

## History of Development of RESNET Simulation Test

Since 2014 the RESNET Standards have required that all new and existing HERS Raters must pass a RESNET Simulation Practical Examination. The requirement was adopted after undergoing the RESNET standard amendment public review and comment process.

With this requirement RESNET took the utmost care in overseeing the development of the Practical Simulation Test. Before the test's development it was the result of over two years of deliberations of the RESNET Training and Education Committee. It was also reviewed by the RESNET Standards Development Committee 200 - Education, Training, Assessment and Certification before being required in the national HERS standards.

The development of the new test was begun with a RESNET working group to determine scope and sequence. Members of the working group were:

- Brett Dillon, IBS Advisors
- Abe Kruger, SK Collaborative
- Rob Moody, Organic Think
- Lee O'Neal, MABTEC
- Nancy St. Hilaire, Home Energy Group
- Dan Tempas, DOW
- Matt Thornberry, Energy Logic

After the adoption of the scope and sequence, the development of the practical test was overseen by a group of national recognized HERS rater trainers:

- Rob Moody, Organic Think
- Neil Moyer, Florida Solar Energy Center
- Sharla Riead, Accurate Rater Network
- Darrel Tenter, Saturn Management
- Matt Thornberry, Energy Logic

After the initial alpha test version was completed in 2014, the revised test was tested by the following HERS rater trainers:

- Ryan Bennet - Everblue
- Chris McTaggart - The BER
- Tei Kucharski – Florida Solar Energy Center
- Eric Powell - Cornerstone Energy Conservation Services
- Ricky Sandlin - Burgess Construction Consultants, Inc.

Following this testing, a revised beta test was sent to all accredited Rater Training Providers.

Following this testing period, the final version of the test was released.

As you can see there was a long and arduous process followed in developing and testing the practical simulation. Some of the best minds in the HERS industry reviewed the test and provided input to improve it.