

# Building Benchmarking Update to Individual Meter connections in ESPM

### **Questions**

- How will I know if my meter connected in AB 1103 has a SAID change?
- How do I adjust my ESPM Property to continue receiving data?
- How can I continue to receive individual meter data?

# **Building Benchmarking Service Update**

PG&E's legacy benchmarking program, Individual Meter Sharing (AB1103), is being retired. This program has been superseded by PG&E's Whole Building Benchmarking Program (AB802) that provides aggregated usage data to the EPA's Energy Star Portfolio Manager (ESPM) tool.

While data sharing will continue for both programs during this time, we are providing this notice for users of the legacy AB1103 program to allow for sufficient time to configure their ESPM properties to support data sharing with our Whole Building Benchmarking Program. Monthly Data sharing will cease as of April 30th, 2023. After this date, no new data will post, and users will be instructed to configure their ESPM accounts to support aggregated data sharing

If you have already benchmarked a building using the Whole Building Benchmarking Program (AB802 Program), there are no changes to your benchmarking processes.

# What is changing for Individual Meter Sharing Benchmarking Users?

On 09/30/2022, PG&E stopped processing **new** Individual Meter connections for the AB 1103 connection (Assembly Bill 1103's pacificgaselectric connection) to Energy Star Portfolio Manager (ESPM). This change will be reflected in the <u>Portfolio Manager Web Services Data Authorization</u> form with the removal of the *Individual Meter Data (AB 1103)* option. After 9/30/22, if a new Service Agreement ID (SAID) becomes active for your property, you will not be able to authorize it for data sharing under our Individual Meter Sharing program.

To continue to receive data for this premise after April 30th, users should configure their ESPM Property to receive whole building aggregated usage data.

## What is changing for Individual Meter Sharing Benchmarking Users?

If you are a building owner and are new to benchmarking, please visit <a href="mailto:pge.com/benchmarking">pge.com/benchmarking</a> to learn about PG&E's Building Benchmarking Portal (BBP). There you will find helpful information including a Guidance & Instructions manual.

For building owners who have setup ESPM properties with the Individual Meter Sharing to the ESPM pacificgaselectric connection, energy usage data will continue to upload for individually connected meter(s) until the SAID affiliated with the meter changes until the program is retired on April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023

When a SAID change occurs, data sharing for that meter will no longer be uploaded to ESPM. Additionally, there will be no option to reconnect the individual meter with the new SAID. Users will need to create a Whole Building registration in PG&E's Benchmarking Portal and update their ESPM Property accordingly to receive data.

Section 6 of our Benchmarking User Guide provides instructions on how to configure your ESPM account to support Whole Building aggregated usage data.



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## How will I know if my meter connected in AB 1103 has a SAID change?

Typically, users are alerted to SAID changes via an automated email. Users who performed the initial setup of the linked ESPM Property will receive the Customer of Record Change email. If you inherited the ESPM Property from a previous user, you may not be receiving these emails. Other indicators of SAID changes include:

- If a meter in ESPM has stopped uploading data (e.g., for more than a month), it is likely due to a SAID change.
- If you have setup an ESPM Property where tenants manage their own utility accounts, when a new tenant moves into a building there will be a new SAID.

# How do I adjust my ESPM Property to continue receiving data?

The <u>Building Benchmarking Portal – Guidance & Instructions</u> document provides step-by-step instructions for how to create a BBP Building and update your ESPM Property to a whole building property. You will need to take the following steps:

### Section 1 &2 of the Guidance & Instructions document

- Create a Benchmarking Profile
- Register your premise and upload supporting documentation
- Define your premise meters and obtain data authorizations as needed

## Section 6 of the Guidance & Instructions document

 Reconfigure your ESPM account and connect to the Whole Building (pge\_agg\_benchmark) connection

### Who should I contact if I have additional questions?

For questions regarding Building Benchmarking at PG&E, please contact benchmarking@pge.com.