



ENERGY STAR® RESIDENTIAL NEW CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMS



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Home Certification Organizations (HCOs) are independent organizations recognized by EPA to implement an ENERGY STAR certification program based on the ENERGY STAR Residential New Construction program requirements for site-built [single-family](#) and [multifamily](#) homes and apartments when an Energy Rating Index (ERI) compliance path is used. Energy Rating Companies (e.g., rater companies and Providers) providing third-party verification for these compliance paths are required to operate under an EPA-recognized HCO.

EPA has recognized the following organizations as Home Certification Organizations (HCOs):

- [Residential Energy Services Network \(RESNET\)](#)
- [Building Science Institute \(BSI\)](#)

For the answers to frequently asked questions about HCOs, visit www.energystar.gov/hco.

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