**ID-2: Codes and Standards Programs (State and Local Code Official)**

**OMB Control No. XXXXXXXX**

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION (to be filled in prior to interview):**

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| Programmatic Activity Name: |  |
| Year: |  |
| BPAC Area |  |
| 2008 Budget: |  |
| 2008 Market Title Sampled |  |
| 2009-2010 ARRA budget |  |
| 2009-2010 ARRA Market Title Sampled |  |
| Types of Services Provided through Programmatic Activity: |  |
| Structure of SEP/ARRA funded activities from informal discussions with SEP representative (from database) |  |
| Contact Name: |  |
| Contact Company: |  |
| Contact Phone: |  |
| Contact Disposition: |  |

## Introduction

My name is [INTERVIEWER NAME] from [Itron]. The US Department of Energy’s State Energy Program has hired us to gather information on the results of programs supported by the State Energy Program and the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) to upgrade energy efficiency building codes and improve the enforcement. The information you supply will be used to characterize the program in [PROGRAM YEAR]. This interview is being conducted as part of an evaluation of the State Energy Program being conducted by Oak Ridge National Laboratory on behalf of the U. S. Department of Energy.

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) would like to inform each individual that the information requested here is being solicited under the statutory authority of Title III of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act of 1975, as amended, which authorizes DOE to administer the State Energy Program (SEP). This information is being sought as part of a national evaluation of SEP, the purpose of which is to reliably quantify Program accomplishments and help inform decisions on future operations. The sole use of the information collected will be for an analysis of national-level Program impacts. Disclosure of this information is voluntary and there will be no adverse effects associated with not providing all or any part of the requested information. The survey should take no more than 75 minutes for you to complete

The information from all respondents will be combined for analysis purposes and data will not be released in a way that would reveal an individual respondent. If you prefer not to answer a question, just let me know and we’ll go on to the next question. If you have any questions about this study, you can contact [MAIN STUDY CONTACT?]. Characterization of Code Organization and Operations

First, I’d like to get some information about your department, your job and experience regarding energy efficiency elements of the building codes in force in your jurisdiction.

1. What elements of building code development and enforcement is your organization responsible for?
   1. Technical support for building code adoption by executive or legislative bodies
   2. Training and oversight of code enforcement officials
   3. Oversight of local code administration from the state level
   4. Review of plans for compliance prior to construction
   5. Inspection of construction in progress
   6. Issue of occupancy permits
   7. Other: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. What are the geographic boundaries for the jurisdiction of your organization?
3. How many building permits were issued by <ORGANIZATION NAME> in the latest year for which you have data?
   1. Residential building permits #: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in year \_\_\_\_\_\_
   2. Commercial building permits #: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in year \_\_\_\_\_\_
   3. Don’t know \_\_\_\_\_
      1. Would someone else in your agency be able to answer this question? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
4. How many employees (FTEs) currently work in this organization? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
5. And how many or what percentage of those employees work directly in plan review and inspection? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
6. What are your specific job responsibilities?
7. IF ORGANIZATION CONDUCTS PLAN REVIEWS OR INSPECTIONS, ASK: What specific compliance elements is your organization responsible for inspecting?
   1. Electrical
   2. Mechanical
   3. Plumbing
   4. Structural
   5. Energy
   6. Other: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
   7. Other: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
8. Is compliance with code elements related to energy efficiency, such as the efficiency of lighting systems, levels of insulation, and efficiency of heating and cooling equipment required for the issuance of occupancy permits in your jurisdiction?
   1. Yes
   2. No
   3. Under some circumstances
      1. PROBE FOR EXPLANATION OF PRACTICES
9. What methods does your organization or the organizations you oversee use to assess compliance with energy-related code elements for commercial buildings?
10. IF MORE THAN ONE METHOD USED, ASK: What percentage of total projects are assessed using [METHOD]?

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|  | **9. Method** | **10. Percent of Projects** |
| a | Checklist of prescriptive features |  |
| b | Compliance software such as ComCheck |  |
| c | Building simulation modeling of total building performance |  |
| d | Other (Specify) |  |
| e | Don’t assess compliance for energy elements |  |
| f | Don’t Know/Refused |  |

1. What methods does your organization or the organizations you oversee use to assess compliance with energy-related code elements for residential buildings?
2. IF MORE THAN ONE METHOD USED, ASK: What percentage of total projects are assessed using [METHOD]?

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|  | **11. Method** | **12. Percent of Projects** |
| a | Checklist of prescriptive features |  |
| b | Compliance software such as ResCheck |  |
| c | Building simulation modeling of total building performance |  |
| d | Other (Specify) |  |
| e | Don’t assess compliance for energy elements |  |
| f | Don’t know/Refused |  |

## Characterization of Baseline Construction Practices

This next set of questions seeks information on common construction practices related to energy efficiency during the period immediately prior to [PROGRAM YEAR]. In particular we are interested in practices related to lighting, heating, cooling and related controls, shell insulation and air sealing. Are you able to provide information on standard practices in your jurisdiction, based on your experience in reviewing plans and inspecting projects or on your experience in overseeing such operations? Your general impressions and best approximations are fine for these purposes.

Yes: PROCEED TO BASELINE QUESTIONS

No: IS THERE SOMEONE ELSE IN THE ORGANIZATION WHO CAN PROVIDE THAT INFORMATION?

PROBE TO IDENTIFY STAFF WITH EXPERIENCE IN EITHER RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL, OR BOTH.

1. In this question, I am going to read a specifications for a series of commercial building elements that reflect the International Code Council’s 2009 International Energy Conservation Code. I would like you to tell me what percent of the projects your organization reviewed in the year prior to [PROGRAM YEAR] met this specification. I would also like you to tell me what the most frequent value for the specification was. So, for example, the IECC 2009 requires that unitary cooling equipment from 65,000 to 135,000 BTU/hr have an EER of at least 11.0. We would like to know what percent of projects with cooling equipment of that type met the 11.0 EER standard, and what the typical alternative EER level was in the year prior to PROGRAM YEAR]. Finally, since construction practices vary a great deal in the commercial sector, we are seeking your best estimates for three different building types: offices, retail, and institutional, such as schools. REFER TO THE ANSWER GRID. IT MAY BE BEST TO EMAIL THE ANSWER GRID IN ADVANCE AND HAVE THE RESPONDENT FILL IT OUT PRIOR TO THE CALL.  
   1. What percentage of [Office, Retail, Schools] projects completed in [YEAR PRIOR TO PROGRAM YEAR] met the following specifications?
   2. What was the typical alternative specification at the time?
2. In this question, I am seeking the same kind of information for residential buildings from single family homes to 4 units, and for multifamily buildings with 5 or more units.
3. **Commercial Baseline Practices**

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|  |  | **a. % Meeting Spec.** | | | **b. Alternative Specification** |
| **Component** | **IECC 2009 Specification\*** | **Office** | **Retail** | **Inst.** | **If Applicable** |
| Roof Insulation | R-19 for standing seam roof /single fiberglass layer; R-19 + R13 for multiple layers |  |  |  |  |
| Wall Insulation | R-19 for single faced fiberglass insulation layer between wall panels & steel frame. R-13 + 5.6 rigid insulation |  |  |  |  |
| Maximum Window Area | 40% of above-grade wall area |  |  |  |  |
| Unitary AC/Air Cooled | < 65 kBtu/hr, ~ 5 tons SEER 13.0  65 – 135 kBtu/hr, ~ 10 tns EER 11.0  135 – 240 kBtu/hr ~ 20 tns EER 10.6  > 240 kBtu/hr EER 9.5 |  |  |  |  |
| Packaged Thermal AC & Heat Pumps | AC EER 12.5 HP EER 12.3 |  |  |  |  |
| Water cooled chillers | < 300 tons .634 kW/ton  300 – 600 tons .576 kW/ton |  |  |  |  |
| Thermostatic Controls | Automatic setback and shut-off capability for 7 daily schedules/week |  |  |  |  |
| Demand Control Ventilation | Required in all spaces > 500 sf with average occupancy > 40 persons/1000 sf |  |  |  |  |
| Energy (Heat) Recovery Ventilation | All fans > 5,000 CFM and > 70% outside air supply |  |  |  |  |
| Economizers | Required in all cooling systems  > 54 kBtu |  |  |  |  |
| Interior Lighting Controls | Dual switching to reduce connected load by 50% or occupancy sensors |  |  |  |  |
| Interior Lighting Controls | Automatic shut-off via time clock, EMS, or occupancy sensors |  |  |  |  |
| Interior Lighting Power Density | Office 1.0 Watt/sf  Retail 1.5 Watt/sf  School/University 1.2 Watt/sf |  |  |  |  |
| Exterior Lighting Control | Motion sensor or time clock |  |  |  |  |

\* Some specifications for shell elements change depending on climate zone. Consult IECC 2009 for correct values.

1. **Residential Baseline Practices**

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|  |  | **a. % Meeting Spec.** | |  |
| **Component** | **IECC 2009 Specification** | **1 – 4 units** | **> 5  units** | **b. Alternative Specification If Applicable** |
| Ceiling Insulation | CZ 1-3 R-30  CZ 4-5 R-38  CZ 6-8 R-49 |  |  |  |
| Wall Insulation | CZ 1-4 except Marine R-13  CZ 4 Marine-6 R-20  CZ 7-8 R-21 |  |  |  |
| Floor Insulation | CZ 1-2 R-13  CZ 3-4 except Marine R-19  CZ 4 Marine - 6 R-30  CZ 7-8 R-38 |  |  |  |
| Basement Insulation | CZ 1-2 0  CZ 3 R-5 Sheathing or R-13 Cavity Fill  CZ 4 Marine - 6 R-10/R-13  CZ 7-8 R-15/R-19 |  |  |  |
| Slab Insulation | CZ 1-3 0  CZ 4-5 R-10 to 2 ft depth  CZ 6-8 R-10 to 4 ft depth |  |  |  |
| Fenestration U Factor | CZ 1 1.20  CZ 2 0.65  CZ 3 0.50  CZ 4 – 8 0.35 |  |  |  |
| Air Leakage | Tested – maximum 7 air changes/hr at 33.5 psf (50 pascals) or detailed visual inspection by independent inspector |  |  |  |
| Duct Insulation | R-8 for all supply ducts in attic; others R-6 |  |  |  |
| Duct leakage | Rough-in and post construction testing of all ducts in non-conditioned areas. Maximum 8 cfm leakage per 100 sf of conditioned space |  |  |  |
| Mechanical Ventilation | Automatic or gravity dampers on all outdoor air intakes and exhausts |  |  |  |
| Heating & Cooling System Sizing | Per Manual J or International Residential Code |  |  |  |
| Interior Lighting | 50% of lamps in permanent fixtures must be high efficacy (Fluorescent, CFL, LED) |  |  |  |

## Effect of Program on Acceleration of Statewide Code Adoption

**IF ONE OF THE OBJECTIVES OF THE PROGRAM WAS TO ACCELERATE ADOPTION OF IECC 2009 AS THE STATEWIDE ENERGY EFFICIENCY CODE, ASK THIS SECTION. OTHERWISE SKIP TO NEXT SECTION.**

As you may know, the Governor agreed to adopt IECC 2009 as part of your state’s building code as a condition of receiving funding for energy projects through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. The date of adoption of the code is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and the effective date is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. In this set of questions I would like to gather your thoughts on the likely timing of adoption for new statewide energy codes in the absence of the incentives and supports offered through ARRA.

1. First, do you think your state would have adopted *any* statewide energy code by 2020 in the absence of the incentives and supports offered by ARRA?
   1. Yes
   2. No
   3. Don’t know
2. IF 15 = NO, ASK: Why do you say that?

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1. IF 15 =YES, ASK: In the absence of the requirement that the state adopt IECC 2009 as its energy code, in what year do you think the it would have come into effect in this state?

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| **2010** | **2011** | **2012** | **2013** | **2014** | **2015** | **2016** | **2017** | **2018** | **2019** | **2020** |
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1. What are your main reasons for this assessment?

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**Additional follow-up questions**

1. During the 5 years prior to [PROGRAM YEAR], had there been efforts to adopt or update a statewide energy efficiency building code?
   1. Yes
   2. No
   3. Don’t know
2. IF 19 = YES, ASK: Which organizations advocated for adoption of a new statewide energy efficiency code?

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1. What organizations or constituencies opposed adoption of new codes?

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1. What were their principal objections to the adoption of new codes?

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1. How effective were the advocates and opponents of the code in enlisting political support for their views? What evidence do you have for this assessment?

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1. Were there other business, economic, or political factors in the state that were supporting or working against the adoption of energy codes immediately prior to [PROGRAM YEAR]? IF YES: What were they?

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1. What were the outcomes of these efforts? Was a new or updated code adopted?

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1. To your knowledge, was your state’s energy office, also known as [NAME OF OFFICE], involved in developing or supporting the development and adoption of this code?
   1. Yes
   2. No
   3. Don’t know
2. IF 26 = YES, ASK: What specific activities did the [NAME OF OFFICE] undertake to support the development and adoption of the new energy code?

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1. On a scale of 1 to 10, where 1 means “not at all important” and 10 means “very important”, how important was your state energy office’s involvement in the development and adoption of the energy efficiency building code?

ENTER 1 – 10, 99 FOR DK/REF: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Why do you say that?

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## Effect of the Program on Local Code Adoption

**IF ONE OF THE OBJECTIVES OF THE PROGRAM WAS TO SUPPORT AND ACCELERATE ADOPTION OF LOCAL ENERGY EFFICIENCY CODES, ASK THIS SECTION. IT IS ADDRESSED TO CODE OFFICIALS IN JURISDICTIONS THAT PARTICIPATED IN CODE DEVELOPMENT PROCESSES. OTHERWISE SKIP TO NEXT SECTION. YOU SHOULD NOT ASK THIS SECTION IF YOU HAVE ASKED SECTION D.**

According to descriptions of the state activities provided to us, one of their objectives was to promote the development and adoption of energy efficiency codes in selected local jurisdictions, including yours.

1. First, can you describe the activities the state energy office or its contractors undertook to support the development and adoption of energy efficiency building codes in you jurisdiction?

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1. What building energy efficiency codes, if any, were in place prior to this effort?

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1. Can you describe the codes that your jurisdiction adopted with the assistance of the state energy office?

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1. What is the date on which these codes became or will become effective?

Month \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Do you think your jurisdiction would have adopted *any* building energy code by 2020 in the absence of the programs and support offered by the state energy office?
   1. Yes
   2. No
   3. Don’t know
2. IF 34 = NO, ASK: Why do you think that?

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1. IF 34 =YES, ASK: In the absence of the programs and support you received from the state energy office, in what year do you think that your jurisdiction would have adopted energy efficiency codes?

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| **2010** | **2011** | **2012** | **2013** | **2014** | **2015** | **2016** | **2017** | **2018** | **2019** | **2020** |
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1. What are your main reasons for this assessment?

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**Additional follow-up questions**

1. During the 5 years prior to [PROGRAM YEAR], had there been efforts to adopt or update a energy efficiency building codes in your jurisdiction?
   1. Yes
   2. No
   3. Don’t know
2. IF 38 = YES, ASK: Which organizations advocated for adoption of a new statewide energy efficiency code?

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1. What organizations or constituencies opposed adoption of new codes?

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1. What were their principal objections to the adoption of new codes?

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1. How effective were the advocates and opponents of the code in enlisting political support for their views? What evidence do you have for this assessment?

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1. Were there other business, economic, or political factors in the jurisdiction that were supporting or working against the adoption of energy codes immediately prior to [PROGRAM YEAR]? IF YES: What were they?

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1. On a scale of 1 to 10, where 1 means “not at all important” and 10 means “very important”, how important was your state energy office’s involvement in the development and adoption of the energy efficiency building codes?

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1. Why do you say that?

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## Non-compliance Rates

**ASK THIS SECTION ONLY IF PA HAS TARGETED ACCELERATION OF ADOPTION OF STATEWIDE OR LOCAL CODES; THAT IS, ONLY IF YOU HAVE ASKED SECTIONS D OR E.**

In this set of questions we seek your views on the extent to which various provisions of the energy efficiency codes you have adopted are being complied with.

1. What percent of permitted projects in your jurisdiction meet each of the following code requirements, taking into account the resources available for enforcement and current practices of builders and construction professionals active in the jurisdiction. A response of 100 percent means that all projects permitted in your jurisdiction meet the code specifications. A response of 90 percent means that 10 percent of the permitted projects do not meet specifications, due to lack of understanding or motivation on the part of the builder or lack of enforcement resources.
2. FOR FEATURES WITH ESTIMATED COMPLIANCE RATE BELOW 90 PERCENT, ASK: What are the principal reasons for lack of compliance for this component?

**Commercial Code Compliance**

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| **Component** | **IECC 2009 Specification\*** | **46. Compliance Rate** | **47. Principal Reasons for Non-compliance** |
| Roof Insulation | R-19 for standing seam roof /single fiberglass layer; R-19 + R13 for multiple layers |  |  |
| Wall Insulation | R-19 for single faced fiberglass insulation layer between wall panels & steel frame. R-13 + 5.6 rigid insulation |  |  |
| Maximum Window Area | 40% of above-grade wall area |  |  |
| Unitary AC/Air Cooled | < 65 kBtu/hr, ~ 5 tons SEER 13.0  65 – 135 kBtu/hr, ~ 10 tns EER 11.0  135 – 240 kBtu/hr ~ 20 tns EER 10.6  > 240 kBtu/hr EER 9.5 |  |  |
| Packaged Thermal AC & Heat Pumps | AC EER 12.5 HP EER 12.3 |  |  |
| Water cooled chillers | < 300 tons .634 kW/ton  300 – 600 tons .576 kW/ton |  |  |
| Thermostatic Controls | Automatic setback and shut-off capability for 7 daily schedules/week |  |  |
| Demand Control Ventilation | Required in all spaces > 500 sf with average occupancy > 40 persons/1000 sf |  |  |
| Energy (Heat) Recovery Ventilation | All fans > 5,000 CFM and > 70% outside air supply |  |  |
| Economizers | Required in all cooling systems  > 54 kBtu |  |  |
| Interior Lighting Controls | Dual switching to reduce connected load by 50% or occupancy sensors |  |  |
| Interior Lighting Controls | Automatic shut-off via time clock, EMS, or occupancy sensors |  |  |
| Interior Lighting Power Density | Office 1.0 Watt/sf  Retail 1.5 Watt/sf  School/University 1.2 Watt/sf |  |  |
| Exterior Lighting Control | Motion sensor or time clock |  |  |

\* Some specifications for shell elements change depending on climate zone. Consult IECC 2009 for correct values.

**Residential Code Compliance**

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| **Component** | **IECC 2009 Specification** | **46. Compliance Rate** | **47. Principal Reasons for Non-compliance** |
| Ceiling Insulation | CZ 1-3 R-30  CZ 4-5 R-38  CZ 6-8 R-49 |  |  |
| Wall Insulation | CZ 1-4 except Marine R-13  CZ 4 Marine-6 R-20  CZ 7-8 R-21 |  |  |
| Floor Insulation | CZ 1-2 R-13  CZ 3-4 except Marine R-19  CZ 4 Marine - 6 R-30  CZ 7-8 R-38 |  |  |
| Basement Insulation | CZ 1-2 0  CZ 3 R-5 Sheathing or R-13 Cavity Fill  CZ 4 Marine - 6 R-10/R-13  CZ 7-8 R-15/R-19 |  |  |
| Slab Insulation | CZ 1-3 0  CZ 4-5 R-10 to 2 ft depth  CZ 6-8 R-10 to 4 ft depth |  |  |
| Fenestration U Factor | CZ 1 1.20  CZ 2 0.65  CZ 3 0.50  CZ 4 – 8 0.35 |  |  |
| Air Leakage | Tested – maximum 7 air changes/hr at 33.5 psf (50 pascals) or detailed visual inspection by independent inspector |  |  |
| Duct Insulation | R-8 for all supply ducts in attic; others R-6 |  |  |
| Duct leakage | Rough-in and post construction testing of all ducts in non-conditioned areas. Maximum 8 cfm leakage per 100 sf of conditioned space |  |  |
| Mechanical Ventilation | Automatic or gravity dampers on all outdoor air intakes and exhausts |  |  |
| Heating & Cooling System Sizing | Per Manual J or International Residential Code |  |  |
| Interior Lighting | 50% of lamps in permanent fixtures must be high efficacy (Fluorescent, CFL, LED) |  |  |

## Effects of Programs to Strengthen Code Enforcement

**ASK THIS SECTION ONLY IF PA INCLUDES ELEMENTS TO IMPROVE CODE ENFORCEMENT AT THE LOCAL OR STATE LEVELS. SUCH ELEMENTS INCLUDE TRAINING OF CODE OFFICIALS, TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO CODE OFFICIALS, STIPENDS TO HIRE ADDITIONAL CODE OFFICIALS, PURCHASE OF COMPLIANCE SOFTWARE, ETC. THESE QUESTIONS ARE TO BE ADDRESSED TO REPRESENTATIVES OF JURISDICTIONS THAT RECEIVED SUCH ASSISTANCE.**

1. According to program records, the state energy office provided assistance to your jurisdiction to improve enforcement of the energy efficiency elements of building codes in force at the time. Is that correct?
   1. Yes
   2. No
   3. Don’t know

IF 48 = NO, ASCERTAIN THE NATURE OF THE SERVICES PROVIDED AND ASK THE APPROPRIATE SET OF QUESTIONS.

1. What services and resources did the state energy office provide to your organization to improve enforcement of the energy efficiency elements of state or local building codes? CHECK ALL THAT APPLY.
   1. Education and training of code officials and inspectors \_\_\_\_
   2. Technical assistance to code officials and inspectors \_\_\_\_
   3. Funding to hire additional code officials and inspectors \_\_\_\_
   4. Funding to acquire code compliance software and other tools \_\_\_\_
   5. Other (Specify) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_
2. What changes did you make to your organization and operations to improve the level of code enforcement as a result of these activities?

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1. On a scale of 1 to 10, where 1 means “very unlikely” and 10 means “very likely”, how likely is it that your organization would have undertaken these improvements to your enforcement activities if the support from the state energy office had not been available?

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1. IF 51 > 3, ASK: In what year would you most likely have made these changes?

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1. What conditions would have been necessary for these changes to occur – for example availability of funding from tax revenues or other sources, appropriations from City Council, etc.?

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1. Do you believe that your efforts to improve enforcement have resulted in improved compliance with energy efficiency elements of the building code?
   1. Yes
   2. No
   3. Too early to tell
   4. DK/REF
2. IF 54 = Yes or No, ASK: What observations lead you to say that?

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1. IF 54 = YES. For which of the following code elements has compliance improved?
2. FOR EACH ELEMENT IDENTIFIED ASK:
   1. What was the compliance rate prior to the start of the program?
   2. What is the current compliance rate?
3. Are there factors other than your increased enforcement efforts that have contributed to increased compliance rates? IF YES: Could you identify those factors.

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1. IF 58 = YES: Compared to these other factors, would you say your enforcement efforts had less, more, or about the same level of influence in changes in compliance rate?
   1. Less
   2. More
   3. About the same
   4. DK/REF

**Commercial Code Compliance**

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| **Component** | **IECC 2009 Specification\*** | **56. Compliance Improved** | **57a.  Pre-Program Compliance Rate** | **57b. Current  Compliance Rate** |
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**Residential Code Compliance**

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| Interior Lighting | 50% of lamps in permanent fixtures must be high efficacy (Fluorescent, CFL, LED) |  |  |  |

## Effects of Programs to Train Builders and Architects in Code Issues

**ASK THIS SECTION ONLY IF PA INCLUDES ELEMENTS TO EDUCATE BUILDERS AND DESIGNERS ON CODE REQUIREMENTS AND COMPLIANCE MECHANISMS**

1. Based on your experience, would you say that builders’ and architects’ awareness of the energy efficiency requirements of the building code has increased, decreased, or stayed about the same since [YEAR PRIOR TO PROGRAM YEAR]?
   1. Increased
   2. Decreased
   3. Stayed about the same
   4. DK/REF
2. What observations lead you to conclude that?

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1. Would you say that the level of voluntary compliance with the energy efficiency aspects the building codes among builders and architects has increased, decreased, or stayed about the same since [YEAR PRIOR TO THE PROGRAM YEAR]?
   1. Increased
   2. Decreased
   3. Stayed about the same
   4. DK/REF
2. What observations lead you to conclude that?

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1. IF 62 = a OR b ASK: What factors do you believe have led to changes in voluntary levels of compliance with energy efficiency aspects of the building codes?

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1. Are you aware of efforts by the state energy office to inform and train builders and architects concerning building code requirements and compliance strategies?
   1. Yes
   2. No
2. IF 65 = YES: Compared to other factors affecting levels of code compliance, would you say these education efforts have had less, more, or about the same level of influence in changes in compliance rate?
   1. Less
   2. More
   3. About the same
   4. DK/REF

Thank you for your time and insights