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[Maryland: first state to adopt IGCC](#)

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Maryland is the first state in the nation to adopt the International Green Construction Code (IGCC) which was developed by the International Code Council in collaboration with AIA, ASTM, ASHRAE, USGBC and IES.

GREEN BUILDING FOCUS

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[LEED for Healthcare](#) is now available for inpatient, outpatient, licensed long-term care facilities, medical offices, assisted living facilities, medical education and research centers.

[AIACC's CALGreen checklist](#)

Environmental Design & Construction - Apr 8

The American Institute of Architects, California Council now offers a residential checklist to members and public officials on the [AIACC website](#) to help comply with CALGreen, California's new green building code. A checklist for commercial structures is being developed.

[LEED for Homes certifies 10,000th building](#)

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LEED for Homes has certified 10,161 projects since its inception in 2008.

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[Hines appoints Global Sustainability Officer](#)

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Hines named Gary Holtzer as its Global Sustainability Officer. President and CEO Jeff Hines indicated that this new officer-level position shows Hines' unwavering commitment to sustainability. "Sustainability pervades every aspect of our business, so having a tenured executive . . . in that role will be extremely beneficial for the firm."

[Propane courses for LEED-AP](#)

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USGBC approved eleven courses offered by the [Propane Education and Research Council](#) for inclusion in the LEED-AP credentialing program. The free online courses examine the use of propane in environmentally-sustainable projects.

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Some developers who pursue LEED certification want to keep the status of their projects secret. Sometimes they forget to change the anonymous status in the USGBC directory. Other anonymous listings are due to disagreements among project team members over whether or not the building's LEED status should be private.

[RFP for Greenbuild 2011 sustainability consultant](#)

USGBC - Apr 8

USGBC is searching for a sustainability consultant for the 2011 Greenbuild Conference & Expo to be held Oct. 4-7, 2011, in Toronto, Canada, to establish green organizational best practices, propose a means of measuring the event's sustainability, etc.

[Disasters and losing LEED cert.](#)

PropertyCasualty360 - Apr 4

Structures with LEED-EBOM-certified buildings that are damaged by disaster should perform repairs with LEED compliance in mind, or face losing LEED status when the USGBC conducts its mandated five-year audit.

[NYC passes three green laws](#)

Crain's New York - Apr 6

One law, effective in 2012, requires NYC roofs be built using reflective materials; a second law effective immediately exempts solar systems from counting towards a buildings' height limitations; and a third law effect immediately permits heat and power systems to be built on NYC rooftops.

[Bay Area architects offer HERS II program](#)

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Architects trained in the Home Energy Ratings System (HERS II) established by the California Energy Commission (CEC) can help homeowners achieve energy efficiencies 30% to 50% above levels previously mandated by CEC.

GREEN BUILDING PROJECTS

[San Diego earns LEED Gold](#)

Business Wire - Apr 4

San Diego's County Operations Center and Annex redevelopment earned LEED Gold and features (1) 28% more energy efficient than state codes requirements; (2) 40% less water usage than standard plumbing; and (3) 627,216 kWh per year from solar panels.

[SF International's LEED Gold terminal](#)

Reuters - Apr 8

Virgin American and American Airlines will soon open the LEED Gold Terminal 2 at San Francisco International Airport. The \$388 million structure features (1) ventilation using 20% less energy than conventional systems; (2) reclaimed water; (3) 90% recycling of construction waste; (4) preferred parking for green cars; and (5) use of green building materials.

[Santa Ana's LEED Core & Shell Gold](#)

PR Log - Apr 4



The four-story, 80,000 square-foot Tustin Centre Office Building in Santa Ana earned LEED Core & Shell Gold and features (1) HVAC using 14% less energy than regulations require; (2) 73% water savings; (3) low-flow plumbing that will save a quarter million gallons of water per year; (4) bike racks, lockers, and other features intended to boost non-auto commuting; and (5) a cool roof.

[Florida arena earns LEED Gold](#)

NBA - Apr 7

The Amway Center in Orlando, Fla., earned LEED Gold. The 875,000 square-foot sports arena features: (1) water saving fixtures designed to save 1.3 million gallons of water per year; (2) energy-efficient air-conditioning; (3) 20% recycled material, (4) 30% of building materials from local sources; (5) diversion of 8,000 tons of construction waste from landfills; and (6) a site that did not require the building of new roads.

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