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Foreword

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Introduction

This International Standard provides organizations with practical guidance on how to meet the requirements of ISO 50001 related to the establishment, use and maintenance of energy performance indicators (EnPIs) and energy baselines (EnBs) in measuring energy performance and energy performance changes. EnPIs and EnBs are two key interrelated elements of ISO 50001 that enable the measurement, and therefore management of energy performance in an organization. Energy performance is a broad concept which is related to energy consumption, energy use and energy efficiency.

In order to effectively manage the energy performance of their facilities, systems, processes and equipment, organizations need to know how energy is used and how much is consumed over time. An EnPI is a value or measure that quantifies results related to energy efficiency, use and consumption in facilities, systems, processes and equipment. Organizations use EnPIs as a measure of their energy performance.

The EnB is a reference that characterizes and quantifies an organization's energy performance during a specified time period. The EnB enables an organization to assess changes in energy performance between selected periods. The EnB is also used for calculation of energy savings, as a reference before and after implementation of energy performance improvement actions.

Organizations define targets for energy performance as part of the energy planning process in their energy management systems (EnMS). The organization needs to consider the specific energy performance targets while identifying and designing EnPIs and EnBs. The relationship between energy performance, EnPIs, EnBs and energy targets is illustrated in [Figure 1](#).

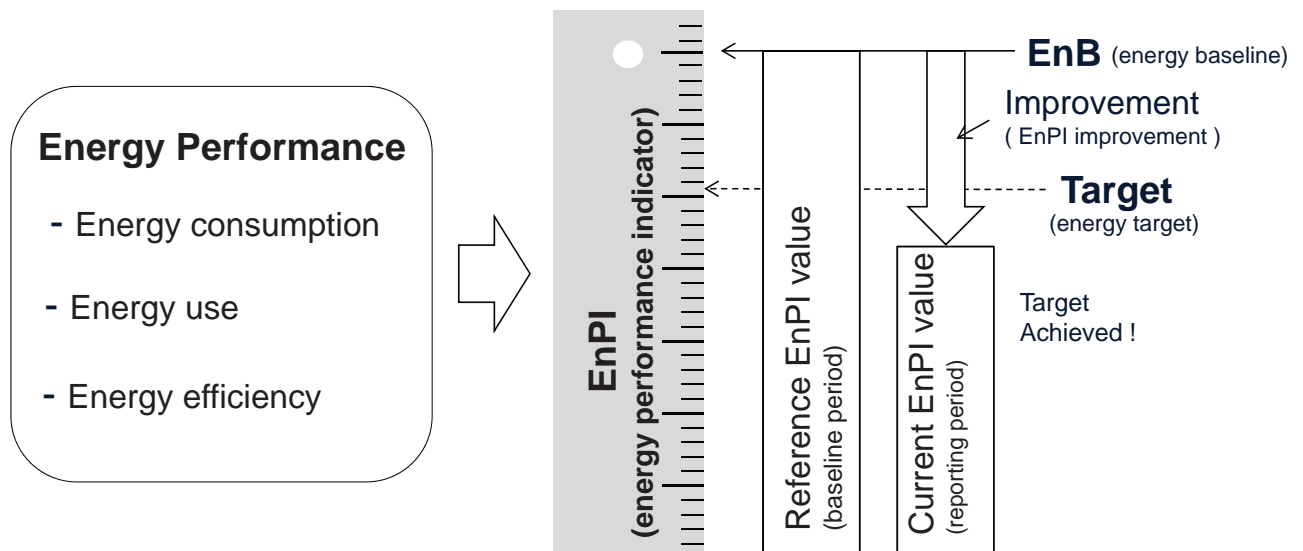


Figure 1 — Relationship between energy performance, EnPIs, EnBs and energy targets

This International Standard includes practical help boxes designed to provide the user with ideas, examples and strategies for measuring energy performance using EnPIs and EnBs.

The concepts and methods in this International Standard can also be used by organizations that do not have an existing EnMS. For example, EnPIs and EnBs can also be used at the facility, system, process or equipment level, or for the evaluation of individual energy performance improvement actions.

Ongoing commitment and engagement by top management is essential to the effective implementation, maintenance and improvement of the EnMS in order to achieve the benefits in energy performance improvement. Top management demonstrates its commitment through leadership actions and active involvement in the EnMS, ensuring ongoing allocation of resources including people to implement and sustain the EnMS over time.