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NOTICE OF REMOTE-ACCESS WORKSHOP

RE: Multifamily Restructuring, Economizing,
ACM Approval, and Data Registry
Requirements

Notice of Staff Workshop
December 2, 2020
9:00 a.m.
Remote Access Only

The California Energy Commission (CEC) will host a remote-access workshop to present and obtain public comment on proposed changes to restructure and place a new focus on the code requirements for multifamily buildings for the 2022 update of the Building Energy Efficiency Standards (Energy Code). The workshop will also address proposed changes to nonresidential economizer requirements, and alternative compliance method (ACM) approval manual, and data registry provisions.

The workshop will be held remotely, consistent with Executive Orders N-25-20 and N-29-20 and the recommendations from the California Department of Public Health to encourage physical distancing to slow the spread of COVID-19. The public can participate in the workshop consistent with the direction in these Executive Orders. The workshop is being held to encourage and enable public comment. Instructions for remote participation via Zoom are below.

Agenda

Specific topics of discussion include (in order of expected agenda placement):

- Alternate compliance method approval manual provisions – this manual specifies the modeling rules required for building simulation software used to demonstrate performance-based compliance with the *Energy Code*.
- Nonresidential data registry provisions – these provisions specify possible future collection of compliance documentation data by the CEC, either directly into a statewide repository or indirectly through third-party registries.

- Economizer provisions – these provisions specify the required use of economizers in nonresidential buildings to provide outside air for ventilation cooling instead of air conditioning when outdoor temperatures meet building comfort conditions.
- Restructuring of code provisions applicable to multifamily buildings – these provisions are the culmination of the CEC efforts to place a major new focus on multifamily buildings, including alignment of requirements for low-rise, mid-rise and high-rise buildings and relocation of multifamily requirements into their own chapters within the *Energy Code*.

Background

California’s Building Standards Code is updated on a three-year cycle. The CEC oversees Part 6 of that code, the Energy Code. Staff is evaluating proposed amendments for possible inclusion in the 2022 Energy Code.

For context, the 2019 update to the Energy Code includes new requirements for installation of solar photovoltaic systems in newly constructed low-rise residential buildings, updates to air filtration standards applicable to all buildings, and new provisions specific to healthcare facilities. The 2022 Energy Code will improve upon the 2019 Energy Code by revising and updating energy efficiency standards for newly constructed buildings, and additions and alterations to existing buildings.

The goal of this workshop is to encourage and enable feedback from stakeholders and members of the public before the start of the formal rulemaking process. The next step following these workshops is drafting of the proposed 2022 Energy Code Express Terms. Beginning in early 2021, the drafting of the Express Terms will be followed by a formal rulemaking proceeding and public comment period. By the end of the second quarter of 2021, after concluding the required public process, the staff will present proposed 2022 Energy Code amendments to the CEC for adoption. Subsequently, the CEC will submit the adopted standards to the California Building Standards Commission for administrative review and approval. The 2022 Energy Code will apply to building permit applications submitted on or after January 1, 2023.

Public Comment

Oral and written comments, attachments, and associated contact information (including association, address, phone number, and email address) will become part of the public record of this proceeding with access available via any internet search engine.

Oral Comments: Oral comments will be accepted during the workshop. Comments may be limited to three minutes or less per speaker and one person per organization. See detailed instructions below.

Written comments: Written comments must be submitted to the Docket Unit by **5:00 p.m. on December 18, 2020**.

The CEC encourages use of its electronic commenting system. Visit the CEC [e-commenting page](https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Ecomment/Ecomment.aspx?docketnumber=19-BSTD-03) at <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Ecomment/Ecomment.aspx?docketnumber=19-BSTD-03>, which links

to the comment page for this docket. Enter your contact information and a comment title describing the subject of your comment(s). Comments may be included in the "Comment Text" box or attached as a downloadable, searchable document in Microsoft® Word, Microsoft® Excel, or Adobe® Acrobat®. The maximum file size is 10 MB.

Written comments may also be submitted by email. Include docket number 19-BSTSD-03 and "2022 Energy Code Multifamily Restructuring" in the subject line and email to docket@energy.ca.gov.

A paper copy may be sent to:

California Energy Commission
Docket Unit, MS-4
Docket No. 19-BSTD-03
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All written comments shall comply with the requirements of the 20 California Code of Regulations §1208.1.

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Media inquiries should be directed to mediaoffice@energy.ca.gov or (916) 654-4989.

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Remote Attendance

Participants may join the workshop by clicking on the link below. The workshop may also be accessed through [Zoom](#) at <https://join.zoom.us> by entering the unique meeting ID and password listed below. Please be aware that the Zoom meeting may be recorded.

Click this link to join Proposed 2022 Energy Code Multifamily Restructuring workshop:
<https://energy.zoom.us/j/96478665417?pwd=RjV2K2VnR2w3KzhuN3hUWEdJMFEyQT09>
Meeting ID: 964 7866 5417
Meeting password: 699161

Zoom: [Zoom technical support](#) is available at <https://support.zoom.us/>. You may also contact Zoom at (888) 799-9666 ext. 2, or the Public Advisor's Office via email or phone.

To Participate by Telephone: Dial (877) 853-5257 or (888) 475-4499 (toll free), or (669) 219-2599 (toll) or find your local number from [Zoom](https://zoom.us/join) at <https://zoom.us/join>. When prompted, enter the workshop meeting. To comment, dial *9 to "raise your hand" and *6 to mute/unmute your phone line.

Availability of Documents

Documents and presentations for this workshop will be available at the CEC's e-comment page for [docket number 19-BSTD-03](https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=19-BSTD-03) at <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=19-BSTD-03>.

The proposal document for economizer requirements is available for download at this link: <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/GetDocument.aspx?tn=234916&DocumentContentId=67779>.

The proposal document for the multifamily restructuring is available for download at this link: <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/GetDocument.aspx?tn=235002&DocumentContentId=67877>.

Dated: November 20, 2020, at Sacramento, California

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