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## **Stop burning gas in multifamily and commercial buildings**

It is my understanding that the new 2019 energy code fixes old regulations for homes that favored natural gas for heating and warming water over electric low carbon solutions. However, it does not seem yet to correct the regulation for multifamily and commercial buildings.

This note is to request that the Energy Commission amends the 2019 code to support low carbon solutions for heating and hot water in multifamily residential and commercial buildings, in lieu of waiting for three more years to the next code cycle. Electric systems are more flexible and cost effective to build and operate than gas options and help improve grid resilience. If California continues burning natural gas in its buildings, we would not be able to meet our climate commitments.

Thank you.