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Re:
Docket No. 14-BSTD-01
2016 Building Standards Update
Measure No.NR-ENV-2-F

Bristolite Daylighting Systems is expressing our support of Title 24’s Measure Number NR-ENV-2-F in the Energy Code change proposal. This addresses a critical minimum skylight area requirement reinstatement to section 140.3(c).

We believe the proposed change to return to the previous minimum skylight area requirement is correct and is necessary to make this section of the code as effective as current science warrants. The critical component of the code has already created less than effective designs that can increase heating loads and require more energy due to lighting requirements.

The CASE Final Report addressing the Minimum Skylight Area includes important validating information regarding the cost effectiveness, environmental impact and energy efficiency.

We understand that the 3% minimum skylight area requirement was inadvertently eliminated from the prescriptive requirements. Supporting documentation was previously submitted for the 2005/2008 code editions and that information has not changed. That documentation as well as the above referenced CASE report validates the importance of the requirement.

Thank you for your consideration.

Regards,

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