



Item 10: 2025 California Building Energy Code Compliance Software Update

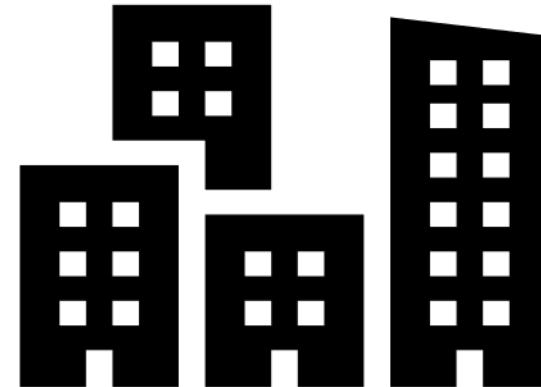
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Benefits to Californians

- Enhances public domain performance compliance software
- Increases compliance options and flexibility
- Expands renewable energy and heat pump compliance options





Overview

- Software updated to follow revised 2025 ACM Reference Manual
- Major Updates:
 - Peak cooling revisions and new battery credit
 - Multifamily infiltration correction
 - New relocatable public school compliance option
 - New community solar option

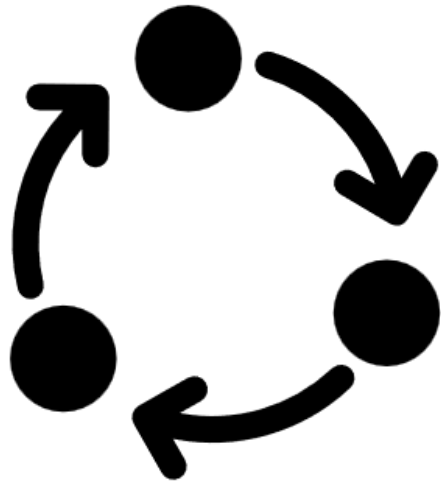


Source: California Energy Commission



Update Process

- Industry and public feedback process
- Research versions to test updates
- Final software demonstrated in release candidate





Staff Recommendation

- Approve CBECC 2025.3.0
- Adopt staff's finding that the CBECC 2025.3.0 update is exempt from CEQA
- Expire previously approved, CBECC 2025.2.0, compliance software on December 18, 2026