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# Regulatory impact statements for energy efficiency proposals for BCA 2010—opportunity to comment

This circular is to give notice to councils, industry practitioners and other stakeholders of opportunities to comment on matters related to the Building Code of Australia (BCA).

## Invitation to comment on regulatory impact statements

The Australian Building Codes Board (ABCB) has announced that the consultation regulatory impact statements regarding proposed changes to the energy efficiency requirements of the Building Code of Australia (BCA) are now available on the ABCB website at <http://www.abcb.gov.au>.

A regulatory impact statement is an effective means of raising public involvement in the regulation-making process as it provides members of the community with the opportunity to comment on regulations and their possible impacts, before they become law.

The primary purpose of regulatory impact statements is to ensure that the economic and social costs and benefits of regulatory proposals are examined fully so that governments proposing the regulations and members of the community can be satisfied that the benefits of the regulations exceed the costs.

## To view the documents

To view the documents go to <http://www.abcb.gov.au>, click on the link under What's New, follow the directions to the 'Impact Assessment' page, then click on the link titled 'Commercial and Residential Consultation RISs for BCA 2010 Energy Efficiency Proposals' that appears on the right of the page in the 'Related Documents/current' box.

Alternatively, the direct link is:  
<http://www.abcb.gov.au/index.cfm?objectid=CC07D8EC-9D89-2020-85C08969EAC3AFB9>

## Submissions

Your comments should be referred directly to the ABCB. Please email your submissions to [Consultationris@abcb.gov.au](mailto:Consultationris@abcb.gov.au) or mail to General Manager, ABCB, GPO Box 9839, Canberra, ACT 2601. Submissions should be marked either 'Residential [or Commercial] Energy RIS Public Comment', or 'Hot Water Energy RIS Public Comment'.

The closing date is **Friday 30 October 2009**.

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