

# **RESNET 2019 Goals, Priorities and Activities**

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#### **RESNET Goals to Achieve RESNET Mission**

- RESNET and HERS® Raters Recognized as the Gold Standard for Measuring and Labeling Home Performance
- Maintain and Enhance Credibility of HERS Index Scores Through Robust Quality Assurance
- Adopt Water Rating Index American National Standard
- Grow Business Development Opportunities for HERS Raters
- Increase Demand for HERS Ratings

#### **Essential Activities of RESNET**

The RESNET Board has identified the following as RESNET's essential activities:

- Standards Development RESNET is recognized for the standards it develops and HERS credibility is based on the technical basis of its consensus based standards. The rating industry, home builders, utilities, program sponsors, code officials and other RESNET stakeholders depend on RESNET's standards. All business models of the HERS industry are built on our standards.
- 2. National Registry The registry is the hub of rating activity. A home must be entered into the registry in order to print the HERS scoreand reports. The new QA Genie will be fed from the registry. The data contained in the registry is invaluable for analysis, RESNET billings, reporting to policy makers and for the real estate industry to find rated homes. The RESNET registry will be essential to RESNET's relationship with the Appraisal Institute. Residential real estate appraisers will be dependent on the registry in crediting a home's HERS Index Score in the appraisal.
- 3. **Quality Assurance** The end users of HERS ratings (builders, program sponsors, suppliers, etc.) rely on the national consistency of ratings. The RESNET Board has adopted an ambitious policyon enhancing the national consistency of HERS Index scores.

- 4. **RESNET Web Site** RESNET's web site is the face of RESNET. It is the touchstone for our industry. The rating industry relies on the site to find standards, interpretations, programs and policies. Consumers use the site to understand the HERS Index, find raters and RESNET Energy Smart Builders.
- 5. Marketing and Advocacy Marketing is essential in educating consumers, builders, program sponsors, suppliers and stakeholders on the HERS Index and drive demand for RESNET professionals. RESNET has a representative in Washington that looks out for RESNET's interests to the White House, Congress and federal agencies.
- 6. **Annual RESNET Conference** The RESNET Conference is vital to RESNET both in terms of its financial solvency, building cohesion in the industry and providing the cutting edge information affecting HERS ratings.
- 7. **RESNET Water Efficiency Rating (WER) Index and Program Delivery** For the past three years the RESNET Board has identified the development of a WER Index as a priority.
- 8. **Administration and Management** These activities are required to keep the organization operating.

#### 2019 RESNET Priorities

#### **Priority A**

Setting and Maintaining the RESNET Standards of Quality as the Gold Standard for Home Performance

## **Priority B**

Maintaining the Credibility of HERS Ratings and HERS Raters—Sustaining and Enhancing the Quality of HERS Ratings

## **Priority C**

Enhancing the Transparency of HERS Ratings: RESNET National Registry as a Tool for Quality Assurance and Research

## **Priority D**

The RESNET Web Site - Our Face and Touchstone: Improving the User Experience

#### **Priority E**

Growing the Demand for HERS Rating Services through Marketing and Advocacy the 2020 Plan—By 2020 50% of All new homes are HERS Rated

### **Priority F**

Building Cohesion in the HERS Industry through the RESNET Building Performance Conference

**Priority G** 

Improving Home Performance through RESNET Water Efficiency Standard and HERS Program Delivery

**Priority H** 

Maintaining RESNET Financial and Management Integrity and Sustainability

**Priority I** 

Enter into Dialog with Top Volume Rating Providers to Enhance the Quality of HERS Ratings and Growth Strategies for the HERS Industry