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NOTICE OF REMOTE-ACCESS STAFF WORKSHOP

RE: 2025 Energy Code Field Verification & Diagnostic Testing, and Nonresidential HVAC Efficiency Requirements

# **Notice of Staff Workshop**

# 2025 Energy Code Field Verification & Diagnostic Testing and Nonresidential HVAC Efficiency Requirements August 29, 2023

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Remote Access Only.

See Attendance Instructions.

The California Energy Commission (CEC) will host a public workshop to present and discuss proposed changes related to the Field Verification & Diagnostic Testing (FV&DT) administrative regulations to be added to the Title 24, Part 1 as part of the 2025 update to the Building Energy Efficiency Standards (Energy Code). Nonresidential HVAC efficiency requirements will also be presented and discussed. These proposed updates aim to further encourage the use of cost-effective and technically feasible energy efficient building practices in the state.

The public can participate in the workshop consistent with the attendance instructions below. The CEC plans to begin promptly at the start time posted. The end time is an estimate based on the proposed agenda. The workshop may end sooner or later than the posted end time.

## **Agenda**

This workshop will include staff presentations on proposed updates to the California Energy Code's requirements for the administrated oversight of the FV&DT program and nonresidential HVAC efficiency requirements. The webinar will also include opportunities for participants to ask questions and provide public comment.

A detailed meeting agenda will be posted prior to the workshop at https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=22-BSTD-01.

# **Background**

California's Building Code (also called Title 24) consists of twelve parts and is updated on a regular three-year cycle. The CEC is the state's proposing and adopting agency for Part 6 of the Building Code (also called the Energy Code). Staff is evaluating proposed amendments for possible inclusion in the 2025 Energy Code update.

Currently, the administrative requirements governing the FV&DT program are in Title 20, as part of the Home Energy Rating System (HERS) regulations. To improve ongoing oversight and performance of the FV&DT program, there are two proceedings currently underway to update the FV&DT program. The first, and the one discussed in this workshop, is to relocate program requirements from Title 20 to the Building Energy Efficiency Standards (in Title 24) and to add or amend provisions for progressive discipline, quality assurance procedures, conflict of interest, rater designation, approval processes, training requirements, and other amendments. This will improve CEC oversight and program performance, and this work is associated with docket 22-BSTD-03. The second proceeding is to sunset the relocated requirements in the Home Energy Rating System (HERS) program. Moving these requirements to Title 24, Part 1, as part of the administrative requirements for the 2025 Energy Code, will improve oversight of the FV&DT program without impact to the HERS Whole House program.

This is one in a series of planned pre-rulemaking workshops in preparation for the 2025 Energy Code update. The goal of these pre-rulemaking workshops is to collect information and solicit feedback from stakeholders and interested members of the public before the start of the formal rulemaking process. The next steps following these pre-rulemaking workshops include drafting of Express Terms for the 2025 Energy Code update, followed by a formal rulemaking proceeding and public comment period beginning in early 2024. After concluding the public process, staff anticipates publishing the proposed 2025 Energy Code update during the first half of 2024, presenting it to the CEC and the California Building Standards Commission for adoption and approval, respectively, and setting an effective date of January 1, 2026. Based on this schedule, the proposed 2025 Energy Code update will apply to building permit applications submitted on or after January 1, 2026.

### **Attendance Instructions**

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**Oral comments** will be accepted at the workshop. Comments may be limited to three minutes or less per speaker and one person per organization. To comment via Zoom, use the "raise hand" feature so the administrator can announce your name and unmute you. To comment via telephone, press \*9 to "raise your hand" and \*6 to mute/unmute.

**Written comments** may be submitted to the Docket Unit by 5:00 p.m. on September 7, 2023. Written and oral comments, attachments, and associated contact information (including address, phone number, and email address) will become part of the public record of this proceeding with access available via any internet search engine.

Written comments may also be submitted by email. Include docket number 22-BSTD-01 and Proposed 2025 Energy Code FV&DT and Nonresidential HVAC Efficiency Requirements in the subject line and email to <a href="mailto:docket@energy.ca.gov">docket@energy.ca.gov</a>

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**Availability of Documents:** Documents and presentations for this meeting will be available at <a href="https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=22-BSTD-01">https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=22-BSTD-01</a>. When new information is posted, an email will be sent to those subscribed to the Building Energy Efficiency Standards subscription list. To receive these notices or notices of other email subscription topics, visit <a href="mailto:Subscriptions">Subscriptions</a>, at <a href="https://www.energy.ca.gov/subscriptions">https://www.energy.ca.gov/subscriptions</a>.

Dated: August 18, 2023, at Sacramento, California.

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