



**International Code Council
International Energy Conservation Code
2024 Development Committee
Residential Sections
Existing Buildings Subcommittee
Meeting Minutes**

Meeting Date: May 10, 2022

Subcommittee Chair: Gil Rossmiller gil.rossmiller@shumscoda.com

Subcommittee Vice Chair: Edwin Hensley EHensley@habitat.org

1. Call to order.

a. The meeting was called to order at approximately 2:02 PM EST.

2. Meeting Conduct.

a. IECC Secretariat Kris Stenger introduced this item and made attendees aware of ICC [Council Policy 7](#) Committees: Section 5.1.10 Representation of Interests and ICC [Code of Ethics](#).

3. Roll Call.

a. Subcommittee members in attendance at Roll Call:

Present	Name
N	Avila, Elgin
Y	Berg, Molly (alternate)
Y	Brown, Michael
Y	Chen, Yan (non-voting)
Y	Demers, Paul
Y	Dent, Stephen
Y	Hensley, John E.
N	Krimgold, Fred
Y	Rossmiller, Gil

Y	Schwarz, Robby
N	Swope, Clifford
Y	Wiley, Seth
Y	Zengel, Jim

b. Public in attendance: *See Attendee List from Online Meeting Platform below.*

c. ICC Staff in attendance: Kris Stenger

4. Approval of Minutes.

a. April 12th Meeting Minutes approval motion by Demers. Second by Zengel. Motion passes. No opposed.

5. Administrative Issues.

a. Agenda approval motion by Hensley. Demers second. Motion passes. No opposed.

6. Action Items.

a. Discuss REPI-145-21 Revision.

1. Proponent Dennison review of proposal. Existing language closes a loop hole rather extending compliance – see 502.3.2 Exception. Alteration language clarifies systems rather than just ducts, includes testing requirement to achieve savings, 25% thresholds are included, leakages rates are included at 3x new construction limit (not too stringent but real improvement.

-- *Public Comments* --

2. Schwarz question about R502 section about intent of Addition.

3. Dennison clarification and discussion with Schwarz.

4. Schwarz questions why not require testing in Additions.

5. Dennison clarifies that certain readings of the Code would require testing.

6. Johnson comments on related work by SEPHCAC. Comment on elimination of word “newly” because unnecessary. Comment on 25% threshold in that it may become a number that people “game” to avoid triggering required compliance.

7. Dennison responds that it is a reality that various Code stipulations are “gamed” but comments that language still seems beneficial.

8. Zengel comments on clarification between Addition and Alteration – modifying ducting in an Addition may be an Alteration.

9. Dennison responds and confirms – general agreement with Subcommittee Member comments.

10. Zengel comments that proposal language is good.

11. Schwarz comments on clerical item – possible extra “to” somewhere. Questions Code Officials in the meeting as to differentiation between Addition and Alteration regarding helpful

clarification language possibly being added.

12. Johnson responds that an Addition is an addition versus an Alteration which is an alteration.

13. Dennison agrees to clerical changes by Subcommittee.

-- *Committee Comments* --

14. Schwarz motion to approve as modified. Demers seconds.

15. Schwarz reasons statement: *The Proposal helps clarify when duct testing would be needed or not needed in exiting homes and duct testing is important and this addresses those things.*

16. Vote of hands. 6 votes. Motion passes. No opposed.

7. Open Discussion. (See Chat Room below)

- a. Kristopher Stenger clarification that REPI-143b will be heard in future Meetings.
- b. Subcommittee to provide Proposal to Stenger when ready.

8. Other Business.

a. Next Meeting May 24, 2022. Meeting to discuss:

- 1. RECPI-5-21 (which was REPI-143b) & REPI-144-21 MOD

9. Adjournment.

- a. Motion to adjourn. Hensley motion. Demers second. Adjourn 2:27 pm EST.

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Chat Room:

from RobbySchwarz to everyone: 2:00 PM
Robby Schwarz - BUILDTank inc. <https://btankinc.com/buildcast-podcast/>
from Greg Johnson to everyone: 2:02 PM
Greg Johnson National Multifamily Housing Council
from Joe Cain to everyone: 2:02 PM
Joe Cain, SEIA
from Sean Denniston - New Buildings Institute to everyone: 2:02 PM
Sean Denniston - NBI
from Wanda Edwards to everyone: 2:02 PM
Wanda Edwards, The Hickman Group
from Jerry Phelan to everyone: 2:20 PM
Jerry Phelan, Covestro
from Paul Demers to everyone: 2:26 PM
Paul Demers, please send the revised proposal.
from RobbySchwarz to everyone: 2:27 PM
Thank you
from Michael Brown to everyone: 2:27 PM
Thank you