



MARYLAND'S BUILDING ENERGY PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

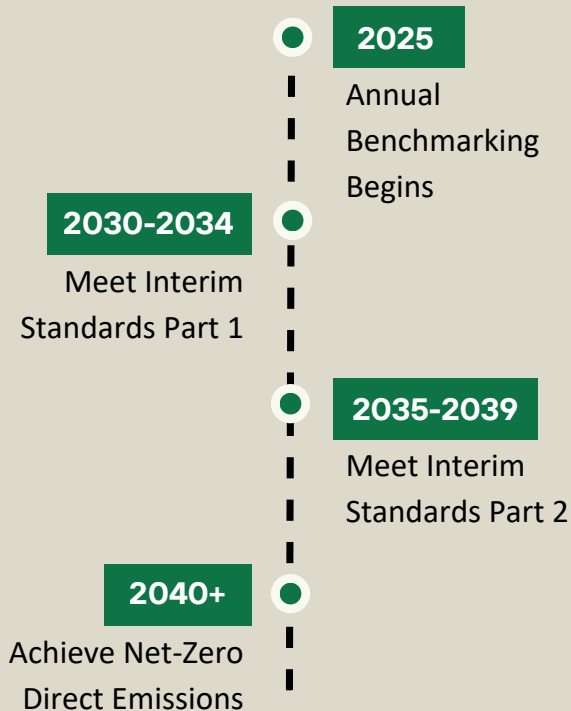
THE BASICS

Buildings in Maryland are a top contributor of climate pollution and poor air quality – even more so than the state’s power plants. The Building Energy Performance Standards (BEPS) program aims to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from the largest of these buildings. These BEPS “covered” buildings are 35,000 square feet or larger excluding any parking garage area. If you need a visual example of 35,000 square feet, think of your average grocery store. There are over 9,000 covered buildings in MD.

KEY POINTS

- **The goal:** Covered buildings must meet direct emissions standards starting in 2030, leading to net-zero direct emissions by 2040.
- **Alternative paths to comply:** In lieu of not meeting the direct emissions standards, covered building owners can pay for their building’s excess emissions. Opting to pay is seen as being fully compliant with BEPS and allows for each building to optimize and make cost effective improvement plans, if necessary.

TIMELINE



PROGRESS



Our modeling suggests about 1 in 3 covered buildings are already meeting the 2040 final emissions standard.

SCAN FOR UPDATES



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