

Guidelines for Home Energy Professionals

Monthly Project Bulletin: September 2012

This bulletin is your monthly source for project updates on the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Guidelines for Home Energy Professionals project. This issue covers:

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Questions?

Send any questions about the Guidelines for Home Energy Professionals project to workforce.guidelines@nrel.gov.

The project team will review all questions and provide feedback via personal response, the monthly bulletin, or the [Guidelines website](#).

Pilot Certification Update

Pilot testing for the [four new Home Energy Professional certifications](#) continues! The Building Performance Institute, Inc. (BPI) is processing pilot exam applications on a daily basis and will continue to do so until all targeted goals are met.

Out of the 800 available [Weatherization Assistance Program \(WAP\) subsidies](#) available, approximately 200 have been spoken for. Current and former WAP personnel are encouraged to [review the requirements](#) and apply now for a **FREE exam**.

Although numerous applications have been received for all four certifications, there is a **need to increase the number of individuals taking the Crew Leader exam**. If you have been contemplating this certification, now is the time to apply!

Any questions about the new certifications can be sent to workforce.guidelines@nrel.gov.

BPI Announces ANSI Accreditation as a Certifying Body

The Building Performance Institute, Inc. (BPI) recently achieved accreditation by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) as a national certifying body. BPI's accreditation is based on earning ISO 17024 accreditation for its Residential Building Envelope Whole House Air Leakage Control Installer (RBE-WH-ALCI) certification. Read the complete story on [BPI's site](#).

Project Testimonial

"The new professional certifications being piloted by the Building Performance Institute and NREL provide another level of quality assurance for home owners and industry, as well as support for our workforce in a career pathway with industry-recognized credentials. It's good for business and it's good for workers!"

— Lora Rawson, Professional Development and Leadership Program Manager at the Corporation for Ohio Appalachian Development

Upcoming Conferences and Events

Interested in speaking with the Guidelines for Home Energy Professionals project team? We will be presenting at the following events:

- [ACI Mid-Atlantic Home Performance Conference](#), October 1-2, 2012
- [ACCA Building Performance Forum](#), October 9-10, 2012
- [Rocky Mountain Utility Efficiency Exchange](#), October 10-12, 2012
- [ACI New England Home Performance Conference](#), October 16-17, 2012

About the Project

The Guidelines for Home Energy Professionals project is a collaboration between DOE and industry to support high-quality home energy upgrade work through standard work specifications, accredited training programs, and voluntary national worker certifications.

Learn more about the [Guidelines for Home Energy Professionals project](#).

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