# Ameren Missouri Energy Codes Compliance Collaborative

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## Safety 101: Halloween Safety

#### When Trick or Treating

- Children and adults are reminded to put electronic devices down, keep heads up and walk, don't run, across the street
- Instruct children to travel only in familiar, well-lit areas and stick with their friends
- Tell your children not to eat any treats until they return home

#### While Driving

- Watch for children walking on roadways, medians and curbs
- Enter and exit driveways and alleys carefully
- At twilight and later in the evening, watch for children in dark clothing

Source: National Safety Council



## Agenda

- Introductions: 9:30 9:45am
- Program Update: 9:45 10:30am
- Break: 10:30 10:45am
- Discussion | Compliance Challenges: 10:45 11:45am
- Opportunities/Next Steps: 11:45am 12:00pm
- Lunch and Networking: 12:00 1:00pm



#### **About MEEA**

- We are a nonprofit membership organization with 160+ members including:
  - Utilities
  - Research Institutions and advocacy organizations
  - State and local governments
  - Energy efficiency-related businesses
- As the key resource and champion for energy efficiency in the Midwest, MEEA helps a diverse range of stakeholders understand and implement cost-effective energy efficiency strategies that provide economic and environmental benefits



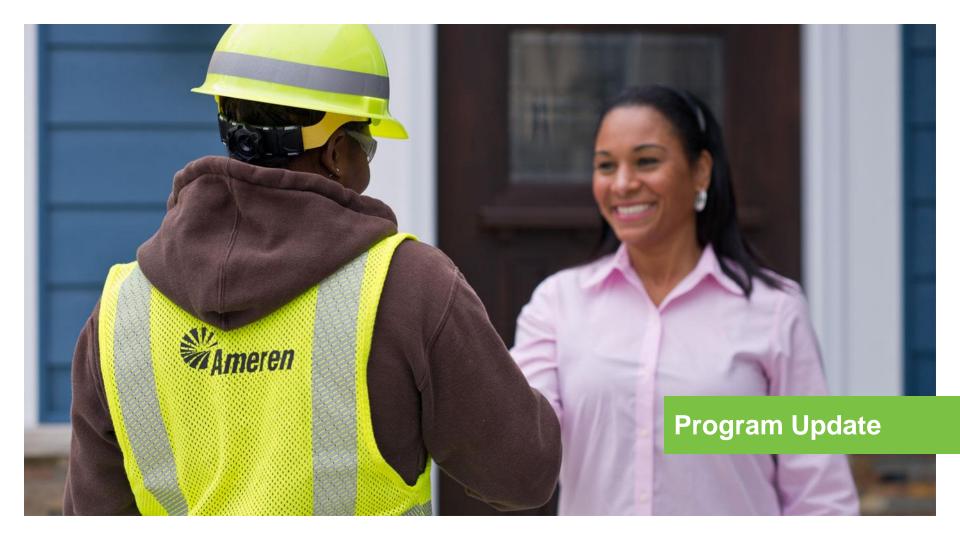




#### Introductions

- First, let's get to know each other!
  - Name
  - Job Title and Employer
  - Location of Workplace
  - What efficiency upgrades have you done to your home recently?





## Ameren Missouri Residential Energy Code Support Program

#### What?

 A 3-year comprehensive program funded by Ameren Missouri to improve understanding and support compliance with local residential energy codes.

#### Why?

Currently resources and training on local residential energy codes are limited.
 Better understanding of codes = improved compliance = more efficient construction = greater customer satisfaction

#### How?

 Collaborative Discussion, Proactive Engagement, In-Person Training, Useful Resources



## **Background**

- MEEA managed a statewide residential energy code baseline study funded by Missouri Division of Energy
- Baseline study surveyed residential construction practices (2016) relative to the energy code
- Five key opportunities for improved compliance were identified
- Ameren Missouri included a code support program in their 3-year filing
- MEEA developed the program and hired a team



## **Overview of Program**

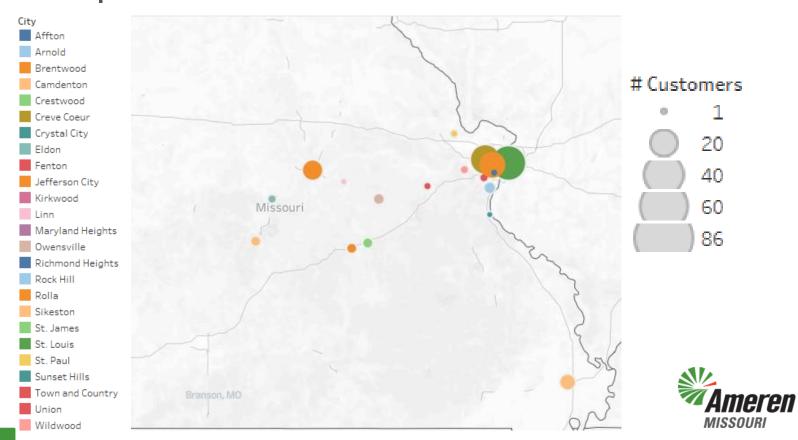
- Code Compliance Collaborative
  - Space for residential construction professionals to discuss opportunities and barriers to energy code compliance
- In-Field Code Consultant
  - Proactively engages building industry to educate, investigate and improve energy code understanding in a small group or 1-on-1 setting
- In-Person Classroom Training
  - Full day training focused on the what, why and how of the residential energy code

## Matt Belcher | Update

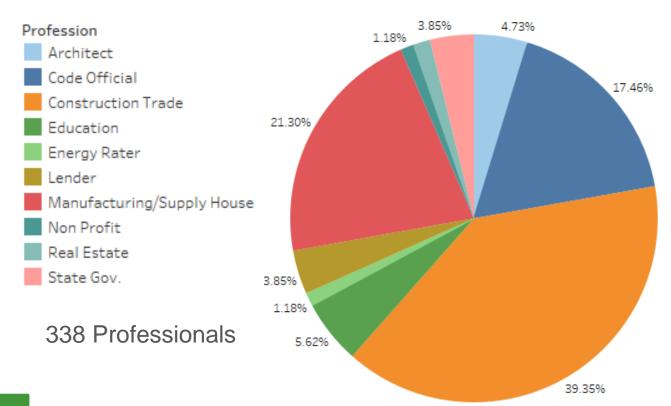
- Current Outreach/Impact
- Informal 2018 IECC Training 1-hour course
  - City of St. Louis
  - MABOI, MACE, AGC
- Collaboration with supply houses



# **Outreach | Locations Visited**



## **Outreach | People and Professionals**





## 1 Hour 2018 IECC Training | City of St. Louis

- City of St. Louis
  - 8/7 -Trained 25 Plans Examiners
  - 10/9 Trained 52 Field Inspectors
- Future Sessions
  - Missouri Association of Building Officials and Inspectors (MABOI)
  - Missouri Association of Code Enforcement (MACE)
  - Associated General Contractors of America (AGC)



## 1 Hour 2018 IECC Training | Building Supply Houses

- Partnership with Forest Products Material Building Supplier
  - Provide 1-hour trainings to customers
  - Supply stores with program resources
  - Gradually reach all supply stores
    - Forest Products supplies materials to stores throughout the Ameren Territory



#### **Matt's Contact Information**

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## Southface | Update

- Recap of July Training
- Curriculum Focus
- Tentative Training Dates and Locations



# **July Trainings: People and Professions**





# **July Trainings: General Feedback**

- Overall Satisfaction: 9.5/10
- Liked Best: Curriculum Content

### **Recommended Future Topics**

- Retrofits and Code
- More Building Science
- Application of Code by Inspectors
- Smart Homes and EE
- Indoor Air Quality
- Solar Energy
- More Hands On

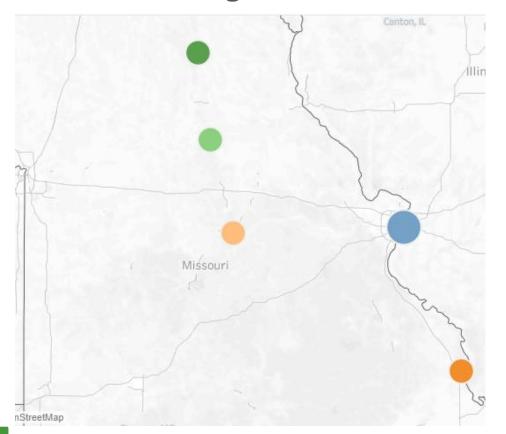


#### 2020 Curriculum

- In process of developing 2020 curriculum
- Curriculum Focus
  - 2018 IECC Retrofit
    - Collecting videos/images of retrofit scenarios
  - 2018 IECC New Construction
    - Application based for design, build and inspect



# **Tentative Training Schedule**



#### Month, City

- January, St. Louis
- February, Cape Girardeau
- February, Jefferson City
- March, Kirksville
- March, Moberly



## **Next Steps**

- Developing 2018 IECC 6-hour Course (Southface)
- Developing Fact Sheets (MEEA + Collaborative)
  - Air Sealing, Moisture, Ventilation House as a system
  - Existing Buildings and the Energy Code
  - Guide to Efficient Lighting
  - Guide to HVAC Sizing
  - Guide to Basement Insulation
  - Guide to Duct Sealing



## **Energy Efficiency and Real Estate**

- Homes that have energy efficiency features and/or certifications properly marketed during the time-of-sale tend to sell faster and for a premium than similar, less efficient homes
- Problem: Agents may not know how to properly market EE, and appraisers may not know how to assign value to EE
- Ameren Missouri's Real Estate Audit program works to solve these issues and encourages time-of-purchase energy audits and upgrades



## **Real Estate Audit Program**

- Encourages time-of-purchase energy audits through the distribution of \$200 audit coupons
- Educates real estate agents on how to properly market EE features during the time-of-sale
- Instructs appraisal professionals on how to properly assign value to EE features
- Program length: September 1, 2019 December 31, 2021
- 2-day appraisal course scheduled with Greater St. Louis Chapter December 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Conducting outreach to realtor boards and chapters within Ameren Missouri's service territory to schedule 2019 and 2020 Green Designation courses



#### **Homeowner Welcome Kits**

- Audit coupon
- Ameren Missouri rebate overview
- List of certified energy auditors
- Benefits of an audit fact sheet
- General program information





## **Subcommittees | Engagement Opportunities**

- Real Estate & Appraiser Subcommittee
  - Talk through strategies to ensure EE is valued during real estate transactions, including:
    - MLS green data fields
    - Realtor education, outreach and engagement
    - Valuation tools and methods
    - Energy disclosure

Email Kara Jonas at Kjonas@mwalliance.org if you are interested in joining



# From the Field/Collaborative: Key Compliance Challenges

- 1. House as a System
- 2. 2018 IECC Implementation/energy code inconsistency/existing economic stakeholders
- 3. Existing Buildings/Retrofit
- 4. Consumer Knowledge
- 5. HVAC Oversizing
- 6. Insulation Installation
- 7. Duct Leakage
- 8. Basement Insulation



## **Recap from Last Collaborative Discussion**

What's needed to improve compliance with the house as a system (ventilation, air sealing, moisture management?

- Value add/benefits
- Liability protection (builders)
- Code Consistency
- Engage healthcare and healthy homes industry
- Training for: students, realtors, appraiser,
- Provide technical resources



## **Discussion | Other Key Compliance Challenges**

How to address compliance challenges with the following:

- 2018 IECC Implementation, lack of energy code consistency, existing economic stakeholders
- Existing Buildings/Retrofit
- Consumer Knowledge





## **Next Collaborative Meeting: Save the Date**

- Date: Tuesday, February 4, 2020
- Location

St. Louis

First meeting of 2020





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## Goals and Rationale of Study

- Comply with American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) requirements
- Establish residential energy code compliance baseline
- Determine potential energy savings from improved compliance
- 1-year, statewide study focused on new, never occupied single family homes
- Study was funded by Division of Energy and led by MEEA
- Data collection was conducted March June 2016



# **Potential Energy Savings (Annual)**

Measure Level Savings

Measure	Electricity Savings (kWh at meter)	Natural Gas Savings (therms)	Energy Savings (MMBtu)	Electricity Savings	Natural Gas Savings (dollars)	Energy Cost Savings (dollars)
Basement Wall	732,822	847,765	87,277	\$89,990	\$971,746	\$1,061,737
Insulation		·	·			
Duct Leakage	3,706,493	400,964	52,743	\$455,157	\$459,603	\$914,760
Lighting Efficacy	4,830,095	-64,040	10,076	\$593,136	\$-73,405	\$519,731
Wall Insulation	1,624,312	203,688	25,911	\$199,466	\$233,476	\$432,942

Fuel Prices		
Electricity	0.12	\$/kWh
Natural Gas	1.15	\$/therm

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Ceiling Insulation	222,191	21,867	2,945	\$27,285	\$25,065	\$52,351
TOTAL	11,445,719	1,485,512	187,604	\$1,405,534	1,702,761	\$3,108,297

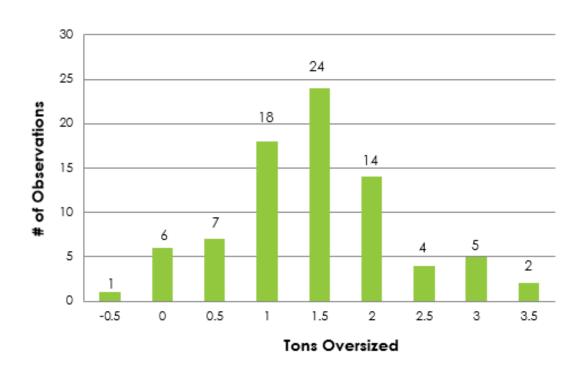
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## **Installed AC Units**

#### Tons Oversized





## The Team

