



ENERGY STAR® RESIDENTIAL NEW CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMS



Dear ENERGY STAR Residential New Construction Stakeholder,

EPA is proposing enhancements to the ENERGY STAR Certification System designed to improve the effectiveness of current QAQC activities, give HCOs new tools to oversee participants operating in their ENERGY STAR certification programs, and ultimately create more confidence in the quality of ENERGY STAR certifications. New measures will impact partners' verification workflow, including centralized photo collection, digital checklist retention, printing of labels and certificates exclusively through approved software, and a threshold amount of QA review being performed directly by Home Certification Organization (HCO) personnel.

A six-week stakeholder feedback period commences today, December 11th, and will end on January 19th, 2024.

To view the redline draft changes, companion document, and Stakeholder Comment Form, visit the [ENERGY STAR website](#).

EPA values the feedback of our ENERGY STAR partners and other program stakeholders and will consider all feedback received during the comment period. Please submit written comments on any aspect of this proposal to energystarhomes@energystar.gov using the provided Stakeholder Comment Form. Note that all submitted comments will be posted on the ENERGY STAR website.

To learn more, please join the ENERGY STAR Residential New Construction team today for a webinar that will describe the proposal, explain the timelines for providing feedback, and answer questions. Slides will be posted [online](#) and a recording made available upon request.

**Strengthening the ENERGY STAR Certification System's
Quality Assurance and Quality Control Requirements
Monday, December 11th, 1-2 PM EST**

To register, click [here](#)

Please feel free to forward this information to other interested stakeholders working in the residential new construction market. We appreciate your support of the ENERGY STAR program.

Best regards,

The ENERGY STAR Residential New Construction Team

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