SERVICE NOTICE

COVID-19 Response: Benchmarking Guidance for May 1, 2020 Deadline and Issuance and Payment of Department of Buildings Violations for Non-Compliance

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 public health emergency, building owners who are not able to submit their CY2019 benchmarking information by May 1, 2020 will not be issued a violation for non-compliance if they submit a fully compliant report by August 1, 2020. In addition, payments for benchmarking violations are required to be submitted in eFiling.

Local Law 84 of 2009 and Local Law 133 of 2016 require owners of covered buildings to submit energy and water consumption data to the City annually by May 1st, as outlined in NYC Administrative Code § 28-309.4. Building owners who are unable to submit a report by May 1, 2020 will not receive a violation if they submit a fully compliant report by August 1, 2020. Building owners who do not submit benchmarking information by May 1, 2020 will receive a reminder to submit by August 1, 2020 in the form of a Notice of Non-Submission. Applicants who have not submitted a fully compliant report by August 1, 2020 will be subject to violations for each quarter that they have been non-compliant.

Benchmarking Violation Fees

To pay a benchmarking violation fee, log into eFiling at **www.nyc.gov/dobefiling** and select Express Cashier Payments, Other Fees and Benchmarking Violation Fees. Payment can be made by eCheck or credit card, which includes a 2% service charge. In-person payments will no longer be accepted. If you need to create an eFiling account, visit **www.nyc.gov/dobnowtips**.

Additional Guidance

- Owners of covered buildings are encouraged to visit the Department's **Benchmarking** page for further details.
- For general information regarding benchmarking requirements, including how to submit your report, review the content available at the **Mayor's Office of Sustainability.**
- Assistance with benchmarking tasks are available via the NYC Sustainability Help Center, Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. by emailing **Help@NYCsustainability.org** or by calling **(212) 566-5584**.

For additional service updates see the **DOB COVID-19 Response** page.

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