

# **Amendment 2014-01**

## **Mortgage Industry National Home energy Rating Systems Standards**

**Standards Management Board Approval:** June 2, 2014

**Addendum:** Revision of Chapter 3 to comply with ANSI/RSNET 301-2014

**Proponent:** Standards Development Committee 300

**Applies to:** *Mortgage Industry National Home Energy Rating Systems Standards*

**Proposed Addendum:**

*Strike the entirety of Chapter 3 and replace with the following:*

### 300 NATIONAL HOME ENERGY RATING TECHNICAL STANDARDS

#### 301 GENERAL PROVISIONS

##### 301.1 Purpose

The provisions of this Standard are intended to establish residential energy rating standards, consistent with the provisions of the Energy Policy Act of 1992, that any provider of home energy ratings may follow to produce uniform energy ratings for residential buildings.

##### 301.2 Scope

These Standards apply to existing or proposed, site-constructed or manufactured, single- and multi-family residential buildings three stories or less in height excepting hotels and motels.

301.3 Relationship to Other Standards. This Chapter is a companion Chapter to the “National Accreditation Procedures for Home Energy Rating Systems”(Chapter 1 of this Standard); “National Rater Training and Certifying Standard (Chapter 2 of this Standard); and “RESNET National Standard for Quality Assurance” (Chapter 9 of this Standard).

#### 302 DEFINITIONS

The following terms have specific meanings as used in this Standard. In the event that definitions given here differ from definitions given elsewhere, including those given in ANSI/RESNET 301-2014, the definitions given here shall govern.

**Approved Rating Provider** – Shall mean a RESNET-accredited Quality Assurance Provider who is listed in good standing in the National RESNET Registry.

**Approved Software Rating Tool** – Shall mean a RESNET-accredited HERS<sup>®</sup> Rating Tool that has been tested and approved in accordance with RESNET Publication 002-13 and that is listed in the RESNET National Registry of Accredited Rating Software Programs ([http://www.resnet.us/professional/programs/energy\\_rating\\_software](http://www.resnet.us/professional/programs/energy_rating_software)).

**Approved Tester** – Shall mean a RESNET Rater or Rating Field Inspector (RFI) who has been certified by a RESNET-accredited Quality Assurance Provider and who is listed in good standing in the National RESNET Registry.

**Certified Rater** – Shall mean a RESNET Rater who has become qualified to conduct home energy ratings through certification by a RESNET-accredited Quality Assurance Provider and who is listed in good standing in the National RESNET Registry.

### 303 TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

303.1 All RESNET Home Energy Ratings conducted in accordance with this Standard shall comply with the provisions of ANSI/RESNET 301-2014, “Standard for the Calculation and Labeling of the Energy Performance of Low-Rise Residential Buildings using the HERS Index.”

303.2 All Confirmed and Sampled RESNET Ratings shall be registered with the National RESNET Registry in accordance with Sections 102.1.4.10 and 102.1.4.12.

303.3 All RESNET-accredited HERS Rating Tools shall prohibit printing of Confirmed and Sampled HERS Ratings until such rating has been registered with the National RESNET Registry and a unique registration identification has been assigned. Said registration identification shall be prominently displayed on all printed HERS Rating reports.

*Insert the following definitions into Appendix B in alphabetical order.*

#### **Appendix B**

#### **GLOSSARY OF TERMS**

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**Justification:** This addendum is required for RESNET to comply with the ANSI/RESNET 301-2014 Standard.

#### **Effective Dates:**

1. The provisions of this addendum shall become effective immediately following approval of this addendum by the RESNET Standards Management Board.
2. The effective date for RESNET-accredited HERS Rating Tools to be compliant with the requirements of Section 303.1 shall be 180 days following approval of this addendum by the RESNET Standards Management Board.