

# 2009 IECC and Energy Ratings in Arkansas

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# PTC Classes and Training

Started in 2010 with ARRA grant:

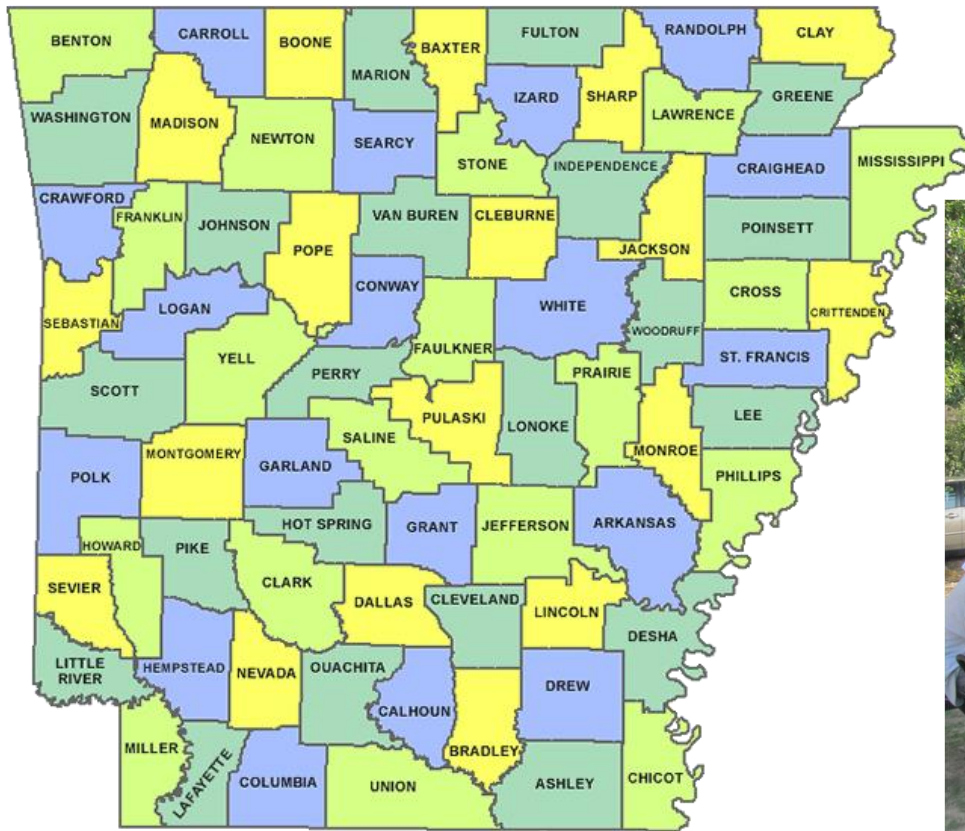
- Training Center of Excellence
- Weatherization (14 Agencies)
- CAZ Zone
- EPA Lead
- Healthy Homes

# Training Centers





# PTC Training state-wide

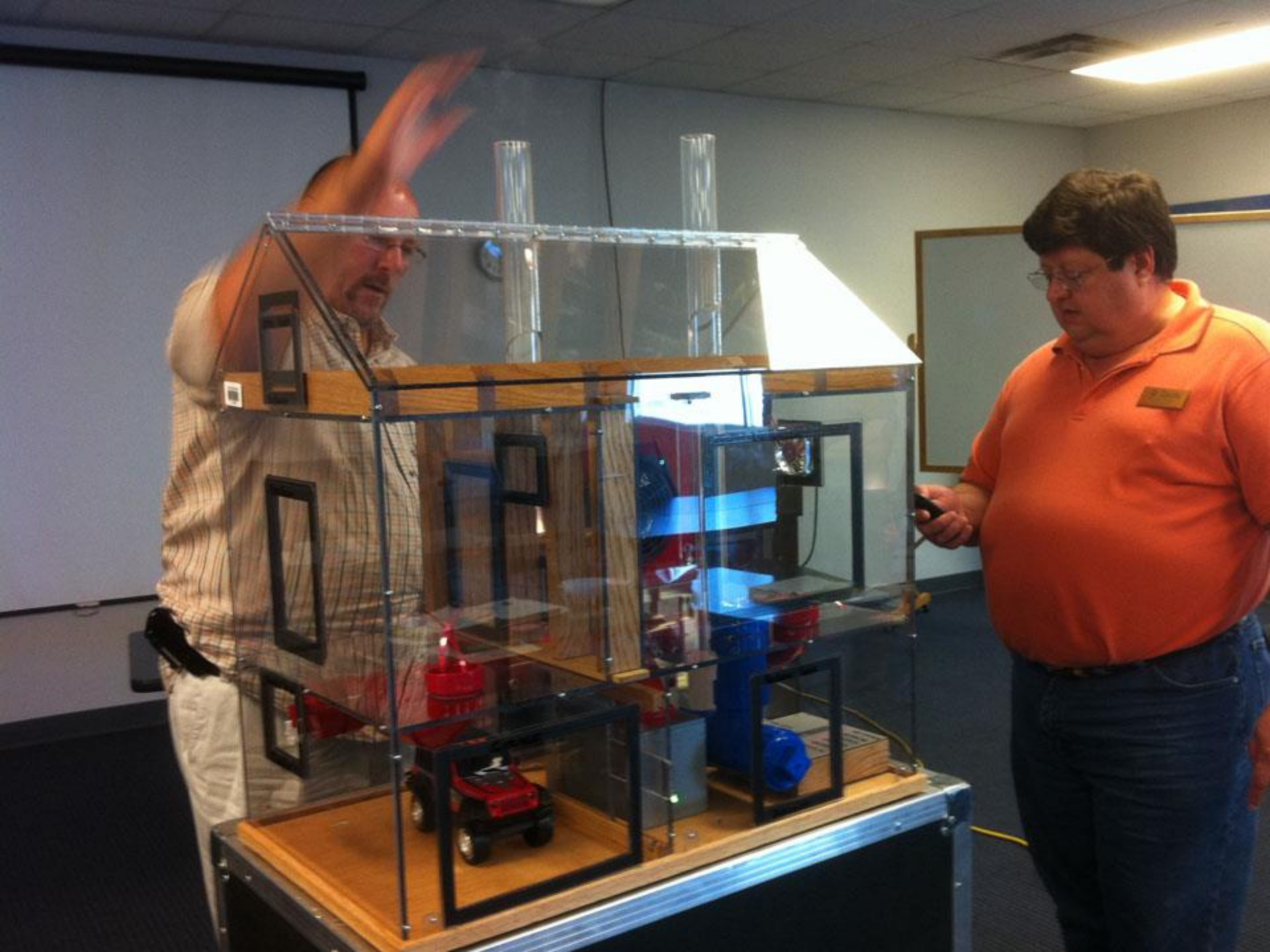




# PTC Classes and Training

Followed with:

- BPI
- Wrightsoft
- Energy Raters
- Green Advantage
- LEED Associate







Reference Table 5.3.3.1 (M) for Power Line/Utility Project Step Adjustments to page 40 in June 2007 R2007E. See also page 40.





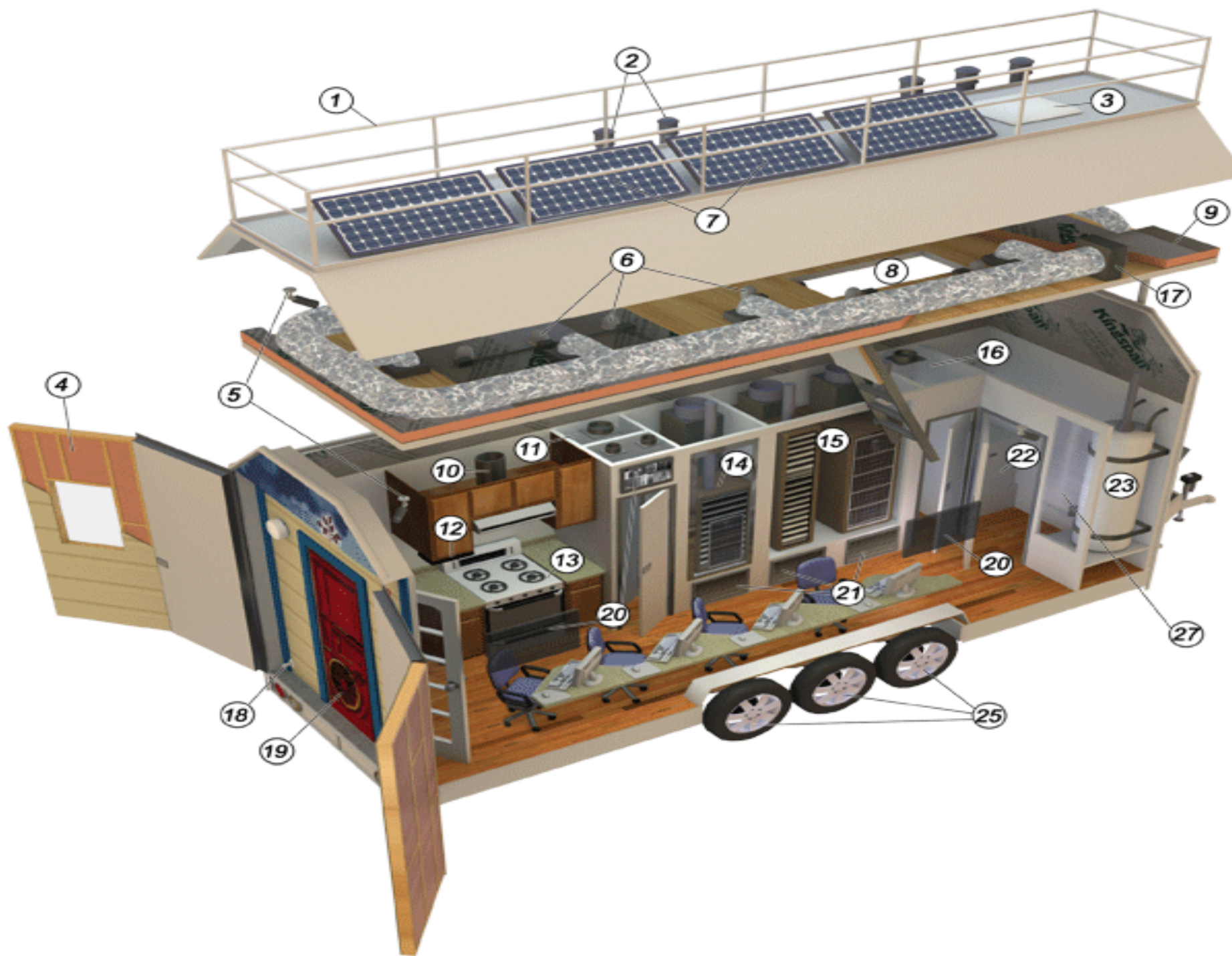
# Mobile Training Lab



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# PTC Classes and Training

Expanded to include:

- ENERGY STAR Homes
- Builders
- HVAC
- Architects
- Realtors
- 2003 and 2009 IECC code

# Building Design and Practices

## What's not changed in 25 years

- Duct leakage
- Oversizing HVAC
- Returns too few and undersized
- Attic knee walls open to the attic
- Framing inefficiencies
- Leaky thermal envelope

# Arkansas Energy Code

- 2003 IECC
- 2004 Removed window requirements.
- No Enforcement
- 16 municipalities adopted it
- 2011 Amended. Must adopt and enforce or say why not
- 2009 IECC planned for 2014

# Municipality Initiatives

## 2011

- LR Sustainability Commission recommended 2009 IECC adoption with HERS ratings. Stalled.

## 2012

- NLR moved towards adoption of 2009 IECC with HERS ratings. Timed out.
- Metroplan championed 3-county adoption. Stalled.
- 2012 Fayetteville adopted the 2009 IECC requiring energy ratings.



# State Energy Office Initiatives

## 2012

- Series of code training classes around the state for code officials and builders through HBA and PTC and NWACC.

## 2013

- Convened first Code Stakeholder Advisory Board meeting to consider amendments and get support.
- Confirmed 2013 (or sooner) adoption
- Another round of training planned.
- Clear two Legislature subcommittee hurdles

# Pulaski Tech's Role

## 2013

- Continue to expand training
- Participate on Code Stakeholder Advisory Board
- Support the Energy Office
- Offer code-related training.
- Develop DET verifier training
- Expand training to appraisers and others
- Win the minds of the deniers

# Barriers

## 2009 IECC Code Implementation

- It's a code
- Added cost (prescriptive)
  - \$1,086 Zone 3
  - \$1,690 Zone 4
  - Positive cash flow in year 2-3
- Education
- Enforcement

# 2009 IECC: Three compliance paths

- **Prescriptive** code plus duct testing and envelope leakage test or checklist
- **RESCheck U/A tradeoffs** code plus duct testing and envelope leakage test or checklist
- **Performance:** A HERS Energy Rating report
  - Equals or exceeds the prescriptive code reference home based on the overall U/A or annual \$/cost.
  - Most flexible

Success  
Requires  
System  
Thinking!



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# We Ignore the Cost of Energy From Design to Default



# **The Housing Industry is a system, too...or could be.**

- Architects
- Builders and Trades
- Real Estate Agents
- Appraisers
- Lenders
- Mortgage insurers
- Code officials
- Utilities

# Next

- Expand 2009 IECC early adopters
- Green Multilist
- Expand training to builder subs
- Expand network of energy raters statewide
- Add appraiser CE this year
- Add DET Verifier Training
- Electric Coop Member Services
- Expanded EIM package



# 2009 IECC

## The Perfect Storm?

- Governor's Energy Plan: 2009 IECC and Energy labeling
- ARRA Mandate
- Training capacity
- Utility Programs
- PACE and SAVE legislation

# Lessons learned

- Involve all the stakeholders. The energy code is not an issue just for builders.
- Building science can be fun. Everyone lives in a house.
- Don't spend resources educating the public. Educate the people in the housing industry the public meets.

## **Parting thoughts**

You don't get what you expect, you get what you inspect.

It's OK to look back, but don't stare.



# Thank you.



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