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California Energy Commission  
Dockets Office, MS-4  
Re: Docket No. 10-BSTD-01  
1516 Ninth Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814-5512  
By email to: [docket@energy.state.ca.us]

Dear Mazi Shirakh;

We appreciate the work the CEC is doing to increase the energy efficiency of the Building Energy Efficiency Standards (T-24, Part 6) and meet AB 32 goals. Everything we manufacture is EPA certified and designed to offer clean, affordable zone heating. We have an operations facility in Sacramento that employs 9 people and we work with over 400 employees of specialty hearth retailers in the California market. We have been operating in Sacramento for over 15 years and have been a member of the Hearth, Patio and Barbeque Association for over 25 years. We currently manufacture and distribute over 50 different vented two zone heaters to over 150 retail dealers throughout California.

Regency Fireplaces requests that Standards maintain the residential zone credit for heating, also known as the two-zone modeling credit, outlined in section 4.5.2 of the Residential ACM. We are particularly concerned that the ability to model two zones remained in the compliance software. Our customers are looking for an efficient way to zone heat the rooms they occupy the most; in many cases the vented hearth appliance is used as an alternative to the central heating system which heats the entire home. Cooling and heating should be considered separately. The Sacramento air district encourages the use of our heating products in this two-zone application.

Sincerely,

Tonya Wofford

Western Regional Sales Manager

Cc: Chair Robert Weisenmiller, Ph.D.  
Commissioner Karen Douglas  
Deputy Director Panama Bartholomy  
Bruce Wilcox, P.E.