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From the Editor

Sustainability E-News was developed to provide general information on sustainability-related topics to those interested in masonry. As we look to 2016 (yes, it's time to consider next year already!), we are brainstorming ideas on ways to improve *Sustainability E-News*, increase our readership, and provide information of value to our readers. How can we do that? What kind of articles (or other content) are you looking for? What is most helpful or interesting to you? I would encourage each of you to provide your feedback via this easy [3 question survey](#) or email me directly.

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CODES and STANDARDS NEWS

We have previously reported on the coordination between LEED and CALGreen, but the articles below provide some additional tools for understanding how the two can work together. ~Tina

IgCC to be "Powered By" ASHRAE 189.1 Standard

GREEN BUILDING LAW UPDATE

Recently the International Code Council and ASHRAE announced that the new version of the International Green Construction Code (IgCC), which is scheduled to be released in 2018, will be "powered by" ASHRAE Standard 189.1, Standard for the Design of High-Performance Green Buildings, Except Low-Rise Residential Buildings." Read more [here](#).

Streamlined LEED Documentation Path Now Available for California

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A new alternative LEED documentation path, first mentioned in April, is now available for use on select credits by all projects subject to the 2013 California Green Building Standards Code (CALGreen) mandatory requirements and registered under a LEED BD+C or LEED ID+C v2009 or v4 rating system. [Read more.](#)

Comparison Between CALGreen and LEED Available

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CALGreen overlaps to some extent with green building rating systems, although the code is not interchangeable with LEED. [This website](#) provides information about how CALGreen compares to LEED and other rating systems. The reports were developed by StopWaste and have been endorsed by the San Francisco Department of the Environment, Build It Green and the U.S. Green Building Council.

New Report Finds Barriers and Opportunity for Green Building and Codes in California

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[The report](#) summarizes observations, findings and recommendations from a group of green building practitioners seeking to answer several central questions about how green building codes and rating systems evolve and harmonize in California. Read more [here](#).

GREEN BUILDING NEWS

As prescriptive energy requirements become more and more stringent, energy modeling is moving from a nicety to a necessity for many buildings. The article below discusses some of these changes. ~Tina

Energy Modeling Advances

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Building simulation, also called energy modeling, has come a long way in the last ten years, but according to [this article](#) it still has a long way to go in the next ten years. With stricter code compliance regulations such as Title 24 coming into place and voluntary rating systems like LEED v4 and others introducing more stringent performance based pre-requisites, it is becoming clear that the industry needs to be ready to use a performance based simulation approach across the entire building lifecycle. Demonstrating compliance in more and more states will now require a model based performance approach rather than a prescriptive one.

GREEN BUSINESS NEWS

Don't Delay: Start Greening Your Supply Chain Today

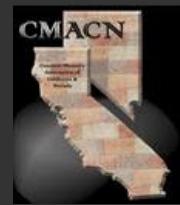
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Companies that took early action to green their supply chains are seeing big benefits from efficiencies and eco-innovations, writes David McClintock in [this article](#). That doesn't mean it's too late for other companies to explore sustainable procurement, McClintock writes. "The longer you wait, the further behind your company will become, and the harder it will be to catch up," he warns.

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