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## ICC-ES Establishes Joint Program with NTA to Provide Additional Resources to Manufacturers of Structural Insulated Panels (SIPs)

<u>ICC Evaluation Service</u>, LLC (ICC-ES), the industry leader in performing technical evaluations for code compliance, has entered into a joint program with <u>NTA</u>, <u>Inc</u>. The joint program is designed to provide expedited service to manufacturers of Structural Insulated Panels (SIPs) who wish to be issued an ICC-ES evaluation report. NTA Inc. is a leader in quality assurance testing for building materials and products.

"We are excited at the prospects that the ICC-ES/NTA joint program offers, says <u>Michael Beaton</u>, Senior Vice President, ICC-ES. "ICC-ES will provide the code knowledge, the process to develop consensus-based requirements, and a technical review for consistency within SIPs programs; NTA will provide testing, inspection, engineering and analysis. The result is a coordinated effort that will help minimize the report holder's time and costs, and put the right information into the hands of code officials, engineers and specifiers."

Under the terms of the agreement, NTA assumes responsibility for product testing, test report issuance, test data reduction and analysis, and draft evaluation report preparation, and will act as the primary contact for applicants regarding technical matters prior to the issuance of the product evaluation report. Testing conducted by NTA will be open to observation by ICC-ES – which will evaluate the data provided by NTA and maintain online evaluation reports. For more information, contact ICC-ES at 1-800-423-6587 ext. 3877.

## **About ICC-ES**

A nonprofit, limited liability company, ICC-ES is the United States' leading evaluation service for innovative building materials, components and systems. The ICC-ES <u>Evaluation Reports</u> and <u>PMG Listing Program</u> provide evidence that products and systems meet requirements in codes and standards. The <u>ICC-ES SAVE Program</u> provides manufacturers with verification that their products meet specific sustainability targets defined by today's codes, standards and green rating systems. The program also takes into account codes such as the <u>International</u> <u>Green Construction Code</u><sup>®</sup> (IgCC<sup>®</sup>) and the <u>California Green Building Standards Code</u> (CALGreen). ICC-ES is a subsidiary of the <u>International Code Council<sup>®</sup> (ICC<sup>®</sup>)</u>.