

DOB OFFICE OF BUILDING ENERGY AND EMISSIONS PERFORMANCE

Annual Outreach Report

May 28, 2022



PURPOSE OF REPORT

- This annual report has been prepared pursuant to Local Law 117 of 2020 and covers the time period from the effective date of LL97/2019, November 15, 2019, to May of 2022.

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■ Establishment of the Office

- DOB's Office of Building Energy and Emissions Performance was established in February 2020 with the hiring of seven new staff
 - **1 Deputy Director of Building Emissions**
 - **1 Sustainability Project Manager**
 - **2 Building Emissions Auditors**
 - **1 Data Analyst**
 - **1 Attorney**
 - **1 Senior Policy Advisor**
- DOB's Chief Sustainability Officer oversees the work of this Unit

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■ Web Outreach

- DOB's Sustainability Webpage was updated with information on LL97 of 2019 in February of 2020
[Sustainability - Buildings \(nyc.gov\)](#)
- In May of 2021, DOB launched a new, detailed website dedicated to sustainability services for buildings, including a map to locate properties subject to the law
[NYC Sustainable Buildings](#)
- Sustainable Buildings News (Local Law 97 Newsletter)
<https://www1.nyc.gov/site/sustainablebuildings/about/newletter.page>

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- DOB's Building Emissions Unit established a general inquiry mailbox for the public to communicate with the Department beginning in 2019. Inquiries are sent to GHGEmissions@Buildings.NYC.gov

Year	Inquires Received	Inquiries Resolved	Inquires still in process
2019	14	14	0
2020	124	124	0
2021	385	385	0
2022	148	141	7

Note: Data includes inquires received as of May 17, 2022

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- **Typical Inquiries include:**
 - Owners are eager for updates on recommendations that are still in development by the Advisory Board and Working Groups
 - Owners are unsure of the LL97 requirements for different types of affordable housing (DOB, MOCEJ, and HPD collaborated on a document to address this need)
 - Owners are asking if we have established reporting requirements for campus properties
 - Owners are unsure how to identify buildings with multiple property types

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■ Bulletins

- **July 16, 2021:** [BB 2021-010](#) clarifies the applicability of adjusted building emissions limits approved for Not-for-profit Hospitals and Healthcare Facilities related to the annual Greenhouse Gas Emission Reporting established in Local Law 97 of 2019 (LL 97/2019).
- **October 5, 2021:** [BB 2021-019](#) and [BB 2021-019 Highlights](#) clarifies the treatment of electricity load associated with electric vehicle supply equipment for compliance with the annual Greenhouse Gas Emission Reporting established in Local Law 97 of 2019 (LL 97/2019).

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■ LL97 Oversight Hearing

- City Council's Housing & Buildings and Environmental Protection Committees - April 13, 2022
 - [The New York City Council - Meeting of Committee on Environmental Protection on 4/13/2022 at 10:30 AM \(nyc.gov\)](#)
 - [The New York City Council - Meeting of Committee on Housing and Buildings on 4/13/2022 at 10:30 AM \(nyc.gov\)](#)

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- **Conversion to Energy Star Portfolio Manager (ESPM) Property Types**
 - [§28-320.3.1](#) Annual building emissions limits 2024-2029
 - [§28-320.3.1](#) of Local law 97 requires the Department to provide a method for converting [building use categories under the Environmental Protection Agency \(EPA\) Portfolio Manager tool](#) to the equivalent uses and occupancy groups already set forth in the law to ensure all buildings subject to the upcoming emission limits are treated fairly.
 - Peer review of methodology completed Peer review of methodology completed
 - Communication coordination has commenced

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- **Public Presentations-** DOB regularly participates in presentations requested from stakeholders with interest in LL97 of 2019.
 - May 2021 - CMA Series: Applying for LL97 Adjustments
 - June 2021 - Economist Sustainability Week USA
 - June 2021 - Local Law 97 Adjustments Program: Special Circumstances and NFP Healthcare Facilities
 - June 2021 - NY-BEST's 11th Annual Capture the Energy Conference
 - June 2021 - BOMA New York, Energy Action Day

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- **Public Presentations-** continued
 - July 2021 - CUNY Virtual Bootcamp – NYC Accelerator Internship
 - July 2021 - National Energy Codes Conference
 - July 2021 - NY Passive House: Virtual Town Hall
 - October 2021 - Passive House Institute US Conference 2021
 - October 2021 - Codes for Climate 2024 Planning Government Forum
 - October 2021 - Getting to Zero Forum

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- **Public Presentations-** continued
 - November 2021 - Updates on Local Law 97, DOB Innovation Conference
 - December 2021 - Urban Green Council: Energy & Preservation Policy
 - January 2022 - LL97 Updates at NY Bar Association
 - January 2022 - Energy Code and LL97 presentation at ASHRAE NY
 - March 2022 - Green Building Council Australia Transform 2022, Innovation in the Big Apple
 - May 2022 - Living Futures 22, NYC's Building Emissions Limits- A view from the trenches

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- **Direct outreach to owners-** the Department has begun to communicate directly to owners with targeted campaigns to raise awareness on LL97 of 2019
 - Outreach notices about Local Law 97 of 2019 were sent on quarterly Statement of Accounts, through coordination with DOF, informing owners about the following:
 - May 2021: Adjustments
 - Special circumstance (Administrative Code Section 28-320.8): Application deadline: June 30, 2021.
 - Not-for-profit hospitals and healthcare facilities (Administrative Code Section 28-320.9): Application deadline: July 21, 2021.
 - August 2021: Properties subject to Local Law 97 of 2019 - First report due in 2025. **Are you ready?**
 - Provided information to get started, including link to NYC Accelerator & GHG email account

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- **Direct outreach to owners-** continued
 - November 2021: Beginning on January 1, 2024, Covered Buildings will be required to meet annual emissions limits.
 - For more information and frequently asked questions, visit www.nyc.gov/DOBGHGemissions or submit a question to ghgemissions@buildings.nyc.gov.
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