

## Results of Electronic Ballot of RESNET Board of Directors on Revising RESNET Strategic Planning Framework

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The following are the results of the electronic ballot of the board:

# Shall the RESNET Board of Directors adopt the following RESNET staff proposed revisions to the RESNET Strategic Planning Framework (Attachment A)?

#### 1. Deletion of the first paragraph

Yes (17)	No (0)	Abstain (0)	Not Voting (4)
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The proposed revision was adopted

#### 2. Deletion of section on Building Performance Planning Focus Group

Yes (17)No (0)Abstain (0)Not Voting (4)

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#### 3. Revision of RESNET Mission Statement

Yes (13)	No (0)	Abstain (0)	Not Voting (4)
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At the 2010 RESNET Fall Board Meeting the vote was reconsidered and the revision failed

#### 4 Modification of II of Strategic Opportunities

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#### 5 Modification of IV of Strategic Opportunities

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#### 6. Modification of V of Strategic Opportunities

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#### 7 Modification of #3 Goal

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## 8 Delete 2007 and 2008 Process Objectives

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### 9. Approve changes to 2009 Process Objectives

Yes (17)	No (0)	Abstain (0)	Not Voting (4)
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# **Attachment A**





## 2009 Updates to the RESNET Strategic Planning Framework

In 2006 the RESNET Board of Directors adopted the Strategic Planning Framework. The strategic planning is aimed at laying the foundation to guide the organization in setting its goals and priorities. The strategic planning framework is posted on RESNET's web site at www.resnet.us/about/planning\_framework.pdf Since the frame work is a "living document" the RESNET Board annually updates the framework.

Below are staff recommendations for the 2009 modifications of the RESNET Strategic Planning Framework:

#### **Changes in Introduction**

A. Delete first paragraph.

Justification:

The strategic planning framework has been in place for two years, making the first paragraph irrelevant.

B. Remove Building Performance Planning Focus Group

Justification:

No longer relevant.

#### Changes in Mission

A. Amend to:

"RESNET's mission is to set the standards of quality for evaluating a building's energy performance."

Justification:

More succinct definition of RESNET's mission as an organization.

#### Changes in Strategic Opportunities

A. Modify II. Expand the Demand for High Performance New Homes - modify third sentence to read, "Over 10% of homes built in the U.S. are rated as ENERGY STAR."

Justification:

Editorial Update

B. Modify IV. "International Partnership to Develop an International Protocol for Rating and Certification of Building Energy Performance" - remove quotations marks in title and modify first sentence to read, "RESNET has an ongoing dialogue with the European Union (EU) on the rating of building energy performance."

Justification:

Editorial correction and update.

C. Modify V. Multi-Family and Commercial Buildings

Modify fourth sentence to read, "working with commercial energy efficiency programs such as the New Buildings Institute, The Natural Resources Defense Council, the ENERGY STAR Multi-Family Homes Program, the U.S. Green Buildings Council and the Shanghai Real Estate, Science and Research Institute, RESNET will expand its residential standards to address the verification of energy performance of commercial and multi-family buildings."

Justification:

Editorial update.

Delete last two sentences.

Justification:

EPA has decided to directly administer the ENERGY STAR Multi-Family Pilot Program.

#### Changes to Goals

A. Modify #3 - change first sentence to read, "By 2010, rater services will be valued by the national marketplace and will be expanded to include the other features of a building's performance."

Justification:

An increasing number of states are directing public utility benefit funds to support residential energy efficiency. In these states, it is expected that incentives to have homes energy rated will continue to be offered by utilities over the long term.

#### Changes to Process Objectives

The following changes are being proposed:

A. Delete 2007 and 2008 Objectives

Justification:

The strategic planning framework is a foundation for the future direction of RESNET. As such, past process objectives are not appropriate in the framework. The documentation of these objectives and the success of the organization in meeting these objectives are contained in the RESNET annual reports which are posted at www.resnet.us/about/reports

C. Add to 2009 Objectives

• Track proposed legislation introduced in Congress to set up a national carbon cap and trade system and advocate that such legislation include building energy savings as an eligible trade off.

• Explore the option of RESNET serving as an aggregation agent for rating providers to trade energy efficiency certificates

#### Justification

Legislation on these issues did not pass in 2008. It will now be necessary to undertake these efforts when the new president and Congress are sworn in 2009.

D. Add the Following 2009 Objectives

• Continue ongoing maintenance of RESNET Standards, providing Quality Assurance Oversight of providers, accrediting providers, and administering national certification tests

• Develop RESNET National Building Registry that will feature an electronic data base to which accredited providers will upload basic information on homes that are rated, assessed or otherwise tested or inspected to meet any program guidelines requiring RESNET quality assurance

• Adopt RESNET commercial building energy performance index

Justification

To reflect projected opportunities in 2009

E. Edit the Following 2009 Objectives

• Modify RESNET's Standards to be in compliance with ANSI and ISO protocols

• Educate the presidential transition team and the new Congress on the role that building energy efficiency can play in addressing the pressing issues of energy security and global climate change

• Have RESNET Standards recognized for documenting building energy performance for Energy Efficiency Certificates for the White Tag market.

#### Justification

Editorial correction and clarification

F. Move the Following 2009 Objectives to 2010

a. Begin pilot RESNET aggregation of Energy Efficiency Certificates for the U.S. voluntary White Tag Markets

#### Justification

It is not expected that RESNET Standards will be officially recognized as a measurement and verification standard for White Tags until early 2010.

- G. Move the Following 2009 Objectives to 2011
- a. Develop direct financing package for upgrades to existing homes

#### Justification

The comprehensive energy/climate legislation being currently considered in the U.S. Senate includes provisions for this. This initiative will need to wait until Congressional action.

H. Move the Following 2009 Objectives to 2012

a. To have the European Union's Building Performance Directive's standard (CEN) and RESNET's standard be complementary in measuring building performance

Justification

While the RESNET/EU dialog is progressing, it has not entered into the detailed standard coordination. This is not expected to start until 2011. In addition it is expected that both the RESNET and EU standards will have to be revised to fit within the new Copenhagen international climate treaty.

b. Have RESNET standards recognized for documenting building energy efficiency for emission reduction certificates for the environmental trading market

#### Justification

The U.S. House of Representatives has passed the nation's first carbon cap and trade legislation. This will lead to a robust U.S. carbon exchange market. Until this legislation is enacted and implemented it is not realistic to expect RESNET to influence this market.

c. Begin pilot RESNET aggregation of energy efficiency certificates for the U.S. voluntary market

#### Justification

The U.S. House of Representatives has passed the nation's first utility energy efficiency portfolio requirement. This will lead to a robust U.S. market for energy efficiency certificates. Until this legislation is enacted and implemented it is not realistic to expect RESNET to influence this market.