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### **ICC Evaluation Service and ICC NTA Receive Approval to Issue UAE Certificates of Compliance for the Civil Defense Authority**

*New recognition expands the geographic reach of the Code Council's TIC businesses to enable manufacturers to comply with regulatory requirements in the United Arab Emirates*

**Brea, CA** – Today the Civil Defense Authority of the United Arab Emirates (UAE) officially added both ICC Evaluation Service and ICC NTA to their list of approved international certification bodies and testing laboratories. This recognition from the authority that oversees the UAE Fire Code entrusts the ICC Testing, Inspection and Certification (TIC) services bodies with reviewing and verifying the test reports of listed fire safety products before they can be sold or used in the UAE.

The Certificate of Compliance (CoC) program was established to assist the UAE Civil Defense Authority to expedite the review of regulated products while still maintaining high standards for quality and safety. Only conformity assessment bodies and laboratories who meet the rigorous qualifications of the Authority are selected to support them with recommendations and technical considerations.

“ICC-ES is honored to add the UAE Civil Defense CoC program to the growing list of international schemes that accept our product conformity reports,” said Shahin Moinian, PE, ICC-ES President. “We are committed to expanding the recognition of our existing ICC-ES Report and Listing programs globally to provide increased value and a growing one-stop-shop for our manufacturing clients.”

“Through the recognition of our full-scale fire lab in Bryan, Texas in this program, ICC-NTA test reports will be fully accepted as per the approved scope by the Civil Defense Authority in the UAE, helping to pave the way for manufacturers to expand beyond the U.S. market,” said David Tompos, ICC NTA President/CEO.

A list of the products subject to regulation by the UAE Civil Defense Authority are detailed in the [UAE Fire Code](#), and the approved [accreditation scope](#) for ICC-ES and ICC NTA details those which can be tested and certified by the Code Council

TIC services businesses can be found online. Manufacturers and suppliers of these products now have the ability to seek product testing at the ICC NTA facility and product listing from ICC-ES and simultaneously have the products approved for the CoC program.

The International Code Council's Dubai office, which was established in 2019 to expand the reach of the Family of Solutions to the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) market, has been instrumental in building relationships with key stakeholders in the region such as the Civil Defense Authority. "Continuous engagement with decision makers and those 'engagement levers' like consultants, engineers, manufacturers, and developers, is essential to increasing understanding and use of the building safety solutions provided by the International Code Council," said Mohamed Amer, ICC MENA Regional Director of Operations. He continued, "We are committed to playing a key role in ensuring that the construction industry in the MENA region can continue to grow and safely innovate."

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### **About ICC-ES**

ICC-ES is the 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 worldwide, including the US, Canada, Mexico, Australia, New Zealand, and the MENA region. ICC-ES is a member of the [ICC](#) family of solutions.

### **About ICC NTA**

As an accredited third-party agency and part of the International Code Council (ICC) family of solutions, [ICC NTA](#) provides code evaluation, product certification, inspection, engineering, plan review, and testing services, as well as independent quality and standards compliance verification for building product manufacturers. With offices, testing labs, and training facilities in Nappanee, Indiana and Bryan, Texas, ICC NTA serves residential and commercial builders, code officials, manufacturers, and suppliers throughout the building industry.



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