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To whom it may concern,

I have looked over the draft 2013 code and do not see the Air Hood as an option for testing airflow? I hope this was left out by mistake, because the air hood is one of my most valuable pieces of equipment.

As a HERS rater, this equipment serves many purposes, one of the most important is measuring airflow through the return air to a tested HVAC system. I also use it to diagnose air flow problems when evaluating and/or balancing existing duct systems.

This method of measuring air flow is as accurate as any proposed, and in this economic climate I don't see a need to be forced to invest any more money than needed. Please leave this option in the code until a method is available that *increases accuracy enough to warrant the change*.

Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

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