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Foreword

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This document was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 301, *Energy management and energy savings*.

This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 50001:2011), which has been technically revised.

The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

— adoption of ISO's requirements for management system standards, including a high-level structure, identical core text, and common terms and definitions, to ensure a high level of compatibility with other management system standards;

— better integration with strategic management processes;

— clarification of language and document structure;

— stronger emphasis on the role of top management;

— adoption of context order for the terms and their definitions in Clause 3 and update of some definitions;

— inclusion of new definitions, including energy performance improvement;

— clarification on exclusions of energy types;

— clarification of "energy review";

— introduction of the concept of normalization of energy performance indicators [EnPI(s)] and associated energy baselines [EnB(s)];

— addition of details on the energy data collection plan and related requirements (previously energy measurement plan);

— clarification of text related to energy performance indicators [EnPI(s)] and energy baselines [EnB(s)] in order to provide a better understanding of these concepts.

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Introduction

0.1 General

The aim of this document is to enable organizations to establish the systems and processes necessary to continually improve energy performance, including energy efficiency, energy use and energy consumption. This document specifies the energy management system (EnMS) requirements for an organization. Successful implementation of an EnMS supports a culture of energy performance improvement that depends upon commitment from all levels of the organization, especially top management. In many instances, this involves cultural changes within an organization.

This document applies to the activities under the control of the organization. Its application can be tailored to fit the specific requirements of the organization, including the complexity of its systems, degree of documented information and available resources. This document does not apply to product use by end-users outside of the scope and boundaries of the EnMS, nor does it apply to product design outside of facilities, equipment, systems or energy-using processes. This document does apply to the design and procurement of facilities, equipment, systems or energy-using processes within the scope and boundaries of the EnMS.

Development and implementation of an EnMS includes an energy policy, objectives, energy targets and action plans related to its energy efficiency, energy use, and energy consumption while meeting applicable legal requirements and other requirements. An EnMS enables an organization to set and achieve objectives and energy targets, to take actions as needed to improve its energy performance, and to demonstrate the conformity of its system to the requirements of this document.
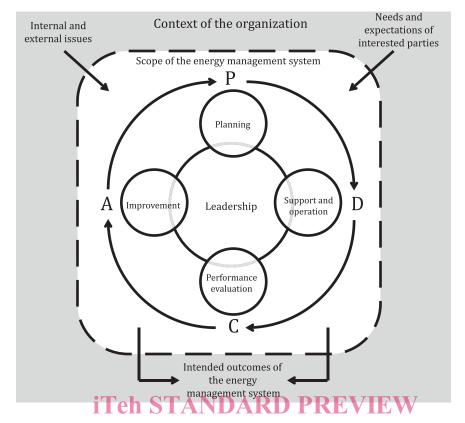
0.2 Energy performance approach

This document provides requirements for a systematic, data-driven and facts-based process, focused on continually improving energy performance. Energy performance is a key element integrated within the concepts introduced in this document in order to ensure effective and measurable results over time. Energy performance is a concept which is related to energy efficiency, energy use and energy consumption. Energy performance indicators (EnPIs) and energy baselines (EnBs) are two interrelated elements addressed in this document to enable organizations to demonstrate energy performance improvement.

0.3 Plan-Do-Check-Act (PDCA) cycle

The EnMS described in this document is based on the Plan-Do-Check-Act (PDCA) continual improvement framework and incorporates energy management into existing organizational practices, as illustrated in Figure 1.

In the context of energy management, the PDCA approach can be outlined as follows.

— **Plan**: understand the context of the organization, establish an energy policy and an energy management team, consider actions to address risks and opportunities, conduct an energy review, identify significant energy uses (SEUs) and establish energy performance indicators (EnPIs), energy baseline(s) (EnBs), objectives and energy targets, and action plans necessary to deliver results that will improve energy performance in accordance with the organization's energy policy.

— **Do**: implement the action plans, operational and maintenance controls, and communication, ensure competence and consider energy performance in design and procurement.

— **Check**: monitor, measure, analyse, evaluate, audit and conduct management review(s) of energy performance and the EnMS.

— **Act**: take actions to address nonconformities and continually improve energy performance and the EnMS.

Figure 1 — Plan-Do-Check-Act Cycle

0.4 Compatibility with other management system standards

This document conforms to ISO's requirements for management system standards, including a high-level structure, identical core text, and common terms and definitions, thereby ensuring a high level of compatibility with other management system standards. This document can be used independently; however, an organization can choose to combine its EnMS with other management systems, or integrate its EnMS in the achievement of other business, environmental or social objectives. Two organizations carrying out similar operations, but having different energy performance, can both conform to the requirements of ISO 50001.

This document contains the requirements used to assess conformity. An organization that wishes to demonstrate conformity with this document can do so by:

— making an evaluation and self-declaration, or

— seeking confirmation of its conformance or self-declaration by interested parties, such as customers, or

— seeking certification/registration of its EnMS by an external organization.

In this document, the following verbal forms are used:

— "shall" indicates a requirement;

— "should" indicates a recommendation;

— "can" indicates a possibility or a capability;

— "may" indicates a permission.

Information marked as "NOTE" is intended to assist the understanding or use of the document. "Notes to entry" used in Clause 3 provide additional information that supplements the terminological data and can contain requirements relating to the use of a term.

0.5 Benefits of this document

Effective implementation of this document provides a systematic approach to improvement of energy performance that can transform the way organizations manage energy. By integrating energy management into business practice, organizations can establish a process for continual improvement of energy performance. By improving energy performance and associated energy costs, organizations can be more competitive. In addition, implementation can lead organizations to meet overall climate change mitigation goals by reducing their energy-related greenhouse gas emissions.

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1 Scope

This document specifies requirements for establishing, implementing, maintaining and improving an energy management system (EnMS). The intended outcome is to enable an organization to follow a systematic approach in achieving continual improvement of energy performance and the EnMS.

This document:

a)   is applicable to any organization regardless of its type, size, complexity, geographical location, organizational culture or the products and services it provides;

b)   is applicable to activities affecting energy performance that are managed and controlled by the organization;

c)   is applicable irrespective of the quantity, use, or types of energy consumed;

d)   requires demonstration of continual energy performance improvement, but does not define levels of energy performance improvement to be achieved;

e)   can be used independently, or be aligned or integrated with other management systems.

Annex A provides guidance for the use of this document. Annex B provides a comparison of this edition with the previous edition.

2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

—   ISO Online browsing platform: available at https://www.iso.org/obp

—   IEC Electropedia: available at https://www.electropedia.org/

3.1 Terms related to organization

3.1.1
organization
person or group of people that has its own functions with responsibilities, authorities and relationships to achieve its *objectives* (3.4.13)

Note 1 to entry: The concept of organization includes, but is not limited to, sole-trader, company, corporation, firm, enterprise, authority, partnership, charity or institution, or part or combination thereof, whether incorporated or not, public or private.

3.1.2
top management
person or group of people who directs and controls an *organization* (3.1.1) at the highest level

Note 1 to entry: Top management is empowered to delegate authority and provide resources within the organization.

Note 2 to entry: If the scope of the *management system* (3.2.1) covers only part of an organization, then top management refers to those who direct and control that part of the organization.

Note 3 to entry: Top management controls the organization as defined within the *EnMS scope* (3.1.4) and *boundaries* (3.1.3) of the *energy management system* (3.2.2).

3.1.3
boundary
physical or organizational limits

EXAMPLE   A *process* (3.3.6); a group of processes; a site; multiple sites under the control of an organization, or an entire *organization* (3.1.1).

Note 1 to entry: The organization defines the boundary(ies) of its EnMS.

3.1.4
energy management system scope
EnMS scope
set of activities, which an *organization* (3.1.1) addresses through an *energy management system* (3.2.2)

Note 1 to entry: The EnMS scope can include several *boundaries* (3.1.3) and can include transport operations.

3.1.5
interested party (preferred term)
stakeholder (admitted term)
person or *organization* (3.1.1) that can affect, be affected by, or perceive itself to be affected by a decision or activity

3.2   Terms related to management system

3.2.1
management system
set of interrelated or interacting elements of an *organization* (3.1.1) to establish *policies* (3.2.3) and *objectives* (3.4.13) and *processes* (3.3.6) to achieve those objectives

Note 1 to entry: A management system can address a single discipline or several disciplines.

Note 2 to entry: The system elements include the organization's structure, roles and responsibilities, planning and operation.

Note 3 to entry: In some management systems, the scope of a management system can include the whole of the organization, specific and identified functions of the organization, specific and identified sections of the organization, or one or more functions across a group of organizations. The *EnMS scope* (3.1.4) includes all energy types within its *boundaries* (3.1.3).

3.2.2
energy management system
EnMS
management system (3.2.1) to establish an *energy policy* (3.2.4), *objectives* (3.4.13), *energy targets* (3.4.15), action plans and *process(es)* (3.3.6) to achieve the objectives and energy targets

3.2.3
policy
intentions and direction of an *organization* (3.1.1), as formally expressed by its *top management* (3.1.2)

3.2.4
energy policy
statement by the *organization* ([3.1.1](#)) of its overall intention(s), direction(s), and commitment(s) related to its *energy performance* ([3.4.3](#)), as formally expressed by *top management* ([3.1.2](#))

3.2.5
energy management team
person(s) with responsibility and authority for effective implementation of an *energy management system* ([3.2.2](#)) and for delivering *energy performance improvement* ([3.4.6](#))

Note 1 to entry: The size and nature of an *organization* ([3.1.1](#)) and available resources are taken into account when determining the size of an energy management team. A single person can perform the role of the team.

3.3   Terms related to requirement

3.3.1
requirement
need or expectation that is stated, generally implied or obligatory

Note 1 to entry: "Generally implied" means that it is custom or common practice for the *organization* ([3.1.1](#)) and *interested parties* ([3.1.5](#)) that the need or expectation under consideration is implied.

Note 2 to entry: A specified requirement is one that is stated, for example in *documented information* ([3.3.5](#)).

3.3.2
conformity
fulfilment of a *requirement* ([3.3.1](#))

3.3.3
nonconformity
non-fulfilment of a *requirement* ([3.3.1](#))

3.3.4
corrective action
action to eliminate the cause of a *nonconformity* ([3.3.3](#)) and to prevent recurrence

3.3.5
documented information
information required to be controlled and maintained by an *organization* ([3.1.1](#)) and the medium on which it is contained

Note 1 to entry: Documented information can be in any format and media, and from any source.

Note 2 to entry: Documented information can refer to:

— the *management system* ([3.2.1](#)), including related *processes* ([3.3.6](#));

— information created in order for the organization to operate (documentation);

— evidence of results achieved (records).

3.3.6
process
set of interrelated or interacting activities which transform inputs into outputs

Note 1 to entry: A process related to an *organization's* ([3.1.1](#)) activities can be

— physical (e.g. energy-using processes, such as combustion), or

— business or service (e.g. order fulfilment).