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ICC-ES and Innovation Research Labs Create One-Stop Testing, Listing, and Product Evaluation Service for Building, Energy and PMG Product Manufacturers



ICC Evaluation Service (ICC-ES), the experts in built environment product evaluation and certification, and Innovation Research Labs, a state-of-the-art testing laboratory with a market-research facility, have entered into a cooperation agreement in order to better serve the manufacturers of such products and materials..

This relationship enables ICC-ES to bring testing, evaluation, and listing under “one roof,” essentially creating a “one-stop” conformity assessment agency. A key benefit will be the availability of a front-end test plan, agreed upon by all parties, which will speed up the listing and evaluation report process. It will also minimize delays in obtaining testing data. This cooperative agreement covers the full range of products in the built environment.

“For years, ICC-ES has offered high quality product evaluations that code officials trust,” said International Code Council’s (ICC) CEO Dominic Sims, CBO. “Now with product testing available through this cooperation, ICC-ES clients will experience a further reduction in time to market which will directly and positively affect their bottom line.”

“We are thrilled to be part of this unique cooperation with ICC-ES,” said Michael Luzier, president and CEO of Innovation Research Labs. “It will facilitate building product manufacturers moving innovative products into the marketplace more quickly and efficiently, allowing them to be more responsive to the needs of builders and developers, as well as increasingly discerning consumers.”

Applicants remain free to continue to use any accredited testing lab in connection with evaluation reports and product listings. However, ICC-ES encourages applicants to take advantage of our new relationship with Innovations Research Labs. We are confident that having Innovation Research Labs serve as your guide and advocate through the evaluation process will further our goal of providing the best client experience in the industry.

About ICC-ES

A nonprofit, limited liability company, ICC-ES is the United States' leading evaluation service for innovative building materials, components and systems. ICC-ES [Evaluation Reports](#) (ESRs), [Building Product Listings](#) and [PMG Listings](#) provide evidence that products and systems meet requirements of codes and technical standards. The ICC-ES Environmental Programs issue VAR environmental reports that verify a product meets specific sustainability targets defined by today's codes, standards, green rating systems and ICC-ES [environmental criteria](#). The Environmental Programs now offer Environmental Product Declarations ([EPDs](#)), to meet global market demand for science-based, transparent, quality-assured information about a product's environmental performance. ICC-ES is a member of the [ICC](#) Family of Companies. For more information, please visit www.icc-es.org.

About Innovation Research Laboratories

Innovation Research Labs is the premier accredited product testing laboratory servicing the building industry, with over 50 years of experience helping product manufacturers successfully bring new and innovative products to market. Its comprehensive product testing services cover a wide variety of performance characteristics, from structural performance, to durability, to energy efficiency. Products bearing the Research Labs' mark provide manufacturers confidence of in-field acceptance by builders and code officials. In addition to its product testing and certification services, Innovation Research Labs also provides manufacturers a complementary suite of market research services, both qualitative and quantitative, to provide the necessary customer insights and usability assessments throughout the product development life cycle.

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