

Removal of Energy Monitoring Requirement

NET ZERO BULLETIN 08

This bulletin is to notify participants of a change to section 2.5.4 of the Program's Technical Requirements that will come into effect as of November 1, 2024. As described below, energy monitoring systems will no longer be mandatory.

Amendment language to the CHBA Net Zero Technical Requirements:

2.5.4 Energy Monitoring

1. An energy monitoring system may optionally be installed that provides electricity production and consumption data both in real time and aggregated over daily, weekly, and monthly time periods.

NOTE:

1. The intent of an energy monitoring system is to provide a feedback mechanism for homeowners to understand how their behaviour and operation of the house affects their energy consumption.

As with all approved change requests, Program Participants may use this amendment once it is posted and prior to the next official version update. At the publication of the next version update, section 2.5.4 Energy Monitoring will be revised as shown above and included in the following two Program documents:

CHBA Net Zero Home Labelling Program for New Homes - Technical Requirements CHBA Net Zero Home Labelling Program for Renovations - Technical Requirements

This decision was made by the Net Zero Council Management Committee (NZC MC) on August 20, 2024. The NZC MC agreed that in many cases the original intent of the requirement was no longer being met and therefore the benefit of mandatory energy monitoring was being outweighed by the costs. The NZC MC encourages builders and homeowners who would like to install energy monitors in their CHBA Net Zero and Net Zero Ready Homes to continue to do so if they wish voluntarily.

If you have questions please contact Brett Cass.

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