



EcoStar – Green Building Roundtable

Existing Buildings: the greenest of green buildings!

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References:

Historic Preservation and Sustainable Development

<http://www.ecostardevens.com/Historic%20preservation%20and%20green%20building.pdf>

Discusses the key role of existing buildings in green building and sustainability

US Green Building Council's LEED for Existing Buildings Website:

<http://www.usgbc.org/DisplayPage.aspx?CMSPageID=221>

Great overview of LEED-EB Operations & Maintenance certification program. Includes articles on retrofitting existing buildings, optimizing payback periods on investments and creating healthy, efficient spaces that attract and retain employees and value.

New Buildings Institute:

<http://www.newbuildings.org/>

National Advocacy group promoting improved energy efficiency in new construction.

Advanced Buildings System

<http://www.advancedbuildings.net/>

A suite of technical resources for creating high performance buildings

Promise vs. Performance: A Deeper Shade of Green

<http://www.architectmagazine.com/industry-news-print.asp?sectionID=0&articleID=796291>

An interesting article discussing the need for a bigger push for energy efficiency beyond systems like LEED to meet the carbon reduction targets we are setting.

What Does Green Really Cost?

<http://www.davislangdon.com/upload/images/publications/USA/Morris%20Article.pdf>

Article by Davis Landgon explaining the true costs of going green and that you can essentially implement a number of energy efficiency measures at little or no extra cost.

EcoStar Standards

http://www.ecostardevens.com/index_files/Page642.htm

EcoStar standards provide members with strategies, ideas and resources on how to green existing operations as well as promote change throughout your supply chain.