



WINTER 2010 EDITION

Welcome to another issue of the **BCAP Newsletter**, a brief summary of happenings at the Building Codes Assistance Project and building energy code progress around the nation. In this issue, read about:

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As always, we appreciate the support and collaboration of our many friends and allies. We are looking forward to continued collaboration with you to improve the energy efficiency of our built environment.

Cheers! – the BCAP Staff

BCAP OFFICIALLY LAUNCHES NEW WEBSITE: OCEAN

In November, BCAP held launch events for its new comprehensive building energy code web resource **OCEAN, or Online Code Environment and Advocacy Network**, at the Greenbuild International Conference and Expo in Phoenix, Arizona and the Council of State Governments 2009 Annual Conference in La Quinta, California. Learn more at www.bcap-ocean.org.



ENERGY CODE AMBASSADORS LAUNCHES IN FOUR PILOT STATES

BCAP and the International Code Council (ICC) have teamed up to create **Energy Code Ambassadors**, a program that will benefit code officials who want to take a leading role in energy-efficient buildings and help drive the national movement towards more energy-efficient buildings and homes. Initially, the program will be launched in **four pilot states**: New York, Kentucky, Illinois and Idaho. These states were selected in response to interest from state and local officials, expected program support, and a desire for geographic diversity. [Read more...](#)





EEGLOBAL 2010: ENERGY EFFICIENCY FORUM & EXPO IN WASHINGTON, D.C. MAY 10-12

Join over 700 of energy efficiency's most notable leaders, representing 40+ countries, at the **Energy Efficiency Global Forum & Exposition (EE Global)**, being held **May 10-12, 2010 at the Washington, D.C. Convention Center**. With over 80% of 2009 participants self-identifying as executives or managers, EE Global 2010 will provide access to decision makers and offer executive-level insight and dialogue. Focusing solely on energy efficiency from the perspective of all energy end-use sectors (buildings, industrial and transportation), and with coverage of all cross-cutting issues (finance, policy, technology, and market transformation), EE Global serves as an exchange of best practices and policies for global implementation of energy efficiency.



Visit www.eeglobalforum.org for detailed information about this exciting event! Enter our [registration sweepstakes](#) for the chance to win a free registration. And, for guaranteed savings, be sure to register before April 12 to take advantage of our early bird discount. Friends of BCAP can save even more by using the special promotional code "**ASEB**" to receive an extra 10% off!

ENERGY CODE CHAMPION

With an increased focus on building energy efficiency in the last year, unprecedented federal funding opportunities have placed state code infrastructures in uncharted waters as they deal with adopting, implementing, and enforcing the latest national model energy codes. The state of New Hampshire has taken the initiative to become a national leader in developing a roadmap for energy code training and compliance. For her work toward these goals, the Building Codes Assistance Project is proud to recognize **Laura Richardson of the New Hampshire Office of Energy and Planning** as its Winter 2010 Energy Code Champion! [Read more...](#)

Each quarter, BCAP will be recognizing a new Energy Code Champion. This will be a person who has been working hard behind the scenes to advocate for improving building energy codes. If you have someone you would like to nominate, or if you would like to tell us about the wonderful work you are doing, please write us at Kym Willock at kwillock@ase.org or Paul Karrer at pkarrer@ase.org.

BCAP EVENTS CALENDAR

The **BCAP Events Calendar** helps you keep track of important code adoption dates, meetings, hearings, public comment deadlines, conferences, and other events in the building energy efficiency community. If you have an event to add to the calendar, contact Paul Karrer at pkarrer@ase.org. [Go to the Calendar...](#)





CODE NEWS

You can also [read code news on the new BCAP website OCEAN.](#)

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General Code News

- [ASHRAE Publishes Standard 189.1 for Commercial Green Buildings](#)
- [ASHRAE Announces Public Addenda Review For Standard 189.9-2009](#)
- [ASHRAE to Release High Performance Building Standard, New Version of 90.1](#)
- [Changes Proposed for Standard 90.1 Address Metal Buildings](#)
- [DOE Publishes Comparison of 2009 IECC Chapter 5 and ASHRAE Standard 90.1-2007](#)
- [ICC, ASHRAE Publish Combined 2009 IECC/Standard 90.1-2007](#)
- [Free DOE/BECP Webcasts This Spring With Live Q&A](#)
- [USGBC Releases Regional Study of Green Buildings](#)

Code Updates (Recent and Upcoming)

- Alabama – [Governor Signs Mandatory Statewide Building Code](#)
- California – [2008 Title 24 Standards Effective January 1](#)
- District of Columbia – [2008 D.C. Construction Codes Effective December 26](#)
- Northern Marianas Islands – [Adopt 2009 IBC, Tropical Energy Code](#)
- Hawaii – [County of Kauai Adopts 2009 IECC](#)
- Illinois – [Officially Adopts 2009 IECC and ASHRAE 90.1-2007 Statewide](#)
- Iowa – [Adopts 2009 IECC Effective January 1](#)
- Maryland – [Adopts 2009 IECC Effective January 1](#)
- Massachusetts – [BBRS Approves 2009 IECC Amendment](#)
- New Hampshire – [Finalizes Adoption of 2009 IECC, Code Effective April 1](#)
- Pennsylvania – [Officially Adopts 2009 IECC Effective January 1](#)

State Activity

- Alaska – [Legislature Introduces Statewide Energy Policy Legislation](#)
- Connecticut – [Reviewing Building Code Amendment to Include 2009 IECC](#)
- Georgia – [2009 IECC Task Force Fourth Meeting on February 17](#)
- Georgia – [Residential Green Building Task Force Workgroup Meetings In March](#)
- Hawaii – [Building Code Council Approves the 2006 IECC Statewide Code](#)
- Hong Kong – [Hong Kong Considers Mandatory Code](#)
- Indiana – [Commission Approves Rule Adopting ASHRAE 90.1-2007](#)
- Florida – [Florida Energy Code Proposals to Be Accepted March 1-April 2](#)
- Missouri – [Legislature Introduces Bill Requiring Statewide Energy Code](#)
- New Jersey – [Executive Order Delays Adoption of 2009 IECC Implementation](#)
- New Mexico – [Passes Bill Setting Efficiency Standards for Public Buildings](#)



- New York – [Code Council Approves Code Based on 2009 IECC & 90.1-2007](#)
- New York – [Schedules Public Hearings In March on Energy Code Update](#)
- New York – [Introduces Residential HERS Rating Bill](#)
- North Dakota – [Folds Energy Code Within State Building Code](#)
- Oregon – [Board Recommends Commercial Update to 2009 IECC](#)
- Tennessee – [Introduces Nonresidential Energy Code Bill](#)
- Vermont – [Holds Stakeholder Meeting for Residential Code Update](#)
- Virginia – [Board Comment Period Open Until January 25 on 2009 IECC Proposal](#)
- Virginia – [State Senate Passes Energy Code Requirement for Public Buildings](#)
- Washington – [State Building Code Council Approves 2009 WSEC, Code Under Review](#)

Green Building News

- California – [Adopts Nation's First Mandatory Green Building Standards](#)
- Georgia – [Residential Green Building Task Force to Meet Throughout Early 2010](#)
- Kentucky – [Passes Legislation With High-Performance Building Standards](#)
- Michigan – [Four Michigan Schools Earn ENERGY STAR Honors](#)
- Missouri – [Introduces Bill Setting Minimum Requirements for New State Funded Buildings](#)
- Nebraska – [Proposes Bill to Set Minimum Requirements on State Buildings](#)
- Ohio – [House Committee Approves State Building Green Standards Bill](#)
- Rhode Island – [Governor Signs Bill Mandating Green Standards for Public Buildings](#)
- West Virginia – [Proposes Bill Relating to the Green Buildings Act](#)

Above Code News

- Colorado -- [Energy Office Announces Recovery Act Grant Funding Opportunities to Save Money, Create Jobs](#)