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2016 Energy Design Ratings: Background

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What is an EDR?

Proposed Design / Reference Design * 100

- Units in numerator and denominator are kTDV/sf-yr
- Whole building energy use is used:
 - Space heating & cooling
 - Ventilation
 - Water heating

- Lighting
- Appliances
- Plug loads
- PV



High Level Objectives for 2016 EDR

- EDRs should be consistent with HERS Whole House asset ratings for existing buildings
- EDRs should better align with national HERS (RESNET)
- EDRs should be calculated using CBECC software



EDRs & HERS Whole House

- CEC plans to update HERS Whole House regulations
- HERS Whole House updates will be consistent with changes for 2016 EDRs
- HERS Whole House update will also aim to reduce the costs & increase the quality of existing building asset ratings



EDRs & RESNET HERS

- CEC & RESNET have been collaborating for the last year to find areas where rating alignments can happen
- CA HERS Whole House & EDR modifications resulting from this collaboration:
 - Efficiency level of Reference Design: IECC
 2006, as interpreted by RESNET
 - Normalization of electricity vs. gas equipment in Reference Design



EDR Reference Design - Envelope

- Walls: 2x4 R13 (CZ 2-15); 2x6 R19 (CZ 1&16)
- Roof/Ceilings: R30 (CZ 2-15); R38 (CZ 1&16); No radiant barriers or cool roofs.
- Floors: 2x10 R19 (CZ 2-15); 2x10 R30 (CZ 1&16)
- Slab Edges: R10 insulation 24 inches deep (CZ 1&16)
- Insulation Installation Quality: QII is modeled as "Improved"
- Air infiltration Rate: 7.2 ACH50
- Windows: 0.65 U-factor (CZ 2-15), 0.35 U-factor (CZ 1&16); 0.4 SHGC (All)



EDR Reference Design - HVAC

- Equipment Efficiency: Follows NAECA requirements in effect in 2006. Generally 0.78% AFUE for gas central furnace, 13 SEER for central AC, 7.7 HSPF for heat pump heating
- Cooling airflow & fan power: 300 CFM/ton, 0.8
 W/cfm
- Duct R-value & leakage: R8; 20%
- Thermostat Setpoint Schedules: Constant @ 68 deg F heating & 78 deg F cooling



EDR Reference Design - DHW

- 0.59 Energy Factor for 40 gallon gas storage
- 0.92 Energy Factor for 40 gallon electric resistance storage

- Appliances & Plug loads

• Energy use and internal gains for appliance and miscellaneous plug loads are modeled as specified the ANSI/RESNET/ICC 301-2014 Standard





Normalization of gas & electric equipment energy costs in Reference Design

Space Heating, Space Cooling, Water Heating and Appliance end use TDV energy totals of PROPOSED DESIGN are modified as follows:

TDV prop, end use, gas (final) =

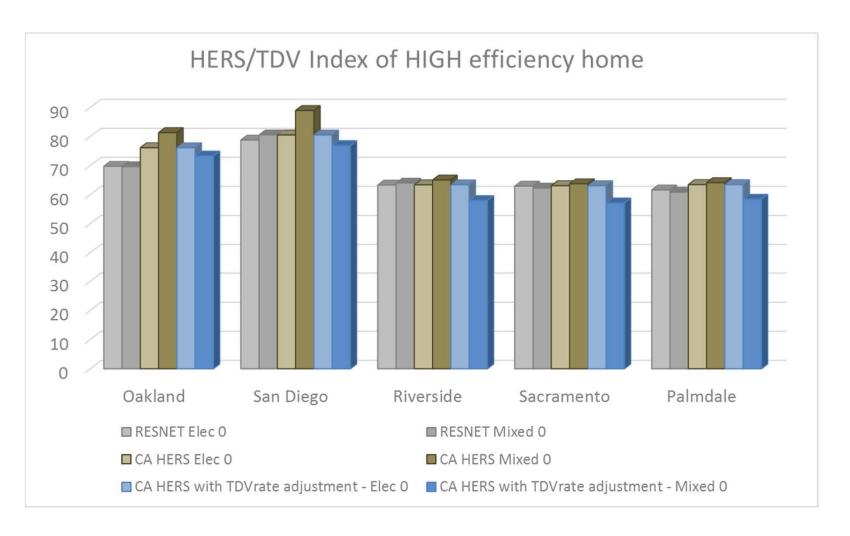
TDV prop, end use, gas * TDV ref, end use, gas

TDV ref, end use, elec

Revised Equation - Original slide had the numerator and denominator reversed.



Impact of EDR adjustment to normalize for fuel type in Reference Design



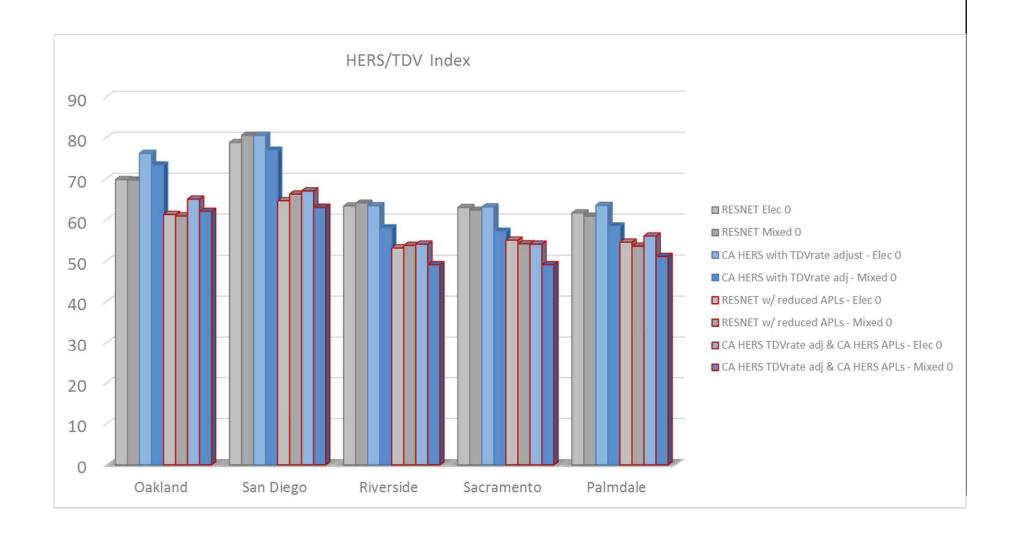


EDR – Proposed Design assumptions

- Thermostat Setpoint Schedules:
 - Constant @ 68 deg F for Heat Pump heating
 - Setback from 68 deg F to 65 deg F for Gas Furnace heating
 - Setback from 78 deg F to 83 deg F for Air Conditioning
- Appliance & Plug Load energy use & internal gains: using CASE team updates discussed this morning



Example of EDRs with CA APLs







Discussion