Korea Testing & Research Institute and ICC-ES Enter Memorandum of Understanding

Cross-global partnership promotes cooperation between U.S. and Korean building markets

Brea, CA – ICC Evaluation Service (ICC-ES), a leading United States-based provider of evaluation reports and building product listings, and Korea Testing & Research Institute (KTR), an evaluation service entity based in Gwacheon, Korea have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) in which both parties agree to provide services to streamline the process of testing and listing for manufacturers.

ICC-ES and KTR will conduct an exchange of information to support American and Korean manufacturers in the construction product sector engaged in trade between the two areas.

In particular, ICC-ES and KTR agree to set up a program to reduce the costs incurred by construction product manufacturers in gaining recognition and to foster international trade, especially in regards to new products and implementing innovative technologies.

On different sides of the globe, ICC-ES President Mr. Shahin Moinian and KTR President Mr. Oh Jung Kwon sign the Memorandum of Understanding between the two companies.
The synergistic relationship expressed in the MOU incorporates both American and Korean codes and standards.

"The cooperation between ICC-ES and KTR provides an additional value to Korean manufacturers looking to test and certify their innovative building product for the U.S. market," said ICC-ES President Shahin Moinian. "The potential to expand our testing, inspection and certification services across the globe is encouraging and we look forward to working with KTR in this endeavor," added Asia Pacific Business Development Manager for ICC-ES, Qiaoli Meng.

"We're very happy to announce the KTR-ICC-ES collaboration and look forward to growing together, leveraging ICC-ES’ knowledge and experience to expand our service area in the USA," said Mr. Kwon, president of KTR.

ICC-ES has established a number of alliances and relationships with other product evaluation bodies and organizations to better serve their customers. Leveraging these relationships allows ICC-ES to streamline processes, add more value to customers, and bridge code conformity gaps that product manufacturers face when seeking building and plumbing product certification. ICC-ES currently holds MOUs with several organizations around the globe.

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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.