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Notice of Staff Workshop on the 2013 Residential Alternative Calculation Method Reference Manual

California Energy Commission staff will conduct a workshop to present draft revisions and solicit public comment on the 2013 Residential Alternative Calculation Method Reference Manual, as part of staff's efforts to prepare for the implementation of the 2013 update to the *Building Energy Efficiency Standards* (Standards) (California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Parts 1 and 6).

The workshop will be held:

Tuesday, November 20, 2012
10 a.m.
CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION
1516 Ninth Street
First Floor, Hearing Room A
Sacramento, CA 95814
(Wheelchair accessible)

Remote Attendance

Internet Webcast: Presentations and audio from the meeting will be broadcast via our WebEx web meeting service. For details on how to participate via WebEx, please see the "Remote Attendance" section toward the end of this notice.

Availability of Documents

This notice, the workshop agenda, and the draft 2013 Residential Alternative Calculation Method Reference Manual will be posted to the project website at www.energy.ca.gov/title24/2013standards/implementation/documents/. Please check the website periodically for additional information. Interested persons may sign up on a list server at that website to receive email updates about the 2013 Standards proceeding.

Purpose

At this workshop, staff will present and invite discussion on the current draft of the 2013 Residential Alternative Calculation Method (ACM) Reference Manual. This draft focuses on the performance compliance rules for newly constructed buildings. A separate workshop will be scheduled to discuss the performance compliance rules for residential additions and alterations.

Workshop participants will have an opportunity to ask questions about this information and to make comments and suggestions.

Background

The Energy Commission adopted the 2013 update to the *Building Energy Efficiency Standards* on May 31, 2012. Staff is now developing the guidance documents and implementation tools for these Standards. The 2013 Residential ACM Reference Manual documents the modeling rules that govern the implementation of the performance compliance approach in the compliance software tools.

Further information regarding the policy goals of the *2013 Standards* update can be found at www.energy.ca.gov/title24/2013standards/background.html.

Written Comments

Written comments should be submitted to the Dockets Unit. If interested persons would like to ensure their comments are included before the workshop, please submit them by 4:00 p.m. on November 15, 2012. All comments will become part of the public record of this matter. Additionally, comments may be posted to the Energy Commission's website for this matter.

The Energy Commission encourages comments by e-mail and electronic submission, up to 5 MB. Please include your name and any organization name. Comments should be in a downloadable, searchable format such as Microsoft® Word (.doc) or Adobe® Acrobat® (.pdf). For additional information, see Standing Order re: Proceedings and Confidentiality Procedural Requirements for Filing, Service, and Docketing Documents with the Energy Commission, available at: www.energy.ca.gov/dockets/documents/2011_Standing_Order_for_Documents.pdf.

Please include the docket number 12-BTSD-06 in the subject line. Send comments to: docket@energy.ca.gov.

If you prefer, you may send a paper copy of your comments to:

California Energy Commission
Dockets Office, MS-4
Re: Docket No. 12-BTSD-06
1516 Ninth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814-5512

In addition, the Energy Commission will accept oral comments during the workshop on November 20, 2012. Comments may be limited to three minutes per speaker. Any comments will become part of the public record in this proceeding.

Please note that your written and oral comments, attachments, and associated contact information (e.g. your address, phone, email, etc.) become part of the viewable public record. Additionally, this information may become available via Google, Yahoo, and any other search engines.

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Please direct all news media inquiries to the Media and Public Communications Office at (916) 654-4989, or by e-mail at mediaoffice@energy.ca.gov. If you have questions on the technical subject matter of this meeting, please call Martha Brook at (916) 654-3839 or e-mail her at Martha.Brook@energy.ca.gov.

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