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Part IV — Energy Conservation

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ENERGY EFFICIENCY

780 CMR 6101.0 JURISDICTION

6101.1 Energy Efficiency. Energy efficiency is to be met via compliance with the International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) ~~2006~~ with the 2007 Supplement. These MA amendments apply to the IECC ~~2006~~.

1. Amend Section 404.6.2 as follows:

404.6.2 Specific Approval. Performance analysis tools meeting the applicable sections of 404 shall be permitted to be approved. Tools are permitted to be approved based on meeting a specified threshold for a jurisdiction. The code official shall be permitted to approve tools for a specified application or limited scope. ~~REScheck~~ with the IECC ~~2006~~ code is allowed.

2. Add a new Section 404.7 Home Energy Rating.

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404.7.1 General. A proposed building, for which the builder or the buyer obtains a Home Energy Rating by an accredited Home Energy Rating System (HERS), will be considered to comply with the intent of Section 4 if the rating score on the building is 100 or fewer points.

404.7.1.1 Accreditation. Accreditation of the rating organization or agency with the Residential Energy Services Network (RESNET) or the Massachusetts Division of Energy Resources is required for acceptance of the energy rating as a compliance tool for Section 4.

404.7.1.2 Rating Score. The minimum compliance score of 100 or fewer points will be based on the 2006 Mortgage Industry National Home Energy Rating Systems Standards, and the rating score shall be determined with an acceptable software analysis program as required by RESNET accreditation procedures, on a scale of 0-100 points.

404.7.2 Documentation. A compliance report which includes a proposed Energy Rating score of 100 or fewer points, a description of the building's energy features, and a statement that the rating score is "based on plans" will be required for issuance of a building permit. A copy of the final rating certificate indicating the score of 100 or fewer points for the finished building will be submitted to the building official before the Certificate of Occupancy is issued.