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UPDATED INFORMATION
REGARDING ENERGY AND WATER EFFICIENCY PROGRAM (EBEWE) COMPLIANCE DEADLINES
FOR "BENCHMARKING" AND "AUDITS AND RETRO-COMMISSIONING"

Dear Property Owner/Manager,

The City of Los Angeles' first priority is the health and safety of its population and we realize that the COVID-19 pandemic has presented challenges in complying with some deadlines. Please be assured the City has taken steps which allow you to comply online with the Benchmarking requirements specified in Division 97, Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC): You can register your building and pay fees (LADBS), obtain utility data (LADWP and SoCalGas), and submit your report (Energy Star Portfolio Manager). Compliance information is available at <https://ladbs.org/services/green-building-sustainability/existing-buildings-energy-water-efficiency-program>.

"Public Order Under City of Los Angeles Emergency Authority – Tolling of Deadlines Prescribed in the LAMC" issued by Mayor Garcetti on March 21, 2020 is still in effect until at least April 30, 2021. Therefore, **Benchmarking of Calendar Years 2019 and 2020 are suspended until further notice.** However, we wholeheartedly encourage you to use the online services mentioned above to comply with 2019 and 2020, so that the City can make better informed decisions on developing programs to increase the efficiency of energy and water usage.

The **following EBEWE deadline is not suspended at this time**, but if the above-referenced emergency order continues beyond August 2021, it may also be suspended until further notice:

- **Audits and Retro-Commissioning (A/RCx)** compliance deadlines set forth in Table 9708.2 of the LAMC were revised by Ordinance 186789 (effective 11/11/2020), so that they are now based on the last digit of the LADBS Building ID (BID) rather than the Assessor Identification Number ("AIN" also commonly known as APN). The first A/RCx reports that will be due by December 1, 2021, are BIDs that end in 0 (zero) or 1 which is approximately 7 months from the date of this notice.

In keeping with LAMC Section 91,9708.4, Notification, the Department will provide at least a six-month notice prior to the compliance due dates. Please read the full text of the original ordinance and amendments at <https://www.ladbs.org/docs/default-source/forms/green-building/ebewe-ordinances.pdf>.

Situations continue to change due to the pandemic, so the Department will apprise you of any updates related to this letter by mail, email if we have it in our system, and/or our website (<https://ladbs.org/>). Please email questions you have regarding this correspondence at ladbs.ebewe@lacity.org and include "EBEWE" and your Building ID and Address on the subject line.

Thank you
EBEWE Team