Proposed Standards Revision

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Proponent:   Quality Assurance Committee

Organization:  RESNET

Justification:
The RESNET Quality Assurance Committee has completed substantial changes to the RESNET Standards which have been vetted by all RESNET Rating Providers and QA Designees and recently completed a 30 day public comment period. The QA Committee is presently reviewing and responding to the public comments.

One of the substantive amendments to the Standards is recognition of the RESNET National Buildings Registry. While the proposed effective date for all of the amendments under consideration is set at January 1, 2014, the amendments recognizing the Buildings Registry require more immediate implementation. No public comments were received on sections 102.1.4.10, 102.1.4.12 or the definition of RESNET National Building Registry during the public comment period. The Registry has been operational since 2012 and is a critical tool for RESNET’s tracking of Home Energy Rater activity and status, including the archiving of all Home Energy Ratings. For this reason, the Quality Assurance Committee is requesting that the RESNET Board of Directors provide immediate approval for the following amended sections of the Standards, effective May 1, 2013. Note that with one exception, the text presented below, reflects the final form that has been through both the RESNET Rating Provider and QA Designee review as well as the public comment period. The exception is that edits which refer to RESNET “QA Providers,” which will be a new term when the amendments go into effect on January 1, 2014, have been changed to “Home Energy Rating Provider” so as to remain consistent with the current terminology in the Standards. The QA Committee will correct this in the final amendments to be submitted to the Board later this year, after review of the public comments has been completed.

102.1.4.810 Rater Registry. The Home Energy Rating Provider shall maintain a current and accurate registry of all of its certified Raters using the RESNET National Buildings Registry. The Home Energy Rating Provider will maintain this Registry in accordance with policies and procedures established by RESNET related to the RESNET
Buildings Registry. The Provider will also keep on file the names and contact information for all, including company name, mailing address, voice phone number, fax number, and email address. Upon request, the Provider shall provide to RESNET its registry of certified Raters.

102.1.4.1210 All Home Energy Rating Providers shall collect and upload the Energy Simulation File for each home rated by each Certified Rater to RESNET using the RESNET Buildings Registry. The Home Energy Rating Provider will upload ratings and maintain this Registry in accordance with policies and procedures established by RESNET related to the RESNET Buildings Registry. shall maintain an electronic database of information for each home rated or verified for the tax credit. The minimum content of the database is:

Appendix B

RESNET National Buildings Registry - The national online registry of all rated homes and Raters which is maintained by RESNET.