



RESNET Suppliers Advisory Board Member Agreement

Introduction

The RESNET Board of Directors has created a RESNET Suppliers Advisory Board. The purpose of the RESNET Suppliers Advisory Board is to provide an opportunity for suppliers to better understand RESNET; network with other suppliers, customers and HERS raters; and to provide supplier input to the RESNET Board of Directors.¹

This agreement spells out the terms of membership to the RESNET Suppliers Advisory Board. It spells out the benefits of membership and also defines the expectations and requirements of being a member of the RESNET Suppliers Advisory Board. Violation of the agreement can lead to action up to and including dismissal as a member of the RESNET Suppliers Advisory Board.

Annual Membership Dues

The annual membership dues for a supplier is \$10,000. RESNET is a 501 (c) 3 public purpose not-for-profit corporation. The RESNET Suppliers Advisory Board membership may be tax deductible to the company. Please check with your company's tax advisor.

Benefits to Being a Member of the RESNET Suppliers Advisory Board

I. **RESNET Conference:**

- A complimentary 10'x10' expo space (a \$2,000 value) at the annual RESNET Conference and the ability to upgrade to a 10'x20' space for an additional \$1,000;

¹ The RESNET Suppliers Advisory Board is not a substitute for the RESNET Board of Directors. Unlike a board of directors, RESNET Suppliers Advisory Board members have no authority over the organization. The RESNET Suppliers Advisory Board's purpose is to offer advice. The RESNET Board has the sole option of following the advice. An advisory board does not have the legally imposed fiduciary duties of directors.

- Two (2) complimentary full conference/expo badges to the RESNET Conference (approximately a \$1,000 value) for company employee use;
 - Conference room logo signage on the front wall in conference educational session rooms. Each room will have only one company logo and rooms will be allocated on a first-come-first-serve basis. Founding members² will have priority if their request is submitted prior to a deadline established by RESNET. Companies must supply their own logos to be posted. RESNET will set the size standard;
 - Banner with all RESNET Suppliers Advisory Board member company logos will be displayed at the RESNET Conference entrances;
 - Member companies will be able to upgrade their conference sponsorship recognition level to the Premier sponsor level for an additional \$10,000. The RESNET Conference Premier Sponsor is the superior conference sponsorship normally at a price of \$20,000. This category offers premier recognition, an upgrade to the 10X20 conference exhibit booth, and up to seven complimentary conference registrations.
- II. **Representation on the RESNET Board of Directors:** The RESNET Suppliers Advisory Board members will elect one of their members (Chairperson) to sit on the RESNET Board for a two year term. This RESNET Board member will serve as the RESNET Suppliers Advisory Board representative on the RESNET Board and be a communications bridge between the RESNET Suppliers Advisory Board and the RESNET Board³.
- III. **Research Support:** RESNET staff will assist RESNET Suppliers Advisory Board member companies in securing a party to undertake analysis of the HERS Index Score implications of a product for a standard home in any of the IECC climate zones. Financial arrangements for services rendered by the party will be up to negotiation between the party and RESNET Suppliers Advisory Board member. If there are any questions as to whether current approved software appropriately recognizes the energy impact of a new product or application, RESNET staff will provide guidance on the proper approach to remedy. RESNET will provide two free data queries/year of RESNET data from the RESNET National Buildings Registry. Queries may include the number of ratings conducted on the national, state or zip code level and the average HERS Index Score. Once the RESNET Registry has been adapted to better parse data, the RESNET Suppliers Advisory Board will work with RESNET staff to further identify data needs and RESNET's capability to provide granular levels of data.

² Founding Members” as those joining prior to year-end 2014.

³ The initial RESNET Suppliers Advisory Board Chairperson, and first 2 year RESNET Board member term, will be filled by an existing RESNET Board member. Subsequent appointments will be by member vote

- IV. **Marketing/Sales Support:** One (1) free product marketing email distribution per year to RESNET members and the RESNET Conference attendee distribution list, permissions to use the “RESNET Suppliers Advisory Board” logo on the company’s web site, and other marketing material as long as the company is a member of the RESNET Suppliers Advisory Board in good standing.
- V. **Networking/Learning:** A two (2) hour RESNET Suppliers Advisory Board meeting will be held at the annual RESNET Conference, with relevant presentations and access to the RESNET Board Executive Committee.

Obligations of RESNET Suppliers Advisory Board Member Companies

- I. Member companies shall assign a qualified executive to serve on the RESNET Suppliers Advisory Board.
- II. Member companies shall assign a qualified individual to participate on at least one RESNET working committee.

Limitations of RESNET Suppliers Advisory Board Membership

- I. RESNET Suppliers Advisory Board members are encouraged to advertise and communicate to stakeholders their membership and engagement with RESNET. However, membership does not imply RESNET endorsement of any member company’s products or services. Advertising or implying a RESNET endorsement of a product or service may result in a loss of membership status on the RESNET Suppliers Advisory Board.
- II. RESNET Suppliers Advisory Board members have no authority in respect to the operations, policy or budget of RESNET. The RESNET Suppliers Advisory Board’s primary role as a part of RESNET is to provide advice and recommendations to the RESNET Board of Directors.
- III. The RESNET Suppliers Advisory Board shall have no standard development authority. All standards development authority shall reside with the RESNET Standards Management Board and Standard Development Committees.
- IV. This Membership Agreement cannot be assigned or delegated by member companies, in whole or in part, to any other party without the prior written consent of RESNET. Such consent may be withheld at RESNET’s sole discretion.

Supplier Company Name

RESNET

Supplier Contact

Steve Baden
Executive Director

Signature

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Date

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