

## **Results of RESNET Board of Directors Electronic Ballot on Authorizing RESNET to Enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the Canadian Residential Energy Services Network**

The following is the results of the electronic ballot of the RESNET Board on entering into a Memorandum of Agreement with the Canadian Residential Energy Services Network (Attachment A):

***"Shall the RESNET Board of Directors authorize RESNET to enter into the June 14, 2007 draft Memorandum of Agreement with the Canadian Residential Energy Services Network (CRESNET)?"***

**Yes (19)**

**No (0)**

**Abstain (0)**

**Not Voting (1)**

Ben Adams  
Eric Borsting  
Steve Byers  
Philip Fairey  
Ken Fonorow  
David Goldstein  
Tom Hamilton  
Bruce Harley  
Michael Hotz  
Mark Jansen  
Galo LeBron  
C.T. Loyd  
Joe Lstiburek  
Greg Nahn  
Lee O'Neal  
Kelly Parker  
Doug Walter  
Daran Wastchak  
Barb Yankie

David Wilson

The RESNET Board authorized RESNET to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the Canadian Residential Energy Services Network.

## Attachment A

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# Memorandum of Agreement

Residential Energy Services Network, Inc. and Canadian Residential Energy Services Network

**June 14, 2008**

## Introduction

The purpose of this agreement is to create a harmonization of the methodology on how buildings are rated for their energy performance in North America. The goal is to create consistency that will lead to the monetization of the savings from a high performance home as part of an international carbon emissions cap and trade market.

## General Provisions

Through this agreement the Canadian Residential Energy Services Network (CRESNET) will become a formal affiliate of the Residential Energy Services Network, Inc. (RESNET). Both organizations will strive to harmonize their standards and procedures for rating a building's energy efficiency.

The elements of this agreement include:

- CRESNET's formal affiliation with RESNET. This would entail:
  - + Authorization to use RESNET's name and logos
  - + Ex-officio representation on the RESNET Board of Directors
  - + Access to RESNET's standards for modification for the Canadian market
  - + A monthly column in RESNET's monthly news update, "RESNET Notes"
  - + A special link on RESNET's web site to the CRESNET web site
- Creation of a Canadian rater category of RESNET membership – Energy raters certified by CRESNET would be eligible for this membership and a directory of Canadian rater members would be posted on the RESNET web site.
- Adopt common methods of calculating carbon emission savings from energy efficiency improvements
- Adopt a common HERS Index methodology, where a "0" represents a net zero energy home that accounts for all site fossil energy use, through

RESNET's definition of "Reference Electricity Production Efficiency" and where "100" represents the standard Canadian new home, including all home energy uses.

- Adopt common rater certification, quality assurance, code of ethics and standards of practice procedures.
- Work together to aggregate carbon emissions reduced through increased building performance for the greenhouse gases emissions trading market.

## **Terms of Agreement**

### RESNET agrees to:

- Formally recognize CRESNET as an affiliate of its organization
- Create a new category of RESNET membership for raters certified by CRESNET
- Create an ex-officio seat on the RESNET Board of Director who would be elected to a two year term by CRESNET certified rater members of RESNET
- Authorize CRESNET to use the RESNET name and logo during the period of this agreement
- Assist CRESNET in adopting standards and procedures that will harmonize with the RESNET standards
- Work with the U.S. insurance industry to extend rater insurance to CRESNET rater members
- Work with CRESNET to adopt a uniform calculation of carbon savings for improved building energy performance.

### CRESNET agrees to:

- Adopt the RESNET HERS Index – the minimum requirement for this would be that the Canadian rating program would use the RESNET HERS Index as a template to assign an Index in accordance with the general provision of this agreement.
- Adopt rating standards and procedures that harmonize with the RESNET provisions for rater certification, quality assurance, codes of ethics and standards of practice
- Recruit raters certified by CRESNET to become members of RESNET
- Adapt its by-laws to be consistent with the RESNET by-laws
- Work with RESNET in adopting a uniform calculation of carbon savings from improving a building's energy performance

## **Effective Period of Agreement**

This agreement is effective for a period of five years upon execution.

Either party may, upon 60 days notification, withdraw from this agreement.

This agreement may be renewed upon the formal agreement of both parties.

AGREED TO ON THIS DATE

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Bruce Gough  
President,  
RESNET Canada

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Steve Baden  
Executive Director  
RESNET

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Date

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Date