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## ELECTRICAL PRODUCT APPROVAL

**REASON:** The “third party” certification and test benefits everyone by helping to ensure the integrity and the safety of products in the market place.

**CODE:** 2019 California Electrical Code based on the 2017 National Electrical Code.

**SECTION:** 110-2 of the Code requires that all conductors and equipment be approved as defined in Article 100 and, as such, be acceptable to the authority having jurisdiction. Section 110-3 provides guidance for the judging of equipment and recognizes “listing or labeling” as a means to established suitability.

Approval of conductors and equipment is the responsibility of the inspection authority, and many such “approvals” are based on tests and listings of testing laboratories. The following laboratory testing facilities are recognized and accepted by the City of Irvine:

ARL	Applied Research Laboratories Miami, Florida	(305) 624-4800
<sup>1</sup> ASC	Engineering Services Richmond, CA	(510) 223-7891
BACL	Bay Area Compliance Laboratories Sunnyvale, California	(408) 732-9162

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<sup>1</sup>This certification will expire and the company removed from this list on July 1, 2021, unless documentation is presented to the City of Irvine showing this company’s certification has been renewed.

SUS	Bureau Veritas Consumer Product Services, Inc. Buffalo, New York	(978) 486-8880
CSA	Canadian Standards Association Richmond, British Columbia Irvine, California	toll free (800) 463-6727 (604) 244-6652 (949) 733-4300
FM	Factory Mutual Engineering & Research Corp. West Glocester, Rhode Island	(401) 568-6240
IAPMO	International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials Ontario, California	(909) 472-4100
ETL	Intertek Testing Services NA, Inc. Arlington Heights, Illinois	(847) 437-5667
MET	MET Electrical Testing Company Baltimore, Maryland	(301) 345-2200
N	Nemko North America, Inc. Carlsbad, California	(760) 444-3500
NSF	NSF International Ann Arbor, Michigan	(734) 827-6837
QAI	QAI Laboratories, LTD Burnaby, British Columbia Canada	(604) 527-8378
PS	QPS Evaluation Services Inc. Toronto, Ontario Canada	(416) 241-8857

SGS	SGS North America, Inc. Suwanee, Georgia	(770) 570-1800
PTL	Solar PTL, LLC Tempe, Arizona	(480) 966-1700
SWRI	Southwest Research Institute San Antonio, Texas	(210) 684-5111
TUV	TUV Rhernland of North America, Inc. Newtown, Connecticut	(203) 426-0888 ext. 111
TUV	TUV SUD American Inc. Peabody, Massachusetts	(978) 573-2500
TUV	TUV SUD Product Services Munich, Germany	+49-89-5008-4335
UL	Underwriters Laboratories Santa Clara, California Northbrook, Illinois	(408) 985-2400 (847) 272-8800 ext. 43281

Other agencies may be added to this list after review by the Building Official to ensure proper accreditations as a nationally recognized testing laboratory.

The Listing Agency shall notify the City of Irvine, Building and Safety division of any work being performed within the City of Irvine prior to the start of any such work.

The Building Department shall receive a final report from the Listing Agency, prior to the final inspection of the project that is being worked on.