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The bottom line is the homeowner will likely not even know they need the inspector until the final inspection. We should be involved throughout the process. The only one who knows what will be needed in advance is the contractor or builder because they've done this before. The issue then is that we cannot get to the project to inspect until the walls have already been closed and at that point, we are trying to clean up after the fact. If the homeowner is only getting called out at final you are not going to get accuracy. All we can do at that point is try to verify directly with the installers what they did. It would essentially cut us out of the process completely.

I do have a question along the same line of my other comments. If the HERS Rater can no longer fill out the CF2R, then who's going to do it? I'm not sure if I'm understanding these proposed changes correctly. Duct leakage, QII, and airflow are some of the forms that are both 2R and 3R. We are the ones that know how to perform these tests. The homeowner nor the installer or contractor wants any involvement in this process or to learn how to do this. As it is, we fill them out and the responsible owner or contractor signs, I don't see why this is an issue because they are signing that they agree and understand. The signature requirement ultimately puts the responsibility and understanding back onto signer (the person who did the work or the homeowner). A majority of our clients right now are contractors and installers. We have created relationships with the local contractors and we all have a mutual understanding of what needs to get done, so that together we can inform the homeowner.