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Building Contractor/Designer:

In 2009 the State of Iowa adopted the 2009 Edition of the International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) which is now mandated throughout the state. The implementation date was January 1, 2010 with a (90) day transition period.

Effective April 1, 2010 compliance with the 2009 IECC is required for both the design and construction of all residential and commercial projects.

There are three ways for residential contractors to accomplish compliance with the 2009 IECC code:

1. Utilize a third party energy consultant to prepare the required submittal documents showing that the design is compliant with the code, to document that the construction is compliant with the design documents, to complete a blower door test, and to provide a Certificate of Compliance that is consistent with Chapter 4 of the IECC.

OR

2. The building permit applicant may submit the required documentation using Res-check, with all supporting documentation, for review by city staff. Scheduled inspections(s) by city staff will be required to observe the mandatory provisions of the code to observe and verify the methods, materials and completeness of the construction. The permit holder will be required to provide the results of a blower door test at the completion of the project. An Energy Code Administration fee of \$260.00 will be added to the cost of the building permit.

OR

3. The building permit applicant can choose to submit design documents illustrating the building thermal envelope meets the provisions of the code using the design tables contained in Chapter 4 of the IECC. To use this method, detailed documentation will be required for review and which shall provide assembly listings and illustrations showing how the assemblies meet the minimum standards as prescribed in the design tables of Chapter 4 (IECC). Scheduled inspection(s) by city staff will be required to observe and verify the methods, materials and completeness of the construction. The permit holder will be required to provide the results of a blower door test at the

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completion of the project. An Energy Code Administration fee of \$295.00 will be added to the cost of the building permit.

Commercial projects shall provide Com-check documentation and a compliance statement using a third party inspection service.

Effective immediately, applications for building permits ***WILL NOT*** be accepted unless it is accompanied with one of the following: 1) scope of service from the energy consultant that addresses the minimum standards in Option #1 above, 2) a Res-check report as outlined in Option #2 above (including Inspection Checklist and Compliance Certificate output), or 3) design documents and calculations substantiating compliance with the design tables of chapter 4 (IECC).

Please also be advised, that neither a Temporary Certificate of Occupancy or Permanent Certificate of Occupancy will be issued without first having provided this office with a copy of the Certificate of Compliance (Option #1) or the results of a blower door test (Options #2 and #3).

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

David Churchill

Construction Services Administrator