# **ENERGY STAR® Partnership Agreement** For Home Builders



# **BUILDER TYPES**

Select Your Builder Type(s) based on the ENERGY STAR qualified homes you will build:

Ø	Single Family Home Builder - Builders of single-family homes that are constructed on-site and intended for sale (including builders utilizing construction systems such as modular, SIPs, and ICFs.)
	Multi Family Home Builder - Builders of multi-family homes that are constructed on-site and intended for sale (including builders utilizing construction systems such as modular, SIPs, and ICFs). Note: ENERGY STAR guidelines for residential construction apply to homes that are up to three stories in height and built to residential codes.
	Manufactured Home Plant - Plants that produce HUD-code manufactured homes. Note: To be eligible for partnership, a plant must first be certified to produce ENERGY STAR qualified manufactured homes.
	Manufactured Home Retailer or Installer - Retailers that are responsible for installing manufactured homes on-site (including communities that install manufactured homes on-site).
	Modular Home Plant - Plants that produce homes in sections that are then carried to a building site for final assembly and comply with local site-built building codes.
	<b>Developer</b> - Organizations that are responsible for planning and developing communities where multiple builders construct homes. Note: To be eligible for partnership, developers must require that builders construct only ENERGY STAR qualified homes in the development.
	Owner/Builder - Individuals that build their own homes.

## **ORGANIZATION INFORMATION**

Please provide your organization's physical address. If you have a different mailing address, enter it when adding contacts on page 2.

Address:	305 Ruther Ford Road		Primary Phone:	864-370-4787	
			FAX Number:	864-370-1477	
City, State, Zip:	Greenville, SC 29609		Web Site URL:	http://www.habitatgreenville.or	
ENERGY STAR	IRL: http://		_		
Average Number	of Homes Built Per Year	15			
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To make this commitment, please initial here:

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#### CONTACTS

Please provide the name, contact information, and mailing address of at least one contact person. At least one person must be designated as a "Primary Contact". Contact information for the Authorized Company Representative or "Signatory" who signs this application must be included here. The Signatory can be the same as the Primary Contact.

1.	Full Name: Jeff H	ommerding			Primary Contact
	Title:		Role in Organization:	Construction/P	- roject Manager
			Primary Phone:	864-370-4787	ext.
	Address:	305 Ruther Ford Road	FAX Number:		
			Secondary Number:		ext.
	City, State, Zip:	Greenville SC 29609	O Hon	ne <b>O</b> Work	O Mobile
	Email Address: (requ	ired for access to ENERGY STAR Partner applications):	jeff@hehgreenville.org		
2.	Full Name: Sam L	.ee			Primary Contact
	Title:		Role in Organization:	Chief Executive	
			Primary Phone:	864-370-4787	ext.
	Address:	305 Ruther Ford Road	FAX Number:		
			Secondary Number:		ext.
	City, State, Zip:	Greenville SC 29609	 O <sup>Hon</sup>	ne <b>O</b> Work	O Mobile
	Email Address: (requ	ired for access to ENERGY STAR Partner applications):	sam@hfhgreenville.org	_	_
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	e Completed by US EPA Kathleen Hogan: Director, Signature:	Climate Protection Partnerships Division, U.S. Environmental	Protection Agency	Date:	

For more information, contact us at homes@energystar.gov or visit www.energystar.gov/homes

# **ENERGY STAR® Partnership Agreement** For Home Builders (Supporting Information)



# **ENERGY STAR Background Information**

EPA's ENERGY STAR helps consumers, businesses, and public organizations protect the environment through superior energy efficiency. ENERGY STAR for Homes promotes energy-efficient homes that can improve builder profitability, improve home quality and homeowner comfort, lower energy demand, and reduce air pollution. ENERGY STAR qualified homes are third-party verified to be significantly more energy efficient than homes built to code.\* Savings are typically achieved through a combination of envelope upgrades, high performance windows, controlled air infiltration, upgraded heating and air conditioning systems, tight duct systems, upgraded waterheating equipment, and efficient lighting and appliances.

\* Please visit the ENERGY STAR Web site at www.energystar.gov for information on current ENERGY STAR guidelines.

## **ENERGY STAR's Commitments to Partners**

- 1. Increase awareness of the ENERGY STAR label by distributing key messages on the benefits of ENERGY STAR qualified homes and homes-related products.
- 2. Provide current ENERGY STAR news, information, and reference documents (via the ENERGY STAR Web site, Hotline, e-mail or other means).
- 3. Provide ENERGY STAR partners with public recognition for their involvement in ENERGY STAR and role in protecting the environment through the online ENERGY STAR partner locator tool, special awards, and other media.
- 4. Respond swiftly to any partner requests for information or clarification on ENERGY STAR policies.

# **General Commitments for ENERGY STAR Partners**

- 1. Use the partnership and the ENERGY STAR label to promote energy efficiency as an easy and desirable option for new homebuyers to prevent pollution, protect the environment, and save money on energy bills.
- 2. Adhere to the ENERGY STAR Identity Guidelines (available at www.energystar.gov/marks) and ensure that authorized representatives, such as advertising agencies, distributors, and subcontractors, also comply.
- 3. Adhere to the ENERGY STAR Web Linking Guidelines (available at www.energystar.gov/partners). Failure to do so can result in the loss of linking privileges from the ENERGY STAR Web site.
- 4. Build or label at least one ENERGY STAR qualified home within any ongoing 12-month period. Partners not fulfilling this requirement will be deemed 'inactive,' thereby forfeiting all rights to the ENERGY STAR name and mark, their listing on the online ENERGY STAR partner locator tool, and any inclusion in ENERGY STAR promotional materials.
- 5. Affix an ENERGY STAR label to all homes that are independently verified to meet the ENERGY STAR performance guidelines.

## **Commitments for Home Builders**

- 1. BUILDER PARTNERS: Clearly inform homebuyers when their new homes have qualified for the ENERGY STAR label and be able to describe the features and benefits of these ENERGY STAR qualified homes.
- 2. BUILDER PARTNERS: Provide a home energy rating report or relevant Builder Option Package for any qualified home upon EPA's request.
- 3. MANUFACTURED HOMES PARTNERS: "Comply with all current performance guidelines (as documented on the ENERGY STAR Homes web site) for designing, manufacturing, installing, and certifying ENERGY STAR qualified manufactured homes. For plants this includes becoming certified to produce ENERGY STAR qualified manufactured homes by a third-party certifier who has been accredited by an EPA-approved Quality Assurance Provider."

### **General Terms and Disclaimers**

- The partner will not construe, claim, or imply that its participation in ENERGY STAR constitutes federal government approval, acceptance, or endorsement of anything other than the partner's commitment to ENERGY STAR. Partnership does not constitute federal government endorsement of the partner or its homes or services.
- 2. The partner understands that the activities it undertakes in connection with ENERGY STAR are voluntary and not intended to provide services to the federal government. As such, the partner will not submit a claim for compensation to any federal agency.
- The partner and ENERGY STAR will assume good faith as a general principle for resolving conflict and will seek to resolve all matters informally, so as to preserve maximum public confidence in ENERGY STAR.
- 4. This agreement is voluntary and can be terminated by either party at any time for any reason, with no penalty.
- Failure to comply with any of the terms of this partnership agreement can result in its termination and cessation of access to the benefits of ENERGY STAR, including use of the marks.
- 6. ENERGY STAR will actively pursue resolution of noncompliance related to the use of the ENERGY STAR marks.