



Spring 2025

# PERFORMANCE MATTERS



## A Word From BPI's CEO

Amanda Hatherly

It was such a pleasure to see so many familiar faces—and meet new ones—at this year's National Home Performance Conference. The energy, ideas, and commitment to making homes safer, healthier, and more efficient were truly inspiring. I was especially grateful for the opportunity to present a session on Healthy Housing Policy and the evolving strategies that connect equity, resilience, and building performance. If you missed it or want to dive deeper, keep an eye on the Building Performance Association Journal, where I've shared a full article expanding on the session's key takeaways.

And on a fun note—thank you to those who reached out about the [New York Times Wirecutter article](#) on sealing drafty windows. I was honored to be quoted and to help bring building science tips to a broader audience!

## A Big Thank You to Christopher DeVany, PMP!

Christopher DeVany, PMP, led an invaluable webinar for BPI on navigating uncertain employment times. If you missed it, catch the recording here and gain expert tips and resources to help you thrive!

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## Leading the Way with Expertise: Why the BPI Certification Matters

Dan Ringo, a seasoned executive and engineer with over 20 years of experience in energy efficiency and clean energy workforce development, explores the essential role of BPI certification for leaders. Currently serving as Senior Vice President at Walker-Miller Energy Services, Dan has held numerous executive leadership roles and is passionate about expanding opportunities for underrepresented communities in the clean energy sector.

Read Dan's full article to learn why BPI certification is essential for leaders looking to make a lasting impact in energy efficiency.

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## A Visit to Our Test Centers:

# INSPIRING GROWTH AND PARTNERSHIPS

Over the past few months, Amanda had the opportunity to visit two of our exceptional Test Centers—the Oregon Training Center in Salem, OR, and the Southwest Building Science Training Center in Phoenix, AZ.

During her visit to the Oregon center, Amanda was joined by Drew Sizemore, Jill Hollingsworth, Suzanne Gray, Nick Arvidson, and Lara Obrady, where they explored the state-of-the-art training facilities. At the Southwest center, Amanda toured the facility with Forrest Bevacqua and Joshua Van De Venter, reflecting on her own Building Analyst certification experience there back in 2008.

The facilities have grown tremendously, and it was inspiring to witness the hands-on training and the talented staff shaping the future of the industry. A huge thank you to both centers for their continued partnership and for making these visits so memorable!



## HPXML VERSION 4.1

*Is Ready For Use!*

BPI is thrilled to launch Version 4.1 of the Home Performance eXtensible Markup Language (HPXML) Transfer Standard! This update enhances software compatibility, integrates smoothly with NREL's OpenStudio HPXML Toolkit, and upholds our dedication to a robust, ANSI-accredited standards process. As BPI's National Technical Director Kevin Powell puts it, "This release demonstrates our commitment to adding value to the industry while maintaining the rigor of an open standards process."

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### BPI Releases HPXML Version 4.1 to Streamline Data Exchange in the Home Performance Industry





## BPI AT THE

# 2025 National Home Performance Conference

NHPC 25 was filled with inspiring sessions, meaningful connections, and incredible energy from across the home performance industry!

A huge thank you to the Building Performance Association for hosting such an impactful event. We're grateful to everyone who stopped by our booth, connected with us, and shared in the excitement.

Our team loved every minute of it and are already looking forward to next year. We can't wait to do it all over again!



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## THE MYSTERY OF THE *Vibrating* FURNACE

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