

City of Pittsburgh Building Benchmarking Ordinance



What is it?

The Ordinance requires all non-residential buildings larger than 50,000 sq. ft. to benchmark and report energy and water usage to the city annually.

Why is it important?

Building owners and managers can use benchmarking data to identify the scale of opportunity to improve their building's performance, enhance building value, and save operating dollars. Public transparency of benchmarking information allows for peer-to-peer comparisons and can drive the market to recognize and reward energy efficiency investments.

When was it adopted?

The ordinance was adopted in October of 2016 and reporting deadlines began in 2017. Private buildings should start reporting by June 1, 2018.

How to Comply:

1 **SIGN UP** for an ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager Account or **SIGN IN** to your existing account [here](#)

For additional assistance, view EPA's [quickstart guide](#)

2 **GATHER** your building utility data from the past calendar year and enter it into Portfolio Manager.

Links to individual utility portals available [here](#)

3 **ADD** your Pittsburgh Building Benchmarking ID (PBBID)

The PBB ID is included in the notification letter sent out to building owners. If you cannot find the PBB ID or the letter, you can request one by emailing benchmarking@pittsburghpa.gov.

4 **SUBMIT** your data

Access the data request form on the City of Pittsburgh Benchmarking website and complete and submit the data request form. For additional guidance, view [EPA's guide](#).

