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City of Los Angeles to Expand ICC Evaluation Service Provider Status

LADBS to recognize ICC-ES reports as proof of compliance to the seismic requirements of the California and City of Los Angeles building codes

In a progressive move to further enhance the service it provides to the public, the City of Los Angeles Department of Building Safety (LADBS) is working to recognize ICC Evaluation Service Reports (ESRs) as proof of compliance to the seismic requirements of the California and City of Los Angeles building codes. LADBS has been accepting ICC-ES reports in all other categories for many years. The goal is for this initiative to be fully implemented by January 1, 2018.

Prior to the effective date, voluntary pilot programs will be instituted in order to ensure a smooth transition to the use of ICC-ES ESRs.

“With 70 years of product evaluation experience, ICC-ES looks forward to the opportunity to work closer with LADBS and provide full-service evaluations to manufacturers looking to distribute their products in the City of Los Angeles,” said ICC-ES President Shahin Moinian, P.E. “While ICC-ES has been evaluating products in a number of categories, the latest expansion of the program now allows us to service all categories of building products, including seismic, to help ensure the safety of those who work, live and play in the City.”

LADBS chose to accept ICC-ES reports in order to provide manufacturers, builders and code compliance professionals with an easier and more streamlined option beyond what is currently available. Providing this option will improve product approval and increase efficiency resulting in more options and the greater potential for economic growth in the region.

Beginning in January, clients of LADBS can continue to work with the City to obtain seismic research reports or they will be able to choose ICC-ES as an alternative for LADBS-compliant seismic evaluation reports for their building products.

To learn more and get the latest updates on this change, or to find out how to obtain an ICC-ES ESR, please contact Michael Temesvary, P.E., at 800-423-6587, ext. 3877 email mtemesvary@icc-es.org.

About ICC-ES

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