Mrs. Sheila Blake:                                                                                                           December 2, 2011
Assistant Director
City of Houston Code Enforcement
3300 Main St., 2nd floor, Houston, TX 77002
P. O. Box 61167, Houston, TX 77208-1167

Dear Mrs. Blake:

In accordance with the Health and Safety Code Section 388.003, as amended, the Energy Systems Laboratory (ESL) reviewed and considered the Houston CIC recommended Amendments to the 2009 International Energy Conservation Code (IECC), Residential Provisions. The ESL performed the technical analysis that compared the stringency of the Texas Building Energy Performance Standards (TBEPS) based on the 2009 IECC with the Houston CIC recommended Amendments Package.

The analysis has determined that:

The Houston CIC recommended Amendments to the 2009 International Energy Conservation Code (IECC), Residential Provisions (as submitted 12/02/2011, 3:40 PM), are more stringent than the unamended Texas Building Energy Performance Standards adopted under the Health and Safety Code Section 388.

Sincerely,

Bahman Yazdani, P.E.                                                Jeff Haberl, P.E., PhD., FASHRAE
Associate Director                                                  Associate Director

Cc:  David Claridge, P.E., PhD., Director