

MEETING THE STRETCH CODE

STEP-BY-STEP FOR BUILDERS

#1 PRE-CONSTRUCTION

Hire a HERS rater & submit home plans to rater

- ✓ Rater reviews plans and specification
- ✓ Rater provides you with documentation of the projected HERS index based on the plans analysis
- ✓ Rater and applicant discuss cost effective options for improving the HERS index to meet the Stretch Code requirements, and HERS rater modifies projected HERS index based on new specifications

#2 PRE-CONSTRUCTION

Building Official verification

- ✓ Applicant submits to building inspector with permit request:
 - ◆ Projected HERS rating based on plans from a certified HERS rater

#3 DURING CONSTRUCTION

Schedule inspections with HERS rater & code official

- ✓ Call your HERS rater for TWO inspections: 1- Insulation inspection before drywall, and 2 - Final inspection when the building is complete
 - ◆ HERS rater grades insulation and checks for completeness (1)
 - ◆ HERS rater verifies compliance with Thermal Bypass Checklist (1)
 - ◆ HERS rater identifies any changes to energy features to update HERS analysis and index (2)
 - ◆ HERS rater performs blower door and duct blaster test (if applicable) (2)
- ✓ Call your Building Code Official for all normal code inspections

#4 POST-CONSTRUCTION

Building official verification

- ✓ Confirm HERS rating documentation submitted with other code compliance materials
- ✓ Confirm completed and signed Thermal Bypass Checklist
- ✓ Confirm Blower door test results
- ✓ Confirm Duct testing results