOM Comparison

#### Waste Reduction Focus

#### **BOMA BESt:**

- Recycling program
- Minimize Construction Waste Policy
- Snapshot of current building waste management
  - Batteries
  - Fluorescent laps
  - Electronic waste
  - Composting
  - Conduct waste audit.

#### LEED<sup>®</sup> EBOM:

Solid waste management policy (R3)

Environmentally Preferable Purchasing (EPP) Policy

- Ongoing consumables
- Durable goods
- Facility Alterations/ Additions
- Reduce Mercury in Lamps
- Food
- Conduct waste Audit



### BOMA BESt & LEED<sup>®</sup> EBOM Comparison Air Quality Focus

#### BOMA BESt:

- Ozone depleting substances Management and Phase-out Plan
- Hazardous Building Material Survey and Management Plan
- Snapshot of current building Emissions and Effluents
  - Leak detectors
  - Cooling system maintenance
  - Contractor
  - Chemical Storage
  - Stormwater Management
  - Asbestos/ radon/ PCBs

- Ozone depleting substance Phase out Plan
- Indoor Chemical & Pollutant Source Control
- Green Cleaning Policy
  - High Performance Cleaning Program
  - APPA Audit
  - Sustainable Cleaning Material & Products Purchasing
  - Sustainable Cleaning Equipment
  - Indoor Integrated Pest Manager ( (IPM) Plan



# BOMA BESt & LEED® EBOM Comparison

### Air Quality Focus

#### **BOMA BESt:**

- Snapshot of Emissions and Effluents
  Continued
  - WHMIS
  - Pest control inspections
- Snapshot of current building Ventilation system
  - Air intakes
  - CO2 sensors
  - O/A filters (MERV 8)
- Tenant IAQ complaint form/ incident logs.
- Building Materials Policy
- Environmental Purchasing Policy

- Meet or exceed ASHRAE 62.1.2007 Ventilation Rate Procedure
- Tobacco Smoke Control IAO management. Program
- O/A filters (MERV 13)
- Permanent, ventilation system monitoring
- Occupant Survey





# BOMA BESt & LEED<sup>®</sup> EBOM Comparison

#### **BOMA BESt:**

- Snapshot of the building lighting
  - High frequency ballasts
  - Controllable blinds / fixtures
  - Levels meet IES guideline.
  - Task Lighting
  - Daylight
  - Cleaning schedule
  - Group-relamping program

- Occupant Control of Ambient and Task Lighting System
- **Daylight or Views**





### BOMA BESt & LEED<sup>®</sup> EBOM Differences



#### **BOMA BESt:**

Site pollution

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- Transportation
- Noise
- Emergency Response

- Sustainable Sites
- Innovation in Operation
- Regional Priority



### BOMA BESt & LEED<sup>®</sup> EBOM Differences BOMA BESt Site Pollution Focus

- Snapshot of Current Building's Status
- Contamination
- Phase 1 Environmental Assessment
- Remediation
- Enhanced ecological value

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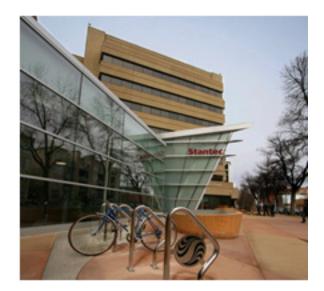
### BOMA BESt & LEED<sup>®</sup> EBOM Differences

#### **BOMA BESt Transportation Focus**

- Snapshot of Current Building's Transportation Accessibility
  - Public Transport within 500m & Frequency
  - Building Occupant Bike Racks & Showers
  - Carpooling / Transit Pass

#### LEED<sup>®</sup> EB Transportation Focus

• Survey Occupants to verify what percentage travel to the facility in a sustainable method.







# BOMA BESt Noise Focus

- Snapshot of Current Building's Noise Status
  - Acoustic privacy
  - Sound level meters







### BOMA BESt & LEED<sup>®</sup> EBOM Differences

#### BOMA BESt Emergency Response Focus

- Snapshot of Current Building's Emergency Response
  - Staff trained / signag
  - On-Site Equipment
  - Contingency Plans







### BOMA BESt & LEED<sup>®</sup> EBOM Differences

#### LEED<sup>®</sup> EBOM Sustainable Sites Focus

- Reward Environmentally sensitive building design
- Exterior and Hardscape Management Plan
- Environmentally Sensitive Management Plan
  - Outdoor Pest Management
  - Erosion and Sedimentation Control
  - Landscape
  - Potential Technologies & Strategies
- Reduction in Conventional Commuting over Performance Period
- Protection and Restoration of Open Habitat
- Stormwater Quantity Control
- Heat Island Reduction Roof and Non-Roof
- Light Pollution Reduction







### BOMA BESt & LEED<sup>®</sup> EBOM Differences

#### LEED<sup>®</sup> EBOM Innovation in Operation Focus

 Provide building operations, maintenance and upgrade teams with the opportunity to earn points for additional environmental benefits achieved <u>beyond</u> those already addressed by LEED EBOM







### BOMA BESt & LEED<sup>®</sup> EBOM Differences

#### LEED® EBOM Regional Priority Focus

- Provide incentive for the achievement of credits that address geographically specific environmental priorities.
- Examples:
  - Significant Rainwater Capture in Desert Areas
    - Passive heating in Northern climates





