

**BEFORE THE NEVADA RENEWABLE ENERGY AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY
AUTHORITY**

**NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR COMMENTS AND PROPOSED REGULATIONS
ON THE CONSERVATION OF ENERGY IN BUILDINGS**

The Nevada Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Authority ("Authority") has opened a rulemaking to adopt, amend, or repeal regulations pertaining to Chapter 701 of the Nevada Administrative Code ("NAC") related to the conservation of energy in buildings, including manufactured homes, pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes ("NRS") 701.220.

This rulemaking is being conducted by the Nevada Energy Commissioner ("Commissioner") pursuant to Chapters 233B and 701 of the NRS and the NAC.

The Commissioner hereby requests comments, which may include proposed language, relating to amending Chapter 701 of the NAC or other associated regulations regarding the conservation of energy in buildings, including manufactured homes. Comments and proposed regulations should specifically address: (1) The adoption of the 2009 version of the International Energy Conservation Code ("Code"), issued by the International Code Council, and any amendments to the Code that will not materially lessen the effective energy savings requirements of the Code and are deemed necessary to support effective compliance and enforcement of the Code; (2) Minimum standards for: (a) the construction of floors, walls, ceilings and roofs, (b) the equipment and systems for heating, ventilation and air-conditioning, (c) electrical equipment and systems, (d) insulation, and (e) other factors which affect the use of energy in a building; (3) Provisions for the adoption of the 2009 version of the International Energy Conservation Code, and any amendments thereto, every third year; (4) A process for exempting a

building from a standard if the Commissioner determines that application of the standard to the building would not accomplish the purpose of the regulations; (5) A process for authorizing allowances in design and construction for sources of renewable energy used to supply all or a part of the energy required in a building; and (6) A process and a timeframe by which the governing body of a local government that is authorized by law to adopt and enforce a building code may adopt higher or more stringent standards and report any such higher or more stringent standards, along with supporting documents, to the Commissioner. **General discussion and tangential issues should be avoided.**

Pursuant to NRS 701.220(5), the Commissioner specifically solicits comments from: persons in the business of constructing and selling homes; contractors; public utilities; local building officials; and the general public. Pursuant to NRS 701.220(5) the Commissioner must conduct at least three hearings on proposed regulations in different locations in Nevada, and give 30 days' notice for each hearing.

Interested and affected persons may file comments, including proposed language, on or before **Thursday, October 21, 2010**. Interested and affected persons may file reply comments, including proposed language on or before **Monday, November 8, 2010**.

The Commissioner requests that comments and reply comments be submitted with the

"comment/reply comment form" available at:

<http://renewableenergy.state.nv.us/LawsRegs.htm> , under section "III. Adoption of 2009

International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) – (NRS 701.220)"

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Comments and reply comments may be submitted to the following address:

In e-mail form to
Attn: Rulemaking Comments for 2009 IECC
energyefficiency@renewable.nv.gov

Or

Nevada Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Authority
Attn: Rulemaking Comments for 2009 IECC
101 N. Carson Street
Carson City, Nevada 89701

Copies of the comments and reply comments will be made available as is practicable at the following:

- (1) The Nevada Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Authority's website (<http://renewableenergy.state.nv.us/LawsRegs.htm>)
- (2) By mail request addressed to:
Nevada Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Authority
2009 IECC
Attn: Emily Nunez
101 N. Carson Street
Carson City, NV 89701
- (3) By faxed request to (775) 684-5648.

Requests to be placed on the email service list for this proceeding in order to receive any further notices in this matter may be submitted with the subject line "Service List for 2009 IECC", to: energyefficiency@renewable.nv.gov

By the Commissioner,

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Dr. Hatice Gecol

Dated: Carson City, Nevada

October 7, 2010

This Notice has been sent to all persons on the agency's e-mailing service list for the NRS 701.220 administrative regulations and posted at: <http://renewableenergy.state.nv.us/LawsRegs.htm>, the Nevada State Capitol's public notice posting board, and the following locations:

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Nevada Legislature
Legislative Building
401 South Carson Street,
Carson City, NV 89701

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Nevada Legislature
Grant Sawyer State Office Building
555 East Washington Avenue
Las Vegas, Nevada

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5553 S. Maine Street
Fallon, NV 89406

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PO Box 449
Tonopah, NV 89049

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Las Vegas / Clark County Library
833 Las Vegas Blvd, N.
Las Vegas, NV 89101

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Pershing County Library
PO Box 781
Lovelock, NV 89419

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Elko County Library
720 Court Street
Elko, NV 89801

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Virginia City, NV 89449

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Yerington, NV 89447

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Carson City Library
900 N. Roop Street
Carson City, NV 89701

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Mineral County Library
PO Box 1390
Hawthorne, NV 89415

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Douglas County Library
PO Box 337
Minden, NV 89423

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Nevada State Library
100 Stewart Street
Carson City, NV 89701

Attn: Public Posting
Nevada State Office of Energy
755 N Roop Street, Ste 202
Carson City, NV 89701