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- 2 MAY 28, 2021 9:04 A.M.
- 3 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Hello everyone. My name is
- 4 Payam Bozorgchami, Project Manager of the 2022 Building
- 5 Energy Efficiency Standards. I want to welcome you to
- 6 Energy Commission's virtual Lead Commissioner hearings
- 7 for the upcoming California Energy Codes.
- 8 The Lead Commissioner overseeing the work that
- 9 is being done for the 2022 Energy Codes is Commissioner
- 10 Andrew McAllister.

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- 11 This hearing is the third and last hearings that
- 12 are going to be held on the 45-day express terms, where
- 13 we would like to receive your comments regarding the
- 14 proposed language for Parts 1 and Part 6 of Title 24.
- In these hearings we will not be discussing the
- 16 environmental impact report. Later on in my
- 17 presentation I will provide you a slide with the docket
- 18 number, which is totally different than what we have for
- 19 Part 1 and Part 6, and the link, and a timeline
- 20 associated to that document.
- 21 We will be muting everyone. And after each
- 22 proposed subchapter is presented, you can either raise
- 23 your hand and we will unmute you or you can submit your
- 24 questions in the question and answer window, and we will
- 25 have a group of panelists who will try to answer your

- 1 questions as they come in.
- 2 Also, if you are participating by phone, you can
- 3 use *9 to raise your hand and *6 to mute and unmute
- 4 yourself. One important thing to remember is that when
- 5 we do unmute you, you also need to unmute yourself on
- 6 your side.
- 7 And please, state your name and your
- 8 affiliation.
- 9 This workshop is being recorded and it will be
- 10 transcribed. And by stating your name and affiliation,
- 11 we can figure out who we need to reach out for further
- 12 discussion, if needed.
- 13 Also, we are going to implement a three-minute
- 14 rule today. And we are asking for one speaker per
- 15 organization to provide comments.
- In today's hearing, if we notice that we're
- 17 getting an abundance of commenters commenting, we may
- 18 shorten that three minutes down to maybe two minutes, or
- 19 even one minute. We just want to make sure that
- 20 everybody has an opportunity to provide comments to us
- 21 today.
- 22 And also, if you do not want to submit a verbal
- 23 comment to us today, you can also submit your comments
- 24 by docketing it to our docket. And I'll provide that
- 25 information to you in a later slide. But we need your

- 1 comments for today's hearing sooner, within the week or
- 2 two from today that will be the best.
- 3 With that, before we start Commissioner, would
- 4 you like to give a few words.
- 5 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Absolutely. Thank
- 6 you, Payam. And thanks everyone for being here today,
- 7 our third day of reviewing the Part 6 and Part 1
- 8 regulation update, or the California Energy Efficiency
- 9 Building Standards -- or Building Energy Efficiency
- 10 Standards.
- 11 And I think it's been a productive week and I
- 12 think those of you have been previous days, basically
- 13 today will be the same process.
- 14 Again, I just want to emphasize that
- 15 participation is absolutely welcomed and, in fact, it's
- 16 essential to dialing in the proposal that you all have
- 17 in front of you. And to the extent you have expertise
- 18 and you have feedback on any particulars of this
- 19 proposal, then we really -- we have to hear that, we
- 20 want to hear that and it will make the whole package
- 21 better.
- 22 So, as Payam said, sooner is better than later.
- 23 If there's any iteration required or any sort of
- 24 clarification required, then that would give us time to
- 25 work through it so that everyone's clear on any changes

- 1 that do take place within the 45-day period, in
- 2 preparation for the 15-day. And the further we get down
- 3 that path, the more difficult it is to kind of dial
- 4 things in properly. So, that is good.
- 5 Again, this is about the regulations themselves,
- 6 it's not about the environmental impact report. That is
- 7 a separate proceeding. So, we'd definitely encourage
- 8 everyone to get involved as they see fit in that
- 9 proceeding. Also very important for moving this whole
- 10 enterprise forward.
- I want to just thank all the stakeholders that
- 12 were with us and commented, in particular that commented
- 13 on Monday and Thursday of this week. And today we're
- 14 getting towards the light at the end of the tunnel on
- 15 the hearings as we go over the rest of Part 6, and then
- 16 the bits and pieces of Part 1, and the administrative
- 17 regulations. And then, sort of going into the joint
- 18 appendices, the reference appendices, including the
- 19 joints, and the residential, and the nonresidential, and
- 20 then finishing up with the ACM, alternative calculation
- 21 method process and manual.
- So, we're finishing up the little, the final
- 23 bits and pieces today. All of this is really important
- 24 and we absolutely invite you to not only comment today,
- 25 but also submit written comments in the docket. Again,

- 1 sooner is better.
- 2 So, we've done pretty well. The last two days I
- 3 think we've had plenty of time and we've been able to,
- 4 you know, get through the morning and even, you know,
- 5 into the afternoon and finish early. But we've set
- 6 aside all three days, you know, time for any comment
- 7 that is needed, even extensive public comment.
- 8 And so, if it looks like, you know, three
- 9 minutes we'll start out at. We really haven't had to
- 10 shorten that since the first day, when we thought we'd
- 11 have a lot of comments and we did have a fair amount the
- 12 first day. But we want to just make sure everyone has a
- 13 chance to speak, if they're so inclined, and absolutely
- 14 encourage you to submit written comments.
- 15 So, anyway, sorry to beat the horse here, but I
- 16 just, I really want to emphasize that the process is the
- 17 lifeblood of this whole -- you know, input is the
- 18 lifeblood of this whole process. And, you know, the
- 19 Building Code is a pretty complex thing and so we just
- 20 want to make sure that all the details are as good as
- 21 they can be going forward.
- So, thanks again everyone for your
- 23 participation. Thank you to Payam and staff across the
- 24 board for all the effort and the diligence that's gone
- 25 into what we have in front of us. This really has

- 1 involved dozens and dozens of staff in the Commission,
- 2 and even more stakeholders than that. So, really, it
- 3 does take this group effort to make it implementable and
- 4 the best thing for California, which is the ultimate
- 5 goal. So, thanks to everyone again.
- 6 I'll pass it back to you, Payam.
- 7 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Payam, I think you
- 8 might be muted.
- 9 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Happens every time, I
- 10 apologize. As Commissioner McAllister just presented,
- 11 we will start today with a quick history of the Energy
- 12 Codes, then we'll go into Subchapters 1 and Subchapters
- 13 2. It's just general provisions and mandatory for all
- 14 occupancy types.
- 15 And then, we will discuss the Part 1, Subchapter
- 16 10 of the Administration Regulations of Title 24, with
- 17 an exception of the community solar. We did the
- 18 community solar presentations and discussions on our
- 19 first day of the three-day hearings, and that was on
- 20 Monday, May 24th.
- 21 We may be -- I'm trying to not be the barrier
- 22 between you and the three-day weekend that's coming
- 23 here, starting this afternoon for some of us. So, we
- 24 may be able to push some of the reference appendices
- 25 discussions, Joint Appendix before lunch. But we do

- 1 have a hard stop today at 11:45 and we will reconvene at
- 2 1:15 again. Commissioner McAllister has another
- 3 appointment that he has to attend to and he will do
- 4 that, and then we could restart after a longer lunch
- 5 break today than we did in the past two hearings.
- 6 And then, we'll just jump into the Residential
- 7 Appendix, Nonresidential Appendix, and the ACM Approval
- 8 Manual.
- 9 Hopefully, today will be a shorter day than it
- 10 has been for us, but we have to go through these
- 11 subchapters and appendices.
- 12 So, with that let me just start real quick, with
- 13 a quick history of how this all started. Two California
- 14 Assemblymen Charles Warren and Al Alquist coauthored
- 15 what is known today as the Warren-Alquist Act. This Act
- 16 gives authority to the Energy Commission to develop the
- 17 Energy Code on a triennial basis, and local
- 18 jurisdictions to enforce the Energy Code through a
- 19 building permit process.
- The Energy Code is developed to reduce the
- 21 wasteful, uneconomic, inefficient and unnecessary
- 22 consumption of energy. This Act was signed into law in
- 23 1974 by Governor Ronald Reagan. And the Energy
- 24 Commission was launched under Governor Jerry Brown in
- 25 1975, with the appointment of the first five

- 1 Commissioners.
- 2 And the Commission immediately set out to meet
- 3 the extensive mandates of the Warren-Alquist Act,
- 4 including the adoption of the first Building Efficiency
- 5 Standards that went into effect in 1978.
- 6 There has been recently other goals that have
- 7 been bestowed on us here at the Energy Commission.
- 8 Through the Energy Codes we need to consider reduction
- 9 of the greenhouse gases.
- 10 So, how do we do that? There has been -- we
- 11 have a separate team of folks here at the Energy
- 12 Commission that have been looking at pathways for
- 13 electric, to all-electric buildings, bringing in demand
- 14 flexibility and self-utilization of PV and generations.
- 15 And trying to reduce the residential building impacts on
- 16 the electricity grid, and that's been led by Mazi
- 17 Shirakh here at the Energy Commission.
- 18 As you know, I have to bring this slide up every
- 19 so often, and the reason is I'm getting a lot of calls
- 20 and questions regarding the climate zones, and a lot of
- 21 people are confusing the IECC climatic zones with what
- 22 we have here in California.
- 23 California is divided into 16 climate zones
- 24 based on the heating degree days and cooling degree
- 25 days. Where in IECC I believe California is divided

- 1 into only four climate zones. IECC has California,
- 2 Death Valley and Sacramento in the same climatic zone,
- 3 Climate Zone 3, which really does not make sense for us
- 4 here.
- 5 So, what we did, we separated out California
- 6 into, like I said, 16 climate zones and microclimates
- 7 based on the cooling and heating degree days.
- 8 Staff, with the help of our consultants and our
- 9 utility partners, being Pacific Gas & Electric, Southern
- 10 California Edison, San Diego Gas & Electric, Sacramento
- 11 Municipal Utility District and Los Angeles Department of
- 12 Water & Power who, with their consultants help support
- 13 our work for the 2022.
- 14 For this code cycle, there was 25 workshops
- 15 sponsored by our utility partners and where they
- 16 brainstormed, they provided ideas, and they wanted
- 17 feedback from public for them to develop the Codes and
- 18 Standards Enhancement Team, the CASE reports is what we
- 19 call them here. And they were submitted to the Energy
- 20 Commission.
- 21 The Energy Commission staff took those into
- 22 consideration. And from those we had 18 staff workshops
- 23 here at the Energy Commission to propose the final
- 24 measures that the Energy Commission thought it would be
- worth going forward for in 2022.

- 1 Energy Commission also did receive proposals to
- 2 be considered for the 2022 Energy Codes from other
- 3 entities. The two entities were California Energy
- 4 Alliance, and also a company named Vertiv.
- 5 With all that was happening, there was a lot of
- 6 communications, a lot of interactions going with us here
- 7 at the Energy Commission, with the Utility CASE Team,
- 8 and with public members. So, and that interaction could
- 9 have not happened without the help of Alanna Torres,
- 10 Heidi Werner from Energy Solutions, and Kelly Cunningham
- 11 from PG&E who really did a fabulous job in keeping the
- 12 coordination moving forward through the prerulemaking
- 13 process, and then their continued support through the
- 14 release of the express term and the 45-day language. A
- 15 lot of this would have not happened without their help.
- 16 Everything that we are presenting today and
- 17 during all the hearings that we've heard the past three
- 18 days did go through a vigorous lifecycle cost analysis
- 19 using the latest TDV values and showing cost
- 20 effectiveness to the building owner.
- On the next slide here, I would like to show you
- 22 the schedule as we're moving forward. Right now, today
- 23 being May 28th, being the last day of the three-day
- 24 hearings on the 45-day express terms, as Commissioner
- 25 McAllister earlier said, we would like to have your

- 1 comments for these hearings sooner than later. We
- 2 really have a lot to do and we really want to do the
- 3 right thing and get the right message out through our
- 4 codes and standards.
- 5 But the final due date for the comments for the
- 6 45-day language, it is June 21st. And, but again, the
- 7 sooner we get your comments, the better we are.
- 8 We're trying to get the -- we will get the 2022
- 9 Standards in front of our Commissioners at our set
- 10 business meeting, scheduled on August 11th, for
- 11 adoption. And then from there, staff is still working
- 12 on developing the compliance manual, the electronic
- 13 documents, and the software tool needed for you folks to
- 14 be able to do the work that you're doing in energy
- 15 efficiency.
- 16 We will -- we are scheduled for approval at the
- 17 Building Standards Commission in December. And we're
- 18 trying to get everything ready about a year in advance
- 19 of the effective date of the 2022 standards, and that
- 20 will be January 1st of 2023.
- On this slide, and this is probably the only
- 22 slide you'll see on the environmental impact report.
- 23 The environmental impact report has a different
- 24 proceeding, it has a different schedule. Currently, the
- 25 environmental impact report is in the public comment

- 1 period. And the public comment period ends on July 8th,
- 2 on this document.
- 3 The final report will be posted to the docket.
- 4 It's on a different, separate docket, not the one that
- 5 we used for Part 1 and Part 6, late in July. And it's
- 6 also going for adoption, tentatively, in August.
- 7 The docket number for the environmental impact
- 8 report is 21-BSTD-02, where for Part 6 and Part 1 it's
- 9 21-BSTD-01.
- I encourage you not -- to double check when you
- 11 do submit to the environmental impact report, because if
- 12 it comes to 01, most likely it might get lost or will be
- 13 delayed to be reviewed, and I just don't want that
- 14 happening to you.
- 15 The link here at the bottom is the link to the
- 16 environmental impact report, the docket where you can
- 17 submit your comments, or you can even review the
- 18 documents that have been submitted and the report
- 19 itself.
- 20 45-day rulemaking comments, it's our docket here
- 21 for Part 1 and Part 6. Like I said earlier, the sooner
- 22 we get your comments in there the better we are. But
- 23 the due date is June 21st, by 5:00 p.m.
- 24 The link below is the Energy Commission Title 24
- 25 link. At this, here you could find the latest set of

- 1 compliance manuals, compliance documents, the set of the
- 2 latest compliance codes, and all the information you
- 3 need from 2019 and what's being proposed for 2022, and
- 4 more of the historical codes.
- 5 The prerulemaking comments link is here. And
- 6 this is the link used during our prerulemaking
- 7 discussions. You will see comments submitted to us
- 8 during the prerulemaking. You'll see PowerPoint
- 9 presentations and you'll see draft documents there.
- The last one here is the utility-sponsored
- 11 stakeholders, and this is their workshops, and their
- 12 documents and comments that they've received for what
- 13 they proposed to us here at the Energy Commission.
- 14 Again, this slide, you'll see this over and over
- 15 again today. I just want to make sure that everybody
- 16 knows that 21-BSTD-01 is the docket number that you need
- 17 to submit your comments to. And if you need to submit
- 18 your comments by mail, providing the information here.
- 19 But I encourage you not to do that and to submit
- 20 it into the docket itself. We're not working in the
- 21 office and by the time the comments come, are mailed to
- 22 our homes or we go back into the office to pick them up
- 23 it might be late, and we may not be able to see those on
- 24 time.
- 25 With that, any questions? So, if there's no

- 1 questions, I apologize you're going to have to hear me
- 2 again on the Subchapter 1, for All Occupancy. This is
- 3 the general provisions for all parts of Title 24, Part 6
- 4 and all building types.
- 5 So, in this part, in Section 100, the scope
- 6 being Section 100, in Subchapter 1. For this code cycle
- 7 we have separated multifamily from both low-rise
- 8 residential, which includes multifamily buildings up to
- 9 three habitable stories, and from nonresidential
- 10 sections which were three habitable stories or more.
- 11 And we've broken those out to three different
- 12 subchapters. Subchapters 10 through 12. Those are those
- 13 Section 160, 170 and 180 that we had the hearings
- 14 yesterday on, of Javier Perez went through all sections
- 15 yesterday afternoon.
- And the reason we did this, we just wanted to
- 17 simplify compliance or make it less cumbersome and less
- 18 -- easier to understand the multifamily requirements as
- 19 we move forward in the code cycles.
- In Section 100.1, the definitions and rules of
- 21 constructions, we updated and added the references to
- 22 industry standards to reference the latest set of
- 23 documents. We do this every code cycle. We have to
- 24 evaluate the ANSI ASME. Anything that we refer to we
- 25 have to update, and evaluate, and look at the latest and

- 1 the greatest that's out on those requirements.
- 2 We also added new definitions, controlled
- 3 environmental horticultures and fan system types. These
- 4 are some of the examples of what we did in this section.
- 5 And we also did update definitions like occupancy
- 6 control types for both mechanical and lighting systems.
- 7 For lighting in general, we updated the existing
- 8 language and added definitions.
- 9 The definition section, we're still working on
- 10 this and we're trying to do some reevaluating some of
- 11 the terms. One of the examples that we're trying to do
- 12 for 15-days is we're looking at common area versus
- 13 communal areas for multifamily. We're trying to do a
- 14 little bit of cleanup to figure out what's more easier
- 15 to understand and which is the easier, simplest path to
- 16 go forward to prevent any confusions.
- 17 That was it. That's all we did for that
- 18 Subchapter 1. Any comments or questions?
- I am seeing none, so with that I'm going to go
- 20 to Subchapter 2. Subchapter 2 being the mandatory
- 21 requirements for manufacture, construction and
- 22 installation of systems, equipment and building
- 23 components.
- 24 Again, this is a section that also is required
- 25 for all occupancy types. So, what we did, we updated a

- 1 few of the -- for Section 110.2, the mandatory
- 2 requirements for solar space -- requirements for space
- 3 conditioning equipments, we updated a few of the minimal
- 4 efficiency tables to line up with what ASHRAE 90.1 2019
- 5 has.
- 6 Also, for the 15-day express terms we will also
- 7 be looking into adding more tables to provide more
- 8 minimal efficiencies for the different equipments, which
- 9 are also listed in 90.1
- If you folks online notice that we're missing
- 11 any tables, we should add in a table, please let us
- 12 know. We will take those into consideration and
- 13 evaluate those for the 15-day language.
- 14 For Section 110.6, the mandatory requirements
- 15 for fenestration products and exterior doors. We used
- 16 to have an exception that would exempt vertical site-
- 17 built fenestrations up to 200 square feet to use this
- 18 site-built fenestration calculation that we had in NA6.
- 19 We're removing that for this code cycle. So, that means
- 20 that vertical site-built fenestration have to be
- 21 certified with NFRC.
- 22 This change is being done because it's trying to
- 23 -- we're trying to alleviate or reduce the uncertainties
- 24 of noncompliance of these products in the California
- 25 market. And recently, NFRC, the National Fenestration

- 1 Rating Council, has updated their -- what's know as the
- 2 CMA, the Computer Modeling Approach, for calculating
- 3 this U factor and SHEG (phonetic) for site-built
- 4 fenestration. So, that's now simplified, and it's
- 5 easier to use, and more user-friendly, so it's time to
- 6 exempt -- remove that exception from the code cycle this
- 7 time around.
- 8 In Section 100.1, the mandatory requirements for
- 9 insulation, roofing products, and radiant barrier. In
- 10 2016 codes we removed ASTM D6083. ASTM D6083 was
- 11 standard specifications for liquid-applied acrylic
- 12 coatings. This is a liquid-applied roofing type. We
- 13 removed that ASTM. It was because ASTM itself had
- 14 decertified this standard procedures back in 2014.
- In the recent years, this ASTM has been
- 16 recertified by ASTM and we thought this is a -- it's
- 17 good to have this back on our set of codes as this is
- 18 another quality assurance for these liquid-applied
- 19 coatings to be used and utilized here in California.
- In Section 110.9, the mandatory requirements for
- 21 lighting controls. We received stakeholder comments
- 22 during the lighting code cleanup efforts and it was
- 23 requested for us to remove the part night outdoor
- 24 lighting controls from the standards. This technology
- 25 is in the marketplace, but there's no requirements for

- 1 when it needs to be installed. So, systems out there,
- 2 but there's no real regulations of when to install this.
- 3 So, we decided, all right, we need to do some cleanup
- 4 and remove that out.
- 5 In Section 110.10, the mandatory requirements
- 6 for solar readiness. We did a lot of cleanup here and
- 7 trying to provide clarity of when solar-ready
- 8 requirements are triggered in Subsections 110.10(a), for
- 9 covered occupancies.
- In Section 110.10(b) 2 we've provided clarity
- 11 with regards to regards the azimuth range when a PV
- 12 system's installed on a steep-sloped roof. A steep-
- 13 sloped roof being a roof pitch of 2 and 12 or greater.
- In Section 110.12, the mandatory requirements
- 15 for demand management. We've provided clarify that
- 16 Section 110.12 only applies when a demand-responsive
- 17 control are required or installed voluntarily.
- 18 For demand-responsive lighting controls, wanted
- 19 to tie it to the system that is being controlled,
- 20 instead of the space size. So, in Section 110.12(c) we
- 21 made that clarification.
- 22 So, that concludes Subchapters 1 and Subchapters
- 23 2. Any questions?
- 24 MR. STRAIT: If there aren't any raised hands, I
- 25 have two questions in the Q&A box.

- 1 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Okay.
- 2 MR. STRAIT: Actually, I'm sorry, one of them is
- 3 just a comment in support of the expanded definitions.
- 4 But Laura Petrillo-Groh asks: For the
- 5 additional 90.1 tables, ASHRE 90.1 tables being
- 6 contemplated for 15-day language, are you looking at
- 7 addenda to 2019 or something else?
- 8 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: I'm going to try to answer
- 9 this. If not, Haile if you could jump in, that would be
- 10 good, too.
- 11 The standards, we're trying to update some of
- 12 those tables to make sure that we're up with the latest
- 13 and the greatest that ASHRE has in 90.1. And we want to
- 14 also capture equipment types from 90.1 that are rarely
- 15 used here in California. So, that project is still
- 16 happening and we're still evaluating.
- 17 Laura, if you have product type or equipment
- 18 type that you would like to see listed please let us
- 19 know, and we'll take those into consideration.
- 20 MR. BUCANEG: Good morning, this is Haile with
- 21 the California Energy Commission. Like Payam said, we
- 22 are trying to take advantage of equipment that's being
- 23 used here in California. So, some of the tables that
- 24 we're looking at included are efficiencies for floor-
- 25 mounted air conditioning system, direct expansion,

- 1 dedicated outside air system efficiency tables, so those
- 2 type of things that are in 90.1.
- 3 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you, Haile.
- We have one raised hand. Laura, go ahead, I'm
- 5 going to unmute you. State your name and affiliation.
- 6 MS. PETRILLO-GROH: Hello, this is Laura
- 7 Petrillo-Groh with the Air Conditioning, Heating and
- 8 Refrigeration Institute. Thank you, Payam and Haile for
- 9 explaining a little bit more about your thinking on the
- 10 expansion of the efficiency tables.
- 11 The computer air conditions, I think there were
- 12 many expanded and included categories of equipment there
- 13 and we absolutely support the inclusion. And if there's
- 14 anything that AHRI can help with on that, please let me
- 15 know.
- 16 For dedicated outdoor air systems, we have been
- 17 working on a crosswalk to a new test procedure for those
- 18 products. So, there are existing efficiency levels in
- 19 90.1 for the humidification metric in cooling and COP
- 20 for heating, for those equipment types. And a newer
- 21 standard updates those metrics and AHRI have been
- 22 working with the Department of Energy and consultants to
- 23 map the ratings in 90.1 to the new standard.
- So, I'm happy to provide -- you know, to work
- 25 with Haile and explain a little bit more about that, the

- 1 effort in detail. But I did want to flag that those
- 2 metrics may be changing in 90.1 to reflect a newer test
- 3 procedure.
- 4 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Understood Laura. A quick
- 5 question for you, do you know when the approval or
- 6 adoption of those is going to be taking place? The
- 7 timing on that is important to us because we can't
- 8 approve something or we can't adopt something that's not
- 9 already and set in codes by 90.1. So, do you know if
- 10 that's still a work in progress and what's the timeline
- 11 on that?
- 12 MS. PETRILLO-GROH: Yes, that is a work in
- 13 progress. We have, I think, narrowed down the -- and I
- 14 think we're most of the way there I'll say with the
- 15 cooling metrics. The heating metrics are a little bit
- 16 tricky.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Okay.
- 18 MS. PETRILLO-GROH: So, I'm hoping that we are
- 19 able to introduce that table to the 2022 edition of
- 20 90.1. So, it will be an addenda to 2019.
- 21 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Okay. So, I think we need to
- 22 talk about that offline a little bit because we may have
- 23 -- we probably need to talk to our legal team about
- 24 that, too, and see if we can do that. Because if that
- 25 table is adopted and listed after our adoption here at

- 1 the Energy Commission, it may not work. So, we've got
- 2 to figure this one out.
- 3 MS. PETRILLO-GROH: Yeah, I'm happy to --
- 4 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Okay.
- 5 MS. PETRILLO-GROH: -- a little bit more about
- 6 and coordinate those efforts.
- 7 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yeah, please, let's you and I,
- 8 and Haile, and others have a discussion on that.
- 9 MS. PETRILLO-GROH: Thanks.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you.
- 11 Any more comments, questions, concerns? If not,
- 12 I'm going to hand -- pretty much hand the baton over to
- 13 Haile, Haile Bucaneg, and he will talk about Article 1.
- 14 This is Part 1 of Title 24, Chapter 10.
- 15 MR. BUCANEG: Thank you, Payam. Good morning,
- 16 my name is Haile Bucaneg and I'm a Senior Mechanical
- 17 Engineer with the Buildings Standards Office.
- 18 Today I will be summarizing changes made to
- 19 Article I, the Energy Building Regulations and
- 20 Administrative Regulations. You may also know this as
- 21 Part 1, Chapter 10 of the Building Code, California
- 22 Building Code.
- 23 Before I start, I would like to thank the
- 24 Standards Compliance Office for helping to put together
- 25 changes in this section, and Joe Loyer, who is on the

- 1 call to help us answer any questions that may come up
- 2 regarding this section.
- 3 So, starting off, Section 10-102 contains the
- 4 definitions of terms used in the administrative
- 5 regulations. Several terms have been modified and added
- 6 to increase clarity of the code language.
- 7 The definition of compliance data exchange file
- 8 will be added to Section 10-102 to be consistent with
- 9 the same definition in Section JA7. This term defines
- 10 the use of the XML schema for Registered Compliance
- 11 Documents. And this isn't in 10-102 right now, we're
- 12 looking at putting this in during 15-day language.
- 13 The definition for Compliance Registration
- 14 Package will also be added to Section 10-102 during 15-
- 15 day language. And again, this is to be consistent with
- 16 the same definition in Section JA7. The intent is to
- 17 use existing defined terms in the Energy Code to
- 18 describe the transmission of data and completed
- 19 compliance documents from a data registry to the Energy
- 20 Commission repository.
- 21 The definition for nonresidential data registry
- 22 has been modified to exclude the nonresidential
- 23 certificates of acceptance recording by the acceptance
- 24 test technician certification provider, the ATTCP. This
- 25 is to avoid duplicate forms registration and the

- 1 associated cost should the Energy Commission approve a
- 2 nonresidential data registry.
- 3 The definition for residential data registry and HERS
- 4 provider data registry will also be modified to include
- 5 a reference to HERS regulations. This is to clarify
- 6 that the HERS providers, who are also the residential
- 7 data registry registration providers, must comply with
- 8 both JA7 and the HERS regulations.
- 9 And finally, the definition for registered
- 10 document will be modified to be Registered Compliance
- 11 Document, and the definition will be modified to be
- 12 consistent with the same term used in JA7.
- Moving on to Section 10-103, this section
- 14 provides permit certificate informational and
- 15 enforcement requirements for designers, installers,
- 16 builders, manufacturers and suppliers.
- 17 So, the first column here on the left, the
- 18 clarifications in the left column will be included in
- 19 15-day language. And this basically adds references to
- 20 Compliance Registration Package, which is a new
- 21 definition that we are looking at adding to be
- 22 consistent with JA7, and also HERS regulations.
- These changes are needed to clarify the intent
- 24 of regulations and provide a reasonable path to
- 25 compliance for HERS providers and other interested

- 1 parties.
- 2 Additionally, minor modifications were made to
- 3 exclude acceptance test recorded by ATTCPs from the
- 4 nonresidential data registry document registration
- 5 procedures. Again, this is to prevent duplicate
- 6 registration of a single document in both the existing
- 7 ATTCPs and potential nonresidential data registry.
- Finally, in Section 10-103(d)4, ventilation
- 9 information was modified to be consistent with new
- 10 multifamily requirements and definitions, as well as the
- 11 new disclosure requirements for ventilation information
- 12 to the building occupants.
- Sections 10-103.1 and 10-103.2 contain the ATTCP
- 14 requirements for lighting controls, which are in 10-
- 15 103.1, and mechanical systems which are in 10-103.2.
- 16 The changes include two identical subsections which were
- 17 added into these sections, into 10-103.1 and 10-103.2.
- So, in 1-103.1 and .2, Section C3H requires
- 19 ATTCPs to create and maintain an electronic database to
- 20 track ATT acceptance tests, and record completed
- 21 nonresidential certificates of acceptance for lighting
- 22 controls in 10-103.1 and for mechanical systems in 10-
- 23 103.2.
- 24 The ATTCP have always provided this database
- 25 system. The intent is to make those existing database

- 1 systems a requirement for future ATTCP applications.
- 2 This new section also requires the ATTCPs to submit
- 3 specific project data and documents to Energy Commission
- 4 using an application program interface, to be adopted by
- 5 the Energy Commission. This is intended to be a means
- 6 for the Energy Commission staff to gather information
- 7 for complaint investigations and general oversight of
- 8 the ATTCPs individually, and ATTCP program as a whole.
- 9 In 10-103.1 and 10-103.2, Section C3I will be
- 10 added, which requires ATTCPs to record all
- 11 nonresidential certificates of compliance,
- 12 nonresidential certificates of installation, and
- 13 nonresidential certificates of acceptance associated
- 14 with any acceptance tests required by the Energy Code
- 15 and listed in Part 6, Section 130.4 for lighting
- 16 controls, and Section 120.5 for mechanical systems.
- 17 This is intended to better enforce the
- 18 requirements for all nonresidential building projects to
- 19 complete the NRCCs and NRCIs as required by the Energy
- 20 Code, in addition to the ATT completing the NRCAs.
- 21 This section also requires that the ATTCPs
- 22 provide monthly data transfer packets to the Energy
- 23 Commission for document retention when the Energy
- 24 Commission approves an electronic document repository.
- This is intended to use the ATI system to

- 1 transfer all compliance data and documents from the
- 2 ATTCPs to an approved Energy Commission repository. And
- 3 at this time, the Energy Commission has not approved a
- 4 nonresidential repository, yet.
- 5 The changes in Section 10-109 are focused on the
- 6 Energy Commission approval requirements for data
- 7 registries. So, Sections 10-109 I1A, I1BI, and I2
- 8 provide some details regarding the approval of data
- 9 registries for both residential and nonresidential.
- 10 The changes include references to the terms
- 11 Compliance Registration Package and the exclusion of
- 12 NRCAs recorded by an ATTCP. These changes are intended
- 13 to provide consistent clarification of the data registry
- 14 requirements and application review process by the
- 15 Energy Commission.
- Section 10-109 IIB, Sections 2 through II
- 17 through P, establish restrictions and findings to be
- 18 made by the Energy Commission prior to considering any
- 19 application for a nonresidential data registry.
- The necessary findings include the Energy
- 21 Commission approval of a data schema for nonresidential
- 22 compliance documents and a determination that the Energy
- 23 Commission will not lose access to the information
- 24 necessary to support the enforcement and development of
- 25 current and future Building Code cycles.

- 1 These requirements provide the following: It
- 2 allows the Energy Commission to reject any
- 3 nonresidential data registry application submitted until
- 4 the Energy Commission formally makes these findings.
- 5 And it restricts any section in the Energy Commission
- 6 from establishing a set date as to when the Energy
- 7 Commission must make these findings. And it reaffirms
- 8 that any registration provider may only use data schemas
- 9 approved by the Commission.
- In 10-109(k), photovoltaic system requirement
- 11 determinations have been modified to include references
- 12 to Section 140.10 and other minor changes. These are
- 13 intended to clarify the requirements in the Section 10-
- 14 109(k).
- 15 In Section 10-114 there were several changes
- 16 made regarding outdoor lighting zones. This includes
- 17 moving rural areas from a default lighting zone of 2 to
- 18 lighting zone 1, and revising conditions for designating
- 19 higher or lower lighting zones.
- Additionally, Table 10-114(a), new census
- 21 classifications such as urban clusters and default
- 22 lighting zone 2 were included. And building types
- 23 likely to occur in each zone were included in the table.
- 24 The changes in Section 10-115 were previously
- 25 discussed by staff in earlier presentations, so I won't

- 1 be going into the changes today.
- 2 And then, that's it for the administrative
- 3 changes. If there are any questions, we can take them
- 4 now.
- 5 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you, Haile.
- 6 Peter, I don't see any raised hands in the
- 7 participation. Oh, we've got one, I took that back.
- 8 Michael, I'm going to unmute you and go ahead and state
- 9 your name, and affiliation, please.
- 10 MR. SCALZO: Michael Scalzo, I'm with NLCAA. I
- 11 just had a quick question on a clarification of what
- 12 report means when we are talking in Section 10-103.1,
- 13 the ATT will record the NRCC and the NRCI, in addition
- 14 to NRCAs. Record, is that basically just basically
- 15 giving like a snapshot of the document or would it have
- 16 to be like some type of an electronically-formatted
- 17 form?
- 18 MR. LOYER: Would you like me to answer that
- 19 one?
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Go ahead, Joe.
- 21 MR. LOYER: Okay. This is Joe Loyer, a Senior
- 22 Mechanical Engineer, California Energy Commission.
- So, record in this context is left up to the
- 24 Energy Commission and the ATTCPs to actually, truly
- 25 establish what exactly that means. But at this point

- 1 we're not closing the door on it, meaning as much as
- 2 recording in terms of the XML schemas and the actual
- 3 data. But we are also allowing the ATTCPs to simply
- 4 record the static picture of the PDF. By the time the
- 5 ATTCPs actually do see these documents, they are already
- 6 created. Well, if everybody does what they're supposed
- 7 to they are already -- these documents are already
- 8 created. They are approved by the local jurisdiction.
- 9 And they should be static forms at that point. So, a
- 10 static reporting of those forms is sufficient for the
- 11 time being.
- 12 MR. SCALZO: Thank you very much for that
- 13 clarification.
- 14 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank Joe. Thank you, Mr.
- 15 Scalzo.
- Any other? If not, we can move on to the Q&A.
- 17 Peter?
- 18 MR. STRAIT: Sure. So, we have two questions
- 19 currently. The first is from Gina Rodda who asks:
- 20 Where can we see the proposed 15-day language for Part
- 21 1?
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Gina, the proposed language
- 23 for the 15-day language will be as soon as June 21st
- 24 comes around and we capture all the comments that we've
- 25 received, staff is going to be working on the 15-day

- 1 language. And we have a short turnaround. I want to
- 2 say about a week, a week and a half to turn those around
- 3 and start the 15-day process.
- 4 Meanwhile, you're more than welcome to
- 5 communicate with us and we could maybe answer specific
- 6 concerns or questions that you may have.
- 7 MR. QAQUNDAH: Payam, the 15-day language will
- 8 be posted to the docket when --
- 9 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yes, it will be posted. Yeah,
- 10 you're absolutely right, Jimmy. That will be posted to
- 11 the docket.
- MR. STRAIT: Second, Laura Petrillo-Groh has a
- 13 similar question. She asks: Will you please review any
- 14 15-day language contemplated changes that impact
- 15 manufacturers in Section 10-103?
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Jimmy, can you answer that
- 17 question? Can we do that? I mean I'm willing to, if
- 18 we're allowed to.
- MR. QAQUNDAH: Yeah.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Okay.
- 21 MR. QAQUNDAH: Yes. Sorry, I'm just reading it
- 22 again. But yeah, we're going to -- we'll look at that.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Okay. So, yeah, Laura, let's
- 24 you and I be in communications and we could maybe have a
- 25 discussion of the tables that are going to be

- 1 implemented and what's going to impact manufacturers.
- 2 MR. STRAIT: That's all that I have in the Q&A
- 3 box presently.
- 4 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Okay. I don't see any raised
- 5 hand or any comments, questions in the Q&A window.
- 6 So, with that I mean it's -- it's only an hour.
- 7 Should we take a ten-minute break and then have Michael
- 8 Shewmaker and Danny Tam get ready to present on the
- 9 joint appendices? That was supposed to be presented
- 10 this afternoon, but since we don't have any comments and
- 11 we're ahead of schedule let's move it up, so we could
- 12 get you guys out for a three-day weekend sooner.
- 13 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: That sounds great.
- 14 This is Commissioner McAllister. I'm good with that.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Okay.
- 16 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: So, a ten-minute break
- 17 would be 10:05 we'd reconvene?
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yes, yes, at 10:05 we will
- 19 reconvene. Than you.
- 20 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Okay, thanks everyone.
- 21 (Off the record at 9:55 a.m.)
- (On the record at 10:04 a.m.)
- 23 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: I think we should start. And
- 24 I think I'm going to choose Mikey -- excuse me. His
- 25 name is Mikey is in the office. But Michael Shewmaker

- 1 and Danny Tam, who will be presenting the changes for
- 2 the joint appendices, which is part of the reference
- 3 appendices. Thank you. Go ahead, Mikey.
- 4 MR. SHEWMAKER: Payam, you might want to confirm
- 5 that Commissioner McAllister is back.
- 6 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yes.
- 7 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Yeah, I am back, yeah,
- 8 and ready to start. Thanks guys, go ahead.
- 9 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you, Commissioner.
- MR. SHEWMAKER: All right. Hopefully, everybody
- 11 can see my screen.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yes.
- MR. SHEWMAKER: Good morning everyone. My name
- 14 is Michael Shewmaker and I'm an Energy Commission
- 15 Specialist in the Building Standards Office.
- This morning my colleague, Danny Tam, and I will
- 17 present to you the proposed changes to the joint
- 18 appendices.
- In JA1 we made some clarification, updated the
- 20 documents relied upon and added new definitions where
- 21 needed, and removed those that were no longer needed.
- 22 Updates made to the documents relied upon or to ensure
- 23 that the reference documents are up to date and using
- 24 the latest version.
- 25 Additionally, we removed a few documents that

- 1 were either no longer available or no longer being
- 2 referenced within the code.
- 3 In JA2.1 we did some cleanup and updated the
- 4 climate/weather file references on format dataset. For
- 5 example, some of the weather file formats were outdated
- 6 and we added global horizontal solar radiation pressure
- 7 and rainfall.
- 8 In JA3.2 we updated the time dependent values
- 9 for 2022.
- In JA4.4.1 we added a note to clarify that any
- 11 and all insulation installed in California must be
- 12 certified in accordance with Section 110.8 of the Energy
- 13 Standards.
- In JA4.1.7 we updated the language to clarify
- 15 that SPF insulation R-values must be certified with the
- 16 Department of Consumer Affairs, Bureau of Household
- 17 Goods and Services.
- 18 In JA4.2, Table 4.2.2, we added columns for R-
- 19 17, R-20 and R-23, continuous insulation to provide
- 20 values in alignment with the single-family roof
- 21 alterations proposal.
- 22 And then in JA5 and JA6 there are no proposed
- 23 changes for 2022, so I'm going to skip along to JA7.
- 24 And a lot of the information that you're going
- 25 to hear in this section was covered earlier by my

- 1 colleague, Haile Bucaneg. So, I apologize, some of this
- 2 might be a little bit repetitive.
- Now, this first change did not make it into the
- 4 45-day express terms, and so we plan to include it in
- 5 the 15-day language.
- 6 But in JA7.1 we provided some clarification. We
- 7 added reference to the Compliance Registration Package.
- 8 We clarified that when we're referring to the document
- 9 repository we are in fact referring to the Commission
- 10 compliance document repository. And we updated some
- 11 references to the data registry requirements manual.
- In JA7.2, we made some clarifications and
- 13 grammatical corrections to existing definition and added
- 14 some new definitions where needed.
- 15 The Compliance Registration Package language was
- 16 modified, as was the nonresidential data registry
- 17 language, and the Registered Compliance Document
- 18 language.
- 19 Additionally, we added two new terms. The first
- 20 of application program interface, or API, and the second
- 21 being external digital data source provider, or EDDS
- 22 provider.
- 23 And then in the registration language we added a
- 24 reference to the Compliance Registration Package.
- 25 And finally, in the registration provider

- 1 language we updated the reference to the data registry
- 2 requirements manual.
- 3 In JA7.3 we again made some clarifications and
- 4 minor grammatical corrections. We updated the
- 5 references to the data registry requirements manual and
- 6 added a reference to the Compliance Registration
- 7 Package.
- 8 In JA7.4 we provided some clarification. We
- 9 again updated the references to the data registry
- 10 requirements manual. And for 15-day language, we plan
- 11 to add references to the Compliance Registration
- 12 Package.
- 13 Also, for the 15-day express terms we plan to
- 14 add some new language to JA7.4.1 regarding the CEC's
- 15 access to information collected by the data registries.
- 16 Some of the items included in this new language include
- 17 a search function with no limits on size, lists of all
- 18 user accounts, searchable filter requirements, and
- 19 summary report requirements.
- In JA7.4.8, this is a new section for 2022 that
- 21 covers Energy Commission oversight of the data
- 22 registration providers. Some of the new requirements
- 23 include Commission access to Compliance Registration
- 24 Packages within 30 days of request, as well as a
- 25 requirement for registration providers to explain the

- 1 basis in writing if they are unable to comply.
- 2 It also allows for possible review of provider
- 3 approval if the registration provider fails to comply.
- 4 In JA7.5 and 7.6 we provided some clarifications
- 5 and minor grammatical edits. We updated the references
- 6 to the data registry requirements manual. And for 15-
- 7 day language, we plan to add references to the
- 8 Compliance Registration Package.
- 9 For the 15-day express terms, in JA7.5 we also
- 10 plan to make some minor corrections to JA7.5.6.1.2,
- 11 which covers project status report information for
- 12 nonresidential projects. As well as JA7.5.6.2, which
- 13 covers revision control.
- 14 And in JA7.6, for 15-day language we plan to add
- 15 some language clarifying the data registries shall not
- 16 register a certification of acceptance document that has
- 17 been or is expected to be recorded by an acceptance test
- 18 technician certification provider, or ATTCP.
- 19 And also, we added some language clarifying that
- 20 data must be validated with an XML schema approved by
- 21 the Energy Commission.
- In JA7.7, we added the API data transference
- 23 option, and updated references to the data registry
- 24 requirements manual. And then, for 15-day language we
- 25 plan to add references to the Compliance Registration

- 1 Package, as well as add some language regarding XML data
- 2 transference to the Commission compliance document
- 3 repository.
- In JA7.8, like a lot of the other sections we
- 5 made some clarifications and minor grammatical edits.
- 6 We updated references to the data registry requirements
- 7 manual.
- 8 And then, in JA7.8.2.6 we added language to the
- 9 effect that each EDDS that the API interfaces with must
- 10 be approved.
- In 7.8.4.1 we added language clarifying that
- 12 the executive director has the authority to initiate a
- 13 review of any data registry approval upon petition by
- 14 any party or recommendation by Commission staff.
- 15 In JA7.8.5 we added language clarifying that the
- 16 portions of a data registry user manual that are
- 17 incorporated as help screens into the user interface do
- 18 not need to be publishes separately. Their inclusion of
- 19 the user interface satisfies the requirements of the
- 20 subsection.
- 21 In JA7.8.5.5 we added language clarifying that
- 22 EDDS proprietary information can be excluded from the
- 23 data registry user manual. However, the EDDS user
- 24 instruction must be made available to all authorized
- 25 users that use the EDDS service or software.

- 1 And lastly, for 15-day language we plan to add a
- 2 new section, JA7.8.2.7 which would be titled "Record of
- 3 Quality Assurance Action Taken" and will include the
- 4 following requirements: It will require a three-year
- 5 record of quality assurance actions taken, as well as a
- 6 record of all investigations and remedies, and a record
- 7 of all Energy Commission initiated investigation.
- 8 In JA8, we did a little language cleanup. And
- 9 where we previously just said efficacy, we specified
- 10 that we are referring to luminous efficacy for greater
- 11 accuracy.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Mikey, one second.
- MR. SHEWMAKER: Yes.
- 14 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Apologize. This is Payam. I
- 15 just noticed someone making a comment that they're not
- 16 seeing what Mike was speaking to. So, is everybody else
- 17 seeing the screen?
- 18 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Yes.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Okay, we're good.
- 20 Thank you.
- 21 MR. SHEWMAKER: Okay. And so, in JA9 and JA10
- 22 there are no proposed changes for 2022. So, now I'm
- 23 going to stop here and pass things off to my colleague,
- 24 Danny Tam, who will take us through the last few
- 25 sections of the joint appendices. Thank you.

- 1 MR. TAM: Thanks. I'm Danny Tam, CEC staff.
- 2 I'll be presenting the rest of the JA changes.
- JOFM is the qualification requirement for PV
- 4 systems. The changes in this joint appendix are mostly
- 5 for clarifications. They were made based on the lessons
- 6 we learned after the adoption of the 2019 standards.
- 7 First, we separated orientation language into
- 8 prescriptive and performance to reduce confusion. We
- 9 didn't really change anything. Prescriptively, the
- 10 system must be between 90 to 300 degrees from true
- 11 north. And performance, you just have to model, you
- 12 know, whatever is oriented.
- 13 Second, we added CFI-2. CFI stands for
- 14 California Flexible Installation. It is an option in
- 15 the performance software when you don't want to model
- 16 the actual orientation of the arrays.
- 17 So, the original CFI is now called CFI-1. And
- 18 this option allowed arrays to be installed between 150
- 19 to 278 degrees. We added CFI-2 and it's a new option
- 20 that allows installation between 105 to 300 degrees.
- 21 We also clarified the shading requirements.
- 22 Previously, the prescriptive requirements was more
- 23 ambiguous, so now we set a clear prescriptive target of
- 24 98 percent annual solar access.
- The language for solar assessment tool has also

- 1 been cleaned up and included a list of functions for CEC
- 2 approval.
- 3 The next slide. Okay, J12 is the qualification
- 4 requirement for battery storage systems. The biggest
- 5 change for 2022 is that unpaired battery storage system
- 6 can now be qualified for the credit. So, paired system
- 7 is the a battery system that's connected onsite PV. So,
- 8 unpaired is just, you know, does not have an onsite PV.
- 9 So, we also clarified that the minimum roundtrip
- 10 of efficiency, it's a prescriptive requirement only.
- 11 For performance, you would model the actual
- 12 roundtrip efficiency.
- 13 We also added language to allow future control
- 14 strategy that minimize GHG. And we added control
- 15 strategies for unpaired storage systems.
- 16 The next slide. J13 is the qualification
- 17 requirement for heat pump water heater demand management
- 18 systems. This is a new joint appendix and a new
- 19 compliance option in the software. So, J13 provides the
- 20 minimum qualification requirement for heat pump water
- 21 heater that's needed to be certified to the Energy
- 22 Commission.
- This is identical to the J13 compliance option
- 24 that was approved July of last year. So, we're now
- 25 officially incorporating it as part of the Title 24

- 1 Standard.
- 2 The next slide. J14 is the qualification
- 3 requirement for central heat pump water heating system,
- 4 and this is a new JA. And J14 provides the minimum
- 5 requirement for central heat pump water heaters for
- 6 certification to the Energy Commission for use in the
- 7 performance software.
- 8 As a note, this is not a mandatory or
- 9 prescriptive requirement for certification. A
- 10 manufacturer only needs to do it if they want to include
- 11 their central heat pump water heater product in the
- 12 performance software.
- To reduce the burden for testing, we're going to
- 14 allow simulated performance data, as long as a basic
- 15 model is tested and the simulated performance is the
- 16 based on the same basic model that share the same series
- 17 compressor, heater exchanger, and architectures the
- 18 tested basic model.
- 19 The next slide. And that's in for the joint
- 20 appendix changes. Now, we open up for questions.
- 21 MR. STRAIT: We do have a number of questions in
- 22 the Q&A box. Given that I don't see any hands raised, I
- 23 can get started on those if preferred.
- Oh, it looks like Payam might be having some
- 25 technical difficulties. I'll go ahead and go through

- 1 the Q&A box then.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you, Peter. Sorry about
- 3 that, yeah.
- 4 MR. STRAIT: Oh, no worries.
- 5 Shelby Gatlin asks: When will the draft DRRM be
- 6 released?
- 7 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: There's not a set date for
- 8 that at this time. The language is in there just when
- 9 we are ready to develop the DRRM that we can, and have
- 10 that released.
- 11 MR. STRAIT: Russ King asks: If you have known
- 12 changes to the JA7 sections for 15-day language that did
- 13 not make it into the 45-day language, can you please
- 14 provide them in advance to give affected parties
- 15 adequate time to respond to them?
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Sure.
- MR. STRAIT: Let me see, Russ King has a similar
- 18 question here. Sorry, some of these aren't questions.
- 19 Let me dismiss this.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Oh, to respond to Russ a
- 21 little bit more in detail, that's still being developed
- 22 and there's a lot of work still happening on that. But
- 23 yeah, we could share what we do develop.
- MR. STRAIT: Gina Rodda asks: For JA11 can we
- 25 add a procedure that supports the documentation

- 1 requirements for when the exception of PV is used, the
- 2 less than 80 square feet with 70 percent or greater
- 3 solar access? Building departments are struggling with
- 4 how to verify that this is true at plan check.
- 5 MR. TAM: Yeah, this is Danny Tam, CEC staff.
- 6 Yeah, we can consider it. We heard this is an issue.
- 7 We actually asked an approved solar assessment tool
- 8 provider to help us solve this issue. So, we can
- 9 consider putting in some language, or it could be just a
- 10 blueprint, or we can talk about it in the compliance
- 11 manual.
- 12 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Peter, there was a comment
- 13 that came from -- first of all, thank you Danny. There
- 14 was a comment that came from Russ King regarding JA7.
- 15 Can you --
- MR. STRAIT: It's the same request that they --
- 17 Russ also says that we've mentioned a lot of JA7
- 18 sections that were not shown directly on the slides.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Okay.
- 20 MR. STRAIT: And if those would be available in
- 21 writing. Now, I don't know if that's referring to the
- 22 45-day language where --
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: I think what it is, I think
- 24 we'll add some bullets to that one slide for JA7 prior
- 25 to posting it to our docket, just for clarity purposes.

- 1 MR. STRAIT: Sure. And all of the express terms
- 2 are available on the docket currently, also.
- 3 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yeah, they are available on
- 4 the docket. As the PowerPoint presentation, we will add
- 5 that in. And by the way, this PowerPoint presentation
- 6 will be posted on the docket next week, hopefully
- 7 Tuesday, so we'll have a slide added to that. Thank
- 8 you.
- 9 So, with that, if any more comments, questions?
- 10 I don't see any more raised. Oh, we've got one raised
- 11 hand. Go ahead, Shelby. I'm going to unmute you and go
- 12 ahead and state your name and affiliation.
- MS. GATLIN: Can you hear me.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yes.
- 15 MS. GATLIN: Hi, this Shelby Gatlin, I'm the CEO
- 16 of CalCERTS. There were several sections of JA7, and
- 17 thank you for including them in the slides when you post
- 18 them. There's also some new proposed language that
- 19 seems like it's coming out in the 15-day language. Can
- 20 we get that sooner than later?
- 21 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yes. Yes, I said we will
- 22 share it with the parties when the 15-day language is
- 23 developed and we will share that sooner, just to give
- 24 you guys enough time to respond.
- MS. GATLIN: Okay.

- 1 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: I don't have a timeline right
- 2 now.
- 3 MS. GATLIN: But there were things that were
- 4 mentioned in our overview that are brand-new
- 5 requirements that have never been proposed to the
- 6 providers so --
- 7 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Okay.
- 8 MS. GATLIN: Thank you.
- 9 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Okay. I don't see any other
- 10 raised hands or questions in the Q&A. So, Commissioner,
- 11 if you're okay with that, can we go into the residential
- 12 appendices, R?
- You're muted, sir, I'm sorry. Commissioner,
- 14 you're still muted.
- 15 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Okay, can you hear me
- 16 now?
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yes.
- 18 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Okay, I got it. Okay,
- 19 there's too many microphones.
- 20 Yeah, so I am good with that. I did want to
- 21 make a comment just encouraging both staff and
- 22 stakeholders essentially to kind of get on the stick
- 23 with working through some of those points that were
- 24 stated verbally regarding the registries.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Sure.

- 1 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Those details are
- 2 going to matter. And obviously, you know, I think the
- 3 right people are on the call right now, but I jut want
- 4 to encourage people to have quick iteration and also
- 5 together with counsel to make sure we're doing that
- 6 properly.
- 7 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Definitely. Yeah, absolutely.
- 8 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Okay.
- 9 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you.
- 10 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Sure. Thanks.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: So, Cheng Moua, one of our
- 12 lead mechanical engineers will present on the
- 13 residential appendices, which is also a part of the
- 14 complete package of the reference appendices.
- 15 MR. MOUA: Okay, thank you. Can you hear me
- 16 okay, Payam?
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Perfect.
- 18 MR. MOUA: All right. Well, thank you and hello
- 19 everyone. My name is Cheng Moua and I am mechanical
- 20 engineer here in the Building Standards Office. I'll be
- 21 covering the revisions to the 2022 RA, reference
- 22 appendices. So, there's not too many changes so,
- 23 hopefully, you know, we could get through this fairly
- 24 quickly.
- 25 First revisions were made to the 2022

- 1 residential appendices to incorporate the VCHP
- 2 compliance options. That's the variable capacity heat
- 3 pump compliance option that was approved back in 2019.
- 4 So, this compliance option has been effective, but was
- 5 approved after the 2019 cycle was adopted so, therefore,
- 6 it was not incorporated in the 2019 documents. So,
- 7 basically, the language from the compliance option staff
- 8 report was simply brought over to the 2022 residential
- 9 appendices.
- 10 So, I'm not going to read them all here, but it
- 11 adds and revises the sections that are listed here.
- Next, RA3.1.4.3, diagnostic duct leakage was
- 13 also revised. The duct leakage procedure setup, when
- 14 ventilation does connect to space conditioning system
- 15 ducts was updated to clarify sealing or taping off the
- 16 branch ventilation duct during a duct leakage test is
- 17 not allowed.
- 18 RA3.7.4.3, the protocol for kitchen, local
- 19 mechanical exhaust range hood verification was revised
- 20 into the new 2022 metric for capturing efficiency.
- 21 That's for kitchen ranges.
- 22 RA3.7.4.4, the protocol for HRV/ERV performance
- 23 verification was added to include HRV/ERV recovery
- 24 efficiency and fan efficacy of a compliance metric. And
- 25 this provides verification for the new 2022 standards

- 1 heat recovery and fan efficacy requirements. But no
- 2 revisions are expected for the 15-day language to this
- 3 section, to clarify that the fan efficacy is calculated
- 4 based on the wattage and the air flow ratings listed in
- 5 the CEC-approved directory.
- 6 So, RA3.8, field verification of diagnostic
- 7 testing of air leakage was updated to incorporate the
- 8 procedures in the most recent version of RESNET 380.
- 9 So, this was updated from version 2016 to version 2019.
- 10 RA3.9, field verification and diagnostic testing
- 11 of whole house fans was updated to replace the blower
- 12 door protocol with the new air flow rate measurement
- 13 that uses attic pressure matching and a fan flow meter.
- 14 So, the blower door protocol was found not to measure
- 15 the same air flow rate as the other 3.9 procedures that
- 16 measures the air flow at the whole house inlet grill.
- 17 So, with the new procedure that adds the attic pressure
- 18 matching does provide results that are equivalent to the
- 19 RA3.9 procedures.
- So, RA4.4, water heating, was updated to reflect
- 21 the 2022 standards language that aligns pile insulation
- 22 requirements with the California Plumbing Code.
- With a few minor edits to envelope-related
- 24 items, RA3.5.6.1, SPF, spray polyurethane foam thermal
- 25 specification was updated to clarify that R-values must

- 1 be certified with the Department of Consumer Affairs,
- 2 Bureau of Electronic and Appliance Repair, Home
- 3 Furnishings and Thermal Insulation.
- 4 RA3.5.6.3, SPF roof ceilings, clarifies that
- 5 recessed luminaires must either be rated at SPF
- 6 insulation contact or separated from the spray foam by a
- 7 barrier box.
- 8 So, that's it for the changes to the residential
- 9 appendices. I'll take any questions, if there's any.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you, Cheng. I don't
- 11 have any raised hands here. Peter?
- 12 MR. STRAIT: Laura Petrillo-Groh mentions that
- 13 they have a few questions about JA14, but doesn't have
- 14 those typed into the chat box. I'm assuming she might
- 15 want to raise her hand or that she's busy typing, either
- 16 way.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Oh, she raised her hand,
- 18 Peter.
- MR. STRAIT: Okay.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Go ahead, Laura.
- MS. PETRILLO-GROH: Hi, thank you. I appreciate
- 22 you taking these questions a little bit late. So, this
- 23 is Laura Petrillo-Groh with the Air Conditioning,
- 24 Heating, and Refrigeration Institute.
- 25 Looking at the JA14, can you tell me a little

- 1 bit more about the though process behind the need to
- 2 introduce an additional test procedure for the products?
- 3 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: J14. Okay, Danny are you on?
- 4 MS. PETRILLO-GROH: The central heat pump water
- 5 heating system.
- 6 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yeah. Danny, are you on the
- 7 call, still?
- 8 MR. TAM: Payam, I was muted.
- 9 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Oh.
- 10 MR. TAM: Yeah, so I mean that's -- this is
- 11 something that's been an issue for, you know, a few
- 12 years. So, these big central heat pump water heater
- 13 products, you know, they're a federally regulated
- 14 product, but that there's no like minimum efficiency
- 15 requirement. So, we've been trying to model these
- 16 things for a few years.
- 17 And you know, the only way we can is to get some
- 18 performance data from the manufacturer.
- MR. STRAIT: Yeah, so it might be worth
- 20 clarifying the J14 requirement is not there to supersede
- 21 federal requirements for testing, which they're to
- 22 gather information about specific systems so that their
- 23 performance can be modeled in the software.
- 24 MR. TAM: And, yeah, to be clear this is not a
- 25 mandatory or prescriptive requirement. It's strictly

- 1 voluntary. We have a prescriptive option for central
- 2 heat pump water heat, which does not require J14
- 3 certification. So, this is really, you know, if you
- 4 want to have your product modeled we need, you know,
- 5 some data. So, this is why we want to adopt J14.
- 6 MR. STRAIT: Yeah, and to be clear Danny it's
- 7 true that this equipment can also be installed under the
- 8 performance approach without J14 certification. They
- 9 just wouldn't receive specific credit for modeled system
- 10 performance, but would receive just a flat --
- 11 MR. TAM: Yeah, we talked about providing
- 12 like a generic model type, like in the software you pick
- 13 a specific model. We could provide a generic model so,
- 14 you know, it does not require J14 certification.
- 15 MS. PETRILLO-GROH: Thanks. The reason I asked
- 16 is it was flagged to me by the Motor Heater
- 17 Manufacturers as perhaps being I think maybe some
- 18 conflict with the federal procedure, so that's something
- 19 that I think we'll be discussing a little bit more
- 20 internally to see if there are proposals we can make or
- 21 if there is an alternative that might suit your -- suit
- 22 the modeling needs as it would not, I think, reveal what
- 23 is deemed to be proprietary information regarding the
- 24 manufacturers' application of defrost.
- MR. TAM: Yeah, understand.

- 1 MS. PETRILLO-GROH: Okay.
- 2 MR. TAM: We actually had some extensive
- 3 discussion, you know, with some of the manufacturers. I
- 4 think we solved most of their issues with our current
- 5 language, but we can certainly chat if that's not the
- 6 case.
- 7 MS. PETRILLO-GROH: Thanks. Yeah, we'll have
- 8 additional conversations to see if there are outstanding
- 9 issues and get back to you. I just wanted to flag that
- 10 here. Thank you so much.
- MR. TAM: Okay, thanks.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you.
- MR. STRAIT: The next question in the Q&A box
- 14 comes from CalCERTS training, who's asking: For
- 15 RA3.1.4.3, what about HRV/ERV tied to mechanical
- 16 systems, are these considered CFI?
- 17 And I'll go ahead and read Russ King's comments
- 18 as well because it seems to be related. Russ King asks:
- 19 We submitted a comment for pre-45-day language, it was
- 20 not responded to yet, regarding testing ERV/HERV systems
- 21 when they are tied into the HVAC ducts. This makes
- 22 testing very difficult. We recommend not allowing it.
- 23 And if it is allowed, it needs to be addressed in the RA
- 24 protocols.
- 25 MR. MOUA: Yeah, we did receive those comments

- 1 and we're having ongoing internal discussions on that.
- 2 And I'll get back to you on that one, Russ. But
- 3 definitely we received those comments and we're working
- 4 on it.
- 5 MR. STRAIT: Those are the only questions I have
- 6 in the Q&A box.
- 7 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you. Is there any more
- 8 comments, questions, concerns?
- 9 With that, I think we could maybe jump into the
- 10 nonresidential appendices, which is also a part of the
- 11 reference appendices.
- Haile, would you be able to present on that? I
- 13 think on this one it's Haile Bucaneg and Daniel Wong
- 14 from the Standards Compliance Office who are going to be
- 15 presenting.
- MR. BUCANEG: Sure, I'm okay to present on this.
- 17 We want to -- Daniel, are you on? I just want to make
- 18 sure that we have --
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Sure.
- 20 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Let me just say, this
- 21 is Commissioner McAllister, I just want to chime in.
- 22 So, that discussion was great that we had just now. I
- 23 kind of felt like there might be some percolation still
- 24 out there, so I just want to invite us to be flexible in
- 25 terms of later on in the day if people want to circle

- 1 back to that and ask additional questions that would be
- 2 okay. I just want to make sure that the right staff
- 3 remains on the line for that.
- 4 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Sure, absolutely. Even going
- 5 through the nonresidential appendices right now, we will
- 6 have to have a hard stop if we go beyond 11:45, but we
- 7 will pick it back up again at 1:15.
- 8 MR. BUCANEG: Sure. Daniel, are you on? Like I
- 9 said, I want to make sure.
- 10 MR. WONG: Yeah, this is Daniel Wong.
- MR. BUCANEG: Okay, perfect.
- MR. WONG: I'm ready.
- MR. BUCANEG: Okay, so good morning everyone.
- 14 Again, my name is Haile Bucaneg and I'm with the
- 15 Building Standards Office.
- And this morning Daniel Wong and I will be
- 17 presenting the proposed changes for the nonresidential
- 18 appendices. We will be going through the nonresidential
- 19 appendix in chronological order.
- 20 Starting off here, first up in NA1. There were
- 21 some updated changes to the nonresidential HERS
- 22 verification testing and documentation procedures. In
- 23 NA1.1 updates pertain to new duct leakage requirements
- 24 and tables for kitchen range hoods. This is included --
- 25 this includes references in Table NA1.1 to NA2.2.4.1.4

- 1 for kitchen range hoods and NA2.2.4.1.5 for heat
- 2 recovery ventilation or energy recovery ventilation
- 3 systems.
- 4 In NA1.9, clarification for alternative
- 5 procedures when acceptance test technicians perform
- 6 field verification in nonresidential occupancies. That
- 7 was specified to be performed by HERS raters and that
- 8 alternative procedures are applicable to all HERS
- 9 procedures specified in NA2.
- In NA2.1.1 there were several cleanup updates,
- 11 and references, and titles for the section based on
- 12 proposed amendments.
- NA2.1.4.1, phenomenal air handler airflow,
- 14 includes updates to the requirements included in the
- 15 residential appendices.
- 16 Table 2.2-1 includes references to the
- 17 appropriate sections for kitchen exhaust verification
- 18 and also for HRV and ERV verification.
- 19 In NA2.2.4.1.2 and 2.2.4.1.5 updates were made
- 20 to include HRV and ERV recovery efficiency and fan
- 21 efficacy as compliance metrics. It should be noted that
- 22 additional changes to NA2.2.4.1.5 are expected and this
- 23 is to clarify that fan efficacy is calculated -- is a
- 24 calculated value based on watts and air flow ratings
- 25 listed in the CEC-approved directory.

- 1 Finally, in NA2.2.4.1.4 updates to include
- 2 capture efficiency as a compliance metric were made.
- 3 For field verification and diagnostic testing of
- 4 multifamily dwelling units in NA2.3 updates were made to
- 5 incorporate the most recent version of RESNET Standards
- 6 380.
- 7 In NA2.4 and NA2.5 there were -- or, NA2.4 and
- 8 2.5 were added to provide procedures for whole building
- 9 envelope leakage field verification and diagnostic
- 10 testing and air barrier verification.
- In NA6.1 and NA6.5, clarification was included
- 12 to cover nonrated site built skylights and alterations
- 13 to vertical fenestration. Also, exceptions for
- 14 nonresidential compliance for 200 square feet were
- 15 removed.
- 16 And then under building envelope acceptances
- 17 tests in NA7.4.5, clarification for procedures applying
- 18 to all interior and exterior horizontal slats was
- 19 provided. And that's it for NA7.4.5.
- 20 But from here, Daniel will be taking over to
- 21 discussed our proposed updates to the remaining
- 22 sections.
- 23 MR. WONG: Okay, I'm going to share my screen.
- 24 Okay, can you see my screen?
- 25 MR. BUCANEG: Yes, but we can -- oh, there you

- 1 go.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yeah, we can see your screen.
- 3 MR. WONG: Okay, perfect. Good morning, my name
- 4 is Daniel Wong. I'm a Senior Electrical Engineer in the
- 5 Standards Compliance Office and I will be presenting on
- 6 the remaining changes in nonresidential appendix NA7.
- 7 In NA7.5.4 we've added acceptance testing
- 8 procedures for verifying exhaust air heat recovery
- 9 bypass controls for dedicated outside air systems. This
- 10 is in accordance to the proposed prescriptive
- 11 requirements for dedicated outside air systems in
- 12 Section 140.4(2).
- In NA7.5.17 we've revised the testing procedures
- 14 for verifying occupied standby mode for occupant sensor
- 15 ventilation controls. This change was necessary to
- 16 reflect changes to occupied standby requirements in
- 17 Section 121.1(d)5.
- 18 The language in NA7.6.1 for automatic
- 19 daylighting controls acceptance testing was revised and
- 20 updated to improve clarity and consistency.
- 21 We've also revised the construction inspection
- 22 for automatic daylighting controls to more closely align
- 23 with the requirements in Section 130.1(d).
- Also, we've added clarification to the testing
- 25 procedures for secondary sidelit daylit zones, and

- 1 daylit zones in parking garages.
- 2 Finally, we've added an alternative partial
- 3 daylight test to address stakeholder concerns with the
- 4 feasibility of using the existing partial daylight test
- 5 in all conditions, particularly in daylit spaces with
- 6 dark glazing or small window areas.
- 7 The language in NA7.6.2 for automatic shutoff
- 8 controls acceptance testing was revised and updated to
- 9 improve clarity and consistency.
- 10 We've revised the construction inspection,
- 11 again, for automatic shutoff controls to more closely
- 12 align with the requirements in 130.1(c).
- We've added clarification to testing procedures
- 14 for each type of occupant sensing control, including
- 15 partial on, partial off, and vacancy sensors. And then,
- 16 we've added new testing procedures for verifying multi-
- 17 zone occupant sensing controls in open office areas in
- 18 accordance to proposed mandatory requirements in Section
- 19 130.1(c)6(b).
- In NA7.6.2 we've revised the construction
- 21 inspection for demand responsive control acceptance
- 22 testing to more closely align with the requirements in
- 23 Section 110.12(a). We removed the requirement to verify
- 24 that illuminants must not be reduced below 50 percent of
- 25 design Illuminance to align the testing procedures with

- 1 the code.
- 2 And we've added an additional testing method
- 3 which will allow verification of demand response power
- 4 reduction based on full building current measurements.
- 5 And this was to provide an alternative to expedite
- 6 testing for larger facilities with disaggregated
- 7 circuits.
- 8 In NA7.6.4 we've relocated the requirements for
- 9 institutional tuning power adjustment factor acceptance
- 10 tests from NA7.7.5 to NA7.6.4, so that all indoor
- 11 lighting control acceptance tests are contained in
- 12 NA7.6.
- 13 We've also revised and updated the procedures to
- 14 improve clarity and consistency.
- 15 In NA7.6.5 we've added new testing procedures to
- 16 verify demand responsive controls for controlled
- 17 receptacles. And this was in accordance to new proposed
- 18 mandatory requirements in 110.12(b).
- 19 In NA7.7, which is the indoor lighting control
- 20 installation requirements, we've removed -- or, yeah,
- 21 we've removed the introductory test as it was redundant
- 22 to the body of the text in NA7.7.
- 23 And then again, Section NA7.7.5.2 was removed
- 24 and relocated so that the acceptance testing procedures
- 25 for verifying that institutional tuning power adjustment

- 1 factors was in NA7.6.4, so that all the lighting
- 2 controls acceptance tests are included in NA7.6.
- 3 And the power adjustment factor installation
- 4 requirements have been retained in NA7.7.5.
- 5 In NA7.8.1 the outdoor motion sensing control
- 6 testing procedures were reorganized to improve the
- 7 readability and ease of use of the code.
- 8 In NA7.8.2 the outdoor photo controls testing
- 9 procedures were also reorganized to improve the --
- 10 sorry, that's a duplicate. This includes consolidating
- 11 the requirements from NA7.8.3 and NA7.8.4. So,
- 12 basically just consolidating the requirements.
- We've also added sampling procedures for larger
- 14 projects with more than seven photo controls.
- In NA7.8.5, the automatic scheduling controls
- 16 testing procedures were reorganized to improve the
- 17 readability and ease of use of the code. This includes
- 18 consolidating the requirements from NA7.8.6 and NA7.8.7.
- In NA7.13.2 we've added new testing procedures
- 20 to verify compressed air monitoring systems in
- 21 accordance to the proposed mandatory requirements for
- 22 compressed air systems in Section 120.6(e)3.
- In NA7.18.1 we've added a requirement to verify
- 24 that the installed heat recovery ventilation or energy
- 25 recovery ventilation equipment in multifamily dwelling

- 1 units is Home Ventilating Institute certified.
- We've added a new subsection, NA7.18.3, for
- 3 field verification of multifamily central ventilation
- 4 duct system duct leakage, in accordance to proposed new
- 5 mandatory requirements for central ventilation duct
- 6 sealing.
- We've also added a new subsection, NA7.18.4, for
- 8 field verification of heat recovery ventilation or
- 9 energy recovery ventilation systems serving multiple
- 10 dwelling units, in accordance to new proposed
- 11 requirements in Section 170.2(c)3(b)4.

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- A new subsection, NA7.19 was added and includes
- 14 testing procedures to verify steam trap fault detection
- 15 systems in accordance to new proposed mandatory
- 16 requirements in Section 120.6(d)3.
- 17 And a new subsection, NA7.20, was added and
- 18 includes testing procedures to verify operation of gas
- 19 cooler control for transcritical CO2 systems in
- 20 accordance to proposed mandatory requirements in Section
- 21 120.6(a) and 120.6(b).
- 22 And that is the end of the changes to NA7. We
- 23 can open it up to questions.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you, Haile. Thank you,
- 25 Daniel.

- 1 I don't see any participants raising their hands
- 2 in the participation side or I don't even see any Q&As
- 3 coming in.
- If we don't that's okay, but we do encourage you
- 5 to submit your comments or questions in writing to us,
- 6 to our docket, 21-BSTD-01.
- 7 But if we don't, Commissioner, I think we have
- 8 time to do the last presentation today, too, before our
- 9 lunch break.
- 10 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Yeah, that all sounds
- 11 great. And, yeah, we'll want to just make sure we get
- 12 enough time for people to --
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Sure.
- 14 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: -- as they have really
- 15 about the whole three days of hearings. And if we have
- 16 next steps that we need to lay out a little more
- 17 explicitly, we should do that.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Sure.
- 19 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: All right, but yeah,
- 20 let's keep moving forward if we don't have questions.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Sure. So --
- MR. WICHERT: Do you want me to share my screen,
- 23 Payam?
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yes, please.
- MR. WICHERT: I think I'm next, right.

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- 1 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yes, please.
- 2 MR. WICHERT: Okay. Does that look okay?
- 3 Payam, can you see my presentation?
- 4 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yes, you're good.
- 5 MR. WICHERT: Okay. All right. Good morning
- 6 everyone. I'm RJ Wichert and I'm a Mechanical Engineer
- 7 in the Building Standards Office. Today I'll be
- 8 presenting on the proposed changes to the Alternative
- 9 Calculation Method Approval Manual. And I appreciate
- 10 that I'm the last presentation between everyone and the
- 11 Memorial Day weekend, so I'll try to make this as
- 12 efficient as possible.
- 13 First I want to give some background on this
- 14 manual. The Alternative Calculation Method Approval
- 15 Manual sets the requirements and procedures for
- 16 approving alternative calculation methods, also known as
- 17 ACMs or compliance software.
- 18 The ACM approval manual is often confused with
- 19 the residential and nonresidential ACM reference
- 20 manuals. But these reference manuals, unlike the
- 21 approval manual, are nonregulatory and developed and
- 22 approved by the CEC at a business meeting after adoption
- 23 of the Energy Code.
- 24 The reference manuals go into details and rules
- 25 covering compliance software building and performance

- 1 modeling. And unlike the ACM approval manual, the
- 2 reference manuals are updated as needed throughout the
- 3 code cycle.
- 4 We're not proposing substantial changes to the
- 5 ACM approval manual, but we do have one change in 45-day
- 6 language and another we're considering for 15-day
- 7 language that we'd like to present today.
- 8 The below language cleanups are in Section
- 9 1.1.5, which cover the requirements for alternative
- 10 nonresidential simulation engines.
- Now, for some background, the simulation engine
- 12 is the part of compliance software that does the actual
- 13 building energy calculations. An alternative simulation
- 14 engine is a third-party compliance software --
- 15 compliance program which uses a different building
- 16 simulation engine than CBEC Com, which uses Energy Plus.
- 17 And these language cleanups are intended to
- 18 clarify the requirements for integrating the CBEC Com
- 19 Compliance Manager and to ensure that third-party
- 20 software adheres to CEC-developed rule sets, and
- 21 schemas, and submits compliant data to the CEC's report
- 22 generator.
- Now, the black underlined and struck out changes
- 24 are in the 45-day language, and the red changes are
- 25 being considered for the 15-day language to correct an

- 1 error we found after posting the 45-day language.
- That's it. We also, you know, welcome any
- 3 comments or any other clarifications anyone finds that
- 4 we can make in 15-day language. But otherwise, that's
- 5 all I have. Any questions?
- 6 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: I don't see any raised -- I
- 7 don't see any raised hand. And I saw a comment in
- 8 question and answer that come from Gina Rodda saying,
- 9 yes, so I'm not sure -- oh, there she is, she's raising
- 10 her hand.
- MR. WICHERT: Okay.
- MS. RODDA: Hello, this is Gina Rodda. Can you
- 13 hear me?
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yes.
- 15 MS. RODDA: Okay, this is Gina Rodda from Gabel
- 16 Energy.
- 17 MR. WICHERT: Hi Gina.
- MS. RODDA: And you just were so fast, so which
- 19 is why I tried to get the yes in there to make sure I
- 20 can -- the question I have was regarding the submit
- 21 compliant data to the Energy Commission. Is that once
- 22 the report generator is developed or is it something
- 23 that's in line with the new schemas and rule sets that
- 24 are associated with 2022?
- MR. WICHERT: Both. So, we just wanted to

- 1 clarify that we expect third-party software to integrate
- 2 and submit compliant data to our report generators. And
- 3 then that also means once the schemas are done and that
- 4 report generator that uses schemas is developed and
- 5 running, we want them to integrate with that, too. So,
- 6 we just wanted to clarify because before it was just,
- 7 you know, integrate. And so, we're just trying to make
- 8 it more clear what we expect from that previous
- 9 language.
- MS. RODDA: So, this is not anything to do with
- 11 the data registry?
- MR. WICHERT: No. No, no.
- MS. RODDA: Thank you.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you, RJ. Thank you,
- 15 Gina.
- MR. WICHERT: Yeah.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: I don't see any more raised
- 18 hands or any questions/answers in the Q&A box.
- MR. WICHERT: You want me to stop sharing now
- 20 and hand it over to someone?
- 21 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yeah. Well, I apologize,
- 22 folks, we need to take a five-minute break, if it's
- 23 possible. We may be able to do a quick update
- 24 presentation on JA7. Stay tuned one second and I'll be
- 25 right back. Thank you.

- 1 (Off the record at 10:57 a.m.)
- 2 (On the record at 11:00 a.m.)
- 3 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Can you guys hear me?
- 4 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Yes.
- 5 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Okay, wonderful.
- 6 Commissioner, I think what we're going to do, I think we
- 7 need to extend the -- since you have a little bit of
- 8 time, can we extend a little bit here and present on JA7
- 9 a little bit more in depth right now? Joe Loyer, a
- 10 Senior Mechanical Engineer with the Standards Compliance
- 11 Office could do that, and we have the slides ready, if
- 12 you're okay with that.
- 13 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: That sounds great,
- 14 yeah.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Okay. And I apologize for the
- 16 confusion. But Joe has those. He's just getting ready
- 17 to set up and I'm hoping it will be 15 minutes.
- 18 And then, what we'll do with those slides, we'll
- 19 attach them to the end of the complete package and we'll
- 20 put a note in the slide that Mikey presented that more
- 21 details go to the end of the PowerPoint and they'll be
- 22 there.
- 23 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: So, sorry I didn't
- 24 quite understand. Are we going to start in 15 minutes
- 25 or it will take 15 minutes?

- 1 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: No, no, it will take a
- 2 about 15 minutes to present.
- 3 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Oh, okay, great. Oh,
- 4 there's Joe. Okay, perfect.
- 5 MR. LOYER: Sorry, I'm just getting it done
- 6 here. Let's see. Oh, that's not what I want to do.
- 7 And let's see, I should have it.
- 8 All right, can you see reference appendices,
- 9 joint appendices JA7?
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yes. Yes, we can.
- MR. LOYER: All right. And I've just got to get
- 12 that out of the way there.
- Okay, sorry about this little, pushing this
- 14 around a little bit, everybody. I am Joy Lover, a
- 15 Senior Mechanical Engineer from the California Energy
- 16 Commission. I've been asked to go through what are my
- 17 original slides. These, Mikey basically took my
- 18 original slides and condensed them down to fit better in
- 19 his presentation. But I guess there are some points
- 20 that we want to go over again in a little more detail.
- 21 So, these may differ slightly from Mikey's slides, but
- 22 they are -- they are basically the same presentation.
- So, moving on.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Joe, I'm sorry for jumping in
- 25 here. Can you go into present mode?

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- 1 MR. LOYER: Am I not?
- 2 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: I think you are, but it's --
- 3 okay, it's just more condensed that's all.
- 4 MR. LOYER: Okay.
- 5 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: It's okay, go ahead.
- 6 MR. LOYER: We're good? Okay.
- 7 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yeah, we can see it.
- 8 MR. LOYER: Okay. So, JA7.1, the purpose and
- 9 scope, staff has identified several additional changes
- 10 for JA7 that it deemed necessary for clarity. However,
- 11 those changes were too late to be included in the 45-day
- 12 language. They will be included in the 15-day language.
- 13 And in addition, if I may say off my script,
- 14 yeah, we will be reaching out to the affected parties
- 15 for the HERS providers and any other stakeholders that
- 16 are affected by these changes, primarily going to be the
- 17 HERS providers, but anybody would be welcome to those
- 18 discussions.
- 19 So, the Compliance Registration Packages is an
- 20 existing term in JA7 and is added to this section, to
- 21 Section 7.1 for clarity.
- 22 Commission compliance document repository is an
- 23 existing term in JA7 and is the correct term to use
- 24 instead of document repository. This change is meant
- 25 for clarity only.

- 1 The requirement (i) is added to ensure that the
- 2 Energy Commission staff has access to the data registry
- 3 information so that they can perform necessary program
- 4 oversight and investigation of complaints. (i) is a
- 5 searchable database to be used by the Energy Commission
- 6 staff under their provisions for access to the data
- 7 registry, Registered Compliance Documents, and their
- 8 associated data.
- 9 I think that was a term of art that we used
- 10 early on that probably needs some work.
- 11 The original DRRM reference implied that the
- 12 DRRM had not been approved by the Energy Commission.
- 13 This was an oversight from earlier Energy Code cycle
- 14 that was corrected for clarity.
- 15 Let's move on now. So, the Section 7.2
- 16 definitions, this is one of two slides here. The new
- 17 terms, application program interface, API, was added to
- 18 provide a new means of data transfer to or from a data
- 19 registry.
- 20 Compliance Registration Package is the original
- 21 and the original intent of this term was to identify the
- 22 transmission packages from an outside source to the data
- 23 registry, such as an EDDS.
- 24 This term was modified slightly to include
- 25 transmission packages from a data registry as well as to

- 1 a data registry.
- 2 The nonresidential data registry was modified to
- 3 exclude nonresidential certificates of acceptance that
- 4 are reported by an ATTCP. And ATTCP stands for
- 5 acceptance test technician certification provider.
- 6 And the new term, EDDS provider was added to
- 7 distinguish between the EDDS service and the
- 8 administrator of that service.
- 9 Registration document. The correction to the
- 10 registered compliance, this is being corrected to
- 11 Registered Compliance Document. So, it includes a new
- 12 direct reference to data validation using the XML schema
- 13 provided by the Energy Commission, and an updated
- 14 reference to the DRRM.
- 15 Registration was updated to reference the term
- 16 Compliance Registration Package for clarity.
- 17 Registration provider was updated with the
- 18 corrected reference to the DRRM.
- 19 And other grammatical corrections include
- 20 authorized user. The user name was two words and is
- 21 converted into one word, username.
- 22 And field technician, we deleted a comma.
- 23 All changes to Section 7.3 are for clarification
- 24 only. They include the updated DRRM reference,
- 25 reference to the term Compliance Registration Package,

- 1 and minor grammatical edits, leading caps for Registered
- 2 Compliance Documents which is a defined term, thus
- 3 requiring leading caps.
- 4 Similar to JA7.3, the changes in Section 7.4
- 5 that are for clarification only include the updated DRRM
- 6 reference, references to the term Compliance
- 7 Registration Package, and minor grammatical edits,
- 8 leading caps again and correcting a reference to the XML
- 9 schema.
- 10 A new requirement within Section 7.4.1, the
- 11 Energy Commission has required data registries to
- 12 provide the Energy Commission staff with access to the
- 13 data registries. However, no explicit requirements were
- 14 ever provided regarding the level of scope of access.
- 15 These new requirements provide that level of detail for
- 16 clarity and program oversight.
- 17 And, of course, this is going to be one of those
- 18 things that we are definitely going to be discussing
- 19 with the HERS providers to make sure that first and
- 20 foremost this can be done, and second that they agree
- 21 with this level of access that we are asking for, and we
- 22 will be sharing that language with them.
- The Energy Commission access to the data
- 24 registry shall include a search function which returns a
- 25 summary electronic reports that may be saved and printed

- 1 to the Energy Commission with no limit on size.
- 2 One of our major problems right now is that the
- 3 Energy Commission access to the data registries is very
- 4 limited. We do have to make a lot of concessions along
- 5 these lines to try -- when we want to try and find some
- 6 information in regards to an investigation we're
- 7 performing, or to answer a question that we may have
- 8 from a variety of different sources. It is very
- 9 difficult for us to actually get that information from
- 10 the data registries with these restrictions. So, we do
- 11 need to talk about that with the providers.
- 12 The registration provider shall submit a list of
- 13 all users' accounts at the JA7.4, including name and
- 14 contact information, with user IDs and passwords
- 15 annually.
- 16 We do need to know about this. This has come up
- 17 more often than we would care for to have HERS raters
- 18 that are registered in both HERS providers and to
- 19 resolve some of those issues or to actually highlight
- 20 some of those problems. We would like to have this
- 21 information sent to us on an annual basis so that we can
- 22 check.
- 23 The SRs shall be included in all the following
- 24 filters, date range, code compliance cycle, project
- 25 location, authorized user, and compliance document.

- 1 Each summary report shall have a list of all
- 2 projects which meet the search criteria and include the
- 3 following information, the project name, the project
- 4 address, the authority having jurisdiction, which is
- 5 typically the building department, the project code
- 6 compliance year, a list of all compliance documents
- 7 associated with the project.
- 8 Each summary report shall also include the
- 9 ability to download all records for a single project
- 10 listed on a single report.
- 11 Each summary report shall include the ability to
- 12 download all records for all projects listed on a
- 13 summary report.
- So, this is -- and I kind of hope I'm getting
- 15 some -- I can't really tell right now because of the way
- 16 my screen is set up, but I hope that Russ and the other
- 17 HERS providers are prepared to give me some questions on
- 18 this.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Okay, thank you, Joe.
- 20 MR. LOYER: I've still got a couple slides to go
- 21 here.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: I know. Yeah, okay.
- 23 MR. LOYER: So, continuing on, JA7.4.8 is a new
- 24 section intended to provide the Energy Commission staff
- 25 with the sufficient authority to collect data from the

- 1 data registry for oversight and complaint investigation.
- 2 At any time, Commission staff may request access to
- 3 those documents and associated Compliance Registration
- 4 Packages that a registration provider is required to
- 5 maintain pursuant to Title 24 Part 1, Title 24 Part 6,
- 6 or Appendix JA7. Upon receipt of a request for access,
- 7 a registration provider shall provide Commission staff
- 8 with copies of, or access to those documents and
- 9 associated Compliance Registration Package specified in
- 10 the request within 30 days of the receipt of the
- 11 request, unless granted an extension by Commission
- 12 staff.
- 13 If a registration provider fails to provide
- 14 Commission staff with copies of, or access to those
- 15 documents, and associated Compliance Registration
- 16 Package, the registration shall explain in writing,
- 17 fully and concisely, the basis for their failure to
- 18 provide access or copies of those documents, and
- 19 associated Compliance Registration Package.
- This is basically almost exactly what the
- 21 language is in this Section 7.4.8.
- If a registration provider fails to comply with
- 23 this or any other provision in JA7, Commission staff may
- 24 initiate a review of the registration provider's data
- 25 registry approval pursuant to JA7.8.4.2.

- 1 Changes in Section 7.5 that are for
- 2 clarification only include the updated DRRM and
- 3 reference to the term Compliance Registration Package.
- 4 JA7.5.6.1.2 originally stated that
- 5 nonresidential compliance document registration is not
- 6 effective until January 1, 2025. This reference has no
- 7 regulatory effect and is deleted.
- 8 JA7.5.6.2, revision control. The original
- 9 requirement was to allow data for obsolete versions of
- 10 registered compliance documents not to be retained in
- 11 the data registry. Staff has determined that the Energy
- 12 Commission should be advised regarding obsolete data and
- 13 compliance documents for purposes of program oversight.
- 14 Therefore, this change requires the data
- 15 registry to retain the data associated with obsolete
- 16 Registered Compliance Documents.
- 17 And then, the minor grammatical edits include
- 18 leading caps for Registered Compliance Documents. And
- 19 that's the end of that.
- The changes in 7.6 that are clarification only
- 21 include the updated DRRM reference, reference to the
- 22 term Compliance Registration Package, restriction from
- 23 registering a nonresidential certificate of acceptance
- 24 that is recorded by an ATTCP. Requiring data validation
- 25 to reference the XML schema approved by the Energy

- 1 Commission. And minor grammatical edits, including lead
- 2 caps.
- 3 The changes in Section 7.7 that are for
- 4 clarification only include JA7.7.1.2.1. It discusses
- 5 the means by which an EDDS may upload data to the data
- 6 registry. Minor changes were made to add API as one of
- 7 those options.
- 8 The updated DRRM reference is included. The
- 9 reference to Compliance Registration Package, requiring
- 10 data validation to reference the XML schema, and then
- 11 minor grammatical edits.
- 12 And it's only a few more, I promise. The
- 13 changes in Section 7.7 that are for clarification only
- 14 include JA7.7.1.2.1 -- oh, I'm on the wrong one. There
- 15 we go.
- 16 The changes in 7.8 that are for clarification
- 17 only include the updated DRRM reference. JA7.8.2.6
- 18 discusses the means by which an EDDS may upload data to
- 19 the data registry. Minor changes were made to add API
- 20 as one of those options.
- 21 JA7.8.4.1 is the procedure to initiate
- 22 deactivation of a data registry. This change clarifies
- 23 that the executive director may initiate this process at
- 24 any time upon petition, or recommendation by Energy
- 25 Commission staff.

- 1 JA7.8.5 clarifies that the data registry user
- 2 manual requirements can be satisfied using online help
- 3 screens in the user interface that do not need to be
- 4 published separately.
- 5 JA7.8.5.5 clarifies that if the EDDS user
- 6 instructions contain proprietary information, then these
- 7 instructions do not need to be included in the data
- 8 registry user manual. However, they must be made
- 9 available to all authorized users of that EDDS. And
- 10 then, minor grammatical edits.
- 11 And I believe this is my last slide here. Yep.
- 12 This is a new requirement. This is Section 7.8.2.7.
- 13 This is a new requirement all registration provider
- 14 applicants shall document all quality assurance actions
- 15 taken over the last three years of operation as part of
- 16 their registration provider application.
- 17 This shall include complete documentation of all
- 18 investigations performed by the registration provider
- 19 pertaining to HERS rater performance ratings, field of
- 20 verification, diagnostic testing report, provider
- 21 performance, and any remedies if applicable. And
- 22 complete documentation of all investigations performed
- 23 by the Energy Commission staff pursuant to either Joint
- 24 Appendix JA7 or the HERS regulations.
- 25 Failure to provide and accurate documentation,

- 1 as specified, shall be grounds for denial of
- 2 registration provider application.
- 3 That is probably the most significant add to the
- 4 -- to JA7. And I believe that is the last slide here.
- 5 Yeah, this is on to questions. So.
- 6 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you, Joe, for jumping
- 7 in.
- 8 MR. LOYER: Uh-hum. It looks like I got three.
- 9 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: I don't have any raised hand,
- 10 but we have -- I think we have three questions and
- 11 answers. Peter?
- MR. STRAIT: Sure. Starting at the top, Shelby
- 13 Gatlin asks: Is it intended that the new search
- 14 mandates and reporting requirements apply to 2022 Code
- 15 and forward?
- MR. LOYER: I'll go ahead and answer that. Yes,
- 17 absolutely. This is not a riffraff of code. The Energy
- 18 Commission code is always from the adoption and
- 19 implementation date forward.
- MR. STRAIT: Now, I would add to that a lot of
- 21 these changes I believe are clarifying in nature, so
- 22 there may be areas, if there were misunderstandings
- 23 about what is currently required that these might seem
- 24 to be changes where it's simply making more evident the
- 25 way we interpret the regulations as they exist today,

- 1 correct?
- 2 MR. LOYER: It can be, yes. If they're
- 3 clarifying in that regard, yes. We have, for the
- 4 purpose of clarifying comments, we have had the habit of
- 5 allowing those to be the rule going forward, even before
- 6 the rulemaking is finalized.
- 7 MR. STRAIT: Shelby also asks: There seem to be
- 8 some substantial financial costs associated with these
- 9 new mandates. Have staff considered any of these
- 10 financial costs on the HERS program and homeowners?
- MR. LOYER: So, the substantial financial costs
- 12 to the HERS provider, we're not sure exactly what those
- 13 are which is one of the questions that we will have in
- 14 speaking to the HERS providers about these new
- 15 additions.
- MR. STRAIT: Jim Hodgson representing CHEERS
- 17 states: The search filtering requirements described
- 18 will be very difficult to incorporate given the
- 19 complexity of the existing schema and how the forms
- 20 interrelate.
- 21 Do we want to speak to that at all?
- MR. LOYER: We're not sure that that's the case,
- 23 but we would like to talk to Jim about his concerns and
- 24 find out exactly what would be the barriers to getting
- 25 staff more access to the data registries than what we

- 1 have now.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you, Peter. Thank you,
- 3 Joe.
- We have one raised hand. I'm going to unmute
- 5 you, and go ahead and state your affiliation. I'm
- 6 sorry. Go ahead, you have to unmute yourself from your
- 7 side. There you go.
- 8 MS. WHITE: Lorraine White, California Energy
- 9 Commission, Standards Compliance Office. I want to make
- 10 one clarification. Under Title 20 there is a current
- 11 requirement that staff have access to the databases
- 12 operated by a HERS provider, and that we have full
- 13 access to the information contained within those
- 14 databases.
- 15 There is also an existing retention requirement
- 16 for quality assurance investigations, and investigations
- 17 by HERS providers.
- 18 So, the goal here is to reflect those current
- 19 requirements and necessary expansions of some of those
- 20 requirements in Title 24, rather than just have them by
- 21 reference in Title 20.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you for the
- 23 clarification, Lorraine. And I apologize, I did not --
- 24 although, I should have that about that, sorry.
- MS. WHITE: No worries.

- 1 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: So, I'm going to promote you
- 2 to panelist now.
- 3 MS. WHITE: No worries. Thank you.
- 4 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: I don't see any more comments.
- 5 I don't see any more questions. I don't see any more
- 6 participants raising their hands, Commissioner.
- 7 So, if it's okay with you, I would like to open
- 8 it up for complete comment of what everyone's heard
- 9 today and see if we could get any more comments and
- 10 concerns, or questions.
- If not, I'm also going to post -- I'm showing
- 12 the slide that has the information needed, if you wanted
- 13 to submit your comments in writing.
- So, if it's okay with you, I'm going to open it
- 15 up for anybody that has any --
- 16 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Yah.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: -- comments they would like to
- 18 discuss.
- 19 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: That sounds great to
- 20 me. So, we're moving into just the most open comment
- 21 period that we have, sort of bat and cleanup here on
- 22 really the whole week's hearings.
- I don't think we're seeing the slide with that
- 24 information on it.
- 25 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yeah, I'm the worst -- I'm

- 1 sorry, I'm the worst multitasker, I'm sorry.
- 2 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: No worries, we're
- 3 seeing it now. Thanks.
- 4 So, yeah, I'd just encourage people, everyone,
- 5 attendees to -- now is your time to ask verbal
- 6 questions, but certainly submit comments and, you know,
- 7 get in touch with the appropriate staff if you have
- 8 additional questions, clarifying questions.
- 9 And I think the takeaways in terms of follow up
- 10 with various commenters today, hopefully, everybody, the
- 11 appropriate staff has gotten that down and we can
- 12 iterate on the issues that have come up quickly here, in
- 13 the next coming few days, in, you know, a week or two.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: That would be great. Thank
- 15 you.
- Right now we have Bob Raymer raised his hand.
- 17 So, I'm going to unmute you, sir. And please state your
- 18 name and affiliation.
- 19 MR. RAYMER: Great. Thank you, Payam. This is
- 20 Bob Raymer with the California Building Industry
- 21 Association.
- 22 And I just wanted to say thank you to the staff,
- 23 and especially Commissioner McAllister. You know, while
- 24 we haven't always agreed on everything, it's been great
- 25 working with you guys this time around.

- 1 And we're fully aware of the time and sort of
- 2 stressful situation that you've been under. Every now
- 3 and then there's a lot of differing views coming your
- 4 way and you're doing a heck of a good job to kind of
- 5 ferret through these. And we won't be waiting until
- 6 June 21st.
- 7 Our plan, we're getting comments in from ConSol
- 8 next week. And our plan is to have written comments
- 9 regarding community solar, ducts and conditioned area,
- 10 and whatever other minor tweaks ConSol finds. We'd like
- 11 to have those to you Monday or Tuesday, the 7th or 8th
- 12 of June. So, once again thank you very much.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you, Bob, that would be
- 14 great.
- 15 Also, Nehemiah, go ahead and state your name and
- 16 your affiliation, please.
- 17 MR. STONE: Yeah, Nehemiah Stone, Stone Energy
- 18 Associates. I, too, want to thank you. And I
- 19 particularly want to thank you for at this point finally
- 20 addressing multifamily as its own building type. It has
- 21 been somewhat difficult for some folks in the industry
- 22 to have to deal with this building type as somewhat
- 23 nonresidential, somewhat residential, particularly in
- 24 cases where both 3-story and 4-story multifamily
- 25 buildings are built together. And I really appreciate

- 1 the fact that the Commission has taken on this
- 2 tremendous effort to get it right at this point. So,
- 3 thank you very much.
- 4 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Thanks. I want to
- 5 step in there and actually say back at you, Nehemiah, I
- 6 mean you've been a real stalwart in the multifamily
- 7 space for longer than many of us have probably --
- 8 remember. I remember, but helping us understand what
- 9 that barrier looked and how we might go about solving
- 10 it, you know, you played a big role in that. So,
- 11 thanks, thanks for your advocacy on that front.
- MR. STONE: You're welcome.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you, Nehemiah.
- 14 Gina, you have your hand raised. I'm going to
- 15 unmute you. Go ahead and state your name and
- 16 affiliation, please.
- MS. RODDA: Hello, this is Gina Rodda from Gabel
- 18 Energy, again. I just want to tack on to Nehemiah's
- 19 comment and Commissioner McAllister's comment. I'm also
- 20 looking forward to seeing what we can do to help
- 21 multifamily with our software options and the forms
- 22 associated with multifamily to continue the efforts
- 23 we've seen with the standards' revised language. Thank
- 24 you.
- 25 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you, Gina. That work's

- 1 still a work in progress and, hopefully, we'll have
- 2 something else soon.
- Folks, it's open mic, please, or submit a Q&A.
- 4 MR. STRAIT: We have -- so, that was Joe Loyer's
- 5 brief presentation of the JA7 materials. Do we have any
- 6 other presentations we want to line up before lunch?
- 7 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: No, that's it, Peter. And
- 8 we're ahead of schedule by a few hours. And so, if
- 9 we're not getting any more comments or concerns, I just
- 10 want to give everybody a thank you.
- 11 And also, let everybody know that our tentative
- 12 date to get the 15-day language out on the street is
- 13 July 8th. So, just imagine how much work has to be
- 14 still happening here at the Energy Commission so to get
- 15 the language out for you guys to review. So, if you
- 16 guys could submit your comments to us sooner, I beg you,
- 17 the easier and less cumbersome that is for us. And we
- 18 could actually do a due diligence of really digging deep
- 19 and trying to resolve the issues to get a better set of
- 20 standards out there.
- 21 So, Commissioner, would you like to give the
- 22 closing remarks? And this will end our 45-day hearings
- 23 for the 2022 Code cycle.
- 24 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Yeah. Well, I have
- 25 enjoyed the three days and I really appreciate the

- 1 stakeholders. We still have 91 stakeholders with us, so
- 2 thank you for being with us here until the bitter end of
- 3 the hearings.
- And really, I think it's been very productive.
- 5 You know, there's a lot of content and necessarily, you
- 6 know, not every single detail is in there. But I think
- 7 having stakeholders get a heads up of the changes and so
- 8 that, you know, each person can bring their expertise
- 9 and really go through the language with a fine-toothed
- 10 comb, and with critical perspective to make sure that
- 11 it's clear, and it's doing -- and, you know, that you
- 12 understand it so you can comment, you know, sort of on
- 13 the specific changes you might want or points you might
- 14 make about it. That's all critical. And it needs to
- 15 happen here pretty fast.
- Because as we keep saying, we are in the formal
- 17 rulemaking. And so, you know, on the docket and with
- 18 specific interactions with staff and stakeholders is the
- 19 way we get it all dialed in so that we can get to 15-day
- 20 language with, you know, something very close to the
- 21 final standards. That's the way the process needs to
- 22 work from here on out.
- I just want to thank all the staff. I mean
- 24 you've seen a couple dozen staff here through the course
- 25 of the week, Monday, Thursday and today. And I just, I

- 1 want to thank all the stakeholders.
- 2 But by name, really, Payam, Mazi, Peter Strait,
- 3 Michael Shewmaker, Cheng Moua, Danny Tam, Haile Bucaneg,
- 4 Danny Wong, and Joe Loyer, Simon Lee, Javier Perez,
- 5 Peter Petty, Che Geiser, Jimmy Qaqundah, thank you.
- 6 Matt Chalmers and Adrian Ownby. And Will Vicent, who
- 7 oversees our Building Standards Office, and really is
- 8 behind the scenes doing a lot of lifting.
- 9 And in addition, also behind the scenes Danuta
- 10 Drozdowicz -- Drozdowicz, sorry, Alanna Torres, Hillary
- 11 Weitze, Kerry Chochli (phonetic).
- 12 So, and thanks also to Tajanee Ford-Whelan.
- 13 Thank you very much for all your support
- 14 administratively. And then my Advisor, Bill Pennington
- 15 as well.
- So, thanks all you guys, really appreciate it.
- 17 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you, Commissioner. And
- 18 also the CASE team and the stakeholders, you guys did a
- 19 fabulous job of helping us out this code cycle.
- 20 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Yeah, it really does
- 21 take more than a village here, it really takes a whole
- 22 city.
- 23 And, you know, I'll wax a little, you know,
- 24 nostalgic -- or, a little more poetic here. You know,
- 25 California's a big, diverse state. You know, as Payam

- 1 has shown all three days, we've got 16 climate zones,
- 2 incredible diversity, incredible cultural diversity, and
- 3 incredible richness of, you know, different communities
- 4 and community groups. Also have a lot of challenges in
- 5 terms of equity. We have a housing crisis. We've got
- 6 to build more housing, more affordable housing, more and
- 7 better affordable housing.
- 8 And so, you know, apart from the building
- 9 standards we are actually coordinating across agencies
- 10 in a much more integrated way than I think historically.
- 11 The housing agencies, and other environmental agencies,
- 12 in addition to the four energy agencies. And I think
- 13 that is -- you know, our problems are also related
- 14 organically as well.
- 15 So, I think, you know, we all have to be up to
- 16 the challenge to communicate across silos in ways that
- 17 we haven't, you know, even recently. You know, really,
- 18 the climate crisis does make that vital.
- 19 So, you know, the code is a kind of a core
- 20 foundation for a lot of the work to influence our
- 21 building stock going forward. And I think going forward
- 22 we do need to pay more attention to existing buildings
- 23 and how we can have the code be more relevant for those.
- 24 So, the next cycle, you know, hopefully we'll be able to
- 25 dig into that quite a bit.

- 1 But anyway, I get ahead of us here. We're
- 2 talking about the 2022 update and lots of details to go
- 3 through, still a lot of process.
- We're aiming, as Payam has said, we're aiming at
- 5 the August business meeting to adopt, but a lot of
- 6 milestones have to be met between now and then.
- 7 So, I want to just encourage people again to
- 8 quickly iterate on any remaining questions around this
- 9 code, and also engage if it's relevant for you, engage
- 10 on the environmental impact report, the discussion for
- 11 which is upcoming in the coming weeks as well. So,
- 12 that's also a critical piece that needs to get to the
- 13 August business meeting.
- So, with that I just again want to thank
- 15 everyone and say, you know, until the next time we talk
- 16 about this and certainly, again, want to encourage
- 17 everyone to engage going forward.
- 18 So, with that, I think there's the information
- 19 about final deadline for written comments.
- 20 And anything else, Payam, that you wanted to
- 21 sign off with?
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: No. I wanted to thank you all
- 23 for participating and sticking through this three days
- 24 of hearings. And, hopefully, we get your comments soon.
- 25 Thank you.

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