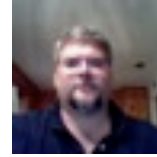


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## Builder's Energy Efficiency Tax Credit

**Brett,**

The \$2,000 tax credit for builders who build energy efficient homes expired December 31, 2009 after an incredible run that saw more than 26,000 homes get certified for the credit in 2009 and nearly 22,000 in 2008.

Congress has been working to get this credit reinstated. On March 3, 2010, the Senate passed an extension that would have extended the credit to December 31, 2010 (retroactive to January 1, 2010).

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**American Power Act!**

The most recent news is that the Senate and the House are trying to get the extender bill passed before the Memorial Day recess (May 28).

In order to verify homes for this tax credit, the verifier must be a certified HERS Rater registered with RESNET for the IRS. To become a certified HERS Rater, check out our next training course coming up in Midland, Texas June 16-18 & 23-25.

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## Training

Our next course is the RESNET HERS Rater course, June 16-18 & 23-25, Midland, Texas.

This course will prepare candidates to take the RESNET National Core Competency Exam and covers subject matter ranging from building science to business operations. We use innovative training techniques to create the highest level of knowledge transfer for our students, resulting in a much higher than average pass rate on the National Exam. The course is delivered during 6 days over a two week period and includes both lecture and field instruction. A background in construction, engineering or inspections is highly recommended.

The least expensive way to become a great Rater is to be trained by a great Trainer! The last 3 classes we've taught had 100% of the students pass the National Exam.

Cost: \$1,495.00

Location:  
Midland, TX

[\*\*Sign up now!\*\*](#)

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What you will need:

Senators Kerry & Lieberman have joined forces and produced the American Power Act, a Senate bill that would combine with the American Clean Energy Leadership Act to create a carbon market, cap emissions, and promote investment in energy efficiency and renewable energy.

Virtually all of the climate change and energy efficiency legislation specifically mentions RESNET and the HERS Rating System. To become part of this exciting and fast-growing industry, get trained by one of the best.

IBS Advisors offers HERS Field Inspector and Rater training in a variety of locations throughout the year. We are going to Midland, TX, in June, San Antonio and South Padre Island in July, and Albuquerque, NM in August.

Here's what some of our students have said about us:  
"Excellent instruction. I feel like I learned as much information in 6 days as I learned in a semester at

- Laptop computer running Windows XP or higher, with USB port and wireless internet capability (Wi-Fi or broadband)
- USB jump drive
- Calculator
- 35' tape measure
- Hard hat
- Architects scale
- Pen or pencil
- Notepad
- Flashlight
- Compass to determine direction
- Motivation to learn

Lunches are not provided, but all the test fees are included.

## Publications

Upcoming publications include a textbook for comprehensive home energy auditors (including sections on combustion appliance testing and writing scopes of work) and a textbook on high performance HVAC systems.

### [Books For Sale!](#)

### [Brett's Blog](#)

Check out this interview with Green Dream Group's Corbett Lunsford.

### [Brett's Interview with Corbett](#)

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college." - Alan R.

"Brett taught a great course, using real-life anecdotes and experiences. He gave the students a great feel for what to expect in this industry. His positive outlook was really encouraging. Good job!"- Mark D.

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New additions to the library:  
**Getting to Smart Growth: 100 policies for Implementation and Getting to Smart Growth 2: 100 more policies for Implementation**

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