

## FY2018 Notice of Changes

## **Residential New Construction Program**

The New Jersey Board of Public Utilities, at its June 30, 2017 Board Agenda meeting, approved *New Jersey's Clean Energy Program's* Fiscal Year 2018 compliance filing, which runs from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

## **Changes to Program Guidelines:**

Effective July 1, 2017:

- Single-family homes must complete a pre-drywall inspection within 120 days of the enrollment date.
  There will not be an option for an extension except where there are unusual, extenuating circumstances.
  Previously the pre-drywall inspection had to occur within 60 days (with a one-time 60-day extension) of the enrollment date.
- The requirement to upload construction documents required for building code permits will be eliminated (R103.2) in an effort to reduce paperwork and increase contractor participation.

## **Other Program News:**

The program will monitor any forthcoming RESNET changes to the HERS Index for ENERGY STAR® and Zero Energy Ready Homes (ZERH) and adjust incentive structure and program requirements, as necessary. Proposed changes will be vetted with the residential new construction stakeholder community and will be implemented with proper notice and clarifications.

The program will also provide trainings that offer CEUs throughout the year. Visit this page for details in the near future.

If you have questions regarding program changes or effective dates, contact us at 866-NJSMART (657-6278) or email RNCNJCEP@NJCleanEnergy.com.