

ICC's Statement on Home Appraisals
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1. Appraisals of Homes

ICC encourages the appraisal and financial lending industry, including Federal GSE's, to recognize the added value of residential properties constructed to green and sustainable building guidelines, codes or standards that incorporate energy savings and environmentally sensitive components into their construction when comparing to properties constructed without these features.

Home ownership is a quintessential American dream. Affordability is a major consideration. Codes enhance economic development thru the utilization of state-of-the art technology in materials research, design and construction practices, and risks/hazards to the public in buildings and structures.

Energy efficiency represents cost savings that pay for themselves several times

4) ICC encourages the lending industry to take into consideration utility costs, and