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Re. Docket 17-BSTD-01 2019 Building Energy Efficiency Standards PreRulemaking, Section 130.1(c)1

At the California Energy Commission meeting on June 22, 2017, a utility sponsored code change proposal was presented showing that significant energy could be saved by mandating some indoor spaces use a Manual-ON control strategy as compared to an Automatic-ON scheduling system. Because of that report, the CEA is surprised that a Manual-ON control strategy is not mandated for any specific indoor spaces. To our knowledge, no scheduling system other than the simplest timeclocks lack the ability to do Manual-ON as part of its programmed schedule.

The current draft 2019 Standards only require that automatic shut-OFF controls installed to achieve compliance with Section 130.1(c)1 include "the ability to operate in manual-ON mode." Unfortunately, many owners will set their systems to Auto-ON and waste possible energy savings, especially if holiday dates are not entered into the system. Without explicit requirements within the Energy Standards for use of a manual-ON control strategy where scheduling controls exist, savings from use of the simple strategy will be lost.

The CEA recommends that the Energy Commission reconsider the value of mandating a Manual-ON control strategy for certain spaces in facilities that use a scheduling system to meet the Automatic Shut-OFF Controls requirements contained in Section 130.1(c).

Sincerely,

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