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Table 602.2.1, 602.2.3, 603.5.1

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Revise as follows:

602.2.1 Onsite electricity. Emissions associated with use of electric power shall be based on electric power excluding any renewable or recovered waste energy covered under Section 602.2.1. Emissions shall be calculated by converting the electric power used by the building at the electric utility meter or measured point of delivery, to MWhs, and multiplying by the CO₂e conversion factor in Table 602.2.1 based on the EPA eGRID Sub-region in which the building is located.

**TABLE 602.2.1
ELECTRICITY EMISSION RATE BY EPA eGRID SUB-REGION^a**

eGRID 2007 <u>2012</u> SUB-REGION ACRONYM	eGRID 2007 <u>2012</u> SUB- REGION NAME	2005 <u>2009</u> CO ₂ e RATE (lbs/MWh)
AKGD	ASCC Alaska Grid	4270 <u>1281</u>
AKMS	ASCC Miscellaneous	545 <u>521</u>
ERCT	ERCOT All	4447 <u>1182</u>
FRCC	FRCC All	4446 <u>1177</u>
HIMS	HICC Miscellaneous	4595 <u>1352</u>
HIOA	HICC Oahu	48594 <u>1593</u>
MORE <u>MROE</u>	MRO East	4974 <u>1592</u>
MROW	MRO West	4957 <u>1629</u>
NYLI	NPCC Long Island	4654 <u>0</u>
NEWE	NPCC New England	999 <u>0</u>
NYCW	NPCC NYC/Westchester	874 <u>0</u>
NYUP	NPCC Upstate NY	774 <u>0</u>
RFCE (<u>except</u> <u>MD and DE</u>)	RFC East	4224 <u>947</u>
RFCM	RFC Michigan	4680 <u>1659</u>
RFCW (<u>except</u> <u>MD</u>)	RFC West	4652 <u>1521</u>
SRMW	SERC Midwest	4966 <u>1750</u>
SRMV	SERC Mississippi Valley	4094 <u>1022</u>
SRSO	SERC South	4604 <u>1326</u>
SRTV	SERC Tennessee Valley	4623 <u>1358</u>
SRVC	SERC Virginia/Carolina	4220 <u>1036</u>
SPNO	SPP North	2406 <u>1816</u>
SPSO	SPP South	4780 <u>1599</u>

eGRID 2007 2012 SUB-REGION ACRONYM	eGRID 2007 2012 SUB-REGION NAME	2005 2009 CO ₂ e RATE (lbs/MWh)
CAMX	WECC California	768 0
NWPP (except CA)	WECC Northwest	958 819
RMPA	WECC Rockies	4999 1825
AZNM (except CA)	WECC Southwest	4394 1191

a. Sources: EPA eGRID2007 2012 Version 4.4 1.0, 2005 2009 data; EPA eGrid regional gross grid loss factor.

602.2.3 Annual direct and indirect CO₂e emissions associated with onsite use of fossil fuels and purchased district energy. Emissions associated with the use of natural gas, fuel oil and, propane shall be calculated by multiplying the natural gas, fuel oil, and propane delivered to the building at the utility meter by the corresponding emission factors in Table 602.2.2. Emissions associated with fossil fuels not listed shall be calculated by multiplying the fossil fuel delivered to the building at the utility meter by 250. Emissions associated with purchased district heating shall be calculated by multiplying the heating energy delivered to the building at the utility meter by 150 for hot water and steam, and for district cooling, the factors from Table 602.2.1 based on the EPA eGRID Sub-region in which the building is located.

603.5.1 Annual emissions. The data acquisition and management system shall be capable of providing the data necessary to calculate the annual CO₂e emissions associated with the operation of the building and its systems using the results of annual energy use measured in accordance with Section 603.5. The calculation shall be based on energy measured for each form of energy delivered to the site on an annual basis. Where reporting of emissions is required, the determination of emissions shall be in accordance with Section 602.2.2 602.2.3.

Reason: This proposal does two primary things:

1. it updates Table 602.2.1 with data from 2009, replacing the existing data in the table from 2005, and
2. it deletes Section 602.2.3 as duplicative with Section 602.2.2.

Updated Data.

Table 602.2.1 is updated with more current data taken from EPA's EGrid2012 publication, except for subregions where CO₂ emissions are capped. In subregions where CO₂ emissions are capped, a value of "0" is supplied.

Where upstream power plant emissions are capped by local, regional, or national laws, there is no impact on emissions as a result of building energy efficiency measures. The US Department of Energy has analyzed the impact of appliance efficiency standards on emissions, and for the past several years, uses the following language when discussing certain emissions that are capped. For example, in the Furnace Fan Motors Technical Support Document, June 2012 <http://www.regulations.gov/#!documentDetail;D=EERE-2010-BT-STD-0011-0037> it states for Sulfur Dioxide (Chapter 15.2.2), which is capped on a national basis in the United States:

"While there remains some uncertainty about the ultimate effects of efficiency standards on SO₂ emissions covered by the existing cap and trade system, the NEMS-BT modeling system that DOE uses to forecast emissions reductions currently indicates that no physical reductions in power sector emissions would occur for SO₂."

It also states for Nitrogen Oxides (Chapter 15.2.3), which is capped on a regional basis in the United States: "Therefore, energy conservation standards for electric motors may have little or no physical effect on these emissions in the 28 eastern states and the D.C."

In the US in 2013, there are two regional programs that cap CO₂e emissions from central station power plants: The Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) that covers 9 states in the New England and mid-Atlantic area (CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NY, RI, VT) and the California greenhouse gas cap and trade program mandated under state law AB32 and implemented by the California Air Resources Board. In these areas, building energy efficiency improvements have no impact on upstream emissions.

Under the RGGI and CA programs, power plant CO₂e emissions are capped. Building energy efficiency upgrades will have no impact on upstream emissions (per the DOE analysis of appliance energy efficiency standards for emissions that are capped at a national or regional level). See the following web sites:

<http://www.regulations.gov/#!documentDetail;D=EERE-2010-BT-STD-0011-0037> (Chapter 15)

<http://www.rggi.org/design/overview> <http://www.arb.ca.gov/cc/capandtrade/capandtrade.htm>

It is also a fact that when renewable electric production systems produce electricity, the power is dispatched to the grid, regardless of the time of day. In certain parts of the US, records have been set in terms of renewables as a percentage of the electricity dispatched.

For example: ERCOT Wind Integration Report for 11/10/2012, wind turbines produced 8,521 MW when the peak load was 36,423 MW, for a wind integration value of 25.9%. During the peak hour of 1900 (7:00 PM), wind turbines produced 22.7% of the power that was used at that time.

On November 27, 2012 the Midwest Independent System Operator reported that on November 23, 2012, the peak wind output topped 10 GW and it represented 25% of the total output.

Xcel Energy in Colorado reported that on April 15, 2012, wind turbines produced 57% of the power used during the early morning hours.

<http://money.cnn.com/2012/08/06/news/economy/wind-power-Colorado/index.htm>

<https://www.midwestiso.org/AboutUs/MediaCenter/PressReleases/Pages/WindOutputSurpasses10GW.aspx>

<http://www.ercot.com/content/gridinfo/generation/windintegration/2012/11/ERCOT%20Wind%20Integration%20Report%2011-10-12.pdf>

Delete Section 602.2.3

Sections 602.2.2 and 602.2.3 are virtually identical and this proposal simply strikes the repetitive language. No substantive change to the code occurs as the result of removing Section 602.2.3.

Cost Impact: Will not increase the cost of construction.

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