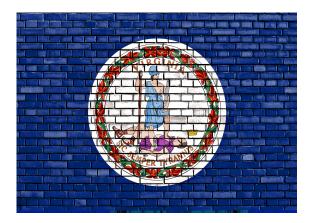
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General Assembly Updates

The 2018 General Assembly session kicked off last week and things are (not surprisingly) moving pretty quickly. We will be updating our legislation page each Friday with updates of the week's activities.

Carbon Rule & Clean Energy Virginia Initiative

Last November, the Virginia Air Pollution
Control Board approved Governor
McAuliffe's regulations to limit carbon
emissions from Virginia's electric
generating facilities. These regulations will:

- cap emissions at 33 or 34 million tons
- reduce carbon emissions 30% between 2020-2030

There is currently an open comment period through April 9th, 2018 and public hearings taking place throughout the Commonwealth

ENERGY EFFICIENCY IS A SMART INVESTMENT FOR VIRGINIA

Energy efficiency is a \$1.5 billion industry in Virginia that supports more than 75,000 jobs. However, it's benefits often go unnoliced or overlooked. During his time in office, Governor McAulifle made an effort to proritize energy efficiency and established the Governor's Executive Committee on Energy Efficiency (GEC), to track the Commonwealth's progress towards meeting the state's ten percent energy efficiency goal. We respectfully ask Governor-Elect Northam to continue prioritizing energy efficiency by continuing the GEC. The following recommendations build upon that work and service efficiency in a Smart Investment for Virgina. "We preseg Efficiency is a Smart Investment for Virgina," we are outlining concrete steps the Northam administration can take to hasten the advancement of energy efficiency in the Commonwealth.



1. UTILITY PROGRAMS

tility energy efficiency programs are an integral part of the nergy efficiency (andescape in Virginia. In the 2016 Virginia nergy Plan update, 88% of the programs measured toward the jountary 10% energy reduction goal were utility-sponsored, ghlighting the critically important role they play in Virginia artiful projecty. The Northand immistration should consider:

upporting efforts during the 2018 General Assembly sessio llocate utility over-earnings towards energy efficiency grams that would benefit consumers.

Working with the General Assembly to appoint a new Commissioner to the SCC who understands the value and importance of energy efficiency programs to consumers.

Governor Transition

Late December, the Virginia Energy Efficiency Council attended Governor Ralph Northam's Policy Council on Commerce and Trade in Richmond.

The VAEEC's main asks of the incoming administration are included in this one-pager, which summarizes the report we released earlier this year, *Why Energy Efficiency is a Smart Investment forVirginia*.

Read more about how the VAEEC's role in Governor-Elect Northam's transition.

Membership Directory

The Virginia Energy Efficiency Council is excited to announce a new member benefit starting later this month: the VAEEC Membership Directory. This member-only tool will be password protected and hosted on the VAEEC website.

in early March on the Clean Energy Virginia Initiative.

CARBON TRADING RULE 2018 PUBLIC HEARING DATES

The Department of Environmental Quality is hosting public hearings across the commonwealth seeking comments on the proposed Virginia Clean Energy Initiative. VAEEC encourages our members to attend and speak.

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WOODBRIDGE

Department of Environmental Quality Northern Regional Office, 13901 Crown Court, Woodbridge, VA 22193

02.12

RICHMOND

Department of Environmental Quality DEQ Central Office, 1111 East Main Street, Richmond, VA 23219, 3rd Floor Conference Room

02.14

ROANOKE

Department of Environmental Quality Blue Ridge Regional Office, Room 600, 3019 Peters Creek Road Roanoke, VA 24019



ABINGDON

Department of Environmental Quality, Southwest Regional Office, 355 Deadmore St, Abingdon VA

03.08

ROANOKE

Department of Environmental Quality, Blue Ridge Regional Office, 3019 Peters Creek Rd, Roanoke

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VIRGINIA BEACH

Department of Environmental Quality, Tidewater Regional Office, 5636 Southern Blvd, Virginia Beach

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HARRISONBURG

Department of Environmental Quality, Valley Regional Office, 4411 Early Rd, Harrisonburg VA

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WOODBRIDGE

Department of Environmental Quality, Northern Regional Office, 13901 Crown Ct, Woodbridge VA

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RICHMOND

Department of Environmental Quality, Central Office, 1111 E. Main St, 3rd Floor Meeting Room, Richmond VA



To be included, a member must provide appropriate directory contact information via this quick form and membership dues must be fully paid.

New C-PACE Study

Developed on behalf of the Energy
Efficiency For All Project, the Vermont
Energy Investment Corporation just
released a report, *Commercial PACE for Affordable Multifamily Housing*, looking into
the handful of affordable multifamily
transactions that have used Commercial
Property Assessed Clean Energy financing,
or C-PACE.

Read more about the findings of the new report.

News & Resources:

Financing Was Once A Big Barrier To Energy Efficiency. Times Are Changing. (Alliance to Save Energy)

Cold Weather Is Testing The Electric Grid. FERC Should Remember The Cheapest Solution. (Alliance to Save Energy)

How Many Hipsters Does It Take to Change the Lightbulb? (Bloomberg)

In Push for 100% Renewable Energy, Efficiency Is Key (Clean Energy Finance Forum)

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