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It's clear we need to rapidly decarbonize all sectors of the economy. Buildings are one of the largest sources of GHGs that result from the use of natural gas for space and water heating. The CEC should update the code to facilitate a shift off natural gas to high efficiency, all-electric climate friendly buildings. This will allow buildings to take full advantage of the shift already underway from fossil fuel electric power generation to renewables for electric power generation. Furthermore, this will discourage investment in GHG emitting water heaters and space heating in buildings.

The CEC should use a GHG metric for code compliance, not the TDV energy cost metric which is biased in favor of gas/"mixed-fuel buildings."

Sincerely, Richard Rollins, P.E.