

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

STATE ENERGY RESOURCES  
CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

2016 Building Energy Efficiency Standards,  
California Code of Regulations, Title 24,  
Parts 1 and 6

Docket No. 16-BSTD-04

RESOLUTION OF THE CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION APPROVING  
THE 2016 PUBLIC DOMAIN NONRESIDENTIAL COMPLIANCE  
SOFTWARE CBECC-COM 2016.2.1

**WHEREAS**, the Warren-Alquist State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Act, Public Resources Code Sections 25000 et seq., 25402.1, Subdivision (b), requires the California Energy Commission to, among other things, establish a process for certifying calculation methods for demonstrating compliance with its *Building Energy Efficiency Standards*; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2016 public domain California Building Energy Code Compliance – Nonresidential software, CBECC-Com 2016.2.1, estimates energy consumed by nonresidential buildings under Public Resources Code Section 25402.1, Subdivision (a), for demonstrating compliance with the performance-based nonresidential provisions of the *2016 Building Energy Efficiency Standards*, California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Parts 1, Chapter 10, and 6; and

**WHEREAS**, as described in the CBECC-Com 2016.2.1 Summary of Nonresidential ACM Tests presented to the Energy Commission along with this resolution, staff of the Energy Commission has reviewed and tested CBECC-Com 2016.2.1 to ensure it meets the requirements, specifications, and criteria for building energy models set forth in the *2016 Alternative Calculation Method Approval Manual* (ACM Approval Manual), CEC-400-2015-039-CMF (June 2015).

**THEREFORE**, the Energy Commission approves CBECC-Com 2016.2.1 for estimating energy consumed by nonresidential buildings as specified in Public Resources Code Section 25402.1, Subdivision (a), and for demonstrating compliance

with the performance-based nonresidential provisions of the *2016 Building Energy Efficiency Standards*, California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Parts 1 and 6; and

**THEREFORE**, the Energy Commission rescinds its approval of previous versions of CBECC-Com 2016 for estimating energy consumed by nonresidential buildings under Public Resources Code Section 25402.1, Subdivision (a), and demonstrating performance compliance with the performance-based nonresidential provisions of the *2016 Building Energy Efficiency Standards* for permit applications made on or after December 19, 2016; and

**THEREFORE**, the Energy Commission directs the Executive Director to take, on behalf of the Energy Commission, all actions reasonably necessary to implement this resolution, including:

- Posting information on the Energy Commission's public website as to how to obtain CBECC-Com 2016.2.1;
- Ensuring that CBECC-Com 2016.2.1 and the *2016 Nonresidential Alternative Calculation Method (ACM) Reference Manual* are maintained and revised to accurately estimate the energy use of nonresidential buildings, including correcting functional and analytical errors, and incorporating software modules that address compliance options and additional building systems, assemblies and construction materials; and
- Reviewing and approving updates to the vender software, consistent with Section 1.3 of the ACM Approval Manual.

### **CERTIFICATION**

The undersigned Secretariat to the Commission does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a Resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the California Energy Commission held on September 14, 2016.

AYE: Weisenmiller, McAllister, Hochschild, Scott  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Douglas  
ABSTAIN: None

  
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Secretariat