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I am forwarding this to the correct Docket Number on behalf of the Originator, James Soto.

This should have been sent to Docket Number 12-HERS-1

Thanks,

Jim Holland

From: James Soto [<mailto:sotoconsulting402@gmail.com>]
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Subject: Rotation of the Hers Raters

ROTATION of HERS RATERS

HERS RATERS should be rotated for all Hers Testing (CF4-R, CF6R).

Some of the Hers Raters are taking short cuts.

the HVAC Contractors are doing all the sealing, setting up the testing equipment (possibly owned by the HVAC Contractor, then the Hers Rater comes in, turns the fan on, reads the meter and leaves. Using this method, they can test many projects in one day.

This how they can afford to undercut the HERS RATES that doing the test as were trained.

To eliminate the above problem, HERS RATERS should be rotated thru the Building Dept in each city or county. Each Rater would have to register his name and company with each Building Dept in the area that they serve.

CONFLICT of INTEREST with ENERGY CONSULTANTS

Energy Consultants should NOT be permitted to do HERS TESTING on projects they have designed or performed Title 24 calculations.

It is a conflict of interest, in regards that the Energy Consultant is doing the Title 24 Energy Calculations & signing the the CF1 forms, then he performs the duct testing on project the he did the Title 24 on.

It think that this is a conflict of interest, as the same a HVAC Contractor owning his own HERS TESTING COMPANY.

Duct testing should be performed on residential home at point of sale.

Testing should be performed at the time the home goes into escrow.

Thank you
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HERS II RATER

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