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Outlaw Gas Appliances in multifamily buildings

The North American Passive House Network (NAPHN) strongly suggests that the Energy Commission create an independent baseline for all-electric commercial and multifamily buildings to create a level playing field for electric appliances, and stop artificially favoring gas. All-electric buildings are already more cost effective to build and operate, supporting more affordable housing. Furthermore, multiple studies have now concluded that gas appliances inside the home have been linked to increased asthma and respiratory health hazards, particularly in women and young children. (A compilation of links to these studies may be found in this article here: https://www.treehugger.com/green-architecture/piles-peer-reviewed-research-show-how-bad-cooking-gas-your-health.html?utm_source=dvr.it&utm_medium=twitter.)

With California's clean renewable electricity grid, we know that all-electric buildings generate much lower carbon emissions. The additional proof of the hazardous health impacts associated with gas cooking appliances further incentivizes the CEC to outlaw the use of gas appliances in all forms of residential buildings. The NAPHN urges you to take this step now rather than locking in gas appliance and infrastructure for three more years while waiting for the next code cycle. Our planet cannot afford to wait another three years.