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March 30, 2007

Mr. Kevin Madison  
Mr. James J. Hirsch  
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Dear Mr. Madison and Mr. Hirsch:

**Subject: ACM Application Status for eQUEST/D2Comply**

Thank you for your letter dated March 19, 2007 that inquired about the status of the application for eQUEST/D2Comply approval as an approved calculation method for showing compliance with the *2005 Building Energy Efficiency Standards*. I appreciate your concern about the delay that has occurred in review of the application, and support your request that the program be considered at the April 11, 2007 business meeting. Based on the review of your application by staff, I intend to recommend approval of the program at that business meeting.

Staff had anticipated that most applications for ACM approvals for the *2005 Building Energy Efficiency Standards* (2005 Standards) would be submitted in 2005. In 2006 our staff was heavily engaged in the implementation of the 2005 Standards and the development of the 2008 Standards. As a consequence we were not able to begin the review process and provide a timely review of your application which you submitted on August 14, 2006. Staff greatly appreciates your efforts in assisting them with the review of your application once we were able to focus on the review. Without your help staff would not have been able to adequately review the application or understand the rationale for significant differences in the results of your programs from other, previously approved programs, and could not have recommended approval.

I have asked Deputy Director Valerie Hall for recommendations to improve the review and communication process for future applications.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of stylized, overlapping loops and a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

B. B. BLEVINS  
Executive Director