



2009 Award for *Excellence in Energy Performance*



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Oncor Honors Texas Classic Homes with 2009 Award for “*Excellence in Energy Performance*”

[Midland, TEXAS – July 27, 2009]—Oncor recognized **Texas Classic Homes** for its outstanding commitment to the construction of homes that exceed ENERGY STAR® energy-efficiency specifications. **Texas Classic Homes** was one of six Texas homebuilders to be recognized and awarded the 2009 Award for “*Excellence in Energy Performance*”.

“**Texas Classic Homes** is a leader in raising the standards for energy-efficient home construction in Texas,” said Mike Stockard, Energy Efficiency Manager with Oncor. “Their commitment to build energy-efficient homes demonstrates their dedication to provide homeowners with a better lifestyle and more value for their money.”

“We are proud to provide homeowners with high-performance homes that decrease energy demand, lower the cost of homeownership, and contribute to bluer skies in Texas”, said Travis Pate, Construction Manager for **Texas Classic Homes**. Pate continued, “The real winners are our home buyers. Last year, we built five ENERGY STAR qualified homes in Midland. Next year, our goal is to build 10 ENERGY STAR rated homes.”

Texas Classic Homes was one of six winners selected as the “best of the best” from a group of more than 120 homebuilders across Texas – all participants in the 2008 ENERGY STAR Homes Program sponsored by Oncor. This annual award recognizes homebuilders in the Program who construct homes with the lowest average HERS (Home Energy Rating System) Index rating when compared to homes built by other Program participants. A lower HERS Index rating is an indicator of lower annual home energy consumption.

The HERS Index ratings of all homes constructed by each homebuilder were averaged to calculate a cumulative score that represents each builder’s entire inventory. The scores were ranked with the highest ranked homebuilder (that is with homes having the lowest HERS Index) from each category identified as the winner. **Texas Classic Homes** was ranked as the builder of the most energy efficient homes in the **West Texas** region.

Minimum ENERGY STAR specifications require that a home achieve an HERS Index rating of 85 (at least 15% better than the 2006 International Residential Code). New homes built by **Texas Classic Homes** averaged an index rating of 65 (a 35% improvement over building code requirements).

For more information on **Texas Classic Homes** and its commitment to ENERGY STAR qualified homes, visit TexasClassicHomes.com.

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