

**Review of Comments Submitted to SECO on
Chapter 11, 2012 IRC & 2012 IECC
ATTACHMENT A
Synopsis of All Comments Received by SECO**

Company	Name	Additional Comments
<i>Comments in Favor of the Adoption of the 2012 Energy Code Editions</i>		
(unknown)	Katherine Head	The 2012 codes would save homeowners money and would decrease the reliance on power plants.
American Chemistry Council	Rudy Underwood	The 2012 codes would contribute to reducing peak demand, and help alleviate Texas energy issue. The 2012 codes have a minimal impact on construction cost.
Building Codes Assistance Project (BCAP)	Maureen Guttman	BCAP has created a Gap Analysis Report and Strategic Compliance Plan for SECO and are conducting cost-effectiveness studies.
Brickfield Burchette Ritts & Stone for Cardinal Glass	Nelson Nease	The 2012 codes would result in an increased demand for energy-efficient products, which will reduce future peak electric demands, and allow for more effective use of state resources.
Environment Texas, Citizens for Affordable Energy, the American Lung Association, Plains - Gulf Region, Public Citizen's Texas office, Environmental Defense Fund, Texas Public Interest Research Group, Institute for Market Transformation, Texas Impact and KRDB	Luke Metzger, John Hofmeister, Alexander Wagner, Tom 'Smitty' Smith, Kate Zerrenner, Melissa Cubria, Cliff Majersik, Bee Moorhead, Chris Krager	A general letter of support.
Environment Texas	Luke Metzger	References the Houston Chronicle article of 4/25/12.
Environment Texas	Various members (648 total commenters)	648 Comments are in favor of adoption, with 120 commenters expanding on the form letter to include additional comments. ¹
Frontier Associates	Mark Kapner	The 2012 codes will improve the reliability of the electric grid and reduce future peak demands.
Kirksey Architecture	Jeff Chapman	The current codes are not efficient, and the commenter supports promotion of stricter standards.
Kirksey Architecture	Julie Hendricks	A general letter of support.
Newport Ventures	Mike Moore	The commenter suggests an amendment which recommends including 2012 IRC Section M1507 as part of the adoption of the 2012 IECC. See Attachment B for the Laboratory's energy efficiency stringency analysis of the suggested amendment.
Public Citizen Texas	David Power	The 2012 codes reduce the water needed to produce energy, and improve the productivity and profitability of Texas economy.

¹ See Attachment C for complete list of comments and roster of commenters.

Company	Name	Additional Comments
<i>Comments in Favor of the Adoption of the 2012 Energy Code Editions Continued</i>		
Responsible Energy Code Alliance (RECA)	Eric Lacey (includes a list of 22 members)	The 2012 codes provide potential energy savings and substantial peak demand savings. The letter includes a list of the 22 RECA members with energy efficiency professionals, regional organizations, product and equipment manufacturers, trade associations and environmental organizations.
State of Texas House of Representatives	Rafael Anchia, District 103 and Eddie Lucio III, District 38	The 2012 codes will contribute to reducing energy costs, decreasing energy consumption, and building a more efficient infrastructure.
Sierra Club	Cyrus Reed	The 2012 codes would help with the need for every kilowatt generated or saved, and would contribute to: water savings, better air, level playing field for builders, creating additional jobs, and saving occupants money. In addition, several cities are already adopting the 2012 codes.
Sierra Club	Various members (858 total commenters)	858 Comments were in favor of adoption, with more than 75 commenters expanding on the form letter to include additional comments. ²
The South-central Partnership for Energy Efficiency as a Resource (SPEER)	Doug Lewin	The 2012 codes support stronger SHCG, better insulated attics and walls, improved performance testing, improved duct leakage standards, more efficient hot water and HVAC systems, and increase requirements for efficient lighting.
TR Marketing	Terri Romano	References the Houston Chronicle article of 4/25/12.
Texas BlueGreen / Apollo Alliance	Dave Cortez	The 2012 codes would grow the market for green construction and would produce significant annual and cumulative energy savings for consumers.
<i>Comments Opposed to the Adoption of the 2012 Energy Code Editions</i>		
Coalition for Fair Energy Codes, American Wood Council, Texas Forest Industries Council, Texas Forestry Association and American Forest & Paper Association	Tom Kositzky, Ken Bland, Tony Bennett, Ron Hufford, George Christian	The 2012 codes need to address cost effectiveness and threat of financial harm to manufacturers, lost manufacturing jobs and negative consequences to local wood product manufacturing economies.
Environment Texas	Carolyn Brown	The 2012 codes would raise construction costs and result in homes that are too air-tight.
Texas Association of Builders	Ned Munoz	The commenter included an amendment package with seven suggested amendments. See Attachment B for the Laboratory's energy efficiency stringency analysis of the suggested amendments.

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