EC3 API Fee Waiver Application

Please Submit completed applications to support@buildingtransparency.org

Building Transparency is committed to ensuring that research, education, and mission-aligned innovation are not constrained by cost. Fee waivers support access to the EC3 API for eligible organizations whose work advances embodied carbon reduction and public benefit.

Before applying, please note:

- Fee waivers are discretionary and time-limited. Submission of this application does not guarantee approval.
- Waivers are granted for a maximum of 12 months and may be renewed once, subject to review.
- Approved waivers are subject to reassessment if your organization's usage, status, or project scope materially changes during the waiver period.
- A fee waiver does not confer preferential API access, influence over EC3 roadmap or policies, or governance rights.
- API access remains governed by the EC3 API Order Form and EC3 API Terms of Service (buildingtransparency.org/api-terms-of-service).

SECTION 1 - Organization Information

Organization Name: Website:

Mailing Address:

Primary Contact

Name: Title:

Email:

SECTION 2 - Organization Type

(Select one)

☐ Academic institution

☐ Nonprofit organization

☐ Public agency or government entity

☐ Early-stage startup (under 2 years old)

☐ Other (describe):

SECTION 3 - Organizational Profile

Years in operation: Number of employees or FTEs:

Most recent 12-month revenue or valuation (whichever is higher): $

Country / Region of primary operation:

SECTION 4 - Project Description

Describe how you plan to use the EC3 API and how this work advances embodied carbon reduction, transparency, research, or public benefit. (250-500 words)

Are you willing to provide a case study for publication on Building Transparency's website for education and outreach purposes?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Possibly - I'd like to discuss

SECTION 5 - API Usage Estimate

Estimated API calls per month:

Intended duration of use:

- ☐ Less than 6 months
- ☐ 6-12 months
- ☐ Ongoing (subject to annual renewal review)

Describe the data you intend to access and how it will be used or displayed:

SECTION 6 - Waiver Request

Waiver type requested:

- ☐ Full fee waiver
- ☐ Partial waiver - estimated contribution: $
- ☐ Time-limited discount

Requested duration:

- ☐ Up to 6 months
- ☐ Up to 12 months

SECTION 7 - Alignment & Need Statement

Please explain: (a) how your work aligns with Building Transparency's mission to accelerate embodied carbon reduction through open-access data; and (b) why a fee waiver is necessary for your organization at this time. (200-300 words)

SECTION 8 - Optional Charitable Contribution

API access fees and charitable contributions to Building Transparency are separate and independent. If approved for a waiver, you may still choose to make a voluntary, unrestricted charitable contribution to support EC3 as public infrastructure. Contributions do not affect waiver decisions, access terms, rate limits, or support.

Optional contribution amount: $

(A separate donation acknowledgment will be issued in accordance with IRS regulations.)

SECTION 9 - Acknowledgments & Certification

By signing below, I certify that the information provided in this application is accurate and complete, and I agree to notify Building Transparency promptly of any material changes in my organization's usage, scope, or status during any approved waiver period.

I acknowledge and agree that:

- ☐ A fee waiver does not confer preferential access, influence, or control over EC3 or Building Transparency
- ☐ API access is governed by a separate EC3 API Order Form and Terms of Service
- ☐ Approved usage limits may be rate-limited if exceeded
- ☐ This waiver is subject to reassessment if usage, organizational status, or project scope materially changes
- ☐ Waiver renewals are not guaranteed and are subject to review

Signature: _____

Printed Name: Title:

Organization: Date:

INTERNAL REVIEW (Building Transparency Use Only)

Date Received: Reviewed by: Review Date:

Decision:

☐ Approved ☐ Approved with conditions ☐ Not approved

Approved Tier / Rate Limit: Waiver Type & Duration:

Conditions (if any):

Renewal Eligible: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Notes:

Fee waiver decisions are made by the Executive Director with finance oversight and are documented for consistency and auditability.