

The G.R.E.E.N. (The Green Resource Energy and Environment Network)

About G.R.E.E.N.

BOMA International believes that reducing energy consumption and taking other steps to “green” existing buildings helps drive ROI, keeps properties competitive with new construction and benefits tenants and the environment. BOMA International is committed to providing the best resources to help building owners and managers wade through the sea of “green” to identify the solutions that work for you and your portfolio.

Consider these statistics: The commercial office building industry spends approximately \$24 billion annually on energy and contributes 18 percent of U.S. carbon dioxide emissions. Energy represents the single largest operating expense for office buildings, typically a third of variable expenses.

BOMA International has a long track record of involvement and accomplishments in energy issues throughout world wars, energy embargoes and today's need to reduce greenhouse emissions and cut energy consumption. In the past decade, BOMA International assisted our membership to understand the evolving electricity marketplace with the publication of *Power Shopping* in 1996. Since then, BOMA International has produced countless resources and educational programs on all aspects of energy management, and in 2006, the BOMA Foundation launched its highly successful [BOMA Energy Efficiency Program \(BEEP\)](#). On the advocacy front, BOMA International was a driving force behind the commercial buildings tax deduction that was included in the Energy Policy Act of 2005 and will continue to advocate for incentives to help “green” the commercial office industry.

The G.R.E.E.N. is designed to:

- Highlight industry best practices
- Provide updates on the latest trends, solutions and educational opportunities
- Keep you apprised of important advocacy and code developments
- Point you to even more industry resources.

GREEN Related Web Sites

Below is just a partial list of the many Web sites that address energy issues.

- **Alliance to Save Energy**
www.ase.org
- **American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy**
www.aceee.org
- **American Public Power Association**
www.appanet.org
- **BOMA Canada: Go GREEN**
www.bomagogreen.com
- **Consortium for Energy Efficiency (CEE)**
www.cee1.org
- **Commercial Building Tax Deduction Coalition**

www.efficientbuildings.org

- **Department of Energy**
www.doe.gov
- **Department of Energy's Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Network**
www.eere.energy.gov
- **Department of Energy's Energy Information Administration**
www.eia.doe.gov
- **Department of Energy High Performance Buildings**
www.highperformancebuildings.gov
- **Edison Electric Institute**
www.eei.org
- **Electric Power Research Institute**
www.epri.com
- **Electricity Online**
www.electricity-online.com
- **Energy & Power Management**
www.energyandpowermanagement.com
- **Energy Info Source**
www.energyinfosource.com
- **EPA Energy Star**
www.energystar.gov
- **Environmental Protection Agency**
www.epa.gov
- **Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC)**
www.ferc.gov
- **Fresh Energy**
www.fresh-energy.org
- **Green Building Initiative**
www.thegbi.org
- **IFMA GREEN ZONE**
www.ifmagreenzone.org
- **National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners**
www.naruc.org
- **National Regulatory Research Institute**
www.nrri.ohio-state.edu
- **North American Electric Reliability Council (NERC)**
www.nerc.com

- **Sustainable Buildings Industry Council**
www.sbicouncil.org
- **Tax Incentives Assistance Program**
www.energytaxincentives.org
- **United States GREEN Building Council**
www.usgbc.org
- **The Power Marketing Association**
www.powermarketers.com
- **West Virginia University Electric Industry Research Group (EIRG)**
www.nrcce.wvu.edu/special/electricity/electrichome.htm