



Building Energy Rating and Disclosure

Creating market value for energy efficient homes and buildings by making their energy performance visible and understood

Home and Building Energy Ratings allow owners and tenants to understand their building's energy use and provide the market with information that can assist in properly valuing the building's energy efficiency. Building energy rating and disclosure ordinances (a.k.a., BER&D policies, or "BERDO") have been adopted by a growing number of municipalities across the region to help drive market value that supports voluntary investments that improve building energy efficiency. NEEP will continue our technical guidance and support for state and local adoption and implementation of BER&D policies.

Our 2017 objectives include:

- Engage stakeholders in a regional best practice learning network through our regional Building Energy Codes and High Performance Public Buildings and Communities Leadership Group;
- Track and call attention to regional trends, developments and exemplars regarding home and building energy rating policies and programs;
- Provide technical assistance to states and communities including model policy language, information about tools and resources such as U.S. DOE's Home Energy Score and Commercial Building Energy Asset Rating tool;
- Maintain a regional resource center with best practice guidance documents with links to additional resources regarding building energy rating tools, streamlining data access and Building Energy Benchmarking and Disclosure Policies in the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic;
- Outreach and education to help build the knowledge and understanding of home performance contractors, real estate professionals, inspectors and appraisers regarding the role and value of energy rating in property valuation, sales and leasing; and,
- National and regional collaboration to leverage resources and increase energy and carbon savings.

With sufficient additional funding and regional interest, NEEP will expand the project to:

- Develop and disseminate a white paper on Home Energy Score Asset Rating Cost-Effectiveness and conduct outreach to real estate professionals, appraisers, home inspectors and other key stakeholders.



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AND COMMUNITIES**



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PRODUCTS & SERVICES

STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

Building Energy Codes and High Performance Public Buildings & Communities Leadership Group (quarterly meetings/webinars, newsletter)

TOOLS & GUIDELINES

- a. Model state and local policies*
- b. Rating tools and resource links (U.S. DOE's Home Energy Score; Commercial Building Energy Asset Rating tool)*
- c. Guide for renting and creating lower cost energy efficient apartments and homes*
- d. Guidance for real estate professionals on home energy efficient attributes*
- e. Best practices for streamlining data access*
- f. Policy and program exemplars*

TRAINING

Green real estate outreach & education for home performance contractors, real estate professionals, inspectors and appraisers

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Upon Request - Advise states and communities, drawing from U.S. DOE tools

REPORTS & ANALYSIS

Regional trends and developments



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