

## LOCAL NEWS

### Premier Announces New Actions to Build Electricity System, Create Jobs

**Source: Ministry of Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation**

Premier David Eby announced a \$36-billion investment for community and regional clean energy infrastructure projects.

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### Burnaby Implements New Emissions Standards

**Source: REMI Network/Construction Business**

Burnaby is voluntarily implementing higher emissions standards related to both small and large new construction ahead of the provincially mandated timeline for B.C.'s Zero Carbon Step Code.

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### BC Increases Mass Timber Building's Max Height to 18 Stories

**Source: Setting Mind**

The provincial government proposed an amendment to the B.C. Building Code that would allow mass timber in high-rise buildings to be 18 storeys.

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### Metro Vancouver residents in Older Large Strata Complexes Could Face Carbon Fines After 2028

**Source: timescolonist.com**

Metro Vancouver climate committee endorses a regulatory proposal that would charge large buildings a \$500 administrative fee and \$350 for every tonne of carbon pollution they emit beyond a set threshold.

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## RENEWABLE ENERGY

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### Indigenous Leaders Seek to Speed Up BC Hydro's Expansion Plans

Source: [The Globe and Mail](#)

K'uul Power wants to forge a deal obtaining Indigenous co-ownership of the North Coast transmission project with 11 First Nations signing an agreement to back the plan.

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## NATIONAL NEWS

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### Accessibility Required: Municipalities Pushing to Make Accessible EV Chargers the Norm

Source: [electricautonomy.ca](#)

As EV ownership becomes widespread, the lack of accessible charging infrastructure is emerging as a critical gap in station planning and design. Now, at least two municipalities say it's time to make it right.

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## ENERGY-EFFICIENT BUILDINGS

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### EndoTherm Pilot Project a Win-Win for the Company and the Environment

**Source: Concert Properties**

Concert Properties successfully reduced energy consumption and emissions in commercial and residential properties through a pilot project from 2018 to 2023. Testing the 'EndoTherm' additive in building boilers led to an average energy saving of 11.3%, a 170,000 kg CO2 reduction, and over \$40,000 in savings. The company plans to expand the use of EndoTherm in other residential buildings with similar heating systems starting in 2024.

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### Building Electrification Projects Impart Lessons

**Source: REMI Network/Canadian Property Management**

Experts suggest that the best time to conduct energy-efficient retrofits like downsizing HVAC systems is when the equipment is reaching its end-of-life.

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### GRESB, IWBI join forces to accelerate social sustainability

**Source: sustainablebiz.ca**

Two of the world's leading organizations involved in promoting social sustainability have joined forces to accelerate the transition toward a healthier built environment.

<https://sustainablebiz.ca/gresb-iwbi-join-forces-accelerate-social-sustainability>

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### Is Interest in LEED Certification Declining?

**Source: FacilitiesNet**

A number of factors have led to a decline in interest in LEED certification as other priorities have consumed building managers' attention.

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## Restroom Renovations that Deliver Efficiency and Savings

**Source: FacilitiesNet**

Outdated restrooms can waste thousands of dollars each year, and building managers can increase building efficiency by upgrading their restrooms.

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## Biggest Challenges Facing Sustainable and Healthy Buildings

**Source: FacilitiesNet**

Certification from the International WELL Building Institute recognizes buildings that meet sustainability standards related to wellness.

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## CLIMATE & ENVIRONMENTAL NEWS

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### Canada Should Be on 'High Alert' for 2024 After Record Wildfire Season: Scientist

**Source: Daily Commercial News**

A scientist with the Canadian Forest Service said Canada should be on high alert for wildfires in 2024 due to indicators including drought conditions and soil moisture.

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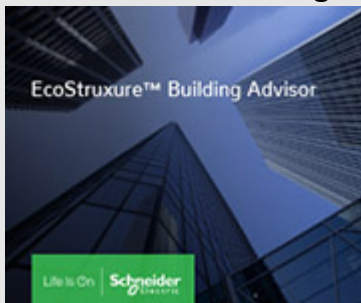


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