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In the matter of:)	Docket No. 16-ATTCP-01
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ALTERNATIVE PROCEDURE TO HOME)	NOTICE OF STAFF WORKSHOP
ENERGY RATING SYSTEM (HERS))	
RATER NONRESIDENTIAL DUCT)	RE: Public Comment Period for the
LEAKAGE TEST VERIFICATION)	Draft Staff Report of the Proposed
_____)	Alternative Procedure

Notice of Staff Workshop and Public Comment Period Regarding the Staff Report on Alternative Procedure to Home Energy Rating System Rater Nonresidential Duct Leakage Test Verification

California Energy Commission staff will conduct a workshop to gather public comment on the draft staff report of the proposed alternative procedure to Home Energy Raters System rater nonresidential duct leakage test verification on:

December 19, 2016
10:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.
CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION
1516 Ninth Street
First Floor, Arthur Rosenfeld Hearing Room
Sacramento, California
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Background

The Home Energy Rating System Program (HERS) was established by the Energy Commission on June 17, 1999. As part of that effort, the Energy Commission established the requirements for field verification and diagnostic testing services performed by HERS rates to show compliance with the Building Energy Efficiency Standards. Generally, a HERS rater is limited to residential buildings, but there are several instances where the HERS rater is required to perform verifications on nonresidential system installations.

The *2013 Building Energy Efficiency Standards* require that air ducts installed in nonresidential buildings be tested to determine if they leak into spaces that are not intended to be occupied by people. This testing is only required for smaller nonresidential installations that are generally similar in size and design to residential installations. The *2013 California Building Energy Efficiency Standards* require that these air duct leakage tests be performed by the technician that installed the heating, ventilation or air conditioning system and then verified, using the same test procedures, by a HERS rater.

This alternative procedure will allow a certified acceptance test technician to perform the appropriate air duct leakage test and satisfy the *2013 Building Energy Efficiency Standards* and the *2016 Building Energy Efficiency Standards*.

Agenda

This workshop will encourage public comment regarding the draft staff report of the proposed alternative procedure to HERS rater nonresidential duct leakage test verification.

- Background on Alternative Procedures (Title 24, Part 1, Section 10-109(h))
- Proposed Alternative Procedure
- Expected impacts on the construction industry
- Proposed schedule for adoption

The workshop will end with a public comment period.

Public Comment

Oral comments. Staff will accept oral comments during the workshop. Comments may be limited to five minutes per speaker. Any comments may become part of the public record in this proceeding.

Written comments. Written comments should be submitted to the Dockets Unit by 5:00 p.m. on January 13, 2017. Written comments will be also accepted at the workshop. 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/commission/chief_counsel/docket.html.

Additionally, written comments may be posted to the Energy Commission's website for the 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. This information may become available via Google, Yahoo, and any other search engines.

For this proceeding, the Energy Commission is using an electronic commenting system. Visit the website at http://www.energy.ca.gov/title24/2008standards/special_case_appliance/.

Click on the "Submit e-Comment" link in the Proceeding Information box. From the drop down menu, please select the appropriate docket number. For this proceeding, please select docket 16-ATTCP-01.

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The Energy Commission also accepts comments by e-mail. 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). Please include the docket number 16-ATTCP-01 and indicate "Alternative Procedure to Home Energy Rating System (HERS) Rater Nonresidential Duct Leakage Test Verification" in the subject line. Send comments to docket@energy.ca.gov.

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Availability of Documents

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