



NOTICE OF

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The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) has prepared a draft Environmental Assessment (EA) to analyze and describe the potential environmental impacts associated with the proposed action associated with the following rulemaking:

Final Rule, 10 CFR Part 435, “Energy Efficiency Standards for New Federal Low-Rise Residential Buildings’ Baseline Standards Update” (RIN 1904-AD56) (DOE/EA-2020)

DOE’s Golden Field Office has prepared the draft EA in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). DOE is proposing to issue a final rule to update the baseline standard in 10 CFR 435 to the latest current model industry standard (2015 IECC), based on cost effectiveness and DOE’s determination that energy efficiency has been improved in these codes as required by 42 USC 6831 et seq.

The draft EA is available for review on the following website:

www.energy.gov/node/1539341

Written comments on the EA’s analysis and results of the environmental impacts of implementing the proposed action will be accepted until January 26, 2016. Please provide any written comments to the DOE Golden Field Office - NEPA Division, c/o Mr. Roak Parker, 15013 Denver West Parkway, Golden, Colorado 80401, or by email to RulemakingEAs@ee.doe.gov