

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

**STATE ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION
AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

2013 Title 24 Building Energy Efficiency)
Standards Rulemaking Proceeding)
California Code of Regulations, Title 24,)
Parts 1, 6, and 11)
_____)

Docket No. 12-BSTD-1
Resolution No. 13-1211-05

RESOLUTION CHANGING EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2013 BUILDING STANDARDS

On May 31, 2012, the California Energy Commission adopted additions and amendments to its energy and water efficiency standards for buildings called the “2013 Building Energy Efficiency Standards” (or 2013 Standards).¹ These standards were approved on January 23, 2013, by the California Building Standards Commission for publication in Title 24, Part 6 (also known as the California Energy Code), associated administrative regulations in Part 1, Chapter 10, and related regulations in the California Green Building Standards Code (also known as CalGreen), Part 11, of the California Code of Regulations. The 2013 Standards were noticed to become effective on January 1, 2014.

In September 2013, the Energy Commission first approved versions of public domain compliance software that it is required to develop for demonstrating compliance with the performance compliance provisions of the 2013 Standards. This software is called the 2013 Public Domain Residential and Nonresidential California Building Energy Code Compliance (CBECC) software. CBECC consists of two programs called, respectively: CBECC – Res, for residential buildings, and CBECC – Com, for nonresidential buildings.

Although since September 2013 the Energy Commission has approved improvements to the public domain compliance software to provide additional features and capabilities, it does not yet provide the full feature set needed for building and alteration projects expected to seek building permits in early 2014. Further, the building industry is now beginning to learn how to use these new tools. To provide the building industry with the full complement of tools to comply with the prescriptive and performance compliance options of the 2013 Standards, and sufficient time for training on the use of those tools, the effective date of the 2013 Standards has been changed to July 1, 2014.

¹ Since May 31, 2013, typographical and other errors to the 2013 Standards have been corrected through published errata documents. See <http://www.energy.ca.gov/title24/2013standards/>.

Only the effective date of the 2013 Standards is being changed by this action. No changes to the terms of the regulations are being considered (other than nonsubstantive corrections necessary to reflect the new effective dates). The anticipated benefits of the 2013 Standards will still be realized once they become effective as previously estimated. Accordingly, the findings in the Order Adopting Proposed Regulations and Negative Declaration, Order No. 12-0531-5, May 31, 2012, remain unchanged.

The California Energy Commission directs the Executive Director to take, on behalf of the Commission, all actions reasonably necessary to have the 2013 Building Standards go into effect as resolved here.

CERTIFICATION

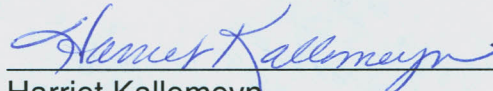
The undersigned Secretariat to the Commission does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a Resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the California Energy Commission held on December 11, 2013.

AYE: Weisenmiller, Douglas, McAllister, Hochschild, Scott

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None



Harriet Kallemeyn,
Secretariat