March 18, 2019

Florida Building Commission Building Codes and Standards Office 2555 Shumard Oak Blvd Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2100

RE: Submission of EnergyGauge Summit 6.10 for approval for the 6<sup>th</sup> edition Florida Energy Code for Commercial Buildings

The Florida Solar Energy Center (FSEC) is pleased to submit EnergyGauge Summit 6.10 for approval for the 6<sup>th</sup> edition Florida Energy Code for Commercial Buildings.

## Certification

To the best of our knowledge, judgement and interpretation, we certify that the software submitted for approval meets the requirements to demonstrate compliance of the 2017 6<sup>th</sup> Edition Florida Energy Code for commercial buildings and the procedures of the "Energy Simulation Tool Approval Technical Assistance Manual, TAM-2017-1.0".

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<u>Updates in EnergyGauge Summit 6.10 compared to version 6.00</u> for 6<sup>th</sup> edition Florida Energy Code for Commercial Buildings

#### Update 1: Fan System Power and Efficiency for the ASHRAE Energy Cost Budget Option

The snap shot below (from ASHRAE 90.1-2013) gives the compliance requirements when using ASHRAE 90.1-2013 Section 11 - Energy Cost Budget (ECB) Option for compliance:



11.2 Compliance. Compliance with Section 11 will be achieved if

- a. all requirements of Sections 5.4, 6.4, 7.4, 8.4, 9.4, and 10.4 are met;
- the design energy cost, as calculated in Section 11.5, does not exceed the energy cost budget as calculated by the simulation program described in Section 11.4; and

ASHRAE 90.1-2013 Section 6.4 contains the mandatory provisions for equipment as shown in the snapshot (from ASHRAE 90.1-2013) below.

## 6.4 Mandatory Provisions

6.4.1 Equipment Efficiencies, Verification, and Labeling Requirements

6.4.1.1 Minimum Equipment Efficiencies—Listed Equipment—Standard Rating and Operating Conditions. Equipment shown in Tables 6.8.1-1 through 6.8.1-13 shall

However, as the snap shot (from ASHRAE 90.1-2013) below shows "Fan System Power and Efficiency" is part of Section 6.5 and not part of Section 6.4 and hence not required in the ASHRAE ECB option

### 6.5.3.1 Fan System Power and Efficiency

6.5.3.1.1 Each HVAC system at fan system design conditions shall not exceed the allowable fan system motor nameplate hp (Option 1) or fan system bhp (Option 2) as shown in Table 6.5.3.1-1. This includes supply fans, return/relief fans, exhaust fans, and fan-powered terminal units associated with systems providing heating or cooling capability. Single-zone variable-air-volume systems shall comply with the constant-volume fan power limitation.

However, in EnergyGauge Summit 6.00, the minimum Fan System Power and Efficiency from section 6.5 was inadvertently included as a compliance requirement for the for the ASHRAE Energy Cost Budget Option. EnergyGauge Summit 6.10 corrects this error. Shown below is a sample of the correction in the output report:

Pr0Sy4 Sy	stem 1		Constant Volume Packaged System—902			No. of Units 1	
Component	Category	Capacity	Design Eff	Eff Criteria	Design IPLV	IPLV Criteria	Comp- liance
Cooling System	Air Conditioners Air Cooled 135000 to 240000 Btu/h Clg Capacity	146944	12.80	11.00	12.90	12.40	PASSES
Heating System Air Handling System -Supply	Electric Furnace Air Handler (Supply) - Constant Volume	271640 5030	1.00 0.90	1.00 0.82		<	FAILS FAILS
Pr0Sy5 Sy	stem 1		Constant Volume Packaged System—902			No. of Units	
Component	Category	Capacity	Design Eff	Eff Criteria	Design IPLV	IPLV Criteria	Comp- liance

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## Output Sample in EnergyGauge Summit 6.00, ECB option

Pr0Sy4 Sy	stem 1	200		nstant Volu stem–902	me Packag	ged	No. of Units 1
Component	Category	Capacity	Design Eff	Eff Criteria	Design IPLV	IPLV Criteria	Comp- liance
Cooling System	Air Conditioners Air Cooled 135000 to 240000 Btu/h Clg Capacity	146944	12.80	11.00	12.90	12.40	PASSES
Heating System Air Handling System -Supply	Electric Furnace Air Handler (Supply) - Constant Volume	271640 5030	1.00 0.90	1.00 0.82	N. O. L.	O	PASSES Not Required
Pr0Sy5 Sy	stem 1		- U	nstant Volu stem902	me Packag	ged	No. of Units 1
Component	Category	Capacity	Design Eff	Eff Criteria	Design IPLV	IPLV Criteria	Comp- liance

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Output Sample in EnergyGauge Summit 6.10, ECB option. Note Fan System minimum requirements have been removed

There are no other updates relating to  $6^{th}$ ed. Florida Energy Code for Commercial Buildings. All submissions made with version EnergyGauge Summit 6.00 remain the same, except for the above version 6.10 correction in all ECB output reports. Thus, documents that are the same as version 6.00 submission are not being resubmitted.

# **Appendix A:**

# Cover sheet for request for approval by the Florida Building Commission as a Compliance Software tool

Date of Submittal: March 115, 2019

Software Company: Florida Solar Energy Center

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Name of Product (If marketed under different editions or names list all that apply):

**EnergyGauge Summit (see instructions on page 6)** 

Version Number: 6.10

## **Code Compliance Methods this software calculates:**

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- ✓ FEC Prescriptive Method
- ✓ FEC Total Building Performance Method
- FEC Component Performance Alternative Option
- ✓ ASHRAE Prescriptive Method
- ASHRAE Envelope Trade-off Option Method (this method is not offered in the software)
- ✓ ASHRAE Energy Cost Budget Method

As an official of the software company named above, I certify the software listed meets the requirements of the Florida Building Code, Energy Conservation 6<sup>th</sup> Edition (2017) for the methods indicated and that this submittal includes the required documentation as given in the Energy Simulation Tool Approval – Technical Assistance Manual or as requested by the Florida Building Commission:

March 18, 2019
Signature Date

<u>Muthusamy Swami</u> <u>Program Director</u>

Printed Name Title

## **EnergyGaugeSummit 6.10 Filing version**

## Steps to running this version:

- 1) Download the install package to your computer from the link below: http://energygauge.com/downloads/setups/summit610filing.exe
- 2) Run the install package on your computer to install EnergyGaugeSummit 6.10 Filing version
- 3) This will install EnergyGaugeSummit 6.10 Filing version side-by-side with any other version you may have.
- 4) After successful installation, run EnergyGauge Summit.
- 5) Open any existing .egc you may have OR a sample is available under the your installed directory (usually Program Files or Program files (x86)) /EnergyGauge/EnergyGaugeSummitFiling/Samples
- 6) From Calculate menu run <u>Calculate</u> --> <u>6th edition (2017) Florida Energy Code Compliance</u> --> <u>ASHRAE 90.1-2013 Energy Cost Budget Method</u>
- 7) Once the output report is generated, you will notice under the system compliance report section that all Air Handling System (FAN) compliance will show "Not required", instead of PASS or FAIL. Running compliance options other than <u>ASHRAE 90.1-2013 Energy Cost Budget Method</u> will show the usual PASS or FAIL as in earlier versions.