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RE: 2019 Building Energy Efficiency Standards (BEES) 15-Day Language Comments of Support

To Commissioner McAllister and Commission Staff:

We would like to begin by thanking Commissioner McAllister and Commission Staff for their efforts thus far in the development of the 2019 BEES. The Commission Staff had to balance previously stated public policy goals, multiple stakeholder perspectives and sort through fact vs. hyperbole. Owens Corning wishes to express our support for the current 15-day language as an acceptable industry compromise and a reasonable next step forward in the journey to Net Zero Energy. We recommend adoption as currently written.

In addition to our specified support of current language, Owens Corning would also like to reaffirm the fact that all insulation related proposals in the 15-day language have available products in the marketplace today, and with increased adoption, specific insulation SKUs will become even more prominent/recognizable in the market. Owens Corning will continue to provide documentation to the Commission Staff to support these claims and to alleviate any concerns regarding lack of product availability. The Commission is encouraged to reference existing documentation provided to Staff in this regard.

We also want to commend the Commission Staff for maintaining references to specific R-value compliant assemblies in the Standards. Maintaining these very easily understood benchmarks helps to translate what a comparable U-value compliant assembly might look like while also allowing builders and designers ultimate flexibility in meeting code compliance and maximizing their designs.

Thank you for working with Owens Corning and related stakeholders in arriving at a reasonable and broad-based set of compliance standards.

Regards,

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