Appendix B: Energy Step Code Implementation Timeline for Part 9 Residential Buildings

Training	Incentives
Prior to Step 1	
Spring – November 30, 2019	
 City of Kelowna building officials training on Energy Step Code permitting process Builders and trades training: Understanding the permitting process for Energy Step Code Additional training opportunities being explored with the Energy Step Code Council, FortisBC, and Okanagan College. 	 City of Kelowna Rebates*: \$500 building permit rebate for engaging an energy advisor for modelling, and final construction blower door test (maximum 10 rebates per builder). Mid-construction blower door tests as learning opportunity are encouraged, but not required. Incentive available until Nov. 30, 2019. ** \$500 building permit fee rebate to achieve Step 4 – available until May 31, 2021 \$1000 building permit fee rebate to achieve Step 5 or certified Passive House – available until May 31, 2021 Fortis Rebates: Energy advisor support - \$500 Builders achieving various steps are eligible for rebates in addition to energy advisor support:
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Step 1 Implementation December 1, 2019 to May 31, 2021	
 Staff/Council training on form and character associated with upper steps, as part of design guideline discussion with OCP update Additional training opportunities being explored with the Energy Step Code Council, FortisBC, and Okanagan College. 	 City of Kelowna Rebates*: \$500 building permit fee rebate to achieve Step 4 – available until May 31, 2021 \$1000 building permit fee rebate to achieve Step 5 or certified Passive House – available until May 31, 2021 Fortis Rebates: Energy advisor support - \$500 Builders achieving various steps are eligible for rebates in addition to energy advisor support:
Step 3 Implementation June 1, 2021 to December 2022	
 Training opportunities to be determined Province requiring buildings to be 200 	 Fortis Rebates: Builders achieving various steps are eligible for rebates in addition to energy advisor support: \$2000 (Step 3), \$4000 (Step 4) and \$8000 (Step 5)

Province requiring buildings to be 20% more energy efficient

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*A maximum of \$75,000 is dedicated to all City of Kelowna rebates. If the maximum value of rebates is used prior to 2021, staff will review and investigate opportunities for new incentives.

^{**} The \$500 rebate will be applied at time of building permit issuance. Occupancy will be granted on the condition of the builder completing the energy model, final construction blower door tests and associated compliance forms. There are no targets to be met as this is being provided as a learning opportunity for builders to begin working with an energy advisor and completing blower door tests on their buildings prior to Step 1 becoming mandatory.