

## HOME BUILDERS

As an Associate Member of the Minnesota Building Performance Association (MBPA), I (we) agree to:

1. Support the mission of MBPA.
2. Promote energy efficiency as a desirable and cost effective option for my (our) customers.
3. Use a "House as a System" approach to designing and building homes.
4. Understand and utilize the concepts in the Building Science Corporation's *Builder's Guide to Cold Climate*.
5. Build homes to or above ENERGY STAR® new home standards.
6. Actively promote and encourage the use of air tight construction by using effective air sealing products where appropriate including, but not limited to, air tight recessed can lights, air tight outlet boxes, vapor barrier tapes, etc.
7. Actively promote and encourage the installation of Energy Star® rated heating, cooling, ventilation (HVAC) and water heating equipment.
8. Properly size and install HVAC equipment and distribution systems.
9. Have my (our) homes rated through a Home Energy Rating System.
10. Encourage the use of MBPA Home Performance Consultants to perform the Home Energy Ratings.
11. Educate owners on the importance of maintenance on HVAC equipment and other systems of the home.
12. Promote the use of rebates and tax credits for energy improvements.
13. Support and promote all employees, interns, mentors or representatives of my company or organization to abide by the guidelines of this agreement.
14. Encourage the use of other MBPA Members and Associate Members.

This agreement is voluntary and can be terminated by either party at any time for any reason with no penalty. Failure to comply with any of the terms of this agreement can result in termination of Associate Membership to MBPA based on a vote by Members of the MBPA.

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Signed, Associate Member MBPA

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Date