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# Requirements for waste heat and renewable heat delivered by district heating in the Netherlands

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## Requirements nearly zero energy buildings (NZEB)

EPBD 2010:

- › 31 December 2020: all new buildings are nearly zero energy buildings
- › 31 December 2018: buildings occupied and owned by public authorities
  
- › Nearly zero energy building:
  - building that has a very high energy performance, based on cost optimality study
  - The energy required should be covered to a very significant extent by energy from renewable sources
  - including energy from renewable sources produced on-site or nearby





## Requirements nearly zero energy buildings (NZEB)

RED 2018 art. 15:

- > MS should set minimum requirements for renewable energy for new buildings (and buildings that undergo major renovation)
- > Can be fulfilled through efficient district heating and cooling using a significant share of renewable energy and waste heat and cold.





## Requirements nearly zero energy buildings (NZEB)

- > Dimensionless requirement replaced by three new NZEB requirements:
  1. Energy demand (kWh/m<sup>2</sup> per year)
  2. Primary fossil energy use (kWh/m<sup>2</sup> per year) → indicator for EPC
  3. Renewable energy (%)
  
- > Requirement 'energy demand' depends on the ratio between energy loss surface (A<sub>l</sub>) and energy use surface (A<sub>g</sub>)
  
- > Waste heat/cold and renewable heat from district heating can be used to fulfill requirements on 'primary fossil energy use' and 'renewable energy'



# New energy performance calculation method

- › Why?
  - Different calculation methods
  - High level of complexity
  - Not only based on physics (policy factors)
  - New CEN EPB standards
  - Dimensionless indicators instead of kWh per m<sup>2</sup> per year (EPBD 2018)





## New energy performance calculation method

- › New calculation method (NTA 8800)
  - 1 calculation method for all buildings
  - CEN standards, unless...
  - New indicators for NZEB requirements (kWh/m<sup>2</sup> per year and %)
  - Policy factors were reconsidered and transferred to legislation

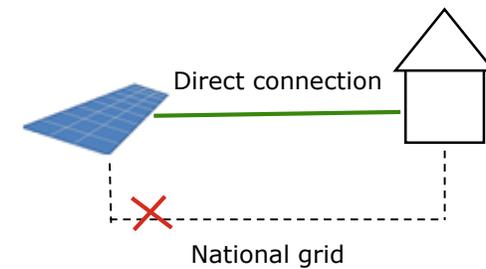
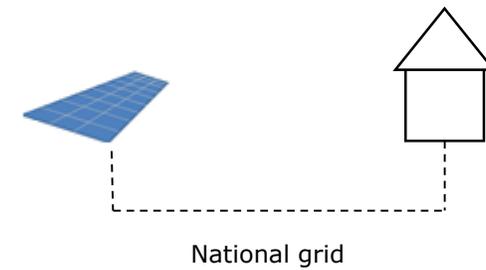
NTA 8800 can be downloaded for free via:

<https://www.nen.nl/NEN-Shop/Norm/NTA-8800201906-nl.htm>



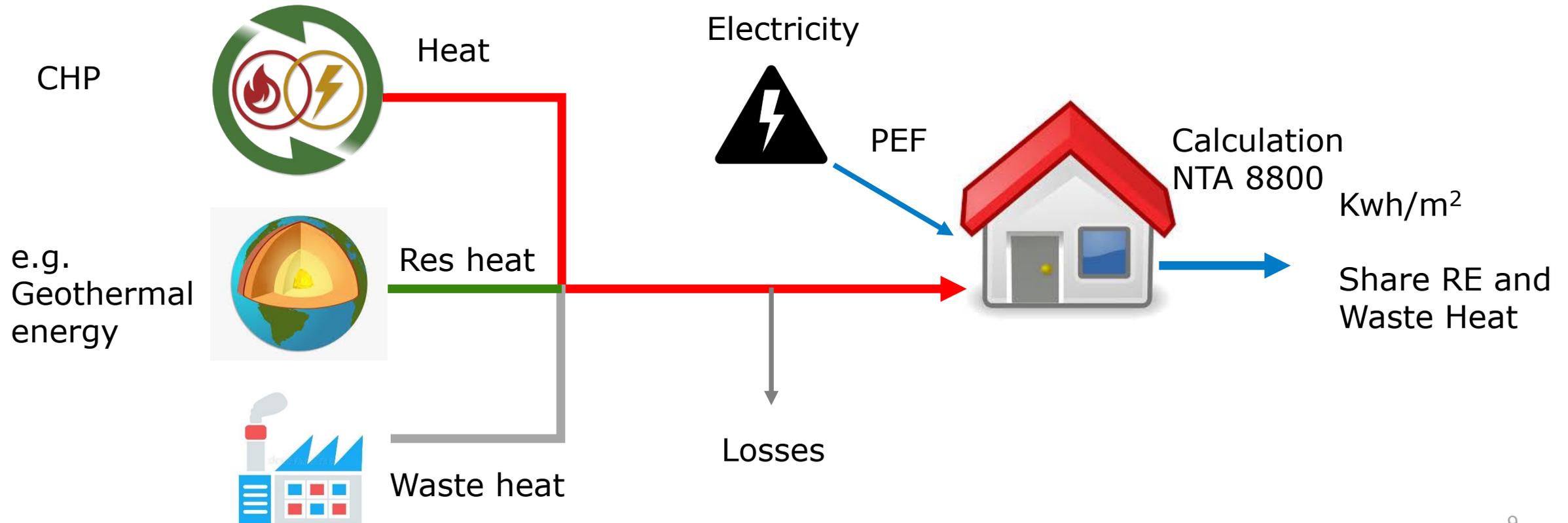
# New energy performance calculation method

- > Policy factors:
  - Can renewable energy or waste heat or cold produced off-site/nearby be allocated to the energy performance of a building?
- > Old rules:
  - Energy production off-site
  - Within distance of 15 km from the building
  - Contract between producer and building owner
- > New rules:
  - Energy production off-site
  - With a direct physical connection to the building (f.e. district system)
  - Contract between producer and building owner



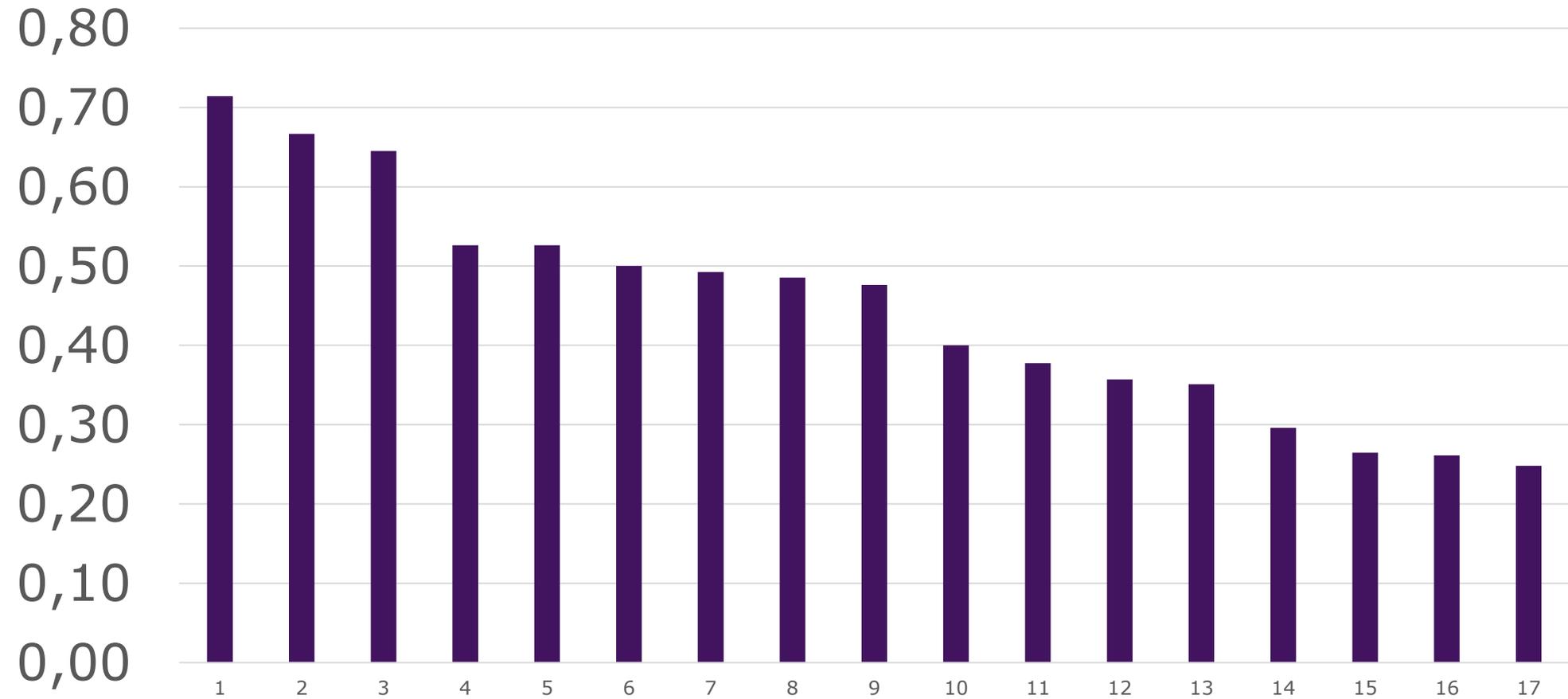


# Calculating the contribution of district heating





## Primary Energy Factor District Heating





## Definition waste heat or cold

- > Following RED
- > Unavoidable heat or cold as by-product of an industrial installation
- > Heat or cold would be lost without connection to district heating
- > No heat from CHP
- > Should be delivered through district heating



## Securing the calculation

- › District heating companies have to get a quality certificate
- › Certificates are checked by an independent bureau:  
<https://www.bcrq.nl/>
- › District heating companies have to report on their sustainability  
[www.rvo.nl/warmtewet](http://www.rvo.nl/warmtewet)
- › The city checks as part of the building permit



# Summary

- > New calculation for building performance implements EPBD and RED
- > Res heat in district heating is included
- > Waste heat can be included

## Questions?

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