



BUILT ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (BEEAC)

November 20, 2025
10:00 am – 12:00 pm EST

Virtual meeting only.
Meeting link provided separately.

FINAL AGENDA

10:00 A.M. 1. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS
Mati Bazurto, Director of Business Operations, City of Bowie and BEEAC Co-Vice Chair

10:05 A.M. 2. APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 18, 2025 MEETING SUMMARY
Mati Bazurto, BEEAC Co-Vice Chair

The September 18, 2025 meeting summary will be reviewed for approval.

10:10 A.M. 3. JURISDICTION UPDATES AND ROUNDTABLE PEER EXCHANGE
BEEAC Committee Members

Local government members will highlight energy events, projects, and programs. They will also address framing questions for the main agenda topics.

1. What energy/fuel assistance or relief programs does your local government offer residents that are independent of state LIHEAP assistance?
2. What steps has your local government taken towards exploring or implementing battery energy storage systems (e.g. planning or pilot programs)?

10:20 A.M. 4. STATUS OF STATE ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS
Cassandra Lovejoy, National Energy Assistance Directors Association
William Whitfield, Utility Affordability Division, DC Department of Energy and Environment
Denise Surber, Benefit Programs, VA Department of Social Services
Elizabeth Rhyne, Energy Assistance, Dominion Energy Virginia | Dominion Energy North Carolina
Nichole Fernandes, Corporate Community Impact, Pepco Holdings

As energy utility bills are increasing for residents, state and local governments are navigating the complexities of federal funding shortages for some of their community focused programs. The panel of local government and

utility representatives will discuss the status of state energy assistance programs and considerations for alternatives for assistance.

11:25 A.M. 5. BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEMS

Todd Olinsky-Paul, Senior Project Director, Clean Energy States Alliance

Battery energy storage systems have the potential to offer transformative solutions to enhancing grid flexibility and reliability. Todd Olinsky-Paul will provide a comparative review of state energy storage procurement mandates, targets, and goals.

12:00 P.M. 6. ANNOUNCEMENTS, 2026 MEETING SCHEDULE AND ADJOURNMENT MID-COURSE

Valerie Amor, Energy Manager, City of Alexandria and BEEAC Co-Vice Chair

Announcement:

- EJ Toolkit Refresh Draft

2026 BEEAC Meeting Schedule (Virtual meetings only):

- February 19, 2026
- April 16, 2026
- June 18, 2026
- September 17, 2026
- November 19, 2026

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