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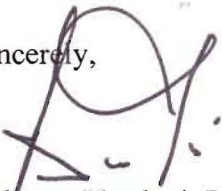
Dear Felix:

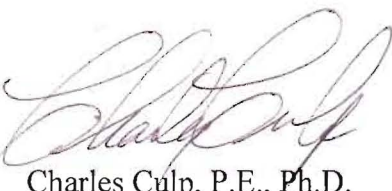
In accordance with the Health and Safety Code Section 388.003, as amended, the Laboratory reviewed and considered the comments received and performed a technical analysis that compared the stringency of the Texas Building Energy Performance Standards based on the 2000 International Energy Conservation Code with the 2001 Supplement (2000/2001 IECC) to the U. S. Department of Energy's REScheck code compliance software (Version 4.2.0, August 2008).

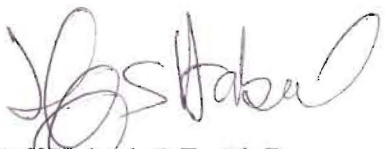
The analysis has determined that:

1. The REScheck code compliance software (Version 4.2.0, August 2008) is less stringent than the Texas Building Energy Performance Standards adopted under the Health and Safety Code Section 388.

Sincerely,


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