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- 9:02 A.M.
- 3 SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA
- 4 WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2017
- 5 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Good morning, everyone.
- 6 We're going to start the pre-rulemaking workshop
- 7 on the express terms. Right now, we've got a lot
- 8 to cover, so let's get going. My name is Payam,
- 9 forget my last name, the Project Manager for the
- 10 2019 Building Energy Standards.
- 11 So quick housekeeping rules, as everybody
- 12 has been here multiple times and heard some of
- 13 these presentations already. Restrooms are out
- 14 the door to your left. Upstairs on the second
- 15 floor is the snack bar. And in case of an
- 16 emergency for evacuation we'll just go across to
- 17 the Roosevelt Park and we'll reconvene over
- 18 there.
- 19 The topics today there's quite a few of
- 20 them. It's going to be a long day. Hopefully,
- 21 we can through them all as there will be multiple
- 22 people presenting. For the case of moving the
- 23 project along there's a lot of substantive
- 24 changes done to the Standards whereas un-
- 25 substantive is just more for clarification and

- 1 grammatical issues. So those, some will, some
- 2 will not be presented today.
- 3 The draft language has been posted on our
- 4 website for the past few weeks and if you haven't
- 5 they're there for you to review. We're not going
- 6 to go through every little detail of numbers and
- 7 values.
- 8 A quick history of the Standards, the
- 9 Energy Commission was proposed in 1974. It was
- 10 funded in Jerry Brown in 1975 when he came into
- 11 office.
- 12 The Energy Commission, through Executive
- 13 Orders has to look at multiple things. One is to
- 14 hit this so-called ZNE goal by 2020 for
- 15 residential buildings and the nonresidential by
- 16 2030.
- 17 There's also a lot on the carbon
- 18 reduction programs through ARB that we have to
- 19 also take into consideration.
- 20 The Energy Commission develops the
- 21 Standards triennially with the help of its
- 22 utility partners. I would like to give a quick
- 23 thanks to Pacific Gas & Electric, Southern
- 24 California Edison, Southern Cal Gas, San Diego
- 25 Gas & Electric, Sacramento Municipal Utility

- 1 District, Los Angeles Department of Water and
- 2 Power, Southern California Public Authorities,
- 3 who with the help of the CASE Team helped us
- 4 develop the 2019 Standards that you're going to
- 5 be seeing today.
- 6 Also I'd like to thank Kelly Cunningham
- 7 and Heidi Hauenstein who's helped the
- 8 communication between the staff here at the
- 9 Energy Commission and the CASE Team.
- 10 Also, one thank you to Marshall Hunt,
- 11 with PG&E who's helped us -- pretty much he's
- 12 never said no when we asked for a study to be
- 13 done. He's always been there for us.
- 14 For California, being a little bit
- 15 different than the rest of the country, 16
- 16 climatic zones, we have to evaluate all 16
- 17 climate zones for all of our energy measures.
- 18 We've gone through a full life cycle cost
- 19 analysis in all measures and based on a TDV.
- Today's workshop is one of ten pre-
- 21 rulemaking workshops that we've had, starting in
- 22 April. We're hoping from today's discussion,
- 23 that we'll get all your comments before October
- 24 20th. The sooner we get those the better it is.
- 25 One of the reasons I say that is we're going into

- 1 the 45-day language on January of 2018, mid maybe
- 2 the second week of January.
- 3 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: What was that
- 4 again? The 45-day language (indiscernible)
- 5 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: We're probably going to
- 6 present at a workshop here at the Energy
- 7 Commission on January of 2018 on the 45-day
- 8 language, okay? So with that, we have to have
- 9 the draft language for the 45-day posted in mid-
- 10 November. So the sooner we get your comments,
- 11 the better it is for us.
- 12 The utility sponsored stakeholders'
- 13 website has all the final draft CASE reports
- 14 presented and posted for your review. The Energy
- 15 Commission will have those final reports with
- 16 staff supplemental reports here shortly, after we
- 17 have a lot of these discussions back and forth on
- 18 the pre-rulemaking. Those will be on our
- 19 Building and Efficiency Program website. And
- 20 please submit your comments to that last link
- 21 there below.
- 22 What I did, also I've added all the
- 23 standard -- the staff that worked on the Building
- 24 Standards language here on our website.
- 25 Depending who has the subject matter you'll see

- 1 that there's the contact information for them.
- 2 The presentations from today will be
- 3 posted on our website on Monday. What I need do
- 4 is I want to add contact information for all the
- 5 presenters to all the presentations.
- 6 Any questions? Yes. Please come up to
- 7 the mic and state your name and the affiliation
- 8 you're with. This is being recorded.
- 9 MS. MAXWELL: Yes, Chase Maxwell;
- 10 Ellison, Schneider, Harris & Dolan. And on the
- 11 CASE reports I was specifically looking for one
- 12 CASE report, the Joint Utilities CASE Report, for
- 13 their suggestions to the modifications to the
- 14 Standards. And I didn't see it under the docket.
- 15 I mean I was doing text searching. I didn't see
- 16 it under the docket. Are these CASE reports
- 17 being posted?
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: The CASE reports will
- 19 be posted on the --
- 20 MS. MAXWELL: Yeah, the utility-sponsored
- 21 stakeholder group I believe.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yeah. They'll be all
- 23 there for now.
- MS. MAXWELL: They're all on that
- 25 website, so they're outside the docket?

- 1 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: They're outside the
- 2 docket.
- 3 MS. MAXWELL: Okay. But they are being
- 4 considered by staff? Because I didn't
- 5 necessarily -- I couldn't draw lines between, for
- 6 example, what's being the CASE reports for the
- 7 utility sponsored stakeholder and changes made,
- 8 in the current draft Standards?
- 9 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yeah. We didn't want
- 10 to put those on our website as of now, because
- 11 there's going to be changes being done from these
- 12 discussions that we have then what's being
- 13 proposed by the CASE Team. So when that final
- 14 decision is made or the final proposal, we have
- 15 those posted prior to the 45-day language.
- MS. MAXWELL: Okay. So this outside
- 17 group, that is -- I'm sorry. I'm not being
- 18 accusatory. I'm just intend to understand how
- 19 it's working.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yeah.
- 21 MS. MAXWELL: So this outside stakeholder
- 22 group is doing a bulk collaborative effort that
- 23 is not being moderated or directed by the Energy
- 24 Commission staff; is that correct, or?
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: It has been.

- 1 MS. MAXWELL: It has been.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: And that's why we've
- 3 had the nine pre-rulemaking workshops here at -
- 4 the Energy Commission. And we've had quite a few
- 5 at the utility level within their jurisdictions
- 6 also.
- 7 MS. MAXWELL: Okay. And then do you
- 8 expect, or are you recommending that the language
- 9 being proposed in these CASE reports be entered
- 10 into the docket by this set of comments that are
- 11 being solicited, what is it, by October 20th?
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: No. The October 20th
- 13 is your comments from today's presentations. If
- 14 there's any comments or you have any comments
- 15 that you would like to make on what you hear
- 16 today, you're more than welcome to, by October
- 17 20th, to our docket right there.
- MS. MAXWELL: Okay. So I guess my
- 19 ultimate question I'm trying to get at is the
- 20 pre-rulemaking from what I understand, is an
- 21 effort to get the substantive changes from the
- 22 Standards in before the formal rulemaking takes
- 23 place, so that everybody can kind of work out
- 24 these details on the substantive?
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Right.

- 1 MS. MAXWELL: But in this pre-rulemaking,
- 2 we're not going to see an integration on
- 3 substantive changes from the stakeholder effort,
- 4 necessarily, in the language. We may not see
- 5 that until the formal set.
- 6 MR. STRAIT: Actually, if I could jump
- 7 in?
- 8 MS. MAXWELL: Yeah.
- 9 MR. STRAIT: The way that this structure
- 10 works is any stakeholder can submit a code change
- 11 proposal. We actually offer a template for that
- 12 in our website. When we enter the formal
- 13 rulemaking process, that's when some of those
- 14 will become documents relied upon, and that's
- 15 when they'll get docketed.
- 16 For now, because based on public
- 17 commentary we may or may not chose to do what's
- 18 in a given CASE report. We are not docketing
- 19 those, because that would represent a final
- 20 decision we have not made.
- 21 Right now, as we get this public
- 22 commentary and we figure out what, out of those
- 23 CASE reports, to include and how to embody them
- 24 in the Code, that's part of what we're trying to
- 25 solicit by having this pre-rulemaking draft

- 1 express terms. The draft express terms will show
- 2 here's what we're considering. Here's what we're
- 3 proposing. Some of that is based on CASE
- 4 reports. Some of that is based on just need to
- 5 improve the Code or research done by staff. For
- 6 example, all the efforts for ZNE buildings have
- 7 been done internally by staff.
- 8 For those CASE reports that we make into
- 9 documents relied upon, because we have chosen to
- 10 pursue changes that are recommended there, there
- 11 will be staff supplement documents that will show
- 12 and document staff's analysis of that CASE
- 13 report, show what our thinking is, and how the
- 14 changes that we've made on that subject area or
- 15 on that topic really back the CASE Report. And
- 16 especially in a case where the CASE Report might
- 17 recommend have a 75 percent dimming level, a
- 18 certain kind of lighting. And we'll say, "We
- 19 think 50 is appropriate, 75 is too far."
- 20 All of that will come about, but for
- 21 right now this workshop is about commentary on
- 22 the pre-rulemaking draft express terms. Some of
- 23 those changes might relate back to a proposal
- 24 submitted by a stakeholder.
- MS. MAXWELL: Okay. So it sounds like

- 1 you anticipate with the mid-November language,
- 2 that you're going to provide in preparation for
- 3 the formal, that so we should see recognition of
- 4 CASE reports in that language? Is that --
- 5 MR. STRAIT: You will see at that point
- 6 which CASE reports we have documents. And you'll
- 7 also see staff supplements for those CASE
- 8 reports.
- 9 MS. MAXWELL: Okay. That is very
- 10 helpful. Thank you.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: So any other
- 12 questions? If not, I'm going to change it to
- 13 Gabe Taylor, who will present on the subchapters
- 14 1, 2 and the hospital measures.
- MR. TAYLOR: Good morning everybody. My
- 16 name is Gabriel Taylor. I'm an Engineer in the
- 17 Building Standards Development Office. And I am
- 18 here today to present to you the Section 100.
- 19 This is the first subchapter. And section 110,
- 20 the second subchapter of the proposed changes to
- 21 the Standards.
- 22 Most of these changes are just clean-up
- 23 changes, so I'm going to go through them fairly
- 24 quickly. This should be a fairly short
- 25 presentation. And then we'll have two

- 1 opportunities for comments and questions during
- 2 this presentation, so I'll put that up here in a
- 3 few minutes.
- 4 The most major change that we're making
- 5 in the Section 100 is a change to the scope of
- 6 the Standards. And the Energy Commission has
- 7 released a staff paper a few months ago and a
- 8 revision to that staff paper in June that
- 9 describes the legal justification for this
- 10 change. I'm not going to go into a lot of detail
- 11 there. Hopefully you've all seen that. If you
- 12 have not seen that and you can't find it, please
- 13 let me know. And I will get you a copy.
- 14 This change to scope extends the Title 24
- 15 Energy Efficiency Standards to licensed
- 16 healthcare facilities in the state of California.
- 17 The way that we're implementing this change is to
- 18 add Group I occupancies to the scope and then to
- 19 exclude separately, I-1, I-3 and I-4. I-1 is not
- 20 used. It's a placeholder in the Building Code,
- 21 so we'll probably drop the I-1 and just exclude
- 22 I-3 and I-4.
- 23 The definition that we're adding to the
- 24 definition section for healthcare facilities is
- 25 here. And it references a separate section of

- 1 California Health and Safety Code. And
- 2 specifically this is facilities that are licensed
- 3 by OSHPD, by the Office of Statewide Health
- 4 Planning and Development. We've worked very
- 5 closely with OSHPD over going on a year now to
- 6 develop the language. We've gone through every
- 7 line of the Building Code, with OSHPD and with a
- 8 number of their stakeholders, to try to identify
- 9 a cogent proposal to go forward at during the
- 10 pre-rulemaking phase. So this language that you
- 11 see here is our initial proposal for these
- 12 licensed healthcare facilities.
- 13 And then we've removed a few old
- 14 definitions that were essentially workarounds,
- 15 because of the perceived inability to apply the
- 16 Standards to healthcare facilities.
- 17 The proposal here is the first phase of a
- 18 multi-phase approach for healthcare facilities.
- 19 In this first phase we're simply looking at the
- 20 existing standards. And then we've looked very
- 21 closely at the existing standards for places
- 22 where they may not be cost-effective for
- 23 healthcare facilities or they may cause some sort
- 24 of conflict with health and safety issues in a
- 25 healthcare facility; basically places where the

- 1 Standards need a little additional or a lot of
- 2 additional examination or research in order to
- 3 apply to healthcare facilities.
- And in those cases we've proposed a flat
- 5 exception. So in whole swaths of the Code there
- 6 is an exception for healthcare facilities that
- 7 simply say, "If you meet this definition, if
- 8 you're a healthcare facility, you do not have to
- 9 comply."
- 10 This leaves a fairly large amount of the
- 11 Code still in effect for healthcare facilities.
- 12 So I'm going to go through and highlight areas
- 13 where we've proposed exceptions. However, I want
- 14 you to focus on the areas where we have not
- 15 proposed exceptions, because those still apply.
- So I've separated the Code essentially,
- 17 into these six major categories. This is a
- 18 summary of the title and the Code, so this is a
- 19 portion of the presentation I've given a number
- 20 of times to the healthcare community to educate
- 21 them on the purpose and structure of the Building
- 22 Energy Efficiency Standards.
- 23 Obviously this was based on the 2016
- 24 Standards. The text that you see that's been
- 25 posted online is an update of the 2016 Standards,

- 1 so the red-line strikeout of this original
- 2 document.
- 3 So I'm going to go through each section,
- 4 one at a time for healthcare. The rest of this
- 5 two-day workshop will be section-by-section, very
- 6 straightforward. We chose to put hospitals or
- 7 healthcare facilities first, because it touches
- 8 every section. So this is a high fly, kind of
- 9 overview of the entire code. And then the
- 10 remainder of this workshop, of this two-day
- 11 workshop will be focused, more detailed on each
- 12 individual section.
- 13 So in the systems and equipment section,
- 14 we've proposed exceptions for water heating and
- 15 for the solar ready section. After a little bit
- 16 of a discussion with the healthcare community,
- 17 we've determined that solar-ready requirements
- 18 are not quite ready for healthcare facilities.
- 19 And water heater heating, there's a few details
- 20 in there that need to be corrected.
- 21 For Section 120 there are a number of
- 22 exceptions particularly in terms of ventilation,
- 23 mechanical, demand management, covered processes.
- 24 There are a number of areas in healthcare
- 25 facilities where there are special needs. And so

- 1 the Energy Code will need to be examined more
- 2 closely.
- 3 Now again, I mentioned this is a multi-
- 4 phase process. This first phase is simply
- 5 bringing the healthcare industry, the healthcare
- 6 community into the Code, so that they understand
- 7 the Code, educating them on what the Code means.
- $8\,$ And then in future cycles and beyond, I
- 9 anticipate that we will invite stakeholders to
- 10 recommend changes for the healthcare community
- 11 and staff will propose changes for the healthcare
- 12 community.
- We've also initiated a number of
- 14 discussion groups with OSHPD and the Hospital
- 15 Building Safety Board and a number of their
- 16 subcommittees on specific areas that we need to
- 17 focus on. So as we go forward, we're already
- 18 working on the next cycle and on the areas where
- 19 we're proposing exceptions.
- 20 This time, likely in the future we'll
- 21 look at a sensible movement to impose those. But
- 22 again this will be a very open process and
- 23 include all the healthcare communities. So there
- 24 will be no surprises in future cycles. That's
- 25 the commitment.

- 1 In lighting and electrical, we have a
- 2 number of exceptions as well in indoor and
- 3 outdoor controls. This is a good example. I can
- 4 give you some specifics. I'm not giving you many
- 5 specifics here. That's in the proposal. But for
- 6 example, in psychiatric and secure areas
- 7 obviously you need to have a secure access to
- 8 shut off light, shut off the switches. So
- 9 similar to other areas where you have secure
- 10 areas, we give an exception for healthcare
- 11 facilities to move the area controls to a secure
- 12 location.
- 13 Auto shut-off is probably -- that needs
- 14 to have some additional research before we can
- 15 propose auto shut-off, essentially on occupancy
- 16 sensors in a healthcare environment. You have
- 17 too many situations where you'll have a patient
- 18 in a space that needs light and they're not
- 19 mobile and you have trouble triggering the
- 20 occupancy sensor. So we need to do some more
- 21 research there.
- 22 The outdoor signage in healthcare
- 23 facilities generally is for emergency purposes.
- 24 And it needs to be lit, sometimes 24-7, sometimes
- 25 not. But it certainly does not fit seamlessly

- l into our current control zone.
- 2 The performance and prescriptive section
- 3 is essentially unchanged. We are proposing that
- 4 healthcare facilities have the option of going
- 5 through either the performance path of the
- 6 prescriptive path. So this will be an area of
- 7 education for the healthcare community and for
- $8\,$ the Energy Commission and all of our stakeholders
- 9 as we move forward identifying areas where there
- 10 are inconsistencies or problems. And we move to
- 11 solve those, particularly with respect to the
- 12 software. Although my understanding is that the
- 13 underlying software for CBECC-Com does consider
- 14 healthcare facilities, so it should be absolutely
- 15 doable.
- 16 Additions and alterations, the language
- 17 that we published -- this is important. This is
- $18\,$ a correction to the language that we published a
- 19 couple of weeks ago. I have here a little
- 20 snipped of the language. There was a line here
- 21 that's missing. We had intended to propose an
- 22 exception for healthcare facilities, for
- 23 additions and alterations.
- 24 At this stage, the Building Standards,
- 25 the Energy Efficiency Building Standards, are

- 1 proposed for only new healthcare facilities.
- 2 Existing facilities will have an exception.
- 3 So I've received a number of concerns
- 4 from people in the healthcare community, asking
- 5 about the minor modifications they're making to
- 6 the building and being forced by code to do all
- 7 sorts of energy efficiency upgrades and what not.
- 8 That is not going to happen. That will not be
- 9 proposed without extensive vetting in the public
- 10 process and research and proof that it is cost
- 11 effective. That requires a little bit more
- 12 research basically.
- 13 At this stage, however, there is ample
- 14 sections of the Code, which are clearly cost
- 15 effective. That is it is absolutely cost
- 16 effective to put high-efficacy lighting, or
- 17 sufficient insulation and sufficiently energy
- 18 efficient demonstration in a healthcare facility
- 19 that has no impact. In fact, it has a positive
- 20 impact on patient well-being in many cases.
- So, the sections of code where we've
- 22 identified and again we've vetted it thoroughly
- 23 with OSHPD and with the healthcare community,
- 24 with a portion of the healthcare community. We
- 25 have additional outreach to do, but this is one

- 1 section where we identified a certain concern and
- 2 so we'll look at that in more detail in the
- 3 future.
- 4 So at this point, I'd invite anybody to
- 5 come up to the mic or to speak up if you have
- 6 questions or comments on the healthcare section
- 7 of the proposal. Again, over the next couple of
- $8\,$ days, we'll be going through each section of the
- 9 proposal and we won't be speaking directly to
- 10 healthcare under those separate sections, so this
- 11 is the area to talk about healthcare.
- MR. RAYMER: Bob Raymer with CBIA. And I
- 13 realize this has nothing to do with residential.
- 14 I was on the phone yesterday with Michael Nearman
- 15 with the Building Standards Commission. And he
- 16 mentioned that there was going to be a rather
- 17 large meeting with OSHPD and the healthcare
- 18 facility groups today and tomorrow. Are they
- 19 aware of the exception that you just spoke of?
- 20 MR. TAYLOR: I did email it out to a
- 21 number of people, both OSHPD and CHA, California
- 22 Hospital Association. I have a webinar that is
- 23 actually hosted by the CHA next Wednesday. I'm
- 24 presenting for the fourth time to the Hospital
- 25 Building Safety Board Energy Management and

- 1 Conservation Subcommittee next Thursday. So I'm
- 2 doing everything I can to outreach and educate.
- 3 MR. RAYMER: That's great.
- 4 MR. TAYLOR: Do let me know if there's
- 5 somebody that you contacted, or if there's any
- 6 organization that you are aware of that is not
- 7 aware, and I will contact them and I'll reach
- 8 out.
- 9 MR. RAYMER: I think additions and
- 10 alterations was going to be the biggest issue, so
- 11 that's just in the cross talk that I've seen
- 12 going back and forth.
- 13 MR. TAYLOR: Understood. Yeah, our
- 14 initial proposal, back eight odd months ago, did
- 15 include additions and alterations. In my initial
- 16 presentation, I said additions and alterations
- 17 points back to the rest of the Code. If we're
- 18 proposing exceptions to everything that causes
- 19 concern, why not include the additions and
- 20 alterations?
- 21 After six months of discussion, we've
- 22 determined that we'll push that to a following
- 23 cycle. That needs a little bit more time.
- MR. RAYMER: I think that's going to give
- 25 them a lot of comfort with your proposal updates.

- 1 MR. TAYLOR: All right. We have one hand
- 2 raised online. We're going to see if somebody
- 3 has a comment online.
- 4 MR. WICHERT: Holder, you're unmuted.
- 5 You can go ahead with your comment.
- 6 MR. TAYLOR: Will the person online, if
- 7 you decide you want to comment on the hospitals,
- 8 I'll have another comment section here in about
- 9 two or three minutes. You can speak up then if
- 10 you get a chance.
- 11 So I'm going to move on to Subchapter 2,
- 12 this is Section 110. These are mandatory
- 13 requirements for manufacture, construction,
- 14 insulation systems.
- So this was a point of confusion actually
- 16 when we were proposing this update for healthcare
- 17 facilities. There are Sections of 110 which
- 18 point to systems and equipment that in some
- 19 cases, if you read them, just on their face they
- 20 seem like they would impose a requirement on your
- 21 building. However if your building does not --
- 22 there are separate sections of the Code that
- 23 point back to 110. And so it caused a little bit
- 24 of confusion, but.
- 25 Proposed updates for section 110 are

- 1 predominantly cleanup. We have five specific
- 2 areas of cleanup here that I'll go through.
- 3 First is we're updating the minimum efficiency of
- 4 equipment. This is to align with 2016 ASHRAE.
- 5 As you know, ASHRAE was updated in 2016. The
- 6 federal government has an 18-month clock to
- 7 endorse those. However, we have a window here
- 8 where we can update ours. And we, as a matter of
- 9 practice, update whenever we get a chance. So we
- 10 are aligning our efficiency requirements with
- 11 2016 Code ASHRAE.
- 12 We have a minor correction to the
- 13 lavatory water temperature. This is for the
- 14 lavatory sinks, where you wash your hands.
- 15 There's a specification for the temperature of
- 16 the water coming out of those sinks. And we
- 17 identified a minor discrepancy between this and
- 18 the California Plumbing Code. And so we're
- 19 bringing our code into alignment with the
- 20 Plumbing Code.
- 21 We're moving lighting control
- 22 specifications from Title 20. Anybody who is
- 23 familiar with lighting control knows that we have
- 24 a bunch of specifications for equipment in Title
- 25 20. It's been moved around a little bit, but

- 1 we're consolidating everything into Title 24. So
- 2 rather than pointing to Title 20 and asking the
- 3 Title 20 team to adopt code that we want to point
- 4 to, we're simply going to adopt the code directly
- 5 and move it all into Title 24.
- 6 The solar ready section has been
- 7 substantially redrafted and this is not intended
- 8 to change the requirements. This is simply
- 9 redrafting it, so that it makes more sense, so
- 10 it's easier to read and it's easier to follow.
- 11 And then finally and this is actually the
- 12 point that I'm most interested on managing this
- 13 section of the update, consolidating demand
- 14 response language. So the Energy Commission has
- 15 had authority to propose and adopt demand side
- 16 management, demand response standards since the
- 17 1970s. This was part of the Warren-Alquist Act
- 18 in '76. And we have adopted throughout the
- 19 years, based on available technology and cost
- 20 effectiveness, we have adopted a number of demand
- 21 side management regulations.
- 22 At this point, we are collecting all
- 23 those disparate regulations and they're all over
- 24 the code. We're putting them all in one place.
- 25 It's only going to be a couple of pages, two or

- 1 three pages really, of requirements related to
- 2 demand side management, demand response. And
- 3 we're going to make sure they're consistent with
- 4 each other, so we're making terminology
- 5 consistent.
- 6 So rather than having various different
- 7 terms for a device that manages your demands,
- 8 based on your specifications with an appropriate
- 9 signal from price or what have you, we're simply
- 10 consolidating all of those definitions under an
- 11 energy management control system. So now a
- 12 building has an EMCS and it controls demand side
- 13 management. It's modernizing the code, in a way
- 14 as well.
- 15 The biggest change, so all of this is
- 16 going to be consolidated under a new section, in
- 17 Section 110.12.
- 18 And then we are adding a proposal here.
- 19 And this came from a number of different sources,
- 20 so there was a question about the CASE reports.
- 21 We've also had other stakeholders propose ideas
- 22 to the Energy Commission. The CASE teams are
- 23 obviously one of the best funded and one of the
- 24 largest groups that propose regularly updates to
- 25 the Energy Commission.

- 1 But other groups are welcome to propose
- 2 code changes to the Energy Commission. And we
- 3 welcome those. We entertain those. In order to
- 4 go through the entire process, of course they
- 5 need to meet a level of intellectual rigor and
- 6 analysis, in order to withstand the rulemaking
- 7 process. But staff looks forward to helping with
- 8 that.
- 9 We received a proposal from a number of
- 10 stakeholders to finally bring OpenADR into the
- 11 code. Currently, the code specifies an open
- 12 source communication protocol for external demand
- 13 responsive communication. That has caused some
- 14 confusion in practice. We've had a number of
- 15 stakeholders who are basically builders say,
- 16 "What exactly does this mean? Tell me what I
- 17 have to do, so that I can know that I'm meeting
- 18 the Code, rather than have this kind of nebulous
- 19 terminology."
- 20 Open ADR was -- this is an Energy
- 21 Commission success story. I'm really proud of
- 22 this one. After the 2000-2001 energy crisis
- 23 there was an identified need for an open source
- 24 communication protocol, so that utilities could
- 25 trigger demand response behavior at consumers who

- 1 wanted to engage in demand response
- 2 automatically. There was a number of different
- 3 manufacturers that had proprietary software and
- 4 proprietary systems that would sometimes get
- 5 abandoned. And it caused all sorts of costs and
- 6 what not. So the goal was to reduce the cost of
- 7 participation as much as possible.
- 8 The Energy Commission funded a research
- 9 program through our PIER Program. And then a few
- 10 years later we brought in the Demand Response
- 11 Research Center in Lawrence Berkeley National
- 12 Labs. And we ended up through that program,
- 13 bringing in dozens of standards organizations,
- 14 national and international standard-setting
- 15 organizations and governing bodies.
- 16 And the OpenADR 1.0 was published by the
- 17 Energy Commission. It was an Energy Commission
- 18 document. And then shortly after, that was taken
- 19 up by the nonprofit OpenADR alliance for
- 20 Maintenance and OpenADR 2.0 was released
- 21 relatively recently and 2.0b a little bit more
- 22 recently.
- 23 At this stage, this is a well-vetted
- 24 standard. This has been in the marketplace and
- 25 has been used both nationally and internationally

- 1 for over a decade. And we feel that this
- 2 protocol is sufficient for specification in the
- 3 code. A lot of people have talked to me about
- 4 picking winners and what not. That is certainly
- 5 a concern. We've thought about this carefully.
- 6 We have spent almost ten years now not picking
- 7 winners in this space, because we wanted to be
- 8 very, very certain that this was the right
- 9 choice. We left it open.
- 10 The proposal that we're bringing forward
- 11 here simply says that a demand responsive device
- 12 needs to be able to communicate through OpenADR.
- 13 It can communicate through other channels, if you
- 14 want. It can do whatever you want. But it has
- 15 to be able to have this as a backstop, so that
- 16 you can talk to your utility or you can talk to
- 17 an aggregator so you can engage, so that a
- 18 consumer can engage in demand responsive behavior
- 19 that they chose to engage in. It's about
- 20 reducing that cost of participation, so that's a
- 21 major proposal in the demand response section.
- 22 And that concludes my presentation.
- 23 Again, if there's questions on Section 110,
- 24 particularly on the demand response section,
- 25 although I will also accept questions on

- 1 healthcare still.
- 2 MR. HODGSON: Good morning, Mike Hodgson,
- 3 from ConSol, representing CBIA. In Section 110,
- 4 page 89, Section 110.0, there's a note at the
- 5 bottom of the page that's been struck. And we
- 6 would like -- the building industry would like
- 7 that note not to be struck. It's very useful in
- 8 clarifying responsibility over who has the
- 9 enforcing agency, as well as the testing
- 10 responsibility. And we would like that to be
- 11 left in place. Okay?
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Mike, this is Payam.
- 13 We heard about it yesterday and went through and
- 14 fixed that already.
- MR. HODGSON: Great, thanks. We're just
- 16 making comments into the record.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Sure.
- 18 MR. STRAIT: Actually, and I can clarify,
- 19 part of the reason that we struck that originally
- 20 is that anything that's marked as a note, is
- 21 something we've added that's not regulatory. It
- 22 just restates things that are elsewhere in the
- 23 regulation. We've gotten some pushback from the
- 24 Legal Department, because that statement being
- 25 non-regulatory it shouldn't be there like best

- 1 practice. But we agree that it has a use to the
- 2 people reading the code, so in this case we're
- 3 absolutely willing to restore that.
- 4 MR. HODGSON: Great, thank you. And in
- 5 Section 110.10, which is the mandatory
- 6 requirements for solar ready, we've talked to
- 7 staff and we would like to probably work with
- 8 staff to eliminate this section entirely. We
- 9 think it's already covered in the standards, but
- 10 I understand we really actually need to work
- 11 through different types of exemptions and make
- 12 sure all building types that we're anticipating
- 13 are covered. And if so, than I think one
- 14 section, 110, can be eliminated.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: So are you going to
- 16 submit that to docket? I see what you're saying
- 17 and we're going to look into it with Mazi and
- 18 Bill and so forth.
- MR. HODGSON: Right, so we have kind of a
- 20 two-fold, Payam. I think one is we'll send this
- 21 comment in and then we'll take the responsibility
- 22 of thinking of odd-building types, of shaded
- 23 three-story structures, pancake multi-family that
- 24 we think are going to be difficult in the code
- 25 and then try to work through and make sure they

- 1 have the correct exemptions.
- 2 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Beautiful. Thank you.
- 3 MR. HODGSON: Thank you.
- 4 MR. RAYMER: Bob Raymer with CBIA. Sort
- 5 of adding on to what Mike just said on the solar-
- 6 ready. A common theme that I'll be doing today
- 7 and tomorrow is it would be very useful as the
- $8\,$ CEC goes forward to provide some rather
- 9 simplistic examples of how you would envision the
- 10 solar ready area, the new solar mandate area that
- 11 we'll talk about tomorrow, and the community
- 12 solar that we'll talk about tomorrow morning. To
- 13 see how those things will actually apply out in
- 14 the field.
- 15 Right now, I'm having a little bit of
- 16 difficulty envisioning how some of these would
- 17 apply. And what we may do is provide with you
- 18 some of the examples of what we think is
- 19 happening. But once again if you've got
- 20 something that's already prepared or wouldn't
- 21 take a whole lot of time to prepare -- I know
- 22 that you're going to be smashed for time -- but
- 23 to the extent that you could let us know how you
- 24 would envision this applying to a production
- 25 housing project that would be very useful.

- 1 We wouldn't want you to spend a lot of
- 2 time on it, but anything that could help us
- 3 better understand how you envision this applying
- 4 out in the field would be helpful.
- 5 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Okay.
- 6 MR. KNUFFKE: Good morning, Gabe,
- 7 Charles Knuffke with Wattstopper-Legrand. Thank
- 8 you very much for the overview.
- 9 I did hope that there would be a bit more
- 10 explanation on the Title 20 versus Title 24. So
- 11 we've spent quite a bit of time trying to work
- 12 with building inspectors and getting folks to
- 13 understand the difference between having a device
- 14 in Title 20, which negates its sale in California
- 15 versus something in Title 24, which merely
- 16 negates its use or requires its use on a system.
- 17 So is Title 20 definitions going away, or
- 18 is Title 24 going to work on and somehow cover
- 19 the unitary devices that are also sold in
- 20 California?
- 21 MR. STRAIT: So this change is primarily
- 22 administrative. We want to make sure instead of
- 23 simply pointing to Title 20, that we have that
- 24 language in Title 24 in case there's a change in
- 25 Title 20. And that way also, so any updates that

- 1 are found to be necessary in our code, we can
- 2 make those same updates to the definitional
- 3 language to that instead of saying, "Okay. Now
- 4 the Appliance Team has to make an update."
- 5 MR. KNUFFKE: So we're not removing
- 6 language. When you said moving it, somehow I
- 7 would emphasize that you're copying the language
- 8 then as opposed to moving it, because Title 20
- 9 will still exist for the unitary devices.
- 10 MR. STRAIT: What I would say to that is
- 11 that Title 20 is also examining whether it's
- 12 still worthwhile to certify these devices. Most
- 13 lighting controls are now a very mature
- 14 technology. There's less of a case where a
- 15 lighting control will simply fail to perform a
- 16 function. So it may be enough now, instead of
- 17 saying you have to check all these true-false
- 18 boxes and tell us yes your device does these
- 19 thing, to just trust it when something says it
- 20 does it, it can actually do it.
- 21 You know, again certification is a
- 22 bureaucratic burden and we're always looking at
- 23 opportunities to streamline that. In practice it
- 24 would still mean the same requirements of Title
- 25 24 are going to exist about where and how you

- 1 install those controls. Whether we have a
- 2 manufacturer take that additional certification
- 3 step is a discussion we'd like to be able to
- 4 have. So no decision has been made on that, but
- 5 I know that we are interested in -- the Appliance
- 6 Program is interested in discussing whether
- 7 certifications still makes sense for these
- 8 devices.
- 9 MR. KNUFFKE: And I would only offer that
- 10 although a control says it does something, it
- 11 probably does that. The example though that I
- 12 would put forth is that there is not allowed to
- 13 have the way of easily disabling devices. And
- 14 we've all gone into the big box retailers and
- 15 seen racks of devices that are occupancy sensors
- 16 with a hand-off auto switch, that once they get
- 17 put in has an out of the auto mode in to on, to
- 18 stay on then forever.
- 19 So that's the concern that we would have
- 20 taking that language out entirely from Title 20.
- 21 MR. STRAIT: Certainly. I know one of
- 22 the things that we're having to contend with is
- 23 this idea of whole building automation, whether
- 24 there's going to be centralized and programmable
- 25 control of a lot of lighting. So although there

- 1 won't be a switch effectively on the wall that
- 2 does that, the central systems a lot of times are
- 3 programmable meaning somebody could go into that
- 4 system and say disable the sensor, ignore its
- 5 input, things like that.
- 6 So if we're going to be treating both
- 7 sides of that equation fairly, we have to kind of
- $8\,$ navigate that, thread that needle and find out
- 9 how do we contend with separate wall box devices,
- 10 versus integrated systems?
- 11 MR. KNUFFKE: And I understand the
- 12 rationale behind that and I thank you very much
- 13 for the explanation.
- On a separate topic, I just wanted to say
- 15 that the moving to OpenADR, I applaud the
- 16 decision. I think that OpenADR 2.0, a and b or
- 17 any other code that the CEC then decides that
- 18 supersedes it would be a good thing, because it
- 19 would allow the use of the equipment that's being
- 20 installed right now that's not being used, that's
- 21 actually being wasted.
- I would hope that the simplicity for
- 23 testing is kept in mind as to making sure that
- 24 there is an easy way of verifying that. I'd also
- 25 hope that it may not need to be OpenADR to the

- 1 lighting control system. It may be a central
- 2 system that then communicates automatically to
- 3 other systems, such as the lighting system, so
- 4 that you don't have multiple different ways of
- 5 communicating. I just hope that that would be
- 6 considered as some place, a way of being a way of
- 7 being able to respond automatically to an OpenADR
- 8 signal that comes into the building. And then
- 9 not necessarily picking winners or losers as to
- 10 whether it's Modbus or BACnet or another protocol
- 11 inside of the system itself, so.
- MR. STRAIT: Yeah. I believe that's
- 13 already considered in the code. We specify
- 14 external communications for OpenADR. And then
- 15 there's a separate section that says that any of
- 16 the accepted internal communication protocols are
- 17 fine, such as (indecipherable) --
- 18 MR. KNUFFKE: Terrific. I appreciate
- 19 that. Thank you very much.
- MR. STRAIT: You're welcome.
- 21 MR. FLAMM: Good morning, Gary Flamm with
- 22 GR Flamm Consulting. I also would like to ask
- 23 about the moving language from Title 20 to Title
- 24 24, on the lighting controls.
- It appears to me that that's a

- 1 substantive scope change, that if it's not simply
- 2 -- it can't be simply administrative, because
- 3 Title 20 regulates all lighting controls that can
- 4 be sold in California. Whereas, Title 24 only
- 5 affects lighting controls installed within a
- 6 building that is regulated by Title 24. So it is
- 7 a substantive scope change.
- 8 MS. TAYLOR: I should correct when I said
- 9 moving. Obviously, this is not a rulemaking
- 10 proceeding for Title 20, so we're not making any
- 11 changes to Title 20. This is simply a change to
- 12 Title 24 and any changes that Title 20 makes in
- 13 the future will be a separate rulemaking.
- MR. STRAIT: And I should specify, all
- 15 this is, is to places in 110.9 that pointed to
- 16 language in Title 20 -- instead of having that
- 17 pointer we have simply copied that description
- 18 in. So instead of pointing to it, we just have
- 19 it in place there. We're not changing any of the
- 20 requirements, either in Title 24 or Title 20,
- 21 related to those devices. We're just making sure
- 22 that when we are pointing to language we instead
- 23 have a copy of that language directly in Title
- 24 24.
- MR. FLAMM: Okay. So Peter, clarify on California Reporting, LLC (510) 313-0610

- 1 the long-range goal of the Energy Commission, I'm
- 2 not clear of what you stated about -- is the
- 3 Energy Commission considering taking lighting
- 4 controls out of Title 20?
- 5 MR. STRAIT: Again, I can't speak for the
- 6 Appliance Program. I can say what's -- in case
- 7 they wanted to make changes or they were looking
- 8 at whether certification of those devices to say
- 9 they perform the functions they claim they
- 10 perform, whether that makes sense. Anything that
- 11 would go in that direction would be driven by
- 12 that office. It would be subject to public
- 13 commentary. They may or may not choose to do so.
- But what we found was we still lack
- 15 control of that language, if we don't have a copy
- 16 of it directly in Title 24. So whatever changes
- 17 happen in the Title 20 side of things, both we
- 18 want to make sure it doesn't change what Title 24
- 19 requires, because that would be out of sequence
- 20 with the Building Code. And when we update our
- 21 language, we want to make sure we have the
- 22 ability to update that language, to suit changes
- 23 we might make in Title 24.
- 24 Right now, it's an administrative action.
- 25 If there's a later action considered by Title 20,

- 1 to either reduce certification of those devices
- 2 or change requirements in some other way that
- 3 would be in a separate rulemaking proceeding,
- 4 that would be subject to separate policy
- 5 discussions and decision making.
- 6 MR. FLAMM: Okay. So one of the
- 7 challenges with Title 20 rulemaking timeline
- 8 versus Title 24 is they're never on sync. So in
- 9 the event that either Title 20 or Title 24 wants
- 10 to change definitions, how is the Energy
- 11 Commission going to deal with any conflicts
- 12 between the two codes?
- MR. STRAIT: So because we participate in
- 14 the triennial cycle with the Building Code if
- 15 there's a change in Title 20, we would have to
- 16 wait until the next cycle in the Building Code.
- 17 This is actually better than the current solution
- 18 of pointing to language, because strictly
- 19 speaking we are not best practices. The
- 20 California Building Standards Commission
- 21 considers it, if a change to Title 20 can mean a
- 22 mid-cycle change to what's required under the
- 23 Building Code, which these pointers outside of
- 24 the Building Code currently make the case.
- 25 So if there was a change in Title 20,

- 1 Title 24 would simply incorporate that change in
- 2 the next update. And in terms of being
- 3 responsive to the mid-cycle, we do have under 10-
- 4 109 the ability to consider alternate compliance
- 5 methods and we could use that process to adopt an
- 6 interim solution that would allow us to maintain
- 7 compatibility with Title 20.
- 8 MR. FLAMM: So are you saying that there
- 9 will be language in Title 24 that says if there's
- 10 a change in Title 20, that Title 24 will
- 11 recognize that change?
- MR. STRAIT: No, we can't have language
- 13 that says that. What I'm saying is that
- 14 procedurally if there's a change in Title 20 that
- 15 would create a conflict with Title 24, we could
- 16 use the process under 10-109 to recognize the
- 17 difference and allow whatever that difference is
- 18 under Title 24, should it be found to be
- 19 appropriate.
- 20 MS. TAYLOR: Yeah. This all goes back to
- 21 simplification and clarification. Right now,
- 22 because of that pointer from Title 24 to Title
- 23 20, it just causes a little bit of confusion for
- 24 the exact reasons you mentioned.
- 25 And as Charles mentioned, generally

- 1 speaking the perception is that Title 24 covers
- 2 the built environment. Title 20 covers all
- 3 devices sold and offered for sale in the state.
- 4 So we're trying to teas that out through a multi-
- 5 year cyclical rulemaking process. And the first
- 6 step here is Title 24 is trying to pull back and
- 7 make sure that all the code that governs built
- 8 environment is in Title 24. And minimize
- 9 pointing over to Title 20.
- 10 MR. FLAMM: Okay. So one of the reasons
- 11 I wanted to ask the question is your presentation
- 12 was just a bullet in today's workshop. Is the
- 13 exact language going to be presented at another
- 14 time or is that all you are presenting, is that
- 15 one bullet?
- MS. TAYLOR: Yeah. My understanding is
- 17 that all the presentations that you'll see over
- 18 the next two days do not include exact language.
- 19 We have the exact language posted. Everybody
- 20 should have a copy of it. I see a number of
- 21 people with fat binders. And our staff will
- 22 provide a summary and point the interested
- 23 parties to the sections that are really pertinent
- 24 to them. So we're trying to draw your attention
- 25 to the changes we've made so you can flip to that

- 1 page and look at the exact language on the actual
- 2 document, rather than trying to flash up some
- 3 complex code language onto the screen here and
- 4 have you read it real fast.
- 5 MR. FLAMM: Okay. Thank you.
- 6 MR. TAYLOR: You're welcome.
- 7 MR. NESBITT: George Nesbitt, HERS Rater.
- $8\,$ I did not have time to download all of the
- 9 proposed language beforehand. And the Energy
- 10 Commission's guest log-on will not allow me to
- 11 even load the Energy Commission's home page.
- But on the issue of Title 20 and Title 24
- 13 there are currently, within I think Title 24,
- 14 there are some sections that are in multiple
- 15 places where the same language I think is in sort
- 16 of the preamble. And then it's also repeated in
- 17 the actual Part 6.
- 18 So you've sort of answered some of the
- 19 questions. Okay, so you're leaving things in
- 20 Title 20, but you're going to take some of that
- 21 language, repeat it in Title 24. One problem
- 22 with that is when you have the same thing in
- 23 multiple places you have the possibility of
- 24 having errors between the two.
- So I think what you're essentially saying

- 1 is you're going to take current Title 20, put
- 2 some of that language in Title 24. And for as
- 3 long as the 2019 standards are in effect, in a
- 4 sense what you're saying is Title 24 trumps Title
- 5 20. Even if Title 20 changes and you could no
- 6 longer make or sell say a given feature or
- 7 product, you can still install it. You're
- 8 requirement is still based on what's written in
- 9 Title 24.
- 10 MS. TAYLOR: That does not sound totally
- 11 correct. We're trying to tease them apart, so
- 12 that they do not conflict. So our goal is to
- 13 create language that doesn't conflict. So if you
- 14 see a section where it conflicts, please let us
- 15 know and we'll hopefully fix it.
- MR. STRAIT: Well, also I should mention
- 17 that Title 24 is trying to specify what the
- 18 building's controls do. That is, here are the
- 19 functions that they need to perform.
- 20 Title 20, as an appliance standard, is
- 21 usually about here is specifically how you
- 22 construct your appliance. Here are the things
- 23 that it must incorporate.
- 24 That slight difference is we care less
- 25 about how it's done, as long as it's

- 1 accomplished. And for example, when you talk
- 2 about whole building automation, centralized
- 3 approaches, as energy management control systems,
- 4 as long as they perform the appropriate
- 5 thermostat functions and lighting control
- 6 functions, they just behave the right way, great.
- 7 You've met the requirements for the building to
- 8 behave certain ways.
- 9 Right now the language that we have in
- 10 110.9 should be identical in effect, if not in
- 11 specific language, to what's in Title 20. And
- 12 should Title 20 change, or should Title 24
- 13 change, we're going to work closely with that
- 14 office to ensure either that we make the change
- 15 at the same time in both sections. Or that if a
- 16 change is made in one, that we have a way of
- 17 accommodating a change in the other. We're not
- 18 going to be operating blindly.
- 19 And yes, you're correct that it does
- 20 create a risk that those two different sets of
- 21 code can wander apart from each other. But going
- 22 forward as we said, there's an administrative
- 23 need to tease these apart. And we're going to
- 24 remain hand-in-hand, so that we know what each
- 25 other is doing and hopefully prevent situations

- 1 like that from occurring.
- 2 MR. NESBITT: Right. But on the one hand
- 3 you're saying that currently because you point
- 4 back to Title 20, if Title 20 changes mid-stream,
- 5 that would then essentially become the Title 24
- 6 requirement. But you're saying you can't --
- 7 you're also saying you can't just put language to
- 8 say that, but it seems like there's some
- 9 conflicting in what you're saying. I mean do you
- 10 want it to change midstream, or do you not want
- 11 it?
- MR. STRAIT: So this is where we have a
- 13 difference between what the California Building
- 14 Standards Commission requires for the Building
- 15 Code as a whole, and what would be ideal for us
- 16 as just the Energy Code. Obviously, if Title 20
- 17 makes a change in midstream, it would be ideal
- 18 from our perspective if that also immediately
- 19 made the change in Title 24. But that does
- 20 conflict with the California Building Standards
- 21 Commission and the mission of that body of law as
- 22 a whole, to only change on a three-year basis and

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- 23 not have many changes that occur throughout a
- 24 code cycle.
- 25 So even the intervening cycle for California Reporting, LLC

- 1 example, is limited in what it can consider or be
- 2 used to do. So in order for us to comply with
- 3 what we're required to do under the Building
- 4 Standards Commission we find that this is better
- 5 for that, even if it does cost us the ability to
- 6 always remain exactly in sync with the appliance
- 7 regs.
- 8 MR. NESBITT: Okay. Yeah. I mean in
- 9 Title 20, a lot of things, a lot of the date of
- 10 change has to do with manufacturer. And so stuff
- 11 that's already been manufactured can continue to
- 12 be sold. So there's nothing definitive really
- 13 date-wise in a lot of respects about Title 20.
- MR. STRAIT: Yes, this concern and a
- 15 number of the previous concerns about that nuance
- 16 between Title 24 and Title 20, this is exactly
- 17 why we're trying to tease them apart, is to
- 18 prevent this kind of confusion.
- MR. NESBITT: Right.
- 20 MR. STRAIT: Title 20 is about what you
- 21 can sell in California. Title 24 is about what
- 22 the building inspector looks for when they go to
- 23 the project site. So these are separate
- 24 regulation points and separate codes.
- MR. NESBITT: Perhaps what you need to

- 1 really look at is what belongs in Title 20 and
- 2 what belongs in Title 24 and get those separated,
- 3 in a sense, so that there is clarity.
- 4 MR. STRAIT: Yes.
- 5 MR. NESBITT: On this solar ready issue,
- 6 the solar ready section applies to all non-
- 7 resident -- or I think pretty much all the non-
- 8 residential buildings also. So obviously it
- 9 can't go away.
- I guess the big question with solar ready
- 11 becomes if we end up requiring solar on all low-
- 12 rise residential units, in those cases where it
- 13 can't be done, what is that building or unit
- 14 going to have to do instead? I mean, they're not
- 15 going to have to make the investment in PV. They
- 16 also don't get the benefit, so the real guestion
- 17 will be what do they have to do to earn that
- 18 exception or to do something equivalent?
- 19 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: So George, the Section
- 20 10-110 that Mike brought up earlier is something
- 21 that we're looking into, so it's going to be
- 22 clarified and clarified. So if you have comments
- 23 to that, please submit it to the docket, all
- 24 right?
- I understand what you're saying about

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- 1 110.10, but we're going have to look into it.
- 2 And like Mike said he's going to be doing some
- 3 analysis with staff here to see what we can do
- 4 with that language. Okay? So we're not going to
- 5 -- for commercial buildings, hotel, motels, we'll
- 6 have to figure that out.
- 7 MR. NESBITT: Yeah. It would seem it
- 8 needs to stay for that, although there may be
- 9 portions of it that are no longer relevant.
- 10 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yeah. I don't think
- 11 what Mike said was -- or meant, I shouldn't say
- 12 said -- was to unrealistically rid of the whole
- 13 thing. Yeah, for residential we're going to have
- 14 to make some modifications, but also for non-
- 15 residential commercial buildings we're going to
- 16 have to figure that out also.
- MR. NESBITT: Okay.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Okay?
- 19 MR. ROY: Good morning, Aniruddh Roy,
- 20 with Goodman. I just had a question on 110.10.
- 21 There's an exception, which talks about
- 22 dish washers, ENERGY STAR dishwashers and
- 23 refrigerators. The question was, are you
- 24 considering additional products, because ENERGY
- 25 STAR also covers a wide variety of products.

- 1 MR. STRAIT: That product list was
- 2 actually established in the 2016 code cycle,
- 3 based on an analysis of how much energy is saved
- 4 by those individual devices and how likely they
- 5 were to be installed by the builder, as opposed
- 6 to brought in by the tenant.
- 7 While there are other ENERGY STAR
- 8 devices, we can't make it necessary to install
- 9 additional ENERGY STAR devices, because the ones
- 10 in the exception already cover as much energy
- 11 savings as is needed to achieve parody.
- 12 In terms of alternative packages, that is
- 13 so you don't install one of the ones on the list,
- 14 but you install some other collection of
- 15 equipment -- if there's one that can be shown to
- 16 be as effective we might be able to consider it.
- 17 It's a little bit late in our process for a new
- 18 proposal, but if you've got another package that
- 19 you're looking at, that you think achieves the
- 20 same benefit, and is also ENERGY STAR recognized,
- 21 I'd say go ahead and docket it and give our staff
- 22 a chance to look at it.
- 23 MR. ROY: Okay, sure. And one follow up
- 24 question was on 110.12. And that's the automatic
- 25 demand shed controls seems to be moved from 120.2

- 1 to that particular section?
- 2 MR. STRAIT: That's correct.
- 3 MR. ROY: So I guess the requirements
- 4 then also expand to low-rise residential or it
- 5 would still be only commercial for that
- 6 particular requirement?
- 7 MR. STRAIT: So in the section where it
- $8\,$ was there is a small snippet that says, "For
- 9 demand response requirements go look over there,"
- 10 basically. The only change this should be making
- 11 -- and I can have our staff review it, but I'm
- 12 fairly certain this is the case -- is that we've
- 13 moved those requirements to one section. We have
- 14 not changed those requirements or expanded them.
- It does mean, for example, we've noticed
- 16 that on the commercial side you have energy
- 17 management control systems. On the residential
- 18 side, you have occupant control smart thermostats
- 19 that are becoming more like energy management
- 20 control systems. And it gives us an opportunity
- 21 to maybe use common language to talk about both
- 22 kinds of devices. But it's not intended to
- 23 change or expand the requirements when one is
- 24 required to be installed in a given setting.
- MR. ROY: Okay. Yeah, it just came

- 1 across to me as it was expanding it to
- 2 residential. So if you could just clarify that,
- 3 it would be much appreciated.
- 4 MR. STRAIT: Sure.
- 5 MR. ROY: Thank you.
- 6 MR. WICHERT: We're going to an online
- 7 comment. Ken Nittler, can you state your name
- 8 and affiliation please?
- 9 MR. NITTLER: Yes, good morning. This is
- 10 Ken Nittler. I'm with Enercomp here in
- 11 California. Some of you probably know me from my
- 12 work on software related to residential
- 13 standards. But I also operate a business that
- 14 does NFRC ratings for the fenestration industry.
- 15 And I'd like, this morning, to discuss a
- 16 topic that's a concern, that wasn't discussed.
- 17 It's in Section 110.6. This is the section that
- 18 certification and ratings for fenestration
- 19 products. And specifically, I'm asking that
- 20 there's an exception one in three different
- 21 subsections: 110.6(a)2, 110.6(a)3 and 110.6(a)4.
- 22 And I'm asking that exception one be deleted from
- 23 the standards.
- 24 Basically, these exceptions have proven
- 25 to be a large loophole due to sort of the lack of

- 1 compliance and enforcement of the certification
- 2 and labeling requirements. And I think what
- 3 we're seeing is there's large numbers of
- 4 nonresidential buildings that include the site
- 5 built fenestration that's the subject of this
- 6 exception. These are mostly products that one
- 7 would call curtain walls and store front
- 8 products, are getting installed without having
- 9 appropriate ratings.
- 10 I'll put written comments in on this, so
- 11 I'll just give you some short version of my
- 12 reasoning today. A brief look at history,
- 13 uniform fenestration ratings were first added to
- 14 the 1992 Standards and referenced on the National
- 15 Fenestration Rating Council. You'll know the
- 16 abbreviation, NFRC Standards.
- 17 And then in 1995, the Standards went even
- 18 further. And the administrative regulations
- 19 referenced NFRC as the specifying entity for
- 20 fenestration energy ratings. And so they have a
- 21 special relationship in the standards and sort of
- 22 a mandate that their ratings are the basis of our
- 23 standards.
- 24 Strangely, even though most of this
- 25 language was added back in the early '90s, really

- 1 for the 1992 Standards, implementation of the use
- 2 of NFRC ratings on larger projects has pretty
- 3 much not happened to the level that it should be,
- 4 given the importance of fenestration to the
- 5 performance of buildings.
- 6 And so I look at what would be the reason
- 7 to this? Why are there so few certificates? As
- 8 an example, I looked at the recent certificate
- 9 activity for NFRC. And then that's public
- 10 available at the NFRC website. And since 2010,
- 11 there've only been 103 certificates issued for
- 12 these larger site-built projects in California.
- 13 When one thinks about the size of the
- 14 California economy and you think of the
- 15 tremendous boom in construction, especially in
- 16 places like San Francisco and Silicon Valley and
- 17 Silicon Beach, in San Diego, in places mostly
- 18 coastal regions. It would seem to me that there
- 19 should be maybe ten times as many, an order of
- 20 magnitude more certificates issued in California.
- 21 Take contrast, you can look at the State
- 22 of Washington. There's sort of a hot bed of
- 23 energy standards that are in the City of Seattle.
- 24 The City of Seattle, over that same time period
- 25 by itself, has 261 certificates. It's like 2.5

- 1 times more certificates than what we have
- 2 California-wide. Now, Seattle obviously is also
- 3 a booming tech hub, but California's GDP is about
- 4 five times larger than the entire State of
- 5 Washington. It's not very logical to expect
- 6 there to be fewer certificates in California than
- 7 there is in Washington.
- 8 NFRC has this unique relationship with
- 9 the Energy Commission. NFRC invested millions of
- 10 dollars to create an approach that accommodated
- 11 the type of construction that typically goes on
- 12 with site-built windows, where there's often
- 13 glazing contractors involved and different
- 14 suppliers of things like the framing materials,
- 15 compared to the glass. And this process is
- 16 largely going underutilized and it puts the
- 17 Commission's investment and the NFRC's investment
- 18 in this approach at grave risk, since it's so
- 19 inadequately enforced, here in California.
- I have a lot of experience helping
- 21 glazing contractors and sometimes manufacturers
- 22 get these certifications in California. It's
- 23 pretty common for us to get calls where what
- 24 people are calling to ask me is, is there a way
- 25 they can get out of doing this requirement,

- 1 rather than what can I do to comply with the
- 2 requirement? And I really believe a huge part of
- 3 it is these exceptions that say if you have less
- 4 than 1,000 square feet of these products than you
- 5 can use favorable default equations.
- And so I'm going to be requesting that
- 7 those three sections, exception one be stricken
- 8 from the standards and I'll put something in
- 9 writing on that.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you, Ken, a quick
- 11 question for you. What is the average cost of
- 12 doing one of these analyses, using the CMA model
- 13 and what's the turnaround time to get the
- 14 certificate for that?
- 15 MR. NITTLER: Well, I can only speak to
- 16 the way we operate and --
- 17 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: I just need an average.
- 18 I don't need exact.
- 19 MR. NITTLER: Typically the costs are
- 20 somewhere between \$300 and \$700. And we are
- 21 able, normally to turn around a certificate in
- 22 just a day or so, from the time we get complete
- 23 information about the product.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Okay. Thank you.
- 25 Yeah, please submit that comment to the docket

- 1 and we'll review and start a dialogue with you on
- 2 that.
- 3 MR. NITTLER: Thank you.
- 4 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you.
- 5 MS. TAYLOR: A quick reminder, we are
- 6 recorded here for a transcript. So if you
- 7 comment in person please give your business card
- 8 to the court reporter. And if you're commenting
- 9 on the phone, please enunciate your full name and
- 10 your association as clearly as possible, so that
- 11 that is available on the recording.
- MR. STRAIT: And actually I'll also jump
- 13 in. That comment is an excellent example. If
- 14 there's a change that you are expecting to see in
- 15 the code that you're not seeing, or something you
- 16 would like to see the code do, feel free to
- 17 express it as well.
- 18 We can't consider completely new
- 19 proposals. For example, establishing a new
- 20 standard for equipment or making drastic changes.
- 21 But we are interested in hearing about other
- 22 areas that we probably might want to look more
- 23 closely at. Or things like this where an
- 24 exception we've had on the books for a while
- 25 might be having an unintended consequence. Thank

- 1 you.
- 2 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Any more comments,
- 3 R.J.?
- 4 MR. TAYLOR: Any more comments online?
- 5 (No audible response.)
- 6 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: So with that we're
- 7 going to go to Sections 120. Mark Alatorre is
- 8 going to be doing the presentation. This is for
- 9 the non-residential, high-rise residential,
- 10 hotel/motel occupancies and covered processes,
- 11 mandatory requirements.
- MR. ALATORRE: Good morning. My name is
- 13 Mark Alatorre. I'm with the Building Standards
- 14 Development Office. Like Payam mentioned, I'm
- 15 going to be presenting Subchapter 3, which is
- 16 mainly requirements for mechanical systems.
- 17 So we made a change to the scope of
- 18 120.1(a). And the change was really to, given
- 19 that we are now going to be regulating healthcare
- 20 facilities, we wanted to make it very clear right
- 21 at the scope of 120.1 that the ventilation
- 22 requirements for healthcare was going to remain
- 23 in the mechanical code, given that OSHPD has done
- 24 extensive amendments to what's being required
- 25 there. The OSHPD amendments basically are

- 1 incorporating ASHRAE Ventilation Standard 170
- 2 now, which is specific to healthcare facilities.
- 3 And we thought it was appropriate to maintain
- 4 that.
- Next, part of our proposal for 2019 was
- 6 to adopt ASHRAE Section 62.1 and 62.2
- 7 respectively. And in that change, ASHRAE has now
- $8\,$ moved high-rise residential dwellings units to
- 9 62.2. So we felt a need that we needed to break
- 10 this section apart and have specific requirements
- 11 to high-rise residential dwelling units, separate
- 12 from non-residential and hotel/motel occupancies.
- 13 So we've created the new Section 120.1(b), which
- 14 is specific to high-rise res dwelling units and
- 15 121.1(c), which would include all other non-
- 16 residential spaces and hotel/motel.
- In 120.1(b), what we have there is new
- 18 requirements that are based in ASHRAE 62.2. I
- 19 say based because there are some amendments to
- 20 it. And this is also highly reflective to what's
- 21 in our Residential Section 150.0.
- 22 So in summary, what we're going to be
- 23 requiring for dwelling units is an increased
- 24 filtration to a minimum MERV 13; also for that
- 25 filter a minimum depth of two inches. The

- 1 dwelling unit will require to have balanced
- 2 ventilation or continuously operating supply or
- 3 continuously operating exhaust.
- 4 If somebody chooses to go with a supply
- 5 or exhaust system, they must verify that the
- 6 envelope of the dwelling has a maximum leakage of
- 7 0.3 CFM per square foot of the envelope surface
- $8\,$ area. This also carries field verification. And
- 9 there would be verification of the minimum
- 10 ventilation rate air flow. And it would also
- 11 have a verification of the kitchen range hood
- 12 performance.
- 13 120.1(c), the proposal is to adopt ASHRAE
- 14 62.1, again with some amendments. We will be
- 15 requiring a higher filtration than what's
- 16 required by ASHRAE. We would have a minimum MERV
- 17 13 across the state with a minimum depth of two
- 18 inches. We are in alignment with 62.1 for the
- 19 natural ventilation rate procedure. We are also
- 20 aligning with the ventilation rate procedure for
- 21 a single zone and 100 percent outside air
- 22 systems.
- 23 However, we are amending what's currently
- 24 in 62.1 for multi-zone and we are doing so. We
- 25 are trying to incorporate what's currently being

- 1 proposed as addendum f to 62.1. However, it's in
- 2 the public review process right now and it won't
- 3 be final in time for us to formally adopt it. So
- 4 we are proposing to go forward with the public
- 5 language, for a simplified multi-zone
- 6 calculation. We are also aligning with ASHRAE's
- 7 exhaust ventilation requirements.
- 8 One thing I'd like to mention is what's
- 9 posted in the draft language I've failed to give
- $10\,$ ASHRAE credit for. One of the things we need to
- 11 do is go back and actually give a citation to
- 12 where the language originated from, just so we
- 13 can appease the ASHRAE committees.
- 14 So within that proposal we have created
- 15 new tables. Table 120.1-B, which now includes
- 16 the minimum ventilation rates; the categories
- 17 that are there are exactly what's in 62.1. And
- 18 it also includes classification of air, based on
- 19 occupancy type.
- Table 120.1-C has the adjustment factors
- 21 for the zone air distribution effectiveness
- 22 depending on the type of defuses or whatnot that
- 23 are chosen by the designer.
- 24 Table 120.1-D is the minimum exhaust rate
- 25 based on occupancies types. I want to note that

- 1 Table 120.1-A is designated for the simplified
- 2 multi-zone calculations.
- 3 So 120.1(q), this is also taken from
- 4 62.1. In order for us to have a complete
- 5 standard I felt we needed to bring in the
- 6 recirculation and air classification requirements
- 7 from 62.1 that limits the designer's ability to
- $8\,$ use transfer air and also how many times they can
- 9 be recirculated, given the class category that's
- 10 listed in Table 120.1-B.
- 11 We think that's a good requirement for
- 12 source control and you won't be able to use
- 13 transfer from a class two to a class one space
- 14 and things like that. So we feel that the
- 15 building will have improved indoor air quality,
- 16 given these requirements.
- 17 This proposal which ended up in
- 18 120.1(d)3, it originated with the addendum to
- 19 ASHRAE 90.1. And it increases the scope of our
- 20 current demand control ventilation requirements.
- 21 The major change is the deletion of an exception
- 22 for classrooms, office spaces and call centers.
- 23 And it really opens up demand control ventilation
- 24 to be applicable to most spaces, given that they
- 25 satisfy these requirements: occupant density of

- 1 25 people per 1,000 square foot and one of the
- 2 following. The old language, you needed to have
- 3 an air economizer and you needed to have -- all
- 4 the triggers were dependent on each other. Now,
- 5 it's just one of these things that you're going
- 6 to have to install the demand control
- 7 ventilation.
- 8 So the scope of this is going to really
- 9 increase the amount of spaces that are going to
- 10 require DCV.
- 11 This is another addendum to 90.1 that was
- 12 the origin of this measure. It classifies a
- 13 space, or defines a space or it uses the term
- 14 "occupied standby." And what it does is it uses
- 15 rooms that already have an occupancy sensor,
- 16 because of the lighting control requirements.
- 17 And it couples that with the occupancy space
- 18 category, which is listed in our new Table 120.1-
- 19 B.
- If it's a space that the CD 2.1 Committee
- 21 (phonetic) has deemed that it can go to zero
- 22 ventilation when it's not occupied, then the
- 23 controls must comply with these two bullets at
- 24 the bottom. So the cooling and heating set
- 25 points must be set up or set down. And the

- 1 ventilation rate can be reduced to zero for those
- 2 spaces.
- I would like to mention that in occupied
- 4 stand by, it's when the occupancy sensor doesn't
- 5 detect anybody for more than five minutes. It's
- 6 not an automatic as soon as somebody leaves the
- 7 room. It's a five-minute timer.
- 8 Just a note that the requirements for
- 9 automatic demand shed that were in 120.2(h) have
- 10 been moved to 110.12. Also, 120.2(I), the
- 11 economizer fault detection diagnostic requirement
- 12 that used to be applicable to only packaged
- 13 rooftop systems over four-and-a-half tons have
- 14 now been -- it's now expanded to be required for
- 15 all cooling systems over four-and-a-half tons
- 16 that have an air economizer, must have a form of
- 17 fault detection and diagnostics.
- 18 The required faults did not change. Just
- 19 the systems in which it is now required. And it
- 20 really opens the door for EMS control systems
- 21 with DDC controls to be required to detect
- 22 economizer faults for these larger built-ups.
- 23 As with 120.1 and 120.2, the only changes
- 24 to 120.3 through 120.5 have been there are some
- 25 exceptions for healthcare where appropriate.

- 1 You'll see that throughout the standards, where
- 2 appropriate there are exceptions. In 120.3, we
- 3 added hot refrigerant lines under space heating
- 4 systems that require insulation on the pipes.
- 5 Currently, there's a list of heating types, or
- 6 heating pipes serving heating systems. That does
- 7 not include hot gas lines. And we just wanted to
- 8 clarify that it was intended that any heating
- 9 system that uses a hot fluid must have insulation
- 10 on that pipe.
- 11 There was also some clean-up language on
- 12 120.3, where we just needed to be clear that the
- 13 requirement was for a minimum amount of
- 14 insulation. There was some funny language that
- 15 made it seem that we were requiring the exact
- 16 amount of what was in the table. So it was
- 17 really just it was the minimum amount.
- 18 So new to 120.6, we added a new class of
- 19 condenser systems, adiabatic condenser systems,
- 20 or hybrid condensers. You know, the industry
- 21 uses that term, hybrid condensers.
- We added performance requirements for
- 23 these systems while they operate in dry mode.
- 24 And most of these requirements are similar to
- 25 what a air-cooled condenser would have to comply

- 1 with. There's new design saturation condensing
- 2 drybulb temperatures while in dry mode, condenser
- 3 fan control and requiring that all condensers be
- 4 controlled in unison, minimum condensing
- 5 temperature of less than or equal to 70 degrees,
- 6 again, which is the same for air cooled
- 7 condensing temperature reset, and a minimum
- 8 condenser efficiency. Again, all while in dry
- 9 mode.
- 10 For 120.6(b), it's the same requirement
- 11 for this 120.6(a) is for refrigerated warehouses,
- 12 (b) is for commercial refrigeration or
- 13 supermarket refrigeration. And what we did is
- 14 just incorporate the same requirements for these
- 15 adiabatic condensers, where it's appropriate in
- 16 both.
- 17 120.7 b), this is for wall insulation.
- 18 This is the only section in 120 that's not
- 19 mechanical. There was a reclassification of, or
- 20 a redefinition of what a light mass and a heavy
- 21 mass wall is. And the threshold is 95 pounds per
- 22 square foot, so if you're equal to that or less
- 23 you're considered a light mass. If you're over
- 24 that, you're considered a heavy mass.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yeah. That's cubic California Reporting, LLC (510) 313-0610

- 1 foot, not square foot.
- MR. ALATORRE: Cubic foot, sorry.
- 3 And also there was a clarification that
- 4 the slab insulation requirements for a heated
- 5 slab was only if your slab was considered on-
- 6 grade. Before, it was just any heated slab. It
- 7 could have been the second floor slab or
- 8 something and that wasn't intended to be
- 9 insulated.
- 10 So with that, I'm at the end of my
- 11 presentation. I don't think I have a questions
- 12 slide, but I'll end it here and open it up for
- 13 anybody who has comments or questions.
- MR. NESBITT: George Nesbitt, HERS Rater.
- 15 I'll start with your last slide and then I'll go
- 16 back to your first slide. So you could have a
- 17 heated slab in an elevated podium. I think you
- 18 would want that insulated not only under, but at
- 19 the slab edges. So not all heated slabs that
- 20 need to be insulated are on-grade.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: True George, but on an
- 22 elevated like that you already have insulation
- 23 underneath it. It's considered something similar
- 24 to a raised floor, per se.
- MR. NESBITT: Right. Although --

- 1 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: It doesn't matter if
- 2 it's heated or not, does it?
- 3 MR. NESBITT: Yeah. I mean I think most
- 4 elevated slabs are required to have some
- 5 insulation, whether there's enough.
- 6 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Just back away
- 7 from the mic just a little bit, there.
- 8 MR. NESBITT: Okay. Often people are not
- 9 close enough to the mic.
- 10 So on the high-rise, multi-family ASHRAE
- 11 62.2, I support going to that strongly. The two
- 12 questions, so if someone does exhaust only or
- 13 supply, continuous supply or exhaust, you're
- 14 asking for a blower door test in meeting a
- 15 certain requirement. Is that required to be done
- 16 by a HERS Rater?
- MR. ALATORRE: Yes.
- 18 MR. NESBITT: The other thing is I think
- 19 you mentioned verifying the kitchen fan
- 20 performance, but I think you mean probably just
- 21 that it's HVI-rated.
- MR. ALATORRE: Right. I mean, it's a
- 23 visual inspection, but you're verifying the specs
- 24 that are on the hood are also in the HVI
- 25 Directory and the performance of the fan is

- 1 adequate to what's required in 62.2. But it's a
- 2 visual. It's not a measured.
- 3 MR. NESBITT: On the next slide was non-
- 4 res and hotel/motel. Now, that's staying in
- 5 ASHRAE 62.1. Although my question would be
- 6 hotels and motels are probably a lot more like a
- 7 residential unit. And actually most of them
- $8\,$ don't have kitchens, so why would hotel and motel
- 9 occupancy not also go to 62.2?
- 10 MR. ALATORRE: I believe that's what the
- 11 definition of a dwelling unit, but I'll let Jeff
- 12 answer that one. He's more close to the subject.
- MR. MILLER: I think the issue is whether
- 14 the dwellings are transient occupied. Occupancy
- 15 is transient. So for residential, high-res
- 16 residential that's not transient occupancy, but
- 17 hotels/motels, it is.
- 18 MR. NESBITT: Okay, although I can't -- I
- 19 know that part of the high-rise multi-family
- 20 going to 62.2 from 62.1 was essentially a
- 21 reduction in ventilation rates and therefore
- 22 actually energy savings. I can't imagine that
- 23 the ventilation rates for hotels and motels
- 24 wouldn't also be a reduction if you went to 62.2.
- MR. MILLER: And I'm not sure what your

- 1 point is?
- 2 MR. NESBITT: It just seems they are far
- 3 more like a residential occupancy than a non-res.
- 4 But --
- 5 MR. MILLER: Okay. I acknowledge your
- 6 comment. I --
- 7 MR. ALATORRE: Yeah, what we're doing is
- 8 we're staying in line with what the 62.1 and 62.2
- 9 Committee have made. They made their choice and
- 10 we're just staying with that.
- MR. NESBITT: Okay.
- MR. ALATORRE: Thanks.
- MR. HODGSON: Mike Hodgson, ConSol
- 14 representing CBIA. Good morning, Mark.
- MR. ALATORRE: Good morning.
- 16 MR. HODGSON: Just kind of a quick
- 17 question on 120.1(b), where we're talking about
- 18 the air filter having a depth of two inches. I
- 19 presume the rational for that is to decrease
- 20 pressure drop across the filter?
- MR. ALATORRE: Yes.
- MR. HODGSON: All right. So my concern
- 23 is in multi-family, pancake units, which are put
- 24 in the hallway, they're very tight in space.
- 25 Have you talked to the manufacturers of those

- 1 units who can get a two-inch filter into there?
- 2 MR. ALATORRE: I think you're saying that
- 3 in high-rise multi-family, it's going to be more
- 4 difficult?
- 5 MR. HODGSON: No, in multi-family in
- 6 general, there's very limited space there, Jeff.
- 7 You know, in design you probably have 18 to 22
- 8 inches. And now we're adding an inch? And I'm
- 9 just wondering if you've talked to those
- $10\,$ manufacturers to see whether or not they can --
- MR. ALATORRE: Manufacturers of what?
- MR. HODGSON: -- of the pancake HVAC
- 13 units, it's like a hydronic unit, to see whether
- 14 or not it would fit. And if not, is there a
- 15 solution where you could specify a minimum
- 16 pressure drop against the filter and let them go
- 17 with one inch?
- 18 MR. ALATORRE: There are solutions. You
- 19 can build a plenum around the pancake unit and
- 20 provide a larger surface area filter. It's one
- 21 solution that I've seen. There may be others.
- MR. HODGSON: Right. But would that then
- 23 also drop it an inch in depth? I mean, this is
- 24 looking the mandatory requirement that your
- 25 filter must be two inches in depth?

- 1 MR. ALATORRE: Yes.
- MR. HODGSON: Right?
- 3 MR. ALATORRE: That's what's currently is
- 4 proposed, yes.
- 5 MR. HODGSON: And I'm just saying is
- 6 there a solution? I'm fine with it, as long as
- 7 there's room. I don't know the answer to the
- 8 question. If you guys have checked great, if not
- 9 there may be a solution that the manufacturer
- 10 comes up with, where they could get a similar
- 11 low-pressure drop with a one-inch solution.
- 12 Would that be acceptable? That's my question.
- 13 MR. ALATORRE: We could consider that.
- MR. HODGSON: Okay. So my recommendation
- 15 -- I have no language. I'm just thinking we need
- 16 to talk to these manufacturers, because it's such
- 17 a dominant part in our market right now --
- MR. ALATORRE: Okay.
- 19 MR. HODGSON: -- and make sure that they
- 20 can meet the two inches, thumbs up, we move
- 21 forward. If they can't, maybe there is a kind of
- 22 performance metric that you come up with on
- 23 pressure drop, which is the issue here to resolve
- 24 the problem.
- MR. ALATORRE: Okay.

- 1 MR. HODGSON: That's my only concern.
- MR. ALATORRE: Okay. Thank you.
- 3 MR. HODGSON: And real quick, I know you
- 4 probably caught this already, but your page 169
- 5 120.7(b)4, a little typo on pounds. It says 9S
- 6 instead of 95. I'm sure you'll --
- 7 MR. ALATORRE: Yeah. No, I did catch
- 8 that when I was reviewing this thing.
- 9 MR. HODGSON: We'll submit all these
- 10 comments too.
- 11 MR. STRAIT: And please give us all the
- 12 typos you spot, because nothing's perfect. I
- 13 already know there's one embarrassing one in 10-
- 14 106. (Laughter.) So if you spot them, let us
- 15 know.
- MR. WICHERT: We do have a question
- 17 online. Philip, I'm going to unmute you. Please
- 18 state your name and affiliation. Thank you.
- 19 MR. HOLLANDER: Yeah, sure. My name is
- 20 Philip Hollander, from Baltimore Aircoil Company.
- 21 I have a question that is on 120.6, regarding
- 22 adiabatic condensers.
- I was curious if you could go into more
- 24 detail about why the performance criteria were
- 25 established to be the same as air cooled

- 1 condensers, rather than there were evaporative
- 2 condensers or something more unique to them
- 3 themselves?
- 4 MR. ALATORRE: The CASE Report that was
- 5 submitted came to these conclusions and said that
- 6 there was more data that was needed, that the
- 7 technology was more in its infancy than it was in
- 8 a maturity. And they don't want it to create
- 9 requirements that would prohibit any kind of
- 10 growth of this type of system. So they left it
- 11 kind of for when you're operating in dry mode to
- 12 hit these targets. And they thought that it was
- 13 easily doable for the technologies that were
- 14 available now.
- MR. HOLLANDER: Yeah. I'm not sure if
- 16 whether it is or it isn't possible to achieve it.
- 17 But I think there may be some concerns with
- 18 putting the requirements in that, I'll say on
- 19 that metric. Because it's a little odd that it's
- 20 being measured on the metric of another
- 21 technology rather than on its own, because on a
- 22 summer day, on a warm day for a lot of the year,
- 23 it's not running dry. But yet the performance
- 24 efficiency criteria are as if it was another
- 25 product.

- 1 MR. ALATORRE: Okay.
- 2 MR. HOLLANDER: And so by measuring it
- 3 this way, it could potentially lead to
- 4 manufacturers somehow relabeling air cooled
- 5 condensers as adiabatic. And then because the
- 6 numbers are lower than an air cooled, because the
- 7 product when running wet is much more efficient.
- 8 And so by measuring in that same way, but with a
- 9 lower target assuming that it's going to run wet,
- 10 somehow someone could try to substitute something
- 11 instead of it; if that makes any sense?
- MR. ALATORRE: No, it does. So you're
- 13 talking about the 45 BTU per hour, I mean yeah
- 14 per watt, 45 BTU per hour per watt
- 15 (indiscernible).
- MR. HOLLANDER: Correct. The reason why
- 17 that works is because when it's wet it's much
- 18 more efficient. So it would seem as if having
- 19 some metric for when it's running wet would be
- 20 more in alignment with what it is. And would
- 21 avoid anybody from trying to substitute or come
- 22 up with something strange that would ultimately
- 23 will result in facilities, whether it's in
- 24 Section (b) or (c), in facilities using more
- 25 energy than what was analyzed in the case study.

- 1 Because I think in the case study, the whole
- 2 analysis was based on the assumption that it is
- 3 running wet for whatever percentage of the year.
- 4 But in here it doesn't really seem to
- 5 reflect that, unless I'm missing something?
- 6 MR. ALATORRE: No, yeah it does and all
- 7 the requirements are for when it is running in
- 8 dry mode.
- 9 And again, the analysis they didn't want
- 10 to make any determination of performance in the
- 11 wet mode, because they felt that they were going
- 12 to kind of put limits on this tech, going
- 13 forward. But please submit your comment. You
- 14 and me can have a dialogue about this and see if
- 15 there's something more appropriate.
- MR. HOLLANDER: Okay. That sounds good.
- 17 MR. ALATORRE: Thank you, Philip.
- MR. HOLLANDER: Yeah, also I have
- 19 something prepared. I'll submit that. Thank
- 20 you.
- MR. ALATORRE: Thanks.
- That's it? Okay.
- 23 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Are there any other
- 24 questions from the audience? If not, for some
- 25 funny reason we're ahead of schedule big time.

- 1 So I think we should maybe start moving on the
- 2 afternoon presentations and maybe have Peter do
- 3 the Section 130s, the mandatory requirements for
- 4 lighting systems and electric power
- 5 distributions.
- 6 MR. STRAIT: I'm happy to.
- 7 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Let's take a ten-minute
- 8 break real quick, if possible. Mazi's tired.
- 9 (Off the record at 10:32 a.m.)
- 10 (On the record at 10:46 a.m.)
- 11 MR. STRAIT: All right, so this next set
- 12 of slides is on Section 130. This is non-
- 13 residential, high-rise residential and
- 14 hotel/motel occupancies, mandatory requirements
- 15 for the lighting systems and equipment, and
- 16 electrical power distribution systems. I'm going
- 17 to again -- much like the other presentations,
- 18 this is a flyover view. Your homework assignment
- 19 is to go and read the actual language if you are
- 20 so possessed and to give us good comments on it.
- 21 So starting off, Section 130.0, we
- 22 rewrote the entire section for clarity. This was
- 23 a general request that we had related to the
- 24 lighting controls language or lighting language
- 25 to make it read better and be clearer to a

- 1 reader. Most of these changes are non-
- 2 substantive. I'll highlight here where we've
- 3 made an intentional substantive change.
- 4 The biggest change that we've made in
- 5 this section is that we allowed recognition of
- 6 the installed lamp wattage. Previously, Title 24
- 7 ignored any installed lamps and said this
- 8 luminaire is going to be rated at the worst
- 9 possible performance it could have.
- Now we're saying the lamp that is
- 11 installed there, you can consider that for
- 12 compliance. This mainly applies to a lot of
- 13 screw-in or removable LED products that we know
- 14 have upwards of a five-year life time and very
- 15 efficient performance.
- 16 We've also updated the track lighting
- 17 language that we have to refer more broadly to
- 18 modular lighting systems. This accounts for new
- 19 modular approaches, primarily LED tape lighting
- 20 and LED remote ballast systems.
- 21 There's still kind of an open question.
- 22 We've received some commentary about what to do
- 23 about power over Ethernet systems. We're
- 24 considering that internally. But right now, the
- 25 main intent of the changes here is to broaden

- 1 that approach and look at the -- basically what
- 2 is your bottleneck on that system and that'll be
- 3 what you're going to be rated by.
- In 130.1, once again we rewrote the
- 5 existing sections for clarity. We aligned the
- 6 automatic shutoff requirements to Building Code
- 7 Section 1008. 1008 has to do with minimum levels
- 8 of egress lighting and right now we had some
- 9 automatic shutoff that would say turn lighting
- 10 completely off in areas that Section 1008 would
- 11 say you needed some minimal amount of lighting on
- 12 at all times there's an occupant anywhere in the
- 13 building that might use that route as a means of
- 14 egress.
- 15 So that does mean that there are more
- 16 areas potentially that are required to have
- 17 partial off behavior, instead of full off
- 18 behavior. But that's also if there is a
- 19 dedicated egress lighting system, separate from
- 20 the general lighting, then that wouldn't apply.
- 21 We moved demand response of control
- 22 requirements to Section 110.12. We moved them.
- 23 We didn't fundamentally alter them. We added a
- 24 new Section, 130.1(f) to describe and clarify the
- 25 expected interaction to lighting controls.

- One thing we're very often asked is you
- 2 are asking to install five different types of
- 3 controls that do different things, how are they
- 4 supposed to relate with one another? So we've
- 5 tried to put something in code that specifies,
- 6 "These are now they should permit the other
- 7 controls to act."
- 8 We did add occupancy sensing as a
- 9 requirements for restrooms in Section 131(c)3.
- 10 And we clarified some of the daylighting
- 11 requirements in Section 130.1(d) relating to
- 12 overhangs and to atrium spaces.
- 13 I've got a few slides here to show the
- 14 change we've made for daylighting. The skylit
- 15 daylit zone here, you'll notice there's some
- 16 spillover on this top floor. But on these lower
- 17 floors we're not extending the daylighting zone
- 18 sideways in the same manner.
- 19 Similarly, if you don't have spillover on
- 20 this top floor, you continue to not have
- 21 spillover on these lower floors. It's simply the
- 22 area that's going to receive skylight on the
- 23 bottom floor.
- 24 And the biggest changes here, where
- 25 instead of the size of the opening determining

- 1 all the way down to the bottom floor what your
- 2 daylit zone is, if you have an overhang that's
- 3 limiting some of that it's going to be the size
- 4 of that vertical area inclusive of different
- 5 occlusions that occur between the top and the
- 6 bottom.
- For Section 130.2(c), our outdoor
- 8 lighting controls, we deleted section 130.2(a).
- 9 That was motion sensor controls for certain types
- 10 of legacy light sources that really would not be
- 11 installed under current lighting power
- 12 allowances.
- We modified section 130.2(b). We now
- 14 simply refer to Part 11 for the outdoor luminaire
- 15 bug requirements. This is to avoid duplication
- 16 in the Building Code. And also, only the
- 17 backlight and uplight requirements were able to
- 18 be adopted in this section where the glare
- 19 requirements really complete that package where
- 20 it will be adopted in Part 11. Now, Part 11
- 21 includes all of that language and we simply need
- 22 to point to it rather than having it stated in
- 23 two sections.
- We modified Section 130.2(c). This
- 25 consolidates and revises outdoor lighting

- 1 requirements. Outdoor controls shall now be
- 2 capable of first turning off outdoor lighting
- 3 when daylight is available same as before, but
- 4 it's more clearly stated.
- 5 Secondly, dimming and/or turning off
- 6 outdoor lighting during nighttime when the area
- 7 is unoccupied. This was formerly called part-
- 8 night behavior. And we're trying to use some
- 9 simpler language to refer to it. And we're
- 10 currently proposing that you can accomplish this
- 11 through automatic scheduling controls and/or
- 12 motion sensing controls.
- I'll point out here that we've also had
- 14 some commentary already from folks who've
- 15 downloaded the document that there are some areas
- 16 where really you do want to require that occupant
- 17 motion sensing and not allow someone to just use
- 18 an automatic scheduling control. We're
- 19 considering, much like we do in the indoor
- 20 controls a section or paragraph following that
- 21 would say, "In the following circumstances, you
- 22 are required to use the occupant sensing."
- 23 And third, we allow override of automatic
- 24 scheduling controls for up to two hours. That's
- 25 just to be consistent with our indoor

- 1 requirements.
- 2 And just to give you an example of how
- 3 we've managed to simplify and clearly state this
- 4 language, this is now the entirety of Section
- 5 130.2(c). There's a lot less detail, but it
- 6 captures nearly all of the same requirements.
- 7 And if there's more nuance that we need to add,
- 8 like I said to add a part three down here to say
- 9 where occupant sensing is required, we'd like
- $10\,$ your feedback on that. But, you know, brag a
- 11 little bit about the good job we did drafting
- 12 this code.
- 13 For 130.4 lighting control installation
- 14 certificate requirements, we removed Sections
- 15 130.4(b)3 and 4, relating to certification
- 16 requirements for line voltage track lighting
- 17 integral current limiters and supplementary over-
- 18 current protection panels.
- 19 We no longer require that example
- 20 products be submitted to the Energy Commission,
- 21 and manufacturers just certify product
- 22 information, partly based on the clarification
- 23 we've made for modular lighting systems and
- 24 partly based on just -- again, this is a fairly
- 25 robust technology at the moment. And it doesn't

- 1 seem to make as much sense as far as people to be
- 2 submitting physical products to the Energy
- 3 Commission for us to inspect.
- I want to clarify though the acceptance
- 5 testing is still required for these systems that
- 6 happen to use those components, under the general
- 7 requirements of 130.4(b)1. And we are interested
- 8 in feedback on acceptance test protocols for
- 9 modular lighting systems that can be added to NA
- 10 7.7. Again, based on the changes we've made in
- 11 the 130.0.
- 12 For Section 130.5, the electrical power
- 13 distribution system, the only change we've made
- 14 is to move the demand response controls and
- 15 equipment again to Section 110.12. We're trying
- 16 to consolidate all of those.
- 17 And that's the entirety of the
- 18 presentation that I've got. Anyone that has any
- 19 comments on the changes that are being proposed
- 20 for these sections, please step up to the mic.
- 21 MR. KNUFFKE: Good morning and thank you
- 22 very much for that speedy overview and allowing
- 23 us so much time to make commentary, because it
- 24 definitely is appreciated. Charles Knuffke, with
- 25 Wattstopper-Legrand, a couple of items that I

- 1 noted and just I hope you don't mind if I go
- 2 through these one at a time.
- But 130.1(a), so previously there had
- 4 been an allowance for in addition to, or rather a
- 5 switch in a space was required, but you could
- 6 have it if it was a pilot light someplace else.
- 7 And I see that definition of those spaces has
- 8 been expanded. And I think that's a good thing.
- 9 I think that designers should actually be allowed
- 10 the latitude of putting those devices wherever
- 11 they want.
- However, what's now missing is the key
- 13 switch. So there was language in there that
- 14 talked about switches that are accessible only to
- 15 authorized personnel. And working with
- 16 specifiers quite often, the spaces that that
- 17 comes up regularly in, is two or more stall
- 18 bathrooms, stairwells and corridors, and parking
- 19 areas where you don't necessarily want to have a
- 20 key or switch that is accessible to somebody just
- 21 walking in the area.
- I'm just wondering, why did that section
- 23 get deleted?
- MR. STRAIT: Again, the intent was not to
- 25 remove that. It might have been moved, because I

- 1 don't have that language on the screen in front
- 2 of me. I thought we had retained those
- 3 allowances to place it in an area that is only
- 4 accessible to authorized personnel or requires a
- 5 tool for access. That was the phrasing that we
- 6 used. I can take a look at that, but the intent
- 7 would be to retain that.
- 8 MR. KNUFFKE: Excellent, because it's not
- 9 there. So appreciate that.
- MR. STRAIT: Okay.
- MR. KNUFFKE: Jumping to 130.1(c)1. So
- 12 this is where we define that there are automatic
- 13 shut off controls. One of the items that's
- 14 called is occupancy sensing, automatic time
- 15 switch captive key or other control functions. A
- 16 captive key switch is not an automatic shutoff
- 17 control device. A captive key is merely an
- 18 interface to a scheduling system or an occupancy
- 19 sensing.
- 20 With the language the way it is right
- 21 now, somebody could just put captive keys
- 22 wherever they wanted to and then leave those on
- 23 24/7. So I'm sure that wasn't the intent of the
- 24 Code. I just wanted to point out that that was
- 25 something that was there.

- 1 MR. STRAIT: Certainly. Actually, the
- 2 intent there was that we allowed captive key for
- 3 hotel/motel spaces. And it wasn't clear if that
- 4 should be limited to those spaces, if there are
- 5 other areas that made use of the captive key
- 6 system, mainly industrial, people on the floor
- 7 doing things. If it made sense to say, "When
- 8 that person is no longer in the space, they have
- 9 to take that key with them, therefore that's
- 10 going to cause the lighting to shut off,"
- 11 treating it as equivalent to having other things
- 12 that shut off the lighting when the person's left
- 13 the space.
- 14 If you feel that would not be appropriate
- 15 then that would certainly be a comment that we
- 16 would like to have.
- MR. KNUFFKE: Very good.
- In regards to section 130.1(c)3, this is
- 19 the areas where occupancy sensing controls are
- 20 required. In the 2016 Code language was added so
- 21 that -- to take advantage of the spaces that had
- 22 dimming controls in there. Where when you had a
- 23 dimming capability or a code mandated dimming in
- 24 a space that instead of the lights turning
- 25 automatically 100 percent on, that they were

- 1 either manual on or partial on?
- 2 MR. STRAIT: Uh-huh.
- 3 MR. KNUFFKE: That section now is gone
- 4 and that seems like that's a substantive change,
- 5 because that was to me one of the major energy
- 6 saving devices we had was making sure that in
- 7 certain spaces when somebody walked in to drop a
- 8 letter on a desk, the lights didn't turn on for
- 9 20 or 30 minutes.
- 10 And additionally, speaking of 20 or 30
- 11 minutes, the code requirement previously had
- 12 moved the time delay to 20 minutes. And the new
- 13 code in the, I believe it's Section 110.9, now is
- 14 calling it out as 30 minutes.
- MR. STRAIT: Right. So there was a
- 16 conflict in 2016 where that level was specified
- 17 in one place to be 30 minutes and in another
- 18 place to be 20 minutes.
- 19 And it is a non-substantive change to go
- 20 with the more permissive. When there is a
- 21 conflict like that and a reasonable person
- 22 reading the code, what they will say, "This seems
- 23 to allow me 30 minutes, this seems to say 20
- 24 minutes, I'm going to choose to do 30 minutes."
- 25 We wouldn't be able to put that person in front

- 1 of a judge and say this person broke the law. So
- 2 that way that this was a non-substantive change
- 3 is to have it at the 30-minute level because that
- 4 would be consistent with the conflicting
- 5 requirements in 2016.
- 6 If it's preferred to move them
- 7 universally to 20 minutes, we could look at going
- 8 in that direction.
- 9 MR. KNUFFKE: And quite honestly, I
- 10 thought it had. But to me, the bigger issue with
- 11 the language is the lack of now partial on or
- 12 manual on in spaces. People have paid for the
- 13 dimming capability, the ability to go partial on
- 14 or manual on -- the fact that it was in the 2016
- 15 Code -- to remove that seems like the entire
- 16 code, the goal of moving forward with energy
- 17 efficiency, this is actually a fairly significant
- 18 step back.
- 19 MR. STRAIT: Well, we can look at that.
- 20 I know that there's -- we looked closely at when
- 21 we were requiring a partial on behavior and if
- 22 there was consistency there and if that made
- 23 sense.
- I know that we had looked at whether
- 25 language strictly required that the controls

- 1 operate in that manner or not. Or if it was
- 2 simply much like we had some permissive language
- 3 for partial off, where say you can turn to a dim
- 4 level or to off, meaning that a full off control
- 5 would technically satisfy those requirements.
- 6 For those it wasn't clear whether
- 7 mandating partial on behavior or rather back up a
- 8 little bit -- we have had some questions about
- 9 whether automatic on controls are allowable under
- 10 the code or whether they are prohibited in
- 11 California by the Energy Code. The intent of the
- 12 California Energy Code is not to prohibit an
- 13 automatic on functionality. So I know that was
- 14 part of what we're looking at when we looked at
- 15 partial on and manual on behavior.
- 16 Mandating a partial on capability, I
- 17 think was just not well embodied in that code,
- 18 but we can look at language that might hue closer
- 19 to what was required in 2016. I know there was
- 20 an issue though with mandating it.
- 21 MR. KNUFFKE: As I'm sure, myself and
- 22 many others applaud the idea of trying to clarify
- 23 the code, making it simpler to understand.
- 24 However, where we've tossed the baby out with the
- $25\,$ bath water, and in this case I do believe the

- 1 energy savings that was being rewarded by partial
- 2 and manual on would be considerable, and at
- 3 exactly the time of the day when you wouldn't
- 4 want to lights turning on. So just appreciate
- 5 the comment and the opportunity to possibly look
- 6 to see if that was an error.
- 7 MR. STRAIT: Sure.
- 8 MR. KNUFFKE: Section 130.1(c)4. This is
- 9 the section now that talks about going to what
- 10 was a partial off, is now there. By calling out
- 11 those areas, what I saw was the partial off
- 12 requirement. What I didn't see clearly was that
- 13 those lights still have to go off when nobody's
- 14 there.
- MR. STRAIT: Again, that's because of the
- 16 issue here with the automatic shut-off
- 17 requirements aligned to Building Code 1008.
- 18 So there are areas where we were
- 19 requiring lighting to go off, where Section 1008
- 20 says those lights are not allowed to go all the
- 21 way to off if there's anyone in the building. So
- 22 we've had to look closely at how to align that
- 23 language.
- MR. KNUFFKE: But those wouldn't have
- 25 been egress areas. When we're talking about

- 1 things like warehouse aisles, open areas of the
- 2 warehouse, those would not typically be an egress
- 3 area. So I understand completely why the code
- 4 changes are being made to try to accommodate
- 5 egress areas. But the idea of not turning the
- 6 lights off in a warehouse seems like, again that
- 7 is a -- the way I'm reading it looks like that is
- 8 allowance. If I'm reading it wrong, please let
- 9 me know.
- 10 MR. STRAIT: Sure. I know that for those
- 11 areas, they are allowed to have partial off
- 12 controls. They are not required to go full off.
- 13 That's consistent with what's in 2016.
- MR. KNUFFKE: Right, but at some point
- 15 when the building is empty the lights have to go
- 16 off. That's the way the Code is right now in
- 17 2016 and I don't see that that's where the
- 18 requirement is in the current -- the draft
- 19 language in (indiscernible).
- 20 MR. STRAIT: I'll reexamine that. My
- 21 understanding is that that section is consistent
- 22 with the 2016 Code, but if there's a discrepancy,
- 23 we'll look at getting that fixed.
- MR. KNUFFKE: In regards to exterior
- 25 lighting, so the significant reduction came with

- 1 one exception that I was kind of surprised about,
- 2 which was that there was an entire list of
- 3 lighting -- there is a mention made that says now
- 4 all lights going off, based on daylight. I
- 5 understand that completely, that there was this
- 6 additional requirement of lights going to a
- 7 partial off based on 50 percent or lower, when
- 8 they are in an unoccupied period.
- 9 There was a whole list of lighting types
- 10 though, that were exempted previously from these
- 11 things. And those were the things that were
- 12 called out in Section 140.7 and that included
- 13 items like temporary lighting, landscape
- 14 lighting, public monuments, ATMs. I was just
- 15 surprised that that exemption that was in the
- 16 code before wasn't carried forth in the section
- 17 that we're talking about.
- 18 MR. STRAIT: Sure. We're looking at
- 19 whether it makes sense. Again, this is to dim or
- 20 turn off lighting. It's trying to strike the
- 21 balance between having a simple code that applies
- 22 pretty universally to say these are what the
- 23 controls should be capable of. And if a person
- 24 wants those controls to behave that way or not,
- 25 it's up to the operator to say, "I'm going to say

- 1 this is landscape lighting. I want have it at
- 2 this level for this period."
- 3 So from our perspective, we would like
- 4 the controls to always be capable of enabling
- 5 those behaviors. And then turn it over to the
- 6 person that's actually making use of the space to
- 7 say, "How would I like to configure these
- 8 controls?"
- 9 MR. KNUFFKE: And what I would suggest is
- 10 just taking a look at that list again in 140.7.
- 11 Because trying to make capable of, for temporary
- 12 lighting or ATMs that are -- it just seems like
- 13 that would be an additional cost that maybe
- 14 wouldn't serve as a payback.
- The last item I believe that I've got on
- 16 my list for the override. I understand that the
- 17 desire of trying to match what's going on in the
- 18 interior, which is a two-hour override with the
- 19 exterior, the only issue that I would caution
- 20 about is in the interior you pretty much know
- 21 where your switches are. For exterior lighting,
- 22 where are those override switches going to be
- 23 mounted?
- 24 So I do know that oftentimes, when
- 25 somebody is doing something, they're doing --

- 1 they're cleaning the floors inside the building
- 2 and they're going to be going in and out to the
- 3 trucks constantly. You know, to try to find an
- 4 override switch to turn on the exterior lights
- 5 might be a problem. So there is one key
- 6 difference between interior and exterior. And
- 7 that's if you've got a wall to put them on that's
- 8 clear.
- 9 So I'd just offer a caution on that about
- 10 trying to mandate a two-hour off, without making
- 11 it clear and easy for somebody to be able to turn
- 12 it back on.
- 13 So thank you very much for the
- 14 opportunity to make the commentary to the
- 15 Commission.
- MR. STRAIT: Certainly.
- 17 MR. FLAMM: Gary Flamm. Thank you,
- 18 Peter, for making that presentation. The
- 19 Building Code, section 1008, I think that was the
- 20 number?
- MR. STRAIT: Uh-huh.
- MR. FLAMM: I've not read that.
- 23 MR. STRAIT: It was formally Section 1006
- 24 in the most recent. In the 2016 version, it's
- 25 1008.

- 1 MR. FLAMM: Okay. So what would expect
- 2 from that is a very broad interpretation, because
- 3 any building, some time of the year can be
- 4 assumed to have an occupant in it. So I would
- 5 expect that to be a significant loophole. And
- 6 I'm not sure if you've considered that.
- 7 MR. STRAIT: We did. We actually had to
- 8 talk to the State Fire Marshall and determine
- 9 what the appropriate language would be, because
- 10 unfortunately the State Fire Marshall's guidance
- 11 will trump our language. And previously the Fire
- 12 Marshall had, on some occasions issued guidance
- 13 to say ignore that section of the Building Code,
- 14 because you need to comply with Section 1008, or
- 15 1006 at the time.
- MR. FLAMM: Well, I just believe that's
- 17 going to be a significant loop hole. All the
- 18 egress lighting will be on all the time.
- 19 Another thing is the track lighting, all
- 20 the language that was deleted. Historically that
- 21 language was put in there to constrain the use of
- 22 such products to only track lighting. And I'm
- 23 wondering if the changes are going to allow
- 24 current limiters and supplementary over-current
- 25 panels for all lighting systems. I'd have to

- 1 really look at the language to consider that, but
- 2 the red flag that went up for me was, "Will this
- 3 then allow such products for all lighting
- 4 systems?"
- 5 MR. STRAIT: The current language still
- 6 uses that it has to be a modular lighting system
- 7 that allows the lighting to be changed without
- 8 any rewiring. So that same phrase about track
- 9 lighting where you can add or remove lighting
- 10 without rewiring the system at all, still
- 11 applies.
- 12 So if it's non-modular systems, your
- 13 normal ordinary wired circuits would not be able
- 14 to take advantage of a supplementary over-current
- 15 protection panel, in order to de-rate the
- 16 installed value that they're coming up with.
- MR. FLAMM: Okay.
- 18 MR. STRAIT: If there's a better way to
- 19 phrase that, please do submit that in comments,
- 20 but the intent is to still say this is only
- 21 applicable to modular systems, where again it's
- 22 snap on/snap on kinds of things such as track
- 23 lighting.
- MR. FLAMM: Okay. So I will look at it
- 25 and mull over that. Thank you.

- Okay, again Charles Knuffke brought up
- 2 about controls not accessible to unauthorized
- 3 personnel. There are a lot of spaces where one
- 4 wouldn't want a stranger to turn the lights off.
- 5 And I would just ask that you relook at the
- 6 language and make sure that there are not some
- 7 safety/security issues there.
- 8 MR. STRAIT: Yeah. If it's not present
- 9 in the published language, that may be an error.
- 10 My understanding was that we were still retaining
- 11 that language that said, "For those spaces, you
- 12 can have a control that's not accessible to
- 13 unauthorized personnel." So I'll take a look at
- 14 what happened to that.
- MR. FLAMM: Okay. Thank you.
- MR. NESBITT: George Nesbitt, HERS Rater.
- 17 Can you explain a little bit more on the issue of
- 18 screw-in bulbs and using the installed wattage,
- 19 rather than an assumed wattage?
- 20 MR. STRAIT: Certainly. This is a change
- 21 we made in 2016 to residential lighting, to say
- 22 we can look at what's populating the socket.
- 23 Instead of just saying that's a screw base
- 24 socket, we're going to assume incandescent.
- 25 Right now, with current federal law,

- 1 again with some uncertainty given for the current
- 2 Administration, the current federal law already
- 3 prohibits the incandescent lighting that we were
- 4 worried about.
- 5 In addition, we've got a lot of questions
- 6 about LEDs to say we just want to be able to use
- 7 just screw-based LEDs. And right now a screw-
- 8 based socket is assumed to have a 50 watt
- 9 incandescent bulb in it, which is far too
- 10 punitive. So the question is can we do something
- 11 similar on the non-res side as to residential?
- 12 We no longer have the fear that we had as
- 13 recently as six or three years ago about those
- 14 bulbs fleeing. About the second the building
- 15 inspector leaves, the expensive bulbs get taken
- 16 out and cheap ones get put in.
- 17 We think if the building starts with LED
- 18 lights we can be confident those things are going
- 19 to be in there for five or ten years. And in
- 20 five or ten years' time when they get replaced,
- 21 they're going to be replaced by even more
- 22 efficient LEDs. So we have less of a concern
- 23 over going back to the socket and saying,
- 24 "Because the socket is a line voltage screw base,
- 25 it's necessarily going to end up with an

- 1 incandescent in it." And are more comfortable
- 2 saying, "Whatever that original lamp is, you can
- 3 start there for the purpose of rating that."
- 4 MR. NESBITT: Okay. So in non-res, what
- 5 is the assumption if you have a screw-in outlet
- 6 to wattage?
- 7 MR. STRAIT: Under the 2016 Code, I
- 8 believe it's assumed that each of those is a 50
- 9 watt lamp.
- MR. NESBITT: Okay.
- 11 MR. STRAIT: Assumed as a 50 watt lamp.
- 12 MR. NESBITT: Although certainly, it's
- 13 legal to buy higher wattage than that in
- 14 incandescent or halogen bulbs.
- MR. STRAIT: Yes. If you're asking where
- 16 did we establish those values at, I couldn't tell
- 17 you. But I know that now most of those bulbs are
- 18 illegal under state and federal law, a majority
- 19 of those high-wattage bulbs.
- 20 MR. NESBITT: Okay. I'm just wondering
- 21 to what extent if on the one hand, the nice thing
- 22 about a screw-in bulb is you can change
- 23 technologies. You can change wattages. You can
- 24 change light temperature to fit needs better. As
- 25 opposed to a pin-based technology, you're pretty

- 1 much always stuck with that technology and that
- 2 wattage, without making changes.
- 3 So to what extent, assuming that the
- 4 initial installed wattage is reality, that that
- 5 would encourage people to put in more screw-based
- 6 and actually maybe put -- whether that ends up
- 7 meaning they put in higher wattage and even swap
- 8 out.
- 9 I've had electricians tell me, "Oh yeah.
- 10 We put that in to meet code, but we're going to
- 11 take it out." I mean, that kind of thing goes on
- 12 a lot. I mean we can't completely eliminate it.
- 13 I'm just wondering to what extent we're creating
- 14 sort of like an easy loop hole for someone to
- 15 drive large trucks through.
- MR. STRAIT: Well, again right now if
- 17 there are efficient LEDs populating those sockets
- 18 when the building inspector comes through, we
- 19 think there's a minimal chance of those being
- 20 different by the time somebody moves into the
- 21 building. Certainly we do want to make it so
- 22 that folks have an easier time updating their
- 23 lighting, when it comes time to do so. And
- 24 especially we're seeing now there are LED prices
- 25 also integrate. It's also a Wi-Fi hub. It also

- 1 provides some other services. It's color tuning
- 2 and color dimmable.
- 3 As this lighting technology evolves,
- 4 having that additional flexibility, we don't
- 5 think it's going to result in less efficient
- 6 lighting, because we're seeing the LEDs are
- 7 become more and more popular. And so the idea
- 8 that it's going to snap back to a florescent or
- 9 an incandescent or halogen technology, we don't
- 10 have the same concern we would have had five
- 11 years ago.
- 12 So I mean, it's a valid comment to say it
- 13 is certainly a worry that we also have, that
- 14 we're giving this allowance. We're simplifying
- 15 compliance, we're simplifying installation, at
- 16 the cost that somebody could walk that backwards
- 17 and install less efficient equipment than when we
- 18 first looked at the building.
- 19 On the one hand it's not necessarily that
- 20 different than if somebody starts with an
- 21 efficient HVAC system and then when that
- 22 equipment dies in 12 years, they bring in a less
- 23 efficient system. So it's a risk. It's one that
- 24 we're saying we think it's appropriate to take.
- 25 But if your comment is maybe that's not California Reporting, LLC (510) 313-0610

- 1 appropriate we'd certainly like to get public
- 2 feedback on the record to see how people feel
- 3 about it.
- 4 MR. NESBITT: Yeah. I mean, I don't know
- 5 to what extent you might want to limit its use.
- 6 Just have some limit or some assumption of watts
- 7 per square foot or whatever, that essentially you
- 8 can't just put everything into all of your
- 9 lighting in that.
- 10 But anyway, the other issue I want to
- 11 raise although it's not technically controls, but
- 12 I just don't see anywhere else to put it, is
- 13 issue with outdoor lighting and the calculation
- 14 methods for figuring out your allowable wattage.
- MR. STRAIT: Oh, that's actually in 140,
- 16 so Section 140.3 and 140.6. Later on we'll talk
- 17 about the lighting power allowance discussion.
- MR. NESBITT: We are, okay. Okay. I'll
- 19 talk about it later then.
- 20 MR. STRAIT: Yeah. Not that I don't want
- 21 the comment, but there is a presentation for
- 22 that.
- 23 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: R.J. is anybody on?
- 24 MR. WICHERT: I'm going to go to an
- 25 online comment. Tanya, I'm going to unmute you

- 1 now. Go ahead and state your name and
- 2 affiliation.
- 3 MS. HERNANDEZ: Okay, high. This is
- 4 Tanya Hernandez with Acuity Brands. Can you hear
- 5 me?
- 6 MR. STRAIT: Yes, we can hear you.
- 7 MS. HERNANDEZ: Great. Thank you.
- 8 So thank you Peter, for the presentation.
- 9 I will tell you it went by so quickly my head was
- 10 somewhat spinning. So you'll have to forgive
- 11 some of the comments that are more questions than
- 12 probably comments.
- MR. STRAIT: Sure.
- MS. HERNANDEZ: The first thing was in
- 15 the agenda, it actually states that in what looks
- 16 like Section 130.0, allowing lamp efficacy to be
- 17 used in determine light power density. I am
- 18 assuming that you meant wattage there? I didn't
- 19 see anything about efficacy, but I want to make
- 20 sure I did not miss anything.
- 21 MR. STRAIT: So in terms of determining
- 22 whether following the normal procedure in Section
- 23 130.0 for determining wattage for comparison
- 24 against the allowed lighting wattage for the
- 25 space, I think possibly using the word efficacy

- 1 was incorrect in the agenda.
- MS. HERNANDEZ: Okay. Great, thank you.
- 3 There was in Section 130.2(b) where it is reduced
- 4 -- and I don't think you addressed this one at
- 5 all -- it's the exemption that moved it from a
- 6 150 watt lamp to 30 watts, yes?
- 7 MR. STRAIT: Yes.
- 8 MS. HERNANDEZ: Okay. So there, that
- 9 being an 80 percent reduction, even though it's
- 10 based on the aggressive efficacy level for LEDs,
- 11 we'd like to comment that we think that 30 watts
- 12 is every severe, especially given what the
- 13 technology will do. And because this is outdoor
- 14 lighting, where there's way more builders just
- 15 equally as many distribution requirements that
- 16 will effect efficacy that we think 30 watts is a
- 17 little too steep for that.
- 18 I wanted to also make the comment about
- 19 backlight with a BUG rating. I want to make sure
- 20 Part 11; is that CALGreen or no?
- MR. STRAIT: Yes.
- MS. HERNANDEZ: Okay, great.
- 23 MR. STRAIT: CALGreen, just to clarify,
- 24 has both mandatory provisions and voluntary
- 25 sections. These are part of the mandatory

- 1 requirements in CALGreen.
- MS. HERNANDEZ: Okay. And so my question
- 3 is because now backlight requirements are being
- 4 added where they were not there previously, would
- 5 that require some type of cost effectiveness or
- 6 additional review?
- 7 MR. STRAIT: No. They're being moved, so
- 8 they're still part of the Building Code, they're
- 9 simply in a different section of the Building
- 10 Code.
- 11 MS. HERNANDEZ: Okay. All right, and I
- 12 think that was it for that section. Thank you.
- MR. STRAIT: Thank you.
- 14 It looks like that's it for the online
- 15 comments. I think this is going to be the last
- 16 presentation we have before -- oh, we're only at
- 17 11:15.
- 18 Payam, do we want to go ahead and have an
- 19 earlier lunch or how do we want to continue?
- 20 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: I think we should have
- 21 an earlier lunch. What do you guys think; 12:30
- 22 or 1:00 o'clock to be back here? 1:00 o'clock.
- 23 Okay, I got 1:00, so let's take an early, longer
- 24 lunch and be back here at 1:00 for the second
- 25 half of the afternoon. Thank you.

- 1 (Off the record at 11:17 a.m.)
- 2 (On the record at 1:04 p.m.)
- 3 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: So we're going to start the
- 4 afternoon on the performance prescriptive requirements
- 5 for nonresidential in Section 140. Mark Alatorre is
- 6 going to start with that and when we get to the lighting
- 7 sections, we're going to switch it and Simon's going to
- 8 do a discussion on that or presentation on that, excuse
- 9 me.
- 10 MR. ALATORRE: Good afternoon. My name is
- 11 Mark Alatorre. I'm an Engineer with the Building
- 12 Standards Development Office. And I'll be presenting the
- 13 mechanical systems in 140. I'm also going to talk about
- 14 the changes to the Envelope Section, 140.3.
- 15 Most of these changes were clarification. The
- 16 items that we wanted to point out were clarification in
- 17 140.3(a)3 where we clarify the exception to the roof
- 18 construction with a weight of at least 25 pounds per
- 19 square foot, that it was dependent on weight, not the
- 20 thermal mass. The current 2016 language had a term
- 21 "thermal mass" in the exception, which is not the case.
- 22 It was really based on the weight of the roof assembly
- 23 rather than the thermal mass.
- 24 Updating Tables 140.3-C and 140.3-D to align
- 25 with the new thermal mass definition that's in 120.7,

- 1 where the threshold is 95 pounds per cubic foot, so
- 2 whether you're being considered as a light mass or a
- 3 heavy mass.
- 4 140.3(a)5, this had to do with fenestration.
- 5 We added an exception for demising walls. That they are
- 6 not subject to the fenestration requirements for SHGC
- 7 when you have fenestration in a demising wall, an
- 8 interior wall.
- 9 All right, now we're into the mechanical
- 10 systems. So 140.4(a) and (b), the changes here were to
- 11 accommodate the healthcare facilities now that we are
- 12 bringing those into the scope of Title 24.
- 13 And what we did here, we with worked with OSHPD
- 14 and the edits that were made here are not new
- 15 requirements. It's consistent with what's current
- $16\,$ practice. And all the changes that we made were to give
- 17 healthcare facility designers direction on where to get
- 18 their design information, you know, for occupant
- 19 densities and what not. And most of it's pointing to
- 20 other sections of the California Building Code.
- 21 And again we worked with OSHPD on this language
- 22 specifically, so it shouldn't be a surprise to anybody.
- 23 It's right along with what's currently being done.
- We are proposing, in 140.4(c) to adopt new fan
- 25 power calculations. This was originally meant as

- 1 alignment with 90.1, however the actual numbers that are
- 2 in Table 140.4-A for fan power limitation, those numbers
- 3 are not consistent with 90.1; they're a little more
- 4 stringent. And those numbers are based on what is
- 5 currently under the 2016 and what was under the 2013
- 6 assumption for the standard design.
- 7 So if anybody that was complying, using the
- 8 performance approach in either 2013 or 2016 Standards,
- 9 the standard design assumed specific fan power. And
- 10 those numbers are what are being proposed in the table.
- 11 And again, it's more stringent than what's currently in
- 12 90.1.
- The change in 140.4(d), there used to be an
- 14 exception that allowed for re-heating or re-cooling of
- 15 air. And it was a pretty detailed exception on the
- 16 specific scenario when it was allowed and what load was
- 17 required by the control system. And it just seemed
- 18 inappropriate to being in an exception, so what we did is
- 19 we rearranged 140.4(d) to basically make it an option for
- 20 compliance instead of an exception to the section. And
- 21 so it looks like a lot of new language, but in reality
- 22 it's just getting rid of the exception and putting it
- 23 into the actual standards language as an option.
- 24 140.4 for economizers, so expanded the water
- 25 economizer requirement to not just forced air systems.

- 1 Currently, it was limited to chilled water systems that
- 2 used forced air. So now, it also includes chilled water
- 3 cooling systems without a fan or with induced air flow.
- 4 And for those types of systems there's Table 140.4-C,
- 5 which has system capacity thresholds for when the water
- 6 economizer would be triggered for the non-fan systems.
- Also, once a water economizer is used, there's
- $8\,$ new language for the performance of the water economizer,
- 9 so limitations on pressure up. There's a maximum
- 10 pressure drop. It has to be less than 15 feet of water,
- 11 or there must be a secondary loop to bypass the heat
- 12 exchanger when the economizer is not in use.
- 13 And also, there's language to explicitly
- 14 require full integration, so that way it provides partial
- 15 cooling when you could still benefit from some
- 16 economizing.
- 17 140.4(h)5, this is a new requirement for a
- 18 cooling tower efficiency. And it's limited to open
- 19 circuit cooling towers that are greater than 900 gallons
- 20 per minute or 900 gallons permitted and greater. The
- 21 minimum efficiency of that tower must be 80 gallons per
- 22 minute per horsepower.
- 23 There are exceptions to this requirement:
- 24 towers serving Climate Zones 1 and 16. And also in the
- 25 alteration world if the existing tower is roof mounted or

- 1 inside the building or in, I think we use the term
- 2 building mounted towers, they would not be subject to
- 3 this requirement.
- 4 Duct leakage, we made this change again because
- 5 of the healthcare facilities coming under the scope of
- 6 Title 24. Currently, the way OSHPD handles duct leakage
- 7 is they've made amendments to the California Mechanical
- 8 Code. And so we just made it explicit there that we
- 9 expect duct systems in hospitals to still comply with the
- 10 California Mechanical Code requirements, as amended by
- 11 OSHPD.
- 12 And again, this is not really imposing a new
- 13 requirement on the industry. This is something that they
- 14 already are doing.
- 15 140.4(0), the basis of this measure was an
- 16 addendum to 90.1. And it sets limitations on the amount
- 17 of conditioned air that is delivered to a space and that
- 18 space, having mechanical exhaust.
- 19 The limitation is as follows: the conditioned
- 20 air shall not exceed the greater of supply flow required
- 21 for the heating or cooling, or the ventilation rate, or
- 22 the amount for mechanical exhaust minus available
- 23 transfer.
- 24 And the reason why this is a requirement is
- 25 according to the author of the addendum that they're

- 1 doing peer review of other engineer work and they noticed
- 2 that this was not the case, that people were supplying
- 3 conditioned air and not using available transfer. And so
- 4 they felt that it would be easily complied with if there
- 5 was a prescriptive requirement. And it just goes into
- 6 good design practice.
- 7 Along with this requirement, we added a
- 8 definition for what is considered available transfer air,
- 9 so I brought it up here just to highlight it. We define
- 10 it as, "The portion of total outdoor ventilation air that
- 11 is not required to satisfy other exhaust needs, or to
- 12 maintain pressurization of other spaces and that is
- 13 transferrable, according to Section 120.1(g)."
- If you guys were here in the morning, you know
- 15 that 120.1(q) is where we have the air classification
- 16 section and recirculation limits and transfer air
- 17 limitations. That's out of 62.1.
- 18 All right, so now we're going into the service
- 19 water heating section. Currently, the requirements point
- 20 to 150.1 for these types of spaces and within 150.1,
- 21 there's a requirement for multifamily to comply with a
- 22 solar fraction, using solar thermal. The proposal is to
- 23 give an exemption for buildings of five stories and
- 24 higher. And the analysis that went into that showed that
- 25 buildings of four stories and less would still benefit

- 1 from solar-thermal, while it's not practical for
- 2 buildings bigger than that.
- That's going to conclude my portion. Before we
- 4 jump into the lighting, I wanted to pause and take
- 5 questions or comments now, before we switch off.
- 6 MR. GOODMAN: Aniruddh Roy, Goodman. Thank you
- 7 Mark, for this presentation, I just had one question on
- $8\,$ fan power limitation. Could you walk me through what was
- 9 behind the decision making to go more stringent?
- 10 MR. ALATORRE: Yeah. So under our ACM rules,
- 11 the alternative calculation method, there is a standard
- 12 design and a proposed design. The standard design is
- 13 (indecipherable) for compliant building. And for the
- 14 2013 cycle and the 2016 cycle, the assumption for fan
- 15 power is what we are proposing to be formally
- 16 incorporated into the prescriptive requirements. That's
- 17 the basis of that decision.
- 18 MR. GOODMAN: Okay. But in terms of the
- 19 stringency compared to 90.1, what was the decision to go
- 20 higher, I guess? That's really --
- 21 MR. ALATORRE: Our thinking was that currently,
- 22 people are being compared against that already. People
- 23 complying with Title 24 now using the performance
- 24 approach, are already being compared against that level
- 25 of stringency on the fan power. So we think that because

- 1 people are already complying with it on a performance
- 2 level, that it's appropriate to bring it in as a
- 3 prescriptive requirement now.
- 4 MR. GOODMAN: Okay. And I may have missed it,
- 5 but was that captured in the CASE report, like that
- 6 decision making?
- 7 MR. ALATORRE: Yes.
- 8 MR. GOODMAN: Okay. Thank you.
- 9 MR. ALATORRE: Sure.
- 10 And I'll just point out that at the end of the
- 11 -- Simon's going to come up and discuss some lighting
- 12 things. I'll come back on for the last part of 140,
- 13 140.9. And at the end, there'll be another chance for
- 14 comments if anybody has something that they're pondering
- 15 and they want to ask later, that's fine.
- 16 Next would be Simon Lee. He's going to discuss
- 17 lighting.
- 18 MR. LEE: Thank you, Mark, for presenting those
- 19 early sections. And I will continue on lighting sections
- 20 140.6 first, and 140.7 second. And then I'll hand it
- 21 back to Mark to continue on section 140.9.
- In this code cycle LED lighting is used as the
- 23 baseline for both indoor and outdoor lighting power
- 24 allowance. The complete building method, the area
- 25 category method, and the tailored method have all been

- 1 updated with modify lighting power density values.
- 2 For the complete building method, they are
- 3 added to the building occupancy types. Similarly, for
- 4 the area category method they are added to the primary
- 5 function area types. For primary function area types not
- 6 listed, our reasonably equivalent type is permitted to be
- 7 used for the area and the LPD values.
- 8 Table 140.6-B is for complete building method.
- 9 Some of the changes to the table are shown on this
- 10 presentation slide. For complete building method,
- 11 besides the update to the lighting power density values
- 12 they are also added to add new building types such as
- 13 assembly buildings.
- 14 So let's look at one example for a minute.
- 15 Assembly buildings as defined in Section 100.1, is a
- 16 building with meeting halls in which people gather for
- 17 civic, social or recreational activities. A combination
- 18 center building can be qualified as an assembly building.
- 19 Table 140.6-C, this is for area category
- 20 method. So this table contains the lighting power
- 21 density values for different building functional areas.
- 22 Besides the update to the LPD value, the other important
- 23 changes to this table is the addition of two new columns
- 24 to the right-hand side of the table.
- One column here is for the qualified lighting

- 1 systems. And other column shows the additional lighting
- 2 power for the qualifying system. And this is important
- 3 that I would like to point out, as it relates to the next
- 4 slide. So this additional lighting power is use it or
- 5 lose it. Let's look at two examples: auditorium and open
- 6 office.
- 7 For auditorium, additional lighting power is
- 8 provided for ornamental lighting. And it is .30 watt per
- 9 square feet. Accent, display and feature lighting is
- 10 allowed for an additional lighting power of .20 watt per
- 11 square feet. And this additional power is use it or lose
- 12 it. Another example is office area, for office area and
- 13 additional lighting power is provided for portable
- 14 lighting for .20 watt per square feet.
- Table 140.6-D for the tailored method, again
- 16 they are modified values on the lighting power allowed.
- 17 I have just listed one of the areas, auditorium area.
- 18 There are some other function areas that are no longer
- 19 listed in this table for tailored method. The reason
- 20 being is that there is already additional lighting power
- 21 provided under area category method.
- 22 And let me switch back to one slide. So this
- 23 is the area category method. So to the far right-hand
- 24 side, those are the additional lighting power. And let
- 25 me come back to 140.6-D, so continuing on tailored

- 1 method.
- 2 There are two other tables for tailored method
- 3 that I want to mention here: Table 140.6-E and Table
- 4 140.6-G. For Table 140.6-E, we have updated with
- 5 modified adjustment factor for wall display and for
- 6 display lighting. On Table 140.6-G, we have added with
- 7 modified general lighting powers values by room cavity
- 8 ratios and general illuminance.
- 9 Section 140.6(a), this is for calculation of
- 10 actual lighting power. I will skip over the first bullet
- 11 point as I have talk about briefly early on. There are
- 12 two new subsections added to Section 140.6(a). They are
- 13 4B and 4C. 4B is for tunable lighting, which covers
- 14 tunable-white lighting and dim-to-warm lighting. This
- 15 subsection is for small aperture luminaires as small
- 16 aperture luminaries can use as much as double the power
- 17 as the fixed CCT luminaires.
- 18 Subsection 4C is for wall display and floor
- 19 display lighting under the tailored method.
- 20 I'll switch gear a little bit and we'll talk
- 21 about daylighting devices for power adjustment factors.
- 22 This is a new subsection under 140.6.
- 23 The qualified daylighting devices for this
- 24 subsection, for these new requirements include
- 25 clerestory, light shelves and horizontal slats. I want

- 1 to point out that there are two sections actually related
- 2 to this daylighting device measure. One is in Section
- 3 140.3-D. And the other part is Section 140.6(a) and
- 4 Table 140.6-A. For the performance requirements, they
- 5 are in Section 140.3-D. For the power adjustment factor
- 6 values they're in Table 140.6-A. So on the slides, the
- 7 power adjustment factors for these DYs (phonetic) are
- 8 shown.
- 9 I have just highlighted the changes in Section
- 10 140.6. I will pause here and open the floor for comments
- 11 and inputs.
- MR. MARTIN: So I am John Martin from the
- 13 International Association of Lighting Designers. Nice
- 14 job and I would like to just use this opportunity to
- 15 raise a couple of sort of ancillary points, Simon, to
- 16 what you've outlined.
- With respect to lighting power density
- 18 calculations in general, on a long-term basis these are
- 19 fine. Most people would be able, given solid state
- 20 lighting, to comply with them. On a longer-term basis,
- 21 though, we would urge the Commission to commission some
- 22 studies to look at what are the performance impacts of
- 23 these requirements on humans in spaces that meet the
- 24 requirements. That is, what is the impact on human
- 25 comfort and productivity?

- 1 Aside from the savings and energy, I realize
- 2 this isn't technically within the strict purview of the
- 3 Commission, but the Commission's involved in the
- 4 driverless vehicle business. You might as well get into
- 5 some other things too.
- 6 Also, as a general effort I would commend you
- 7 to continue the work of aligning your power density
- 8 requirements with other major energy codes that are used
- 9 in the United States and elsewhere. So for example the
- 10 closer you come to both the space-type definitions and
- 11 the values of ASHRAE/IES 90.1, that makes life better for
- 12 everybody who's involved in the lighting business,
- 13 because it reduces the confusion and temptation to assume
- 14 that there's something to evade here, rather than just
- 15 simply getting on with what are accepted to be valid
- 16 values.
- 17 So good job, keep it up. Extend your thinking
- 18 little bit. Thank you.
- 19 MR. LEE: Thank you, John, for the comments.
- The staff at the Commission, we always look out
- 21 on new research and new findings. And this topic of the
- 22 lighting impact to human health is definitely on our
- 23 radar. And then in terms of aligning the requirements
- 24 with other energy codes, one of the major codes that we
- 25 have paid close attention to is ASHRAE and so we'll

- 1 continue this effort.
- 2 MR. KOTLIER: Good afternoon. My name is
- 3 Bernie Kotlier and I represent the California Labor
- 4 Management Cooperation Committee. We represent thousands
- 5 of contractors, electrical contractors, in California and
- 6 tens of thousands of electrical workers.
- 7 I know I'm a little bit out of order here, but
- $8\,$ because the agenda was advanced I wasn't able to make
- 9 some comments on some earlier lighting points, which I
- 10 would like to do now as a catch-up, if that's okay?
- MR. LEE: Certainly.
- 12 MR. KOTLIER: Thank you. So first of all, I'd
- 13 like to support for vacancy controls. In the current
- 14 2016 Code we have manual on, auto off, vacancy type
- 15 controls. What we're seeing in the 2019 Code is that
- 16 some of those requirements have been removed.
- 17 For 2019, we support a mandate for specific
- 18 areas, for vacancy controls. Without those manual on,
- 19 auto off types of controls, we will have significant
- 20 energy loads that could be easily saved.
- 21 I'll just give you one example. There are
- 22 certainly probably hundreds, but one obvious one is in
- 23 schools. If we're just relying on a scheduling pattern
- 24 and timers for turning off lights, if someone forgets to
- 25 do that for a holiday we could have a whole week or

- 1 multiple weeks where those lights are on. It's just
- 2 common sense to have vacancy controls. And they're in
- 3 the 2016 Code and we'd like to see that continue in the
- 4 2019 Code.
- 5 The second point I'd like to make is also
- 6 something that's in the 2016 Code that we're not seeing
- 7 in 2019, that seems to have been changed and that is
- 8 exterior lighting occupancy sensors. They are required
- 9 in 2016. Apparently they're being dropped in 2019. It's
- $10\,$ proposed, from what I can see that it goes to a scheduled
- 11 system.
- 12 And once again, this is a very similar
- 13 situation. Occupancy sensors are going to save a lot
- 14 more energy than a schedule system. And the industry
- 15 strongly supports continuing with the 2016 requirement
- 16 for occupancy, as opposed to a scheduled system. Thank
- 17 you.
- MR. STRAIT: Thank you.
- 19 A quick two points on the presentation for
- 20 Section 130, for 130.2, for the outdoor controls? We've
- 21 already received commentary and we're looking at adding
- 22 in matching requirements that specific spaces have
- 23 occupancy controls specifically and not simply be
- 24 allowed the scheduling controls. We're looking at
- 25 phrasing that the same way as it's phrased in Section

- 1 130.1, so that issue has been raised. We're already
- 2 looking at how that might be done.
- Regarding the vacancy sensors we had that
- 4 conversation with Charles Knuffke and we did some
- 5 research and clarified with them over the lunch break.
- 6 Right now the 2016 Code requires that when you
- 7 have occupant-sensing controls -- that if you have a
- 8 sensor in the space that can tell you whether the space
- 9 is occupied or not -- you can either have them as a
- 10 vacancy control, meaning that they have a manual on
- 11 function. Or if they have automatic on, that it'd only
- 12 be partial on, that it only would turn on the lighting to
- 13 a certain percent.
- 14 The current code is you can have either manual
- 15 on or auto on without that limitation. And if it's auto
- 16 on that it only come on of between 50 or 70 percent. We
- 17 can look at adding -- again since the intent was not to
- 18 change those requirements, we can look at adding a quick
- 19 sentence or a section that says when you have multi-level
- 20 controls and an occupancy sensor in the space, and you
- 21 have automatic on as a function that the automatic on be
- 22 capable of coming on to between 50 and 70 percent,
- 23 matching the requirements of the 2016 language.
- 24 So that's what we're currently looking at, on
- 25 that. And I just wanted to make sure to keep the

- 1 conversation moving. We are looking closely at that and
- 2 seeing what can be done.
- 3 MR. BENYA: This is Jim Benya, Benya Burnett
- 4 Consultancy, advisers to the Commission team.
- 5 Getting back to 140.6, one of the things I
- 6 wanted to point out, that people don't know some of the
- 7 stuff's going on in the background. Excuse my voice. I
- 8 just gave an all-morning class. It's mud.
- 9 But one of the things people don't know that's
- $10\,$ going on in the background is that CASE Team has used the
- 11 same spreadsheet system that is used by ASHRAE/IES. In
- 12 fact, it's using the same spreadsheet. For those of you
- 13 who know these things it's called the "Big Ugly
- 14 Spreadsheet," or the BUS, because it is rather large and
- 15 it's very complex. But that spreadsheet was used by the
- 16 CASE Team and working with staff we reviewed every one of
- 17 those values to make sure that we felt they were
- 18 consistent with our understanding.
- 19 And for the most part the values that are
- 20 embedded in the current draft standard we're looking at
- 21 are virtually identical to 90.1 in many, many ways. So
- 22 you may find small differences, but you're not going to
- 23 find big differences.
- MR. MARTIN: So John Martin, IALD again.
- 25 That's a great comment, Jim. I would point out that the

- 1 IALD and the IES -- the Illuminating Engineering Society,
- 2 which is the cosponsor with ASHRAE of the ASHRAE/IES 90.1
- 3 Standard -- and ASHRAE, along with the British Colombia
- 4 Power Authority are funding a study to validate the
- 5 values that are derived from the BUS, the Big Ugly
- 6 Spreadsheet, because there is great suspicion on the 90.1
- 7 Lighting Subcommittee that the values are not entirely
- 8 valid in given modern equipment.
- 9 And I don't want to go into a lot of detail
- 10 about a pretty technical topic, but I would say that to
- 11 the extent that the Commission can continue to keep an
- 12 eye on what the 90.1 Lighting Subcommittee does over the
- 13 next year as it learns the results of this validation
- 14 study, which will be undertaken starting around the 1st
- 15 of November and will conclude in the middle of June next
- 16 year. That's a great opportunity to just sort of
- 17 everybody check the numbers and see if we all still think
- 18 they make sense. Thank you.
- 19 MR. STRAIT: There is one issue there that we
- 20 will likely have already progressed the rulemaking to the
- 21 point of adoption before June, so we might not be able to
- 22 incorporate the results of that study. We are of course,
- 23 interested in paying attention, but the timing might be
- 24 an issue.
- MR. MARTIN: That's certainly understood, that

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- 1 the timing could be an issue. I think that the bigger
- 2 issue here is as we go through every three-year code
- 3 cycle, if the ASHRAE/IES 90.1 Committee by this time next
- 4 year says, "Woops, we've got about a 15 percent
- 5 correction to make in the many of our values," or some
- 6 number. I have no idea what it will be. That'll be
- 7 plenty of opportunity for California to take note and
- 8 say, "Hey, we've got to make sure we do something about
- 9 this in '22," or whenever.
- MR. STRAIT: Absolutely. Actually, that's part
- 11 of the purpose overall for the Building Code, of having a
- 12 triennial cycle, is to be able to stay that agile, so
- 13 absolutely.
- MR. MARTIN: Thank you.
- MR. MCHUGH: John McHugh, McHugh Energy. I
- 16 thought I'd just mention a little bit more the
- 17 harmonization between the ASHRAE committees and the CASE
- 18 Team. So this spreadsheet that was used, as Jim points
- 19 out, was the BUS. We actually changed it a little bit
- 20 and called it the VAN, because we actually compressed the
- 21 spreadsheet, used the same equations but fixed broken
- 22 links, did a number of changes to the spreadsheet,
- 23 including the wall wash model that's in there is now
- 24 based on different -- before the wall wash model it was
- 25 based on one value. And now we have wall wash

- 1 calculations that vary by the various luminaires.
- The updates to the Standards, in addition to
- 3 just the values in the spreadsheet as Jim knows, we
- 4 didn't blindly just use the spreadsheet. It went through
- 5 a very significant review including review by the 90.1
- 6 Committee, because we took many of these same
- 7 recommendations to ASHRAE 90.1. They were too far along
- 8 in the process. And then we took that to ASHRAE 189,
- 9 which is the Green Building Standard. So there's been a
- 10 fairly significant amount of harmonization with ASHRAE,
- 11 using the same mechanism and the same inverse lumen
- 12 method to calculate the LPDs.
- 13 One area where we're not in harmonization and
- 14 actually would provide some additional energy savings is
- 15 that for the open office, open plan buildings, portable
- 16 lighting is exempted in ASHRAE. We actually provide a
- 17 credit, so that it's essentially fairly much the same
- 18 thing. But ASHRAE, in exempting their portable lighting,
- 19 they require that it be placed on either a time switch
- 20 controller or an occupancy control. And this
- 21 harmonization has added controls, I think makes sense,
- 22 because those are one of those areas where lights get
- 23 left on when people leave. Thank you.
- MR. BENYA: All right, just Jim Benya, just to
- 25 respond to John Martin. The process of the BUS and now

- 1 the VAN has involved IALD professionals who have
- 2 significant design background and fairly seniority in the
- 3 profession.
- 4 And nothing's going to be perfect. This is
- 5 trying to turn lighting design into numbers and values in
- 6 a spreadsheet is a dangerous leap at best. But we had at
- 7 least two IALD professional members either involved in
- 8 developing that or reviewing it. And I'm glad to hear
- 9 that there's going to be a validation process, because
- 10 the Big Ugly Spreadsheet, which was invented in the late
- 11 1990s by yours truly and a number of other members of the
- 12 Committee, probably has needed that for a long time.
- So that's very, very good news and I will do my
- 14 best in supporting the staff to embrace anything that
- 15 comes out of it as quickly as possible. So thanks for
- 16 bringing that up, John.
- MR. WICHERT: We actually have a question
- 18 online, Simon.
- I'm going to go to you, Kelly. I'm going to
- 20 unmute you now. Go ahead and state your name and
- 21 affiliation.
- 22 MR. SEEGER: Hi. This is Kelly Seeger, from
- 23 Philips Lighting. Can you hear me all right?
- MR. WICHERT: Yeah, we can hear you.
- MR. SEEGER: Okay. I just have a couple of

- 1 comments. First, I wanted to thank the Commission for
- 2 the opportunity to have this workshop and to be able to
- 3 comment. We really appreciate the engagement and the
- 4 sharing of ideas and sort of the development of the
- 5 standard.
- 6 Where I wanted to comment was on the
- 7 classification, the luminaire classification and power
- 8 language. And we've been going back and forth with --
- 9 have been going back and forth with the CASE Team in the
- $10\,$ development of this. And I know Simon, you and I, we
- 11 also had a meeting discussing multi-channel LED systems.
- 12 And we actually still have a lot of work going on in this
- 13 section, and of course taking into account the people in
- 14 the space and health and well-being.
- 15 And I guess our concern is around the small
- 16 aperture description of these types of luminaires. In
- 17 the work that we're doing, it's much broader than that.
- 18 And we're speaking about this in terms of the built
- 19 environment, specifically in patient rooms and the
- 20 patient experience environment. And so I would ask the
- 21 Commission to further consider and discuss what types of
- 22 luminaires might be on the market in 2020, when the
- 23 standard is adopted?
- We think that that tunable light systems and
- 25 also systems for circadian support are going to be pretty

- 1 readily available. And they're going to be in all shapes
- 2 and sizes and there's going to be a lot of changes going
- 3 on and a lot of refinement. So we would hope that the
- 4 Commission would look at that and perhaps think more
- 5 about that term "small aperture" and how that is
- 6 potentially limiting to innovation that comes out in many
- 7 shapes and forms.
- 8 And as far as the patient room on limit, the
- 9 lighting power density of 0.55 that's proposed, that is
- 10 true that it is very close to ASHRAE 90.1 2016. I
- 11 believe the number there is 0.62, for instance. And I
- 12 agree with Jim Benya. The numbers are very close.
- I can say now as the new Chair of the Lighting
- 14 Subcommittee of 90.1, we are embarking as John Martin has
- 15 said, on a very ambitious effort to really look closely
- 16 at all those values. And it's a validation, but it's
- 17 also an evolution of the Standards. You know, it's
- 18 taking the standards from looking at these numbers and
- 19 having a couple of people comment.
- 20 And as Jim said we do have a number of lighting
- 21 designers who are very well known and very well versed in
- 22 all things lighting, who've been working on this, but we
- 23 realize that we need to evolve. We need to take
- 24 advantage of AGI and other methodologies to really put
- 25 numbers out there that are going to make sense, so all of

- 1 the LPDs are under consideration right now. So I just
- 2 want to also bring that to the Commission's attention.
- 3 And since 90.1 is a continuous maintenance
- 4 standard, kind of all the time we are looking at new
- 5 ideas and evolving things, so just to keep that in mind
- 6 as well.
- 7 So those are just the couple of comments that I
- $8\,$ had. Again, I thank you for the opportunity.
- 9 MR. LEE: Thank you, Kelly. Just a quick
- 10 response on small aperture luminaires, the reason being
- 11 we are focusing on just the small aperture is because on
- 12 the other side, large aperture, the efficacy of large
- 13 aperture is very close to the rest of the LED luminaire
- 14 products. So that's why we decided that there is no need
- 15 for additional lighting power for small aperture
- 16 luminaires.
- 17 And then the other comments about a patient
- 18 room, so we'll take it into your comments and we'll look
- 19 at that internally in our office.
- MS. SEEGER: Thank you.
- 21 MR. LEE: Thank you, Kelly.
- MR. KNUFFKE: Charles Knuffke, Wattstopper-
- 23 Legrand, just wondering is there a definition for what
- 24 counts as a small aperture luminaire? I was checking in
- 25 the definitions section and I don't believe I found one,

- 1 so I was just wondering what the qualification would be
- 2 for a small aperture?
- 3 MR. LEE: Yes. There is a definition for small
- 4 aperture luminaires, if their width is four inches or
- 5 less. For all luminaires that is a requirement, but let
- 6 me turn back to the actual language.
- 7 MR. KNUFFKE: Okay. Thank you very much.
- 8 MR. FLAMM: This is Gary Flamm. I want to talk
- 9 about portable lighting, the allowance.
- 10 Back in 2008, I believe it was, the Energy
- 11 Commission demonstrated that offices almost always had
- 12 portable lighting, at least 0.2. So what the Energy
- 13 Commission did was subtract 0.2 watts per square foot
- 14 from the ceiling. And then give a quasi-credit for 0.2,
- 15 as a way to encourage low general ambient task lighting
- 16 systems.
- 17 And I believe that's been quite confusing,
- 18 because the Commission has always all planned portable
- 19 and all planned permanent lighting to be accounted for.
- 20 But in open offices there was an assumption that at least
- 21 0.2 was being used. And I found it curious that Jon
- 22 McHugh brought up that 90.1 exempts portable lighting in
- 23 offices. And if the Energy Commission is interested in
- 24 simplifying the standards, that actually sounds like a
- 25 more elegant way to deal with portable lighting than what

- 1 is currently there. Thank you.
- 2 MR. LEE: Thank you, Gary.
- 3 Charles, I found the section for your inquiry.
- 4 It's in Section 140.6(a)4 under tunable white luminaires
- 5 and dim-to-warm luminaires. So there is a definition
- 6 requirement on what is considered to be a small aperture.
- I hear there's no more comments, so we'll
- 8 continue on Section 140.7. This is the section for
- 9 prescriptive requirements for outdoor lighting. The
- 10 updates in this section includes modify lighting power
- 11 allowance for general hardscape lighting and specific
- 12 application lighting.
- 13 The slides on the screen shows a portion of the
- 14 update to Table 140.7-A with modified LPA values. And
- 15 besides the updates to the LPA lighting power density
- 16 values a lighting power allowance is added for narrow
- 17 band spectrum lighting, where we cry by local or state
- 18 laws. No band spectrum light sources are less
- 19 efficacious than broad band spectrum light source and
- 20 that's the reason we provide this lighting power
- 21 allowance. And usually narrow band spectrum light
- 22 sources are required for mentally sensitive areas such as
- 23 astronomy observatories and natural habitats.
- Table 140.7-B, this is for specific application
- 25 lighting. And we have also updated the LPA values in

- 1 this table.
- 2 So those are my two slides for Section 140.7.
- 3 And I will pause here and open the floor again for inputs
- 4 and comments.
- 5 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: If there's no comments
- 6 we're going to move on to Mark Alatorre again on
- 7 the mechanical systems.
- 8 MR. ALATORRE: Okay. For the changes to
- 9 the 140.9 there was nothing -- well, I'll mention
- $10\,$ the changes to the computer room section. We
- 11 added a trigger for computers rooms that are
- 12 compliant using an air economizer, that they also
- 13 incorporate the FDD on to that economizer. And
- 14 we make a reference to the 120.2(i).
- Other than that, there were no other
- 16 changes to these two sections other than add
- 17 exemptions for healthcare facilities. That was
- 18 again working with OSHPD and getting their input
- 19 on the applicability of these sections in
- 20 healthcare design.
- 21 The significant changes to 140.9 happened
- 22 and (c) is now titled "Laboratory and Process
- 23 Exhaust Systems." We added a requirement,
- 24 140.9(c)2 to align the exhaust system transfer
- 25 air to what's written, the new proposal on

- 1 140.4(o). And that's to set limitations on the
- 2 amount of conditions that are being supplied to
- 3 the space at head height exhaust. That way they
- 4 take advantage of available transfer.
- 5 The other requirement in this section is
- 6 the 140.9(c)3 and that's for the system. It's
- 7 titled "System Power Consumption," and this is
- 8 only for labs spaces that have exhaust systems
- 9 greater than 10,000 CFM. The requirement is for
- 10 these systems to meet the discharge requirements
- 11 of ANSI Z9.5-2012 version, and they will have to
- 12 comply with one of the three following
- 13 requirements.
- One, being that the fan system power be
- 15 less than or equal to 0.65 watts per CFM or that
- 16 the exhaust system be variable air flow and the
- 17 speed be based on wind speed and wind direction
- 18 from a building mounted anemometer. Or that the
- 19 exhaust rate be variable based on measured
- 20 contaminate concentrations from contaminant
- 21 censors in the exhaust deck.
- The fan system power consumption section
- 23 comes also with a new acceptance test. The
- 24 acceptance test is applicable only for the
- 25 systems that choose to comply using the wind

- 1 speed and wind direction, or the contaminant
- 2 censor approaches.
- 3 Still in 140.9(c) there's a new
- 4 subsection, (4) and this would be for automatic
- 5 closing fume hood sashes and the trigger would be
- 6 on fume head intensive laboratories. There's a
- 7 new Table 130.9-B, which characterizes the type
- $8\,$ of laboratories that would be considered fume
- 9 hood intensive.
- 10 And the automatic feature of the closing
- 11 sash must be capable of the following: They must
- 12 be able to detect people with a dedicated zone
- 13 presence censor and the zone would be directly in
- 14 front of that hood.
- 15 Also, the controls -- have controls that
- 16 prevent closing against a force of 10 pounds, so
- 17 in a case of an accident and it's starting to
- 18 close and somebody puts their hand in or
- 19 something like that, they can hold a resistance
- 20 of 10 pounds and it would stop it from automatic
- 21 closing.
- 22 Also, be able to detect transient
- 23 materials or anything in the way or any
- 24 obstruction in the way of the sash that would
- 25 prevent it from closing.

- 1 Along with these requirements also comes
- 2 an acceptance test to verify proper function of
- 3 the sash control, the automatic sash control.
- 4 That concludes the 140 Section. I will
- 5 now open it now for any questions or comments on
- 6 these new proposals.
- 7 MR. WICHERT: I have one online.
- Joe, I'm going to unmute you now. Go
- 9 ahead and state your name and affiliation.
- 10 MR. CAIN: Thank you, Joe Cain with Solar
- 11 Energy Industries Association. And I am
- 12 backtracking a bit to Section 140.5 "Prescriptive
- 13 Requirements for Service Water Heating Systems"
- 14 and 140.5(b) "High-rise Residential Hotel/Motel."
- 15 You are indicating that new Exception 2,
- 16 buildings of four stories or greater are not
- 17 required to comply with the solar fraction
- 18 requirement of Section 150 dah-dah-dah.
- 19 (phonetic)
- 20 So the question I have is we still have
- 21 the goal of Zero Net Energy Commercial by 2030.
- 22 Now, this is high-rise residential hotel/motel,
- 23 but with the Zero Net Energy goals of course what
- 24 catches my eye is providing an exception that
- 25 would say you are not required to meet a solar

- 1 fraction requirement. And the first question of
- 2 concern is, is that kind of going away from the
- 3 goal?
- 4 And I think also specifically these
- 5 buildings typically have a lower ratio of skin.
- 6 You know, in the building envelope they typically
- 7 have intensive hot water demand based on the
- 8 higher density of occupancy. I also understand
- 9 they in some cases, have a more congested roof
- 10 space.
- 11 But I'm interested to hear a little bit
- 12 more about why that new exception would be in
- 13 there to just eliminate the requirement. And if
- 14 there is some concern, or that the requirement is
- 15 difficult to meet whether the Commission would go
- 16 on the path of exploring some alternative rather
- 17 than just an exception. Thank you.
- 18 MR. TAM: Hi, this is Danny Tam, Building
- 19 Standards staff. So that was a requirement that
- 20 went in to the 2013 Standards.
- 21 So over the years we received a few
- 22 comments for really tall buildings, it's very
- 23 difficult to next to impossible to meet that
- 24 requirement. For example, like a 40-story
- 25 building just doesn't have the roof space to meet

- 1 the solar fraction requirement.
- 2 So for that reason we looked back in the
- 3 original CASE reports, so they did look at high-
- 4 rise residential, but only at four stories. So
- 5 that was the reason why we picked five stories as
- 6 the exception. But we're open for additional
- 7 comments.
- 8 MR. STRAIT: Yeah, this is Peter Strait,
- 9 the Supervisor. I would reiterate that. The
- 10 question isn't whether there's some ratio of roof
- 11 space to building space where a percentile
- 12 fraction of the heating load is not the right
- 13 approach for solar requirements. The question is
- 14 what is that dividing line, so we know we have to
- 15 have some forward specification to say after this
- 16 height or some other demarcation that a solar
- 17 fraction is just not possible to be met.
- 18 If, again and we're going back to the
- 19 CASE reports to say we have justification for
- 20 here, but beyond this we actually don't have what
- 21 we feel would be necessary to impose that
- 22 requirement. So that's as Danny said, that's
- 23 where that exception is coming from.
- MR. CAIN: This is Joe Cain again. Is
- 25 there other alternatives that can be explored

- 1 rather than just saying it's hard to meet, so
- 2 we're going to eliminate it?
- 3 MR. STRAIT: In order for us to pursue an
- 4 alternative we would need basically a code change
- 5 proposal. So certainly probably not in this code
- 6 cycle, but if there is something equivalent that
- 7 might be proposed, again in service of the ZNE
- $8\,$ goal for 2030 for nonresidential or similar, we
- 9 would encourage you to take a look at that
- 10 template. It's available on our website. And
- 11 look at possibly submitting a code change for
- 12 2022.
- MR. NESBITT: George Nesbitt, HERS Rater.
- 14 In the San Francisco Bay Area there are a lot of
- 15 multi-family projects with solar hot water, new
- 16 as well as existing buildings that have been
- 17 retrofit. And many of them in the five and six-
- 18 story.
- 19 And if that's a prescriptive requirement
- 20 -- well, most compliance is not prescriptive. So
- 21 it really plays in, in the performance and the
- 22 budget. So it doesn't seem like it really should
- 23 or is a big barrier.
- MR. ALATORRE: Thank you, George.
- 25 Mazi real quick, one thing I wanted to

- 1 point out is in the draft language that's posted
- 2 I believe it says the exception is four stories
- 3 and up. In reality, it should be five stories
- 4 and up. That way we can include the four-story
- 5 high-rise.
- 6 MR. STRAIT: Okay, if that sounds like a
- 7 typographical error, it should be "greater than
- 8 four" instead of "four or greater."
- 9 MR. ALATORRE: Okay.
- 10 MR. SHIRAKH: Yes, Mazi Shirakh. You are
- 11 still online?
- MR. CAIN: Yes, I'm still online.
- MR. SHIRAKH: So if you have any
- 14 suggestions for other alternatives let me know,
- 15 we'll look at it.
- MR. CAIN: Okay.
- 17 MR. SHIRAKH: Thank you.
- MR. CAIN: Yeah, it's interesting. I
- 19 mean hearing the comment that if I want to submit
- 20 a code change proposal it would not be in this
- 21 cycle, but would be in the next cycle. It seems
- 22 that one possibility would just be simply to not
- 23 add exception to the standard.
- 24 And I think there are various types of
- 25 systems, and I think what the Zero Net Energy

- 1 goals are going to have to be getting creative
- 2 about, how to apply renewables. So I'm sure that
- 3 I will issue some public comment on this. I
- 4 probably need to give it some more thought.
- 5 MR. STRAIT: Certainly, and actually I
- 6 should clarify, if it's a proposal for a
- 7 completely new requirement that hasn't been seen
- 8 we might need a (indiscernible) who is available
- 9 to absolutely please talk to staff. And get Mazi
- 10 any suggestions you might have about reasonable
- 11 alternatives.
- MR. CAIN: Okay. I'll give it some
- 13 thought. Thank you.
- MR. ALATORRE: Okay. We're going to meet
- 15 Laura online. Go ahead.
- 16 MS. PETRILLO-GROH: Hi, sorry. I was
- 17 double muted. Can you all hear me?
- MR. ALATORRE: Yes, we can.
- MS. PETRILLO-GROH: Thank you.
- 20 So this is for Mark and backing up a bit
- 21 to his first presentation --
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Excuse me, Laura, can
- 23 you announce yourself?
- MS. PETRILLO-GROH: Oh, yes. I'm so
- 25 sorry, Laura Petrillo-Groh for the Air-

- 1 Conditioning, Heating and Refrigeration
- 2 Institute.
- 3 So during the fan system power proposal
- 4 or presentation of the draft language, you know I
- 5 appreciate that the justification for the
- 6 increased values for 90.1 is in the Draft CASE
- 7 Report. But also within the Draft CASE Report
- $8\,$ for indoor air quality, it was noted that many of
- 9 the analyses had been conducted with the MERV 9
- 10 filter or maybe it was set at a previous rating.
- 11 However, I was wondering if CEC has gone
- 12 back and looked at the impact of the fan system
- 13 power with the proposed air filter level of MERV
- 14 13?
- MR. ALATORRE: Yes, I believe the Final
- 16 CASE Report does have the MERV 13 assumption in
- 17 it.
- MS. PETRILLO-GROH: I look forward to
- 19 seeing that. Thank you.
- 20 Also, the original proposal was for MERV
- 21 13 filters to be installed in a location with an
- 22 outdoor quality of, I quess of PM 2.5
- 23 nonattainment areas was the language I believe
- 24 that was referred to. That would require that
- 25 enhanced filtration. It seems that the current

- 1 proposal exclusively -- well this is on MERV 13
- 2 for all spaces -- is there any information in the
- 3 Draft CASE Reports about how much of California
- 4 experiences this air quality that is of concern
- 5 and requires in CEC's opinion, the enhanced
- 6 filtration?
- 7 MR. ALATORRE: Yes, if I'm remembering
- 8 correctly the CASE Report, the Final CASE Report
- 9 does give a discussion on that. And through our
- 10 communication with the CASE Team we had a
- 11 dialogue and we found that according to the Cal
- 12 ARB attainment maps, that the majority of the
- 13 state in the high-population areas is considered
- 14 to be in nonattainment for PM 2.5.
- 15 And if you look at PM 10 the whole state
- 16 is nonattainment for PM 10. And if you look at
- 17 the performance of MERV 13, it effectively
- 18 removes both PM 10 and PM 2.5 at a very efficient
- 19 rate. If you go anywhere below, like if you went
- 20 to the 11 or MERV 8 categories the PM 10
- 21 efficiency drops. And so what we're really
- 22 targeting is not just PM 2.5, but PM 10 as well.
- 23
- MS. PETRILLO-GROH: All right. Thanks
- 25 Mark, I appreciate that and I look forward to

- 1 looking at the CASE Report.
- MR. ALATORRE: Thank you, Laura.
- 3 MR. MCHUGH: Yes, this is Jon McHugh.
- 4 Just following up on the question, there's a
- 5 Table 140.4(b), which has a specific allowance or
- 6 pressure drop adjustment for the MERV 13 filters.
- 7 I'm not sure Laura was aware of that, but --
- 8 MR. ALATORRE: Yeah, I think her comment
- 9 was more on the analysis for energy savings. It
- 10 wasn't assuming the 13 power drop; I mean the
- 11 adjustment factor for 13. It was using the
- 12 adjustment factor for 9.
- MR. MCHUGH: Okay. Thank you.
- MR. ALATORRE: Thanks, Jon.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: So, Kelly?
- MS. CUNNINGHAM: Kelly Cunningham, PG&E
- 17 and CASE Team, just a reminder to Laura and
- 18 everyone that the Final CASE Reports as they
- 19 stand now are available on
- 20 title24stakeholders.com for download, and have
- 21 been for a few weeks. So if you weren't able to
- 22 find them there, there is a link from the
- 23 Commission site. There is a link from the
- 24 different energy, different utility sites, but
- 25 they are on the site. So you can download them

- 1 and read them there in public. Thank you.
- MR. ALATORRE: Thanks, Kelly.
- 3 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: So with that, we're
- 4 going to take a ten-minute break real quick and
- 5 get back to doing lighting alterations in Section
- 6 141.
- 7 (Off the record at 2:07 p.m.)
- 8 (On the record at 2:18 p.m.)
- 9 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: We're going to start
- 10 with Section 141, the Additions and Alterations
- 11 Section for Nonresidential Buildings.
- MR. CHAU: Welcome everybody back from
- 13 break. Thank you.
- 14 So I'll be starting Session 141.0, which
- 15 is the nonresidential high-rise residentials and
- 16 hotel/motel occupancies. This is the additions,
- 17 authorization and repair.
- 18 Throughout the two sections 141.0(a) and
- 19 (b) we made some non-substantive additions to
- 20 those two sections. I just want to point out a
- 21 couple of the changes here as examples. We
- 22 substituted the thermostatic controls for the
- 23 thermostat currently in the 2016 and we also
- 24 clarified exception to the Section 141.0(b)2Bi
- 25 and ii is dependent on weight, not on thermal

- 1 mass.
- 2 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thao, can you go back
- 3 to slide 1 for a second?
- 4 That Exception 2 is the discussion on
- 5 thermal mass roofs, so since if you have a low-
- 6 sloped roof and you have the roofing product more
- 7 than 25 pounds per square foot or a thermal mass
- $8\ \text{roof you're}$ exempted from the cool roof
- 9 requirement. A thermal mass roof doesn't exist;
- 10 it's a mass roof, so it's based on the weight.
- 11 And the weight is that 25 pounds per square foot.
- MR. CHAU: Thank you.
- So Section 141.0(b) continues, so here we
- 14 did one major merge of the three current
- 15 sections: 141.0(b)ii, (j) and (k), which are the
- 16 entire luminaires alteration, luminaire component
- 17 modification and the lighting wiring alteration
- 18 into one single simple section with the name of
- 19 the "Altered Indoor Lighting Systems." So just
- 20 one section for all of the lighting alternation
- 21 projects.
- We updated Table 141.0-E, which is the
- 23 control requirements table to be clearer and more
- 24 readable. And we also made some small
- 25 adjustments to Options 2 and 3 just to simplify

- 1 and streamline compliance options.
- 2 So then Option 2 is now in the new
- 3 Section 141.0(b)2Iii, it's kind of weird but --
- 4 So we reduced the lighting power, that's the
- 5 limit for Option 2 from 85 to 80 percent for a
- 6 full allowance. We're allowing the Option 2 to
- 7 have the same requirement controls for option
- 8 iii. And we also limit Exception 2 to apply to
- 9 spaces with one luminaire instead of the two or
- 10 fewer.
- 11 Lastly, we made some improvement as well
- 12 to the Option 3. So there is a new requirement
- 13 here, which limits Option 3 to lighting projects
- 14 that are 5,000 square feet or less. Otherwise
- 15 Option 3 cannot be applied and we also use 40
- 16 percent uniform lighting power reductions to all
- 17 occupancies instead of the 35-50 split currently
- 18 in the 2016 code.
- 19 So here is the current sample language
- 20 that we have for all of the lighting projects.
- 21 We shrank it down to half a page. This is all of
- 22 the lighting system for alterations: i is their
- 23 Option 1, ii is Option 2, and iii is Option 3.
- 24 So you can see that's extremely simplified and
- 25 reduced in terms of our effort to continue to

- 1 streamline and make the language more easy to
- 2 understand, easy to apply, that kind of thing.
- This Table 141.0-E, we made improvements
- 4 to this table. This is the control requirements
- 5 for each of the indoor lighting systems, so every
- 6 control is called out specifically pertaining to
- 7 what section and under what option it is applied.
- 8 And what's most important here is that
- 9 Option 2, which is the second to last column from
- 10 the right, and the Option 3 which is the last
- 11 column from the right -- they have identical
- 12 requirements, so multi-level controls,
- 13 daylighting controls and the demand response
- 14 controls are not required under Option 3 and
- 15 Option 3.
- 16 And last, modification to the Additions
- 17 or Alterations Section is 141.1, which is the
- 18 covered process for laboratory and process
- 19 facility.
- The main change to this section,
- 21 similarly because of the new requirement in
- 22 140.9(c)2, 3 and 4 as Mark had discussed right
- 23 before the break: so 140.9(c)2 is the limitations
- 24 on transfer air for exhaust air makeup.
- 25 Labs/process facilities with an exhaust system

- 1 greater or equal to 10,000 CFM must meet the
- 2 requirement in §140.9(c)3. And lastly, the fume
- 3 hood automatic sash closure, for fume hood
- 4 intensive labs, which is the Section \$140.9(c)4.
- 5 And that's all I have. If anyone has any
- 6 common questions please come up to the mic, state
- 7 your name and your affiliation. Thank you.
- 8 MR. NOLAN: Hello, my name's Luke Nolan,
- 9 Central Coating Company. I'm a commercial
- 10 roofing contractor with offices in Madera and San
- 11 Jose.
- I wanted to talk about a section that was
- 13 in the '13 and '16 codes that is not being
- 14 proposed to be looked at for '19. And talk about
- 15 kind of what the real-world implications or
- 16 implementation of that, that we're seeing and
- 17 propose that the exceptions be looked at for '19.
- 18 The code currently has a requirement that
- 19 when the roof of an existing commercial building
- 20 is replaced that insulation will be added to that
- 21 building. Then that is modified by exceptions
- 22 that are quite broad. And what we're seeing day
- 23 to day is that those exceptions are broad enough
- 24 that nearly -- almost no buildings are required
- 25 to have insulation added to them. And that

- 1 includes the buildings that are very poorly
- 2 insulated, in fact uninsulated.
- 3 And because of this we're also seeing
- 4 that building departments are not aware of this
- 5 section. It's not something that we're being
- 6 asked as roofing contractors to document how we
- 7 intend to add insulation or what exceptions might
- 8 exist that would require us not to meet that
- 9 requirement. So it's been there for two code
- 10 cycles and we're still having some of
- 11 California's worst buildings not added, not
- 12 having insulation added to them. We make them
- 13 white, we add cool roofs. I can tell an owner,
- 14 "I've upgraded you to Title 24, but you still
- 15 have an uninsulated building."
- 16 All I would propose is that we look at
- 17 the exceptions for the '19 cycle and we're not
- 18 trying to change every building out there, but
- 19 just take California's worst commercial buildings
- 20 and bring them up to some level of insulation.
- 21 Thank you.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: So, Luke let me just
- 23 bring the history on to this.
- 24 The code says if you're doing a roof
- 25 replacement, a low-sloped roof, and you're going

- 1 to the building nonresidential versus residential
- 2 you have to double check and see what the
- 3 insulation level is. Is it either R8 if it's a
- 4 nonresidential building or is it an R14 if it's a
- 5 high-rise residential or a hotel/motel.
- 6 Back in 2008 when we were developing the
- 7 2008 code cycle under Charles Eley being the
- 8 proponent for this. We proposed this and what
- 9 happened was we had the Roofing Contractors
- 10 Association, the insulation industry, they came
- 11 unglued on us. I think Jon, you were very active
- 12 on this and I remember Mazi, we were dealing with
- 13 this.
- 14 The issue was the curb height, not just
- 15 for the mechanical system, but it was for the
- 16 skylights and the penthouses where they store the
- 17 mechanical systems up on the roof and so forth,
- 18 not the living spaces per se.
- 19 We're having problems meeting the curb
- 20 height issues (indiscernible) to the insurance
- 21 companies that were participating at the time
- 22 said, "If you go below an eight-inch curb height
- 23 we will void the warranties. Okay, water comes
- 24 through. One of the drainages is blocked. We're
- 25 going to void that warranty if it's not eight

- 1 inches or greater."
- 2 So the Code said, "All right, fine. We
- 3 get it."
- If you already have an R7 insulation, I
- 5 think Jon you did the cost analysis on that? I
- 6 don't remember.
- 7 MR. MCHUGH: (Off mic indiscernible)
- 8 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Okay. So Jon McHugh
- 9 did the cost analysis on it and Charles Eley, at
- 10 the time did the analysis on it that says if you
- 11 already have an R7 below the roof deck or an
- 12 equivalent U factor, .089, it's not really cost
- 13 (indiscernible) to go to an R8 or an R14.
- Or if your curb height is eight inches or
- 15 we don't want you to put more insulation, because
- 16 now the building owner has to deal with the whole
- 17 insurance and all the other fiascos that goes
- 18 with it. So we said you try to maximize the
- 19 amount of insulation that you could put up there,
- 20 but also keep the eight-inch curb height.
- 21 So that's where the history of this came.
- 22 For this code cycle if you have any studies or if
- 23 you have any verifications or any type of CASE
- 24 report is what we call it, I'm willing to look at
- 25 it. If not, then most likely this is something

- 1 that we could revisit in 2022.
- MR. NOLAN: Well, we'll certainly follow
- 3 up.
- 4 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Okay. Fair, enough.
- 5 MR. NOLAN: I understand what you're
- 6 saying about the curb heights, but that is not
- 7 something that we encounter.
- 8 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yeah, but I'm in a
- 9 situation that the cost is an issue when the
- 10 mechanical system -- what the Roofing Contractors
- 11 Association and insulation guys came and told us
- 12 is, "The cost for the homeowners have to take on
- 13 to get the crane to come out here to lift the
- 14 mechanical system, to add the curb height or to
- 15 adjust the penthouse wall or the parapet wall and
- 16 to be able to seal that proper is just not there.
- 17 So we prefer not to go there."
- 18 And they brought the case to the
- 19 Commission. It was a last-minute decision the
- 20 Commission had to do at the time, because well
- 21 that's what it was.
- MR. NOLAN: Of course, we'll follow up in
- 23 the interest --
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Sure.
- MR. NOLAN: -- of everyone's time, but

- 1 just in closing there's a disconnect between just
- 2 looking at above-deck roof insulation, which is
- 3 what those sections talk about. Many, many or
- 4 probably most California buildings also rely on
- 5 non-continuous below-deck roof insulation.
- 6 And if you have high-quality, very well
- 7 installed fiberglass batt or whatever type of
- 8 insulation below your deck, that should -- I can
- 9 certainly say that's good enough. But what we
- 10 see are buildings that are nearly uninsulated or
- 11 very poorly insulated and I think those should be
- 12 looked at.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: I agree with you.
- MR. NOLAN: Thank you.
- MR. FISCHER: It's Mike Fischer with
- 16 Kellen and I'm representing the Asphalt Roofing
- 17 Manufacturers Association and the Polyiso
- 18 Insulation Manufacturers Association as well as
- 19 the Center for Polyurethanes Industry.
- 20 On this whole discussion of re-roofing
- 21 and roof replacement, I think there is an
- 22 opportunity to look at improving the language.
- 23 And I would say those exceptions are something
- 24 that we jokingly say you can drive a truck
- 25 through.

- 1 And there are very creative yet simple
- 2 ways to deal with those problems. And that's
- 3 called tapered insulation. If you're using a
- 4 spray foam like Luke's company you can add
- 5 thickness in other areas and you end up with an
- 6 average (indiscernible) --
- 7 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Sure, and then you get
- 8 water ponding.
- 9 MR. FISCHER: -- there are ways to
- 10 accommodate that. Well, you can do crickets and
- 11 saddles and direct water towards drains. So
- 12 there are ways to resolve this, but what I'm here
- 13 to say is there is a disconnect between the
- 14 Building Standards Code and the Energy Code. And
- 15 that's what I'm going to put in some public
- 16 comments.
- 17 Under the Building Standards provisions
- 18 there's only two types of re-roofing: either a
- 19 roof recover where you don't remove anything and
- 20 you put a new roof covering down, or you do a
- 21 roof replacement in which case you have to go all
- 22 the way down to the deck. And that's a
- 23 requirement for insurance purposes, for fire
- 24 performance, as well as for structural wind
- 25 uplift.

- 1 That's in the Building Code and what is
- 2 included in these exceptions in some cases is
- 3 allowing what's called a partial tear-off. That
- 4 the Energy Code is essentially saying you can do
- 5 this. The Building Code prohibits that, so we've
- 6 got to resolve that disconnect. And I think we
- 7 want to come up with hopefully some suggestions
- $8\,$ in the public comment process that may give us a
- 9 way out.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: So Mike, you were here
- 11 earlier this morning when I admitted I
- 12 accidentally deleted that note under 100?
- MR. FISCHER: Right.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Well, that note
- 15 supersedes which is better, safety or whatever.
- 16 And so in that situation it becomes a re-roof.
- 17 It's not a tear-down or tear-out pretty much you
- 18 could say, for repair purposes.
- 19 MR. FISCHER: Well, the definition of re-
- 20 roof in the Building Standards says it's either
- 21 roof recover or roof replacement.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Okay.
- 23 MR. FISCHER: And so there isn't such a
- 24 thing as partial, it's either --
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yeah, but the Building California Reporting, LLC (510) 313-0610

- 1 Code doesn't say you have to put insulation
- 2 either. The Energy Code does.
- 3 MR. FISCHER: Right.
- 4 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: And so does the North
- 5 American Roofing Contractors Association protocol
- 6 and so does the single-play roofing industries.
- 7 They want you put that insulation there, but do
- 8 the building officials verify that? I don't
- 9 know. I think some of this is going to be some
- 10 education to the local jurisdictions.
- 11 MR. FISCHER: Yeah, there is a job.
- 12 Yeah, the national model codes have a requirement
- 13 that if you have insulation entirely above the
- 14 deck and you do a roof replacement, you must
- 15 bring that roof insulation up to current code
- 16 standard. California is horrifically,
- 17 horrifically unprogressive on this issue, way
- 18 behind the rest of the country.
- 19 So I think we have an opportunity as to
- 20 what Luke said, and I'll arm wrestle with you
- 21 over the Code language later, Payam.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Fair enough.
- 23 MR. FISCHER: But the reality is that I
- 24 think we've got it -- we do have an opportunity,
- 25 I think to fix it. To resolve the conflict and

- 1 then approve the existing -- remember 75 percent
- 2 of roofs produced in the United States don't go
- 3 on new buildings. They go on existing buildings
- 4 and that's low-hanging fruit that we should be
- 5 jumping on, so thanks.
- 6 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Okay. Thank you.
- 7 So any comments on any other parts of the
- 8 alterations section: lighting, mechanical? Going
- 9 once, twice?
- 10 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Here he comes.
- 11 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: I knew you had it in
- 12 you.
- 13 MR. KNUFFKE: Yeah, absolutely. I've
- 14 never missed a code section that I didn't want to
- 15 comment on, I'm sorry.
- 16 Charles Knuffke with Wattstopper-Legrand.
- 17 In regards to the altered indoor, altered
- 18 lighting systems, thank you very much. Having
- 19 presented on the Code at least 1,000 times in the
- 20 last two years to different groups and people we
- 21 go through the Code, the Code is very
- 22 prescriptive, very understandable.
- 23 And then we hit the additions and
- 24 alterations section and it just seems like we
- 25 have to completely switch gears and try and get

- 1 people to understand things. So I think that the
- 2 approach that's taken by CEC is very
- 3 straightforward. We appreciate the simplicity of
- 4 it and look forward to actually training people
- 5 on it.
- 6 There is one item in that section that
- 7 does still have an exception for any enclosed
- 8 space with only one luminaire. In talking to the
- 9 Commission before, I had gotten an impression
- 10 that what that really meant was where the entire
- 11 project was in an enclosed space with only one or
- 12 two luminaires according to the old code.
- I would just hate to see that somebody
- 14 who had a building with a lot of individual
- 15 spaces, little study areas or things like that,
- 16 that you're seeing in some of the building
- 17 designs, that that would have a complete
- 18 exemption to all aspects of the alterations
- 19 section. So I just would point that out.
- The second item that I'd like to bring
- 21 up, and this is my Don Quixote moment to tilt at
- 22 a windmill, which is circuit controls for
- 23 receptacles and controlled receptacles. The
- 24 current language in 2016 and proposed still for
- 25 2019 for entirely new or complete replacement of

- 1 electrical power distribution systems. That to
- 2 everybody that I know says, you've got to
- 3 basically remove load centers before you have an
- 4 alteration where you have to put in plug load
- 5 controls.
- 6 The manufacturers have certainly
- 7 responded in different ways to offer plug load
- 8 solutions that are relay panels, modules that
- 9 connect to existing occupancy sensors, wireless
- 10 controlled receptacles. There are more ways than
- 11 you can shake a stick at to do plug load control
- 12 and the fact that you don't have to do it on an
- 13 alteration unless you completely replace the
- 14 electrical power distribution system seems like
- 15 it is a missed opportunity.
- 16 So I would offer up solely that a simple
- 17 correction such as for entirely new or complete
- 18 replacement of an electrical circuit, that
- 19 circuit shall meet the applicable requirements of
- 20 Section 130.5(d) would be a significant step
- 21 forward. Especially as we're looking at plug
- 22 loads being more and more of the energy usage of
- 23 the building, so thank you very much.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you.
- MR. STRAIT: Oh, I can speak on the California Reporting, LLC (510) 313-0610

- 1 single space, the one luminaire exception. There
- 2 is a concern if we're requiring full suite
- 3 (phonetic) controls, that is your entire
- 4 compliance with 130.1 to control a single
- 5 luminaire, whether that's cost effective. So
- 6 we'll look at that.
- 7 MS. CUNNINGHAM: Kelly Cunningham, PG&E.
- 8 One comment on simplification, thank you to the
- 9 Commission for responding to all of the cries
- 10 from the building community on simplifying the
- 11 language of the standards.
- 12 So with that in mind, listening today,
- 13 looking at how Option 2 and 3 for lighting
- 14 alterations now is identical. And looking at the
- 15 70 luminaires and less that's also a trigger.
- 16 Looking at the 5,000 square foot proposed cutoff
- 17 line. Then just suggesting that in the next few
- 18 weeks the Commission take one more look at
- 19 reducing complexity and is Option 3 still adding
- 20 enough value in comparison to what it causes in
- 21 terms of having three options to teach in terms
- 22 of the compliance improvement side of this once
- 23 the Code is in effect.
- 24 So it's a suggestion. The CASE Team
- 25 would be happy to look at savings tradeoffs

- 1 further and so on to support this if you want to
- 2 continue. If not, then I'll leave it at that.
- 3 MR. STRAIT: So one clarification I can
- 4 offer about Option 3 is that when it was proposed
- 5 in 2016 part of the purpose of it was to offer an
- 6 alternate method of determining the lighting
- 7 power allowance for space. People were concerned
- 8 that for irregularly shaped spaces like the
- 9 conference room or hearing room that we're in
- 10 today, that it becomes difficult to calculate
- 11 with any accuracy what your watts per square foot
- 12 would be, because to calculate on a square foot
- 13 value is difficult.
- 14 Plus that made that square foot value
- 15 prone to fudging. If I wanted to install more
- 16 lights in the space, and I had a circular room I
- 17 could say, "Well, it's a little bit bigger than
- 18 you think it is." Whether somebody's actually
- 19 going to go down and do that calculation and a
- 20 building inspector say, "Oh, wait. You've
- 21 oversized this room by 15 square feet," is
- 22 difficult to say.
- 23 So we have this alternate route, because
- 24 it was requested. People are saying, "We want an
- 25 alternate way to do this." And it hits the same

- 1 target with that percent reduction, so at some
- 2 future point it may not be necessary. But right
- 3 now so far as we've been told by what was
- 4 essentially a small business community is they
- 5 want a different way to do this. And we might
- 6 split that out to where you can say you have
- 7 these two methods of determining how much
- 8 lighting you can put in the space. And it's
- 9 separate from what the control requirements are.
- 10 So it's kind of step one of getting
- 11 there, is if we can make the control requirements
- 12 the same we can then separate out the idea of how
- 13 you calculate how much lighting you can install.
- MS. CUNNINGHAM: And maybe there's
- 15 clarification that could be made that that's the
- 16 only thing that's different that may not be clear
- 17 by looking at the table and seeing Option 1, 2
- 18 and 3. Somehow preserving that lighting power
- 19 density calculation exception for that without
- 20 adding the additional full option.
- 21 MR. STRAIT: Right, so the reason that we
- 22 have it in that format currently is to facilitate
- 23 this discussion. So if we made that wholesale of
- 24 a change I don't think we'd get the same
- 25 feedback. After this code cycle, we might look

- 1 at since we've had the discussion about whether
- 2 these options should be different or not if
- 3 people have agreed or are at least comfortable
- 4 with them being identical then moving on to the
- 5 next step in 2022.
- 6 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Kelly, we'll take at
- 7 though.
- 8 MR. STRAIT: Yeah.
- 9 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: For simplification.
- 10 MR. MCHUGH: This is Jon McHugh. I've
- 11 just got a follow-up question related to this,
- 12 just trying to understand the logic. Because my
- 13 understanding is that nothing's required if
- 14 you're altering less than 70 luminaires. And so
- 15 multiple by around 100 square feet per luminaire,
- 16 that's 7,000 square feet. And yet this option
- 17 doesn't apply to anything over 5,000 square feet.
- I mean, on paper saying well we're
- 19 giving some additional choice, but the reality is
- 20 it applies to something where you're already
- 21 exempted. So what's the thought behind having
- 22 something that only applies up to 5,000 feet, but
- 23 really you're not required to do anything up to
- 24 5,000 feet? Thanks.
- MR. CHAU: Do you want to make a comment California Reporting, LLC (510) 313-0610

- 1 on that, Peter?
- 2 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Do we have any comments
- 3 from online?
- 4 MR. CHAU: We don't have any comment
- 5 online. No.
- 6 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Okay. With that I'm
- 7 going to our last discussion topic, the
- 8 nonresidential ACM -- or excuse me, not
- 9 nonresidential -- the nonresidential dependencies
- 10 and Mark is going to --
- 11 MR. STRAIT: Yeah. And I think there's
- 12 on slide in there about the nonresidential
- 13 alternate compliance method approval manual?
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yeah, and there's one
- 15 slide there too at the end.
- MR. STRAIT: Yeah.
- 17 MR. ALATORRE: So I thought I was going
- 18 to be the last presenter, but apparently there's
- 19 one more slide after me.
- I'm going to present the changes to the
- 21 Nonres Appendices starting with the Third Party
- 22 Quality Control Program. So this is here mainly
- 23 because we do have HERS verifications in nonres
- 24 buildings, so there's existing language for what
- 25 we call TPQCP. And so there were changes to the

- 1 res side and we wanted to mirror the changes to
- 2 the nonresidential side. And it was for
- 3 clarification mainly on the responsibilities of
- 4 the TPQCP.
- 5 Included in the language was an emphasis
- 6 on what was the original intent, and that was for
- 7 contractors to be able to identify faults in real
- 8 time while on the job site. And also, correct
- 9 the issues when they find the faults, so and
- 10 bring them into compliance prior to leaving the
- 11 jobsite. That's what gives them the allowance of
- 12 having increased sample sizes for HERS
- 13 verification. And so we just wanted to emphasize
- 14 that in the new language.
- 15 And like I mentioned, given that this is
- 16 in the Nonres Appendices, I just wanted to make
- 17 everybody aware that it was only applicable where
- 18 HERS verification is triggered. This isn't
- 19 applicable to any of the acceptance testers.
- 20 And moving on to a new section, given
- 21 that now the proposal is for high-raise
- 22 residential to comply with 62.2. We carried over
- 23 the verification procedures that were in the
- 24 residential appendix into this new section of the
- 25 nonresidential appendix. The procedure's

- 1 identical, because we're anticipating that the
- 2 ventilation is very similar. It's intended to be
- 3 performed by the HERS Rater. And they're going
- 4 to be identifying the minimum airflow rate as
- 5 well as the kitchen range hood.
- I just wanted to mention that we got the
- 7 comment in the morning, the kitchen range
- 8 verification. That's to verify that the kitchen
- 9 range hood is listed in the ADRI Directory.
- 10 (phonetic) And that the airflow that it's rated
- 11 to pushes in compliance with the requirements
- 12 from 62.2 and that it exhausts to outdoors. But
- 13 that's a visual verification, not a measurement
- 14 of the airflow passing through the range hood.
- 15 Also, there's another new section NA2.3.
- 16 This is to give procedures for dwelling unit
- 17 envelope leakage. Again, this is applicable to
- 18 high-rise residential for when they are choosing
- 19 the option of using a continuously operating
- 20 supply or a continuously operating exhaust
- 21 ventilation system. They have to perform this
- 22 air leakage test to verify that they're not
- 23 leaking more than .03 CFM per square foot of
- 24 envelope area.
- 25 This procedure again is identical to

- 1 what's found in the Res Appendices and it's
- 2 intended to be conducted by a HERS Rater.
- 3 Earlier, as Simon mentioned, there's a
- 4 new section, 140.6(a)2L that gives allowance for
- 5 lighting power adjustment factors. Along with
- 6 that allowance also a new acceptance test gets
- 7 triggered and it's intended for it to be here in
- 8 7.4.4. This particular procedure is applicable
- 9 to Clerestories. The procedure involves
- 10 verifying the height of the clerestory, the head
- 11 height and the glazing height match the plans.
- 12 And also to verify that the shading control is
- 13 separate from the fenestration shading control.
- What's published in the draft language in
- 15 Section 130.4 does not yet have a reference to
- 16 this section. And we intend to update that for
- 17 anybody who is looking through the Standards.
- 18 Similarly, in that same section an
- 19 allowance for power adjustment factors, there is
- 20 a separate qualifying device for this measure,
- 21 interior and exterior horizontal slats. And this
- 22 is intended to be in 7.4.5 with a very similar
- 23 procedure to verify slats are installed and the
- 24 height is in accordance with what's on the plan,
- 25 verify visible reflectance and visible

- 1 transmittance value match the plans and then to
- 2 fill out the proper forms.
- 3 On the same topic of power adjustment
- 4 factors in 140.4(a) 2L, the third option there is
- 5 for interior or exterior light shelves. They
- 6 qualify for power adjustment factors and this is
- 7 another procedure that's going to be added to the
- 8 appendices. I believe it's going to be 7.4.6,
- 9 not 7.4.5 and the verification is going to be to
- 10 verify the light shelves are installed at the
- 11 height according to the plans. And then again,
- 12 verify the visible reflectance match the plan.
- 13 So here's a new procedure. This one is
- 14 for the new FDD requirement for using DDC-based
- 15 systems. Part of the proposal in 120.2(I) --
- 16 well, let me back up a little bit. Currently,
- 17 FDD devices have to be certified to the Energy
- 18 Commission. The new proposal identified that
- 19 algorithms using DDC technology that's using a
- 20 central management system the algorithms
- 21 themselves are -- there's several people who
- 22 could be responsible for them.
- 23 And it was unreasonable to assume that
- 24 they would have the ability to have them
- 25 certified prior to them being programmed in the

- 1 field. So there was an exception for those type
- 2 of FDD technologies in the ones that are DDC
- 3 based and not have to comply with the
- 4 certification requirement. But that turned into
- 5 a new acceptance test and this acceptance test is
- 6 intended to go step by step through, and
- 7 intentionally trigger false and verify that the
- 8 algorithms that are programmed are able to detect
- 9 the proper fault as they're outlined in 120.1(i).
- 10 There was some changes to the existing
- 11 outdoor lighting controls acceptance test. The
- 12 automatic scheduling control acceptance test was
- 13 deleted as well as there as clarification to the
- 14 procedures for the astronomical time switch
- 15 control and part-night outdoor lighting control.
- 16 And these changes were to the
- 17 construction inspection and that was just to
- 18 verify that the controls programmed with and on
- 19 schedule and an off schedule. And that it
- 20 matches the construction documentation. If the
- 21 schedule's unknown to verify that it is -- the
- 22 controller's program schedule matches a default
- 23 schedule, off from midnight to 6:00 a.m.
- 24 Additionally, the part-night control
- 25 functional test was altered and it was

- 1 redeveloped to include the following: the
- 2 functional test for part-night control used along
- 3 with motion sensor control. And they had to
- 4 verify that all controlled lighting is off during
- 5 daytime to simulate motion in the area under the
- 6 luminaire control to see if it would trigger the
- 7 lighting. And during the simulation of normally
- 8 occupied schedule, simulate no occupancy to
- 9 verify that the light is controlled by the
- 10 sensor.
- 11 This section, NA7.10.3.3 is new for
- 12 adiabatic condensers along with the new
- 13 requirements that we have in 120.6(a). This
- 14 procedure only gets triggered for -- under that
- 15 section -- only for refrigerator warehouses.
- 16 There's no acceptance test for the supermarket
- 17 systems. And the procedure along with the
- 18 requirements of 120.6 is very similar to the air-
- 19 cooled procedure.
- 20 And we got comments earlier from industry
- 21 that probably isn't the best way to characterize
- 22 the performance using the dry-only mode or the
- 23 dry mode. So I anticipate we're going to get
- 24 similar comments on this procedure, which may --
- 25 so what's being proposed may need to be changed.

- 1 So what's current most likely will get amended.
- 2 Lastly, there's new procedures for the
- 3 laboratory ventilation systems. There's a new
- 4 acceptance test for whether you're using the wind
- 5 speed control or the contaminant censor control
- 6 and depending on which one you use, there's a
- 7 different test. But each one, each test includes
- 8 a simulation. For the wind speed control you
- 9 simulate no wind to see if the control drives the
- 10 exhaust fan to change. And also for the
- 11 contaminant censor control you simulate a source
- 12 of contaminant in the hood to see if it would
- 13 drive the exhaust to kick on. And anybody that
- 14 wants to see these procedures, these have been
- 15 included in the draft language.
- 16 And that concludes my presentation for
- 17 the changes to the Nonres Appendices and I'm
- 18 opening it up now for questions.
- 19 MR. NESBITT: George Nesbitt, HERS Rater.
- 20 So there's one chapter that's actually
- 21 joint appendices, which is the acceptance testing
- 22 end of things. Although I think there's a couple
- 23 of those tests that are actually have to be done
- 24 the same as a HERS Rater. I quess now there is
- 25 some possibility in some cases for some of the

- 1 duct tests and I think airflow and maybe
- 2 refrigerant charge in some cases to be done by
- 3 either/or.
- 4 So on the HERS side we have Title 20
- 5 section whatever the heck it is, which puts out
- 6 all the rules. And there's a technical manual,
- 7 all the rules for the HERS providers, the raters,
- 8 the registries and all of that.
- 9 So then we have what we call a
- 10 residential appendices, which is all of the HERS
- 11 measures. And then you have what you're calling
- 12 the Nonres Appendices, which includes HERS now
- 13 adding the 62.2 as well as the blower door test
- 14 for the apartment unit and the leakage out of
- 15 each unit.
- And so you're duplicating language that's
- 17 in the Residential Appendices in the Nonres
- 18 Appendices. And a lot of the language that's in
- 19 the Nonres Appendices is talking about HERS
- 20 providers and raters and registries. That's all
- 21 either part of the Residential Appendices or it
- 22 really is all really part of Title 20.
- 23 So why we duplicate efforts in multiple
- 24 places, I don't know. Because every time you
- 25 duplicate you run the risk of having conflicting

- 1 information. It just seems that all the HERS
- 2 measures and related information should be in one
- 3 appendices. It's not a Residential Appendices,
- 4 it should be an HA, a HERS Appendices.
- 5 And even within that it's one thing to
- 6 give a summary of the HERS system and providers
- $7\,$ and raters and what they do. But not duplicate
- 8 what's really a part of Title 20.
- 9 MR. ALATORRE: Thank you, George.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: So, if there's any more
- 11 comments on the -- so if there's no more comments
- 12 I thank you all for participating today.
- 13 The formal comments for this workshop is
- 14 due by October 20th and if you folks could get to
- 15 it sooner, the better it is. We have -- oh,
- 16 sorry, hold on one second. I forgot there's one
- 17 slide on the Nonresidential ACM and I forgot it.
- 18 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: It looks like it
- 19 didn't get shuffled into the back slide deck, so
- 20 I can --
- 21 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Okay. We'll print it
- 22 off tomorrow.
- UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Okay.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: So we'll do it all
- 25 tomorrow.

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            Okay. We have some minor updates that
2 are happening to the Nonresidential ACM mail that
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   is very minimal that we want to talk about. But
   I guess the slides didn't get incorporated, so we
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   will do those tomorrow with the Residential ACM.
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            With that of comments, if you guys could
   get it to us sooner the better, so we can start
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   implementing and reviewing comments. And try to
   get ready for the 45-day language, which we're
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   hoping that we could get posted on our website
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   hopefully by mid-November.
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            With that, I thank you for your
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   participation.
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