



Item 6: 2025 Energy Code Compliance Provider Applications – 25-BSTD-01

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Benefit to Californians

- Realization of benefits of Building Energy Efficiency Standards (Energy Code) in residential occupancies
- Verified installations:
 - Energy efficiency measures - utility savings
 - Indoor air quality systems - health and safety
 - Water heating features - water and energy conservation
- Process transparency and consumer protection



Energy Code Compliance (ECC) Program

Key Characteristics:

Successor to the Home Energy Rating System (HERS) Program

Defines responsibilities for ECC Providers, Raters, Rater Companies

Supports and demonstrates Energy Code compliance through field verification and diagnostic testing (FV&DT)

New quality assurance processes and reporting requirements



Program Evolution



Source: CEC

- Highlights
 - ECC-Rater Companies
 - Consumer Information Form
 - Progressive discipline options
 - Triennial program updates

ECC Program web page at

www.energy.ca.gov/programs-and-topics/programs/energy-code-compliance-program



CHEERS Applications

- CHEERS applied for the following:
 - ECC-Provider approval
 - Residential data registry
- Staff evaluated materials, facilities, and registry functionality
- CEC's Executive Director recommends approval of the applications



Source: CHEERS



Staff Recommendations

- **Adopt CEC staff's conclusion that the approvals are exempt from CEQA**
- **Approve CEC Executive Director recommendation:**
 - Approve CHEERS as an ECC-Provider for the 2025 Energy Code
 - Approve CHEERS's 2025 Energy Code residential data registry