June 14, 2013

Ms. Kim Carey
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Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy
U.S. Department of Energy
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RE: State Certification of Residential and Commercial Building Energy Codes

Dear Ms. Carey,

In compliance with Title III of the Energy Conservation and Production Act (ECPA) of 1976, as amended, this is to certify that the State of Arkansas has adopted the *Arkansas Energy Code for New Building Construction Supplements and Amendments for 2011*, which references the 2003 version of the International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) for low-rise residential buildings, as well as ASHRAE Standard 90.1-2007 for nonresidential buildings. Enclosed please find a copy of the Rule # 168.00.11-003 dated January 11, 2012. The code was advertised and a public hearing was held. The code became effective on January 1, 2013.

I would like to note that funding from the U.S. Department of Energy is critical for implementation efforts of the 2011 Arkansas Energy Code. It is our hope that support from DOE will continue to ensure demonstrated compliance with the code.

Our office is currently making effort to update the residential standard to the 2009 version of the IECC. After preliminary stakeholder engagement, we hope to present these changes in the *Arkansas Energy Code for New Building Construction Supplements and Amendments for 2013* this summer to the appropriate State legislative committees for approval.

If anything further is required as evidence of the State of Arkansas's compliance with the requirements of Title III of ECPA, please advise J.D. Lowery at 501-682-7678.

Sincerely,

Scott Hamilton

Director

Arkansas Energy Office