

**RESNET Formal Interpretation 2006-003**

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**Proponent:**

RESNET Standing Technical Committee

**Applies to:**

*2006 Mortgage Industry National Home Energy Rating Systems Standards*  
Table 303.4.1.(1), under "Building Component--Mechanical Ventilation":

**Interpretation:**

"None, except where a mechanical ventilation system is specified by the rated Home, in which case: Annual vent fan energy use: ..."

Shall be deemed to mean:

"None, except where a mechanical ventilation system is specified in the rated Home. Where mechanical ventilation is specified, the total air exchange rate for the reference home shall be as specified in "air exchange rate" above and annual ventilation fan energy use shall be included in the reference home as follows:"

**Explanation:**

This is required to clarify that the air flow from a ventilation system shall not be added to the reference home when a ventilation system is included in the rated home. This applies generally to software providers.