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THURSDAY, MAY 27, 2021 9:00 A.M.

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1 PROCEEDINGS

- 9:04 A.M.
- 3 THURSDAY, MAY 27, 2021
- 4 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you. So good
- 5 morning, everyone. My name is Payam Bozorgchami,
- 6 project manager for the 2022 Building Energy
- 7 Efficiency Standards. I want to welcome you to
- 8 the Energy Commission's Virtual Lead Commissioner
- 9 hearings for the upcoming California Energy Code.
- 10 The Lead Commissioner overseeing the work that's
- 11 being done for the 2022 Energy Codes is
- 12 Commissioner Andrew McAllister.
- 13 We have scheduled three hearings on the
- 14 45-day Express Terms, and we had our first
- 15 hearing on Monday, May 24th. And this is the
- 16 second hearing where we would like to receive
- 17 your comments regarding the proposed language for
- 18 Part 1 and Part 6 of Title 24. This hearing, we
- 19 will not be taking, or we will not be taking any
- 20 comments, or we will not have any discussions on
- 21 the Environmental Impact Report.
- MS. BECK: Payam, I'm sorry. I'm going
- 23 to stop you for a moment.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yes. I forgot.
- MS. BECK: Can you please record?

- 1 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yes.
- MS. BECK: Thank you.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: So once again, we will
- 4 not be --
- 5 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Hey Payam, why
- 6 don't you -- why don't you start over. Just at
- 7 least do a quick version so we can make sure it's
- 8 all recorded.
- 9 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Sure.
- 10 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Sorry about
- 11 that.
- 12 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Sure. Sure. I
- 13 Apologize, everyone. I kind of got carried away
- 14 for a bit there. So again, this is Payam
- 15 Bozorgchami, project manager of the 2022 Building
- 16 Energy Efficiency Standards. The lead
- 17 commissioner overseeing the work that's being
- 18 done for the 2022 Energy Code is Commissioner
- 19 Andrew McAllister. And this is the second
- 20 hearings that we're having on the 45-day Express
- 21 Terms. We had our first one on Monday, May 24th,
- 22 and we will have our third and last hearings on
- 23 the 45-day Language tomorrow, Friday, May 28th.
- 24 And like I said, these hearings are being led by
- 25 Commissioner Andrew McAllister. And we do really

- 1 want to get your inputs on Part 1 and Part 6 of
- 2 Title 24.
- Before we start, I wanted to provide you
- 4 guys some -- with some housekeeping rules. We
- 5 will be muting everyone, and after each proposed
- 6 subchapter's presented, you can either raise your
- 7 hand and we will unmute you or you can submit
- 8 your questions in the question and answer window.
- 9 And we will have a group of panelists who will
- 10 try to answer your questions. And if we can't,
- 11 we have your information, we will reach out to
- 12 you and have a discussion. Also, if you're
- 13 participating by phone, you can use *9 to raise
- 14 your hand and *6 to mute and unmute yourself.
- 15 One important thing to remember is that when we
- 16 do unmute you, you also need to unmute yourself
- 17 from your side. That's just how Zoom works these
- 18 days. So I may remind you if you don't unmute
- 19 yourself.
- 20 This workshop is being recorded and it is
- 21 being transcribed, as you saw me make that
- 22 mistake earlier. I apologize for that. But when
- 23 you do come to the mic or please state your name
- 24 and your affiliation, so we know who we're
- 25 talking to and who we need to reach back out to

- 1 if needed be. We are also going to implement a
- 2 3-minute rule today and we will ask for one
- 3 speaker per organization to provide comments.
- 4 But depending on the number of presenters or
- 5 commenters that would like to make a comment, we
- 6 may shorten that time period so we could get
- 7 through everything we want to. And we have a lot
- 8 to cover today. And one of the areas that we're
- 9 going to be covering today is the multifamily.
- 10 That's very extensive, very detailed change that
- 11 we've done this Code cycle to the standards.
- 12 Before we start, Commissioner McAllister, would
- 13 you like to give a few words?
- 14 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Yes, sir. Thank
- 15 you, Payam. Thanks, everyone, for being here. I
- 16 thought Monday was a very productive day and I'm
- 17 really looking forward to today as well, where we
- 18 get through the Single-family and then move on to
- 19 the Multifamily in the afternoon. We may be able
- 20 to modify that and accelerate or have to push
- 21 back, depending on how much comment we get and
- 22 how much discussion there is.
- 23 So really appreciate folks giving us some
- 24 indication of their desire to comment so we can
- 25 kind of manage the time and make sure everyone

- 1 has a chance to comment. And then also, you
- 2 know, more or less keep on the schedule that
- 3 we've set out. As Payam said, there is a lot to
- 4 cover. So I want to just encourage people to
- 5 help the whole proceeding be efficient with time.
- 6 But absolutely, we want to hear from everybody
- 7 who has something to say to add. I would ask
- 8 that to the extent possible people, you know,
- 9 kind of respecting that process and being aware
- 10 of everyone's attention here when we have a lot
- 11 of people on the call and, you know, the right
- 12 staff on line at the right moment, throughout the
- 13 course of the day, if you can -- if folks who
- 14 have comments about the specific sections try to
- 15 make their comments at the time for that section,
- 16 and then more general comments that aren't sort
- 17 of specific to a given section or the language
- 18 that we're going through, but if you could hold
- 19 that until the public comment period, that would
- 20 be helpful. That lets us manage the flow of the
- 21 day and make sure that we that we get everybody
- 22 in at the appropriate moment in a way that kind
- 23 of helps the content develop as optimally as
- 24 possible. So we really appreciate that.
- I want to just thank Payam, Staff, Will

- 1 Vicent, the lead of the -- office manager of the
- 2 Building Standards Office, Mike Sokal, the lead
- 3 on the Efficiency Division, the deputy over the
- 4 Efficiency Division. I want to -- just really
- 5 appreciate you and all the staff who will be
- 6 presenting today. Lots of work, obviously, has
- 7 gone through this proposal to get to the point we
- 8 are today with this proposal, with literally
- 9 many, many hundreds of comments and dozens and
- 10 dozens of workshops and just an extensive
- 11 process. So really appreciate everyone's
- 12 commitment to really pushing the Building Code to
- 13 be all it can be and sort of be the appropriate
- 14 assertion of California's leadership in this
- 15 arena. Building codes are you know, they're a
- 16 big, big deal. They're a great policy instrument
- 17 that we have in the State.
- 18 Speaker1: And there's a lot of alignment now with
- 19 the federal government. And I think there's a
- 20 lot of really good, positive momentum in the
- 21 direction we're trying to go. So hearing that
- 22 together with Europe, hearing that across the
- 23 different states, you know, folks are looking at
- 24 this and I think it's a, you know, happy with all
- 25 the engagement that we've gotten.

- 1 Certainly, the stakeholders that are here
- 2 with us today are really the lifeblood of the
- 3 process. So I want to thank you again all for
- 4 being here on Monday, today, and tomorrow. It's
- 5 a long week of hearings, so I really appreciate
- 6 everyone. So with that, I think and again, as
- 7 Payam said, I don't think -- I don't think he
- 8 said it again in a recorded piece, but this is
- 9 about the Express Terms, the 45-day language.
- 10 It's not about the Environmental Impact Report.
- 11 There will be a separate process for that. That
- 12 report has been posted and is available for
- 13 everyone to look at, but it is separate from
- 14 this. So I just wanted to be clear about that.
- 15 So with that, thanks a lot. And looking forward
- 16 to today. And back to you, Payam.
- 17 MR. TAM: Payam, I think you're I mean,
- 18 muted.
- 19 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Sorry, I'm having a little bit
- 20 of computer issues this morning. Apologize.
- 21 So what we're going to be covering today,
- 22 as Commissioner McAllister alluded, we're going
- 23 to be starting out with the Low-rise Residential
- 24 Requirements for Mandatory Performance,
- 25 Prescriptive Additions, and Alterations. What

- 1 you see in red in the agenda, these areas and
- 2 these sections and subsections were presented on
- 3 Monday, May 24th. So we will not be presenting
- 4 on these areas again today. We will try to
- 5 provide a break, either after Subchapter 7, we
- 6 will have a quick open up to the microphones for
- 7 any questions and answers after Subchapter 7 and
- 8 8, or after every subchapter. And we will make
- 9 it, we'll look and do a time check and see if we
- 10 need to take a break and we'll take a break
- 11 either between Subchapter 7 or after Subchapter
- 12 8. After the residential sections are done, we
- 13 will open it up for all comments on the
- 14 residential sections. And if there is not, we
- 15 will do another time check and see if we should
- 16 go ahead and start Multifamily Section Subchapter
- 17 10. We -- starting with the mandatory
- 18 requirements. If not, we'll just jump into lunch
- 19 and do a 30 minute lunch break. Unfortunately,
- 20 we have a lot to cover, and I just want to make
- 21 sure that we're done before 5:00 o'clock.
- 22 So with that let me start like I always
- 23 start with the quick history of the -- of all
- 24 this process and how this all started.
- 25 Two California Assemblyman Charles Warren

- 1 and Al Alquist co-authored what is known today as
- 2 the Warren Alquist Act. This Act gives authority
- 3 to the Energy Commission to develop the Energy
- 4 Code on a triannual basis and local jurisdictions
- 5 to enforce the Energy Codes through the building
- 6 permit process. The Energy Code is developed to
- 7 reduce the wasteful uneconomic, inefficient, and
- 8 or unnecessary consumption of energy.
- 9 This Act was signed into law in 1974 by
- 10 Governor Ronald Reagan. The California Energy
- 11 Commission was launched by Governor Jerry Brown
- 12 in 1975 with the appointment of the first five
- 13 commissioners and the Commission immediately set
- 14 out to meet the extensive mandates of the Warren
- 15 Alquist Act, including the adoption of the first
- 16 Building Energy Efficiency Standards that went
- 17 into effect in 1978. Other goals that have been
- 18 recently bestowed on us here at the Energy
- 19 Commission to the Energy Code. We need to
- 20 consider reduction of greenhouse gases and some
- 21 of the ideas in some of the areas that we've
- 22 looked into, and we're still looking into, is
- 23 self-utilization of PV generation, looking at
- 24 reducing residential building impact on the
- 25 electricity grid and other areas that where we

- 1 can ensure cost effectiveness to society and to
- 2 the building owners as we move forward.
- I always bring this slide up and a lot of
- 4 people are tired of this slide. But I just need
- 5 to make sure everyone's clear that California's
- 6 climatic zones are different than what IECC has
- 7 for California. IECC has Death Valley and
- 8 Sacramento in the same climate zone, that's
- 9 Climate zone 3. And that really doesn't make
- 10 sense for us here in California. So earlier on
- 11 in in Code development, back in the early 80s,
- 12 California decided to investigate the State and
- 13 look at heating degree days and cooling degree
- 14 days. And we came up with the 16 climate zones
- 15 that we are familiar with for California today.
- 16 California has -- Death Valley has Climate zone
- 17 15, one of the hottest regions in the country, if
- 18 not the world, and Climate zone 12 is Sacramento.
- 19 Staff, with the help of our consultants
- 20 and our utility partners, being Pacific Gas and
- 21 Electric, Southern California Edison, San Diego
- 22 Gas and Electric, Sacramento Municipal Utility
- 23 District, Los Angeles Department of Water and
- 24 Power, who with their consultants help support
- 25 our efforts and move into measures for 2022

- 1 forward.
- 2 For this Code cycle our utility partners
- 3 conducted or had 25 workshops where they
- 4 presented their proposed measures that they're
- 5 going to be proposing to the Energy Commission,
- 6 to the public and try to get feedback from the
- 7 public to make sure that they've picked up all
- 8 the concerns and comments and they have a
- 9 proposal that makes sense for California.
- 10 California's staff -- Energy Commission staff
- 11 conducted 18 workshops during our Pre-Rulemaking
- 12 to present the proposed language as the proposed
- 13 measures that we're going to be discussing in
- 14 these hearings. And also what's been presented
- 15 for the 45-day Express Terms.
- 16 The Energy Commission also did receive
- 17 proposals from two entities, one being the
- 18 California Energy Alliance and another one from a
- 19 company named Furtive [ph.]. One thing I do
- 20 personally want to do, I would like to thank
- 21 Alana Torres, Heidi Warner from Energy Solution,
- 22 and Kelly Cunningham from Pacific Gas Electric,
- 23 who really did a fabulous job keeping the
- 24 coordination for the Pre-Rulemaking and the
- 25 continued support throughout the release of the

- 1 Express Term and the 45-day Language. Really,
- 2 without the three of them, we would not be where
- 3 we're at today. We'll still be at the drawing
- 4 board trying to figure things out. Everything
- 5 that we are presenting today did go through a
- 6 Lifecycle Cost Analysis using the latest TDV
- 7 values to show the cost effectiveness to the
- 8 building owner.
- 9 Attached is a schedule of bar codes for now
- 10 to the effective date. One question, one
- 11 comment, one request, one favor I have for
- 12 everybody is from these hearings that you're
- 13 hearing this week, these three Commissioner led
- 14 hearings, we would love to get your comments
- 15 sooner than later. Yes, formally, we were
- 16 supposed to get comments by June 21st, but if the
- 17 sooner we get your comments, the better we could
- 18 work on and get a better set of Standard Language
- 19 out for public review and adoption at our
- 20 business meeting that's going to be held on
- 21 August 11th. That doesn't mean that we're done.
- 22 We still have to work on a lot of things from now
- 23 to the effective date. That we still have
- 24 software to develop, we've got compliance manual,
- 25 the electronic documentations needs to be -- all

- 1 be developed. And we have to go to the
- 2 California Building Standards Commission for
- 3 approval by January of 20 -- or excuse me, I
- 4 think our date is set for December of 2021.
- 5 We're hoping that meanwhile, Staff and
- 6 consultants and the public, you folks were
- 7 working together to develop the compliance manual
- 8 and have those ready. Our goal is to have them
- 9 ready a year in advance of the effective date,
- 10 but I think with everything going on for this
- 11 Code cycle, with the Covid and all of the other
- 12 issues, I think we're might be a few months late
- 13 for that. So we might have -- we will have
- 14 those, at the latest, ready by February of 2022.
- 15 Earlier on, both myself and Commissioner
- 16 McAllister alluded that this workshop is not for
- 17 the discussion of the Environmental Impact
- 18 Report. We will not be taking any comments, or
- 19 we will not be presenting on any topics within
- 20 the Environmental Impact Report. This pretty
- 21 much is the only slide you will see on the
- 22 Environmental Impact Report. But if you're
- 23 interested, this is the website and the Docket
- 24 Number 21-BSTD-02, where you can get a copy of
- 25 the report, evaluate it, and if you have

- 1 comments, public comments are due by July 8th for
- 2 the Environmental Impact Report.
- 3 One ask I have is please do not make the
- 4 mistake of submitting comments to the Docket for
- 5 these hearings to this Docket Number. It will
- 6 not be evaluated. We have for this hearing, the
- 7 Docket Number is 21-BSTD-01. Once again, it's
- 8 21-BSTD-01. And our comments, we're hoping that
- 9 we get them sooner than later, but at the latest,
- 10 we need them by June 21st. You'll see this
- $11\,$ Docket come up over and over again through the --
- 12 through the hearings today.
- 13 The Building Energy Efficiency Standards
- 14 email address and link, excuse me. The website
- 15 is here. This is where you can get the latest
- 16 information on Title 24, Part 6 and Part 1. All
- 17 the compliance documents and all the information
- 18 you need for compliance. And you can get a copy
- 19 of the latest or you could get directions to go
- 20 to the latest proposed measures for 2022. Our
- 21 Pre-Rulemaking Workshop Docket is where we have
- 22 all of our comments that we receive. All of the
- 23 Express Terms that we drafted during the Pre-
- 24 Rulemaking is on this website. And the last one
- 25 is the website to the utility sponsored

- 1 stakeholder website where the utilities have
- 2 comments and draft case reports of what they
- 3 proposed to the Energy Commission.
- 4 Once again, and I said that earlier, you
- 5 will see this slide over and over again. I just
- 6 want to make sure that you guys have the proper
- 7 information to submit comments to us. Here is
- 8 the link. And if you do want to, and I encourage
- 9 not to, but if you do want to, you can submit
- 10 your comments in writing at the address below.
- 11 And the reason I'm not encouraging you to do that
- 12 is because we're not in the office. And by the
- 13 time myself or Peter Strait or someone else gets
- 14 those comments, it might be a little bit short on
- 15 time to really dig in and try to evaluate the
- 16 comment and the concern.
- 17 With that, is there any questions? And
- 18 if not, we're going to go right into the
- 19 presentation by Danny Tam on the Mandatory
- 20 Minimum Express Terms for Residential Rise
- 21 Single-Family Buildings. Danny?
- MR. TAM: Hi. Good morning. Hi. I'm
- 23 Danny Tam, CEC staff. I'll be presenting, along
- 24 with Jeff Miller, the Proposed Mandatory Changes
- 25 for Single-Family Buildings in Subchapter 7.

- 1 First, in Section 150.0(a), we are proposing to
- 2 add a new mandatory requirement for roof deck
- 3 insulation in climate zones 4, and 8 through 16.
- 4 The maximum U-factor would be .184. There is
- 5 also the exception if the ducts and air handler
- 6 are located in the conditioning space. This U-
- 7 Factor is based on R-4 below the deck of a 2.416
- 8 entron [ph.] center.
- 9 Okay. Section 150.0(j)1 is the mandatory
- 10 requirement for EnviroSource tank insulation. We
- 11 have a longstanding requirement for external
- 12 insulation wrap for unfired tank. And the
- 13 proposed changes are for clarity and to update
- 14 that required R-value based on the current
- 15 federal minimum standard for unfired storage
- 16 tank. We also have an existing alternative to
- 17 the wrap, and that has been written as an
- 18 exception. 150.0(j)2 is the mandatory pipe
- 19 insulation requirements. The proposed changes we
- 20 move some legacy Part 6 pipe insulation
- 21 requirements to align the Part 6 requirement with
- 22 the Part 5, the California Plumbing Code. This
- 23 is done to reduce confusion and for better code
- 24 compliance and enforcement.
- Okay. Section 150.0(k), this is where we

- 1 organized to
- 2 improve usability and to reflect changes in
- 3 lighting. There are some updates to the
- 4 subsections to reflect changes in the lighting
- 5 marketplace from legacy light source to LED light
- 6 sources, as well as clarification of the indoor
- 7 lighting control requirements. There are also
- 8 updates to table 150.0(a), with clarifications on
- 9 inseparable SSL luminaires, LED tunable light
- 10 sources. Title 20 general service LED lamps and
- 11 others.
- 12 Currently there are two proposals 15-day
- 13 language change. One is to acquire -- require
- 14 JA10 flickering tests for LED tunable sources.
- 15 The second is to remove the color light source
- 16 from item 2. Item 4 has already included colored
- 17 light sources.
- 18 Okay. Now I turn over to Jeff Miller. He
- 19 will be presenting the rest of the section
- 20 MR. MILLER: Good morning. This is Jeff
- 21 Miller, Energy Commission staff. Are -- can you
- 22 hear me okay?
- MR. TAM: Yes.
- 24 MR. MILLER: Thanks. Okay. Requirements
- 25 in 150.0(m)1B were revised to reduce the duct R-

- 1 value that is required when that system is
- 2 located entirely in conditioned space. Oops,
- 3 sorry. R-values were specified based on research
- 4 that determine moisture condensation on ducts
- 5 would not be expected to occur when ducts have
- 6 insulation with at least R-1 when the duct
- 7 surface emissivity is greater than or equal to
- 8 0.8. Or alternatively, insulation with at least
- $9\,$ R-3 when the duct surface emissivity is less than
- 10 0.8.
- 11 Exception 1 was clarified to better
- 12 describe the characteristics of the exempt types
- 13 and their locations. The ducts intended to be
- 14 exempt are rectangular sheet metal ducts that
- 15 completely fill interior wall cavities, which
- 16 cannot be insulated due to there being no room in
- 17 the wall cavity to add insulation. CEC staff are
- 18 in dialogue with California homebuilder
- 19 stakeholders and space conditioning system
- 20 manufacturer stakeholders who have proposed
- 21 changes to this 45-day language. Therefore, the
- 22 R-value requirements shown in Section 150.0(m)1B
- 23 and the 45-day language may undergo revisions for
- 24 the 15-day day language, depending on the outcome
- 25 of CEC staff discussions with stakeholders and

- 1 further evaluation of the available research.
- 2 Next slide.
- 3 Section 150.0(m)11, which covers duct
- 4 sealing and duct testing was revised to delete
- 5 the reference to Residential Appendix Table
- 6 RA3.1-2 to explicitly reference the air handler
- 7 airflow specifications in Section RA3.1.4.2 and
- 8 to clarify terminology used for air handler
- 9 airflow. Section 150.0(m)12, which covers air
- 10 filtration, was revised to clarify that make-up
- 11 air systems must comply with the same
- 12 requirements as required for other supply
- 13 ventilation systems, and to add a new requirement
- 14 to specify air filter racks or grills be gasketed
- 15 or sealed to eliminate any gaps around the filter
- 16 to prevent air from bypassing the filter.
- 17 Requirement was needed because air filter bypass
- 18 can greatly degrade the air filter effectiveness.
- 19 Next slide.
- 20 Section 150.0(o) covers ventilation and
- 21 indoor air quality. The 2022 California Energy
- 22 Code Update proposes to adopt the most recent
- 23 version of ASHRAE 62.2 with the 2019 version.
- 24 ASHRAE 62.2 is the ANSI Standard for Ventilation
- 25 and Acceptable Indoor Air Quality in Residential

- 1 Buildings developed and published by the American
- 2 Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air
- 3 Conditioning Engineers. The 2022 California
- 4 Energy Code Update also proposes California
- 5 amendments to the 2019 version of ASHRAE 62.2.
- 6 Section 150.0(o) was updated to specify the
- 7 sections of 2019 ASHRAE 62.2 that are not
- 8 proposed to be adopted by reference, which is
- 9 necessary in order to clarify the California
- 10 amendments to ASHRAE 62.2.
- 11 Mechanical ventilation, air flow rate
- 12 requirements are now specified only in Section
- 13 150.0(o). Thus the required ventilation airflow
- 14 is no longer specified by reference to ASHRAE
- 15 62.2.
- 16 Section 150.0(o)1B was updated to clarify
- 17 the requirements for central fan integrated
- 18 ventilation systems, including specifications for
- 19 use of outdoor air dampers, controls and variable
- 20 ventilation controls. The same requirements are
- 21 specified in the multifamily section. Next
- 22 slide.
- 23 Section 150.0(o)1G: Local Mechanical
- 24 Exhaust was added to incorporate the ASHRAE 62.2
- 25 Section 5 requirements entirely, to place them

- 1 into 150.0(o)1. This was done to better
- 2 facilitate specifying the proposed California
- 3 amendments to these local mechanical exhaust
- 4 requirements. The updated restrictive
- 5 ventilation duct sizing table in ASHRAE 62.2 is
- 6 included as a table 150.0-H. And ASHRAE 62.2
- 7 Table 5-2 is included in -- as table 150.0-F.
- 8 Next slide.
- 9 The next few slides describe the
- 10 California amendments to ASHRAE 62.2 local
- 11 exhaust requirements. ASHRAE 62.2 Table 5-1 is
- 12 included as Table 150.0-E with amendments to
- 13 incorporate the California proposed increased
- 14 airflow rates and capture efficiency for range
- 15 hoods. The ASHRAE 62.2 exception to Section 5.1
- 16 for alternating designs is not included in
- 17 Section 150.0(o)1G, thus it is not proposed to be
- 18 adopted by reference. Table 150.0-G, which is
- 19 new for kitchen range hood kitchen range hood
- 20 ventilation rate and capture efficiency.
- 21 Justifies the California proposal for kitchen
- 22 range hood compliance for increased airflow rates
- 23 or alternative compliance using ASTM E3087
- 24 capture efficiency ratings. Next slide.
- 25 These are the proposed -- these are the

- 1 proposed new compliance targets for kitchen range
- 2 hood airflow or capture efficiency. The
- 3 applicant will be required to install a kitchen
- 4 range hood that is rated to meet or exceed either
- 5 the required capture efficiency or airflow target
- 6 as specified in this table, based on the floor
- 7 area of the dwelling unit and the fuel type
- 8 available in the dwelling units kitchen. Next
- 9 slide.
- 10 This slide continues the description of
- 11 the California amendments ASHRAE 62.2 local
- 12 exhaust requirements. The ASHRAE 62.2 Section
- 13 5.3 reference to ASHRAE Guideline 24 was not
- 14 included. This is because ASHRAE has withdrawn
- 15 guideline 24. Airflow rate measurement for local
- 16 exhaust by the installer was clarified in Section
- 17 150.0(o)1Giv as follows: Only the measurement
- 18 methods given in RA3.7 are specified. Option for
- 19 use of manufacturer's other airflow measurement
- 20 methods are not included. The airflow rate
- 21 required when capture efficiency is used for
- 22 compliance is specified to be greater than or
- 23 equal to the airflow rate corresponding to the
- 24 capture efficiency rating point. And Table
- 25 150.0(H), which a prescriptive duct size table

- 1 may be used when capture efficiency is used for
- 2 compliance, regardless of the static pressure at
- 3 the capture efficiency rating point. Next slide.
- 4 And these are the remaining California
- 5 amendments to 2019 ASHRAE 62.2. Sound ratings
- 6 specified in Sections 150.0(o)1Gvi and 150.0(o)1H
- 7 where it clarified to reference the flow rates
- 8 specified in Sections 150.0(o)1C and 150.0(o)1G
- 9 instead of the air flow rates specified in area
- 10 62.2 sections 4 and 5. And this is because all
- 11 airflow rates are now specified in Section
- 12 150.0(o) instead of by reference to ASHRAE 62.2.
- 13 Air flow measurement of whole-dwelling unit
- 14 ventilation in 150.0(o)1H specifies only the
- 15 methods in RA3.7. This is not a change for
- 16 California Energy Code, which has always
- 17 specified the protocols in RA7, but it is a
- 18 California amendment to ASHAE 62.2. The labeling
- 19 requirement for whole-dwelling unit system on-off
- 20 control in Section 150.0(o)1J was revised to
- 21 improve clarity. Section 150.0(o)1K is new, it
- 22 references the relevant combustion air and
- 23 outdoor makeup air requirements in California
- 24 Mechanical Code and ASHRAE 62.2 Section 6.4 and
- 25 limits use of atmospherically vented or a solid

- 1 fuel burning appliances to dwelling units greater
- 2 than 1000 square feet of floor area when the
- 3 appliance is installed inside the dwelling units
- 4 pressure boundary. Next slide.
- 5 And these are the changes to the HERS
- 6 Field Verification requirements in Section
- 7 150.0(o)2. Section 150.0(o)2A, whole-dwelling
- 8 unit ventilation airflow measurement has added
- 9 the ASHRAE 62.2 to specification for determining
- 10 balanced ventilation system air flow rate and the
- 11 ASHRAE 62.2 specification for measurement of
- 12 systems with multiple operating modes. Section
- 13 150.0(o)2B, kitchen local exhaust was clarified
- 14 to be applicable to vented range hoods. Also the
- 15 specification for use of capture efficiency
- 16 ratings for compliance has been added in
- 17 accordance with the proposed use of ASTM capture
- 18 efficiency ratings. In Section 150.0(o)2C is
- 19 new, it includes verification of the HRV or ERV
- 20 fan efficacy \leq 1.0 watt per cfm. And this was
- 21 added to be consistent with the mandatory
- 22 requirement specified for multifamily systems.
- 23 And I believe that concludes my
- 24 presentation.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you, Jeff. Thank

- 1 you, Danny. So we're going to open it up now for
- 2 questions and answers if you want. One thing I
- 3 do want to bring up, that if you feel that this
- 4 is not ample time, three minutes or less, you can
- 5 always submit your comments to our Docket, and we
- 6 will review those one more time and submitted
- 7 comments is just as valuable as raising your hand
- 8 and us hearing your comments here today. And
- 9 also, one thing I wanted to bring up one more
- 10 time is the sooner that we get your comments from
- 11 today's hearing, the better we are. If we could
- 12 get them by next week or the week after would be
- 13 best. Thank you.
- 14 And for that, I'm going to raise -- John
- 15 McHugh has raised his hand. Please state your
- 16 name and affiliation.
- MR. MCHUGH: Can you hear me now?
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yes.
- 19 MR. MCHUGH: This is John McHugh
- 20 representing myself as a
- 21 private citizen. The following comments are
- 22 concerning the changes to Table 150.0(a), and
- 23 then ultimately how this is reflected in the new
- 24 Table 160.5(a) for the new multifamily section.
- 25 In the EIR document I submitted detailed comments

- 1 describing how the proposed changes would remove
- 2 consumer and health -- public health protections
- 3 associated with the JA8 requirements for testing,
- 4 listing, and labeling of lamp's in regards to
- 5 color, quality, flicker, longevity and which
- 6 lamps are suitable for installation in enclosed
- 7 or recessed luminaires. However, these comments
- 8 today are about the enforceability of the
- 9 proposal. Earlier this year, I downloaded the
- 10 JA8 database with a listing of all the quality
- 11 and performance characteristics described for
- 12 62,000 LEDs. Of these, 54,000 of the entries are
- 13 for inseparable luminaires and under the proposed
- 14 change, perhaps none of these would be required
- 15 to be JA8 tested, listed or labeled. There are
- 16 also 1,600 omnidirectional lamps in the JA8
- 17 database, and as Title 20 general service lamps,
- 18 these would no longer be required to be JA8
- 19 tested, listed or labeled. There are also 1,700
- 20 directional lamps, a substantial fraction. You
- 21 know, it's a little bit more difficult to
- 22 understand which is Title 20 regulated general
- 23 service lamps. So there's some, you know, that's
- 24 -- that creates another level. For the remaining
- 25 6% of the sources in the database, some fraction

- 1 of these would be exempted if they are dim to
- 2 warm or color tuning.
- 3 So this change is a major change to the
- 4 standards. And my concern in regards to
- 5 enforcement is that the proposal undermines the
- 6 relatively unambiguous regulatory regime of the
- 7 JA8 test list in labeling and renders this
- 8 simple, unambiguous and unenforcement of LED
- 9 efficacy and quality standards into something
- 10 that is ambiguous and difficult to enforce.
- 11 Under the current enforcement mechanism, if you
- 12 have an indoor luminaire that is capable of
- 13 providing white light, the luminaire or its light
- 14 source shall be labeled JA8. Under that
- 15 proposal, the building inspector would now have
- 16 to determine whether an inseparable light source
- 17 or colored light source is providing general
- 18 lighting or is providing decorative, accent,
- 19 display, utility, under cabinet, or special
- 20 effect. Has there been any discussion with
- 21 standards enforcement about the feasibility of
- 22 parsing this? I can imagine that there could be
- 23 some lawyering.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: John.
- MR. MCHUGH: Yeah.

- 1 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: I apologize, but you
- 2 need to wrap it.
- 3 MR. MCHUGH: I'll wrap up. Some were
- 4 kind of [indiscernible] for the Title 20 lamps.
- 5 These are not labeled so how does the inspector
- 6 know whether or not the Title 20 lamp is labeled?
- 7 I'll provide more detailed comments to the
- 8 record, but --
- 9 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you, John.
- 10 MR. MCHUGH: Yeah. Thank you.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Comment due noted.
- 12 Thank you, John. Peter, do you want to respond,
- 13 or do you want to respond later?
- 14 MR. STRAIT: I can -- I can provide a
- 15 limited response. But again, I think there's a
- 16 larger more detailed topic. And I would look
- 17 forward to going through the comments in writing.
- 18 There have been some differences in
- 19 interpretation of how the changes to the Table
- 20 150.0 would apply. You know, how many would of
- 21 the inseparable luminaires have either dim to
- 22 warm functionality or a color changing
- 23 functionality, etcetera? And the intent of how
- 24 we're trying to scope this, the intent of the
- 25 changes are that lamp -- luminaires that have dim

- 1 to warm or color shifting features necessarily
- 2 have ballasts rather than kind of like a
- 3 ballastless lamp. That would be theoretically
- 4 possible to connect directly with the line
- 5 voltage if it was operating a single color.
- 6 Because of these features, the question
- 7 is, is there a -- is there a similar risk of
- 8 flicker that there was for lamps that were
- 9 considered when these were -- regulations were
- 10 adopted? And if so, is there a risk that's
- 11 sufficient for a government intervention to be
- 12 appropriate? These are lamps that were, or these
- 13 are luminaires, I should say, that were not
- 14 originally considered when these regulations were
- 15 adopted. And so continuing to apply these
- 16 regulations to these new class of luminaires, we
- 17 have to evaluate whether it's appropriate too.
- 18 So and which requirements out of JA8 are
- 19 appropriate to do so.
- We do agree that there may be a reason to
- 21 retain flicker requirements specifically, but
- 22 possibly not requirements in other areas. We're
- 23 going to be evaluating how we might either edit
- 24 J edit the Table 150.0-A or edit JA8 to make
- 25 sure that we're applying appropriate standards to

- 1 appropriate products. But for example, we still
- 2 have a lumen maintenance requirement that was
- 3 critically important when LED lamps were first
- 4 emerging as a technology. But nowadays, every
- 5 luminaires that we see listed practically has a
- 6 lifespan well in excess of 100,000 hours, meaning
- 7 that it's questionable whether the -- a burn and
- $8\,$ test that requires thousands of hours for a
- 9 manufacturer to complete remains necessary for
- 10 this technology.
- 11 So we're -- we will be evaluating some of
- 12 these on the subject of lamps that are regulated
- 13 by Title 20, this is just a question of removing
- 14 duplicate regulation. The requirements in Title
- 15 20 are substantively highly similar to, if not
- 16 identical with the requirements that we have here
- 17 for JA8. So we're bringing these two into
- 18 alignment. It wouldn't be true if these would be
- 19 unregulated, we would simply allow the Title 20
- 20 process to regulate these products and hold them
- 21 to an appropriate set of quality standards.
- 22 So we will -- we will consider the
- 23 comments that John McHugh is promising to prepare
- 24 and submit. We are going to be making some
- 25 revisions to how these apply. It is likely that

- 1 we will be retaining flicker standards, but that
- 2 other standards that don't -- that for where
- 3 the -- where these new class of products have not
- 4 demonstrated to have a shortcoming in need of
- 5 some sort of government oversight, we might pare
- 6 back what's required to apply to those products.
- 7 Again, in part because these products weren't
- 8 part of the original consideration when these
- 9 regulations were drafted. And we want -- we need
- 10 to do our due diligence to make sure that these
- 11 are still appropriate to apply and provide
- 12 material value in doing so.
- 13 Payam, if you are trying to speak you are
- 14 muted.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Kevin Messner, please
- 16 unmute yourself and state your name and your
- 17 affiliation.
- 18 MR. MESSNER: Thank you. This is Kevin
- 19 Messner, the senior vice president at
- 20 [indiscernible] Association of Home Appliance
- 21 Manufacturers. I will, debrief --
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Kevin, I believe we just
- 23 lost your audio. Kevin, can you --
- MR. MESSNER: I'm here.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Sorry about that. I

- 1 don't know what's going on.
- 2 MR. MESSNER: Okay. No problem. It's
- 3 Kevin Messner with the Association of Home
- 4 Appliance Manufacturers. I will be -- try to be
- 5 brief and will submit more detailed comments in
- 6 writing. But I just wanted to touch on a couple
- 7 issues. First of all, I really do want to thank
- 8 CEC staff and others. The work, I think it's
- 9 been -- you know, you all have been listening.
- 10 Speaker5: We still have some concerns with
- 11 issues. But I believe that you guys are
- 12 listening and have -- and have worked through
- 13 some things and some areas in a positive way. So
- 14 I want to thank you for that.
- 15 Couple of those are the issue that's been
- 16 around for a while with the issue with LED lamps
- 17 and range hoods with exhaust fans and the
- 18 problems that deal with LEDs degrading over time.
- 19 So it looks like that's been addressed in
- 20 150.0(k)1. Also, the addition of [indiscernible]
- 21 new directory in the building codes. That's good
- 22 to see. The table that looks at -- it treats the
- 23 gas, the CFM requirements are a lot higher for
- 24 gas than electric.
- 25 We may be commenting on that if it's realized

- 1 there's a overall objective to disadvantage gas,
- 2 but wanted to try to we think that it's a -- it
- 3 may have gone, the scales might have gone a
- 4 little too far on that in an effort to try to
- 5 disadvantage it more than the data shows. But
- 6 we'll provide more details on that in our written
- 7 comments.
- 8 I think I'll just stop there and really,
- 9 again, wanted to say thanks for the collaboration
- 10 and the back and forth from Staff throughout.
- 11 This has been a long process. This goes back for
- 12 a long time. So I think some things are actually
- 13 being addressed in a good way, from our
- 14 perspective, and others gone a little too far.
- 15 But thanks again. I'll stop there.
- 16 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you, Kevin.
- 17 Next, Aaron I'm going to unmute you. Go ahead
- 18 and state your name and affiliation. Thank you.
- 19 MR. PHILLIPS: Thanks, Payam. This is
- 20 Aaron Phillips. I'm vice president of Technical
- 21 Services for the Asphalt Roofing Manufacturers
- 22 Association. And we just want to thank
- 23 Commissioner McAllister for hosting this hearing
- 24 and the CEC staff for providing this opportunity
- 25 for input. We've had good exchange with the

- 1 staff throughout this process and just to thank
- 2 them for that.
- I do want to start out by saying many of
- 4 the proposed changes that are brought forward in
- 5 the Express Terms that affect the roofing
- 6 industry are reasonable, and ARM doesn't oppose
- 7 most of those, although we do not fully agree
- 8 with the cost justification for all of those
- 9 provisions. But I do want to share ARM's
- 10 objection to the proposed mandatory provision in
- 11 Subchapter Seven, Section 150.0(a.)1 that
- 12 requires a minimum amount of insulation at the
- 13 roof deck level of all newly constructed single-
- 14 family residential buildings and all additions to
- 15 such buildings. This provision was introduced
- 16 very late in the development process, providing
- 17 limited opportunity to assess it. Let me just
- 18 highlight a few concerns and we have offered
- 19 written comments as well into the docket.
- 20 First, when we mandate insulation at the
- 21 roof deck level. We're fundamentally changing
- 22 the design of attics and the dynamics of moisture
- 23 management in attics and potentially permitting
- 24 moisture build up, which can lead to mold and
- 25 mildew growth and create health issues for

- 1 occupants. This mandate permits numerous
- 2 combinations of insulation types and locations,
- 3 some of which may not function properly. And I'm
- 4 curious to know what steps have been taken to
- 5 validate that functionality for all the
- 6 combinations that the proposed language permits.
- 7 Second, all roofing systems have to
- 8 comply with other building code provisions of the
- 9 building and residential codes. And again, when
- 10 we just mandate putting insulation at a
- 11 particular location in the building, we
- 12 potentially affect compliance with those existing
- 13 provisions and create a conflict between the
- 14 buildings residential codes and the Energy Codes.
- 15 Just want to know if CEC has considered the
- 16 effect of this provision on potentially creating
- 17 such conflicts.
- 18 And then finally, just as a general
- 19 point, ARM is not a fan or an advocate of
- 20 mandatory requirements. We believe those
- 21 preclude innovation and apply a one size fits all
- 22 approach. We support flexibility in design and
- 23 construction as the best approach to achieve the
- 24 needed energy efficiency improvements.
- 25 So again, thanks to Commissioner

- 1 McAllister and CEC staff. We appreciate this
- 2 opportunity to offer our comments. Thank you.
- 3 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you, Aaron.
- 4 MR. SHIRAKH: May I ask a question?
- 5 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Sure.
- 6 MR. SHIRAKH: This is Maziar Shirakh. So
- 7 this requirement is a R-4 roof deck insulation.
- 8 The prescriptive requirement currently is an R-19
- 9 in most cooling climate zones and all. So I
- $10\,$ guess I'm a little bit puzzled at how is the
- 11 industry complying with the current R-19
- 12 prescriptive requirements. Are they -- this is a
- 13 substantial credit for R-19. Is it being traded
- 14 away, and if it is, what measures are being used
- 15 to trade away the R-19.
- MR. PHILLIPS: Mazi, I don't -- I can't
- 17 speak directly to that. I can offer an opinion,
- 18 but we're not directly involved in the
- 19 installation of the insulation. That's more a
- 20 question for the designer and the insulation
- 21 installers.
- MR. SHIRAKH: Mm-hmm.
- MR. PHILLIPS: But my expectation is
- 24 they're probably using and installing all the
- 25 insulation at this -- at the roof deck level.

- 1 This provision really talks about splitting that
- 2 insulation and putting a portion of it at the
- 3 ceiling level and portion of it at the roof deck
- 4 level, which I think creates a lot of confusion
- 5 and a lot of potential problems.
- 6 MR. SHIRAKH: So I don't know, maybe
- 7 Payam can explain this, but this is not
- 8 splitting. I mean, we assume that this R-38 at
- 9 the ceiling level. And so this would require
- 10 just a minimal amount of insulation at the roof
- 11 deck and research has shown that even R-4 can
- 12 dramatically drop the attic temperature by 30
- 13 degrees Fahrenheit. And we're trying to
- 14 basically take advantage of that. And --
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: So one thing, Mazi. I
- 16 need to jump in real quick. When you say both
- 17 insulation at the roof deck and at the ceiling,
- 18 we're talking about a ventilated attic and a
- 19 study done by Ian Walker at LBNL on homes in the
- 20 Fresno Region and other regions around
- 21 California, showed that by doing so also, we
- 22 really did not see any mold or mildew growth, per
- 23 se. And as long as it's ventilated.
- MR. SHIRAKH: Right. So if it's
- 25 ventilated, then we got two layers of insulation,

- 1 one at the roof deck, one at the ceiling. And
- 2 yeah, the LBNL and others have demonstrated that
- 3 there is no, potential no moisture issues. In
- 4 unventilated sealed attics all the insulation is
- 5 going to be at the roof deck anyways, and so I
- 6 don't know how that conflicts with this
- 7 provision. It's usually they use a spray foam,
- $8\,$ and you automatically meet both the mandatory
- 9 requirement and the prescriptive requirement at
- 10 the same time. So you probably have to have
- 11 another --
- 12 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yeah. I think -- I
- 13 think, Aaron, we're going to have to have a
- 14 discussion offline on this issue.
- MR. SHIRAKH: I want to understand your
- 16 issues better.
- 17 MR. PHILLIPS: Well, that would be
- 18 appreciated, Gentlemen. Thank you.
- 19 MR. SHIRAKH: Thank you.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you, Aaron.
- 21 Thank you so much. Will, I'm going to unmute
- 22 you. Go ahead and state your name and
- 23 affiliation.
- 24 MR. ALLEN: I think I just unmuted
- 25 myself. This is Will Allen with ConSol. I just

- 1 wanted to comment on the duct insulation
- 2 exceptions that were mentioned earlier. I'd like
- 3 to thank, first of all, Payam and everyone else
- 4 at the CEC staff for the ongoing discussions
- 5 we've been having on that and note that we will
- 6 be submitting, you know, written comments in
- 7 advance of the 21st of June deadline. I just
- 8 wanted to note that we consider this to be the
- 9 tightening of the regulations compared to 2019.
- 10 Seems to be a solution in search of a problem,
- 11 given that the research that we're aware of
- 12 suggests that any condensation on uninsulated
- 13 ducts and cavities would not be an issue for
- 14 either building safety or energy use. And so
- 15 with that, again, thank you all for -- thanks to
- 16 Staff for the ongoing discussions we're having.
- 17 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you, Will. And
- 18 we look forward to keep that discussion and
- 19 dialogue going on that topic. Thank you.
- 20 MR. STRAIT: Given that there are no more
- 21 bystanders, should we do the typed Q&As?
- MR. BOZARGCHAMI: Yes, please.
- 23 MR. STRAIT: All right. So taking these
- 24 in order, Laura Petrillo-Groh asks, Section
- 25 150.0(j)1 appears to have a conflict with the

- 1 Federal Standard for Unfired Hot Water Storage
- 2 Tanks. The Federal Efficiency Standards for
- 3 Unfired Hot Water Storage Tanks are established
- 4 with an insulation of R-12.5. Would we explain
- 5 how proposed insulation requirements -- our
- 6 proposed installation requirements do not create
- 7 a conflict?
- 8 MR. TAM: Yeah. This is Danny Tam, CEC
- 9 staff. I'll take that one. So the requirement,
- 10 it's the insulatio9n wrap. So that's a
- 11 longstanding requirement going way back to the
- 12 80s. So there would -- the actual requirement is
- 13 the insulation wrap. So we provided an
- 14 alternative to that requirement if you have a
- 15 tank insulation of R-16 or above. So
- 16 that -- that's why that section was rewritten so
- 17 that, you know, that's more clear. That's
- 18 written as the exception. But the actual
- 19 requirement is the wrap itself.
- 20 MR. QAQUNDAH: And if I can just jump in,
- 21 if there's any more detail or anything, we would
- 22 encourage that comment to be submitted in writing
- 23 with any more detail so we could take a close
- 24 look at it as well.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: And that was, Jimmy,

- 1 please state your name and affiliation.
- 2 MR. QAQUNDAH: Sorry. James Qaqundah.
- 3 Jimmy Qaqundah, from CCO.
- 4 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: He's a staff member at
- 5 the California Energy Commission.
- 6 MR. QAQUNDAH: Correct.
- 7 MR. STRAIGHT: Next question then is from
- 8 Gino Rota [ph.] who asks, with the new mandatory
- 9 roof insulation requirements, are there no
- 10 options to use the performance method to provide
- 11 an alternative solution?
- 12 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: The answer to that is
- 13 no, because this isn't mandatory. So the other
- 14 way is if you have no ducts, if you have no
- 15 mechanical system in the attic or so, they're
- 16 either in the living space or in the crawlspace,
- 17 that -- or if you do not have an attic. So a
- 18 rafter roofs -- so rafter roof, you do not need
- 19 to meet this requirement. This is for roof that
- 20 has an attic underneath it.
- 21 MR. SHIRAKH: What about the ducts in
- 22 conditioned space, Payam?
- 23 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: I said that ducts in
- 24 conditioned space or in the crawlspace.
- MR. SHIRAKH: Yes.

- 1 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Are also exempted.
- 2 MR. SHIRAKH: So there's other ways you
- 3 can do away with this.
- 4 MR. STRAIT: Those are the only questions
- 5 currently in the Q&A box.
- 6 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Okay. I'm going to
- 7 open it up. Any more comments, concerns,
- 8 questions regarding the mandatory residential?
- 9 If not, and if you have comments, please submit
- 10 them to our docket sooner than later. And I just
- 11 received one raised hand from Mike Moore. Go
- 12 ahead and state your name affiliation.
- 13 MR. MOORE: Thank you, Payam. This is
- 14 Mike Moore with Stator LLC, representing HVI.
- 15 And thank you for the opportunity to speak today.
- 16 I did submit, on behalf of HVI, roughly 20 pages
- 17 of comments on this section and a few others. I
- 18 understand that we won't have the time to go over
- 19 those in detail today. But I just wanted to
- 20 express my desire to communicate further with CEC
- 21 staff on this and work through those details and
- 22 hopefully it can result in a -- in a clearer
- 23 standard and better outcome for everyone. So I
- 24 look forward to that opportunity.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you, Mike. So

- 1 with that, Michael Shewmaker, would you like to
- 2 share your screen?
- 3 MR. SHEWMAKER: Sure. Give me one
- 4 second. All right. Hopefully, you guys can see
- 5 that. All right.
- 6 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Perfect. Go ahead,
- 7 Mike.
- 8 MR. SHEWMAKER: All right. Thank you,
- 9 Payam, and good morning, everyone. My name is
- $10\,$ Michael Shewmaker and I'm an Energy Commission
- 11 specialist in the Building Standards Office. And
- 12 this morning, I'm going to present to you the
- 13 proposed changes to Subchapter 8, Section 150.1.
- 14 Before I begin, I want to reiterate that
- 15 I will not be covering the proposed changes to
- 16 Space Heating and Space Cooling, Domestic Water
- 17 Heating, or the PV Requirement because that
- 18 information was covered in our Monday hearing.
- 19 So for those of you who are interested in those
- 20 topics, I would implore you to view the
- 21 presentation from Monday's hearing, a copy of
- 22 which can be found in the docket.
- 23 So this change did not make it into the
- 24 45-day Express Terms, and so we plan to include
- 25 it in the 15-day Language. But in Section

- 1 150.1(b)1, we plan to provide some clarification
- 2 on the various Energy Design Ratings and their
- 3 bearings on compliance. To summarize the changes
- 4 quickly, EDR 1 is based on source energy. EDR 2
- 5 is based on TDV energy and has two components,
- 6 the Energy Efficiency Design Rating and the Solar
- 7 Electric Generation and Demand Flexibility Design
- 8 Rating.
- 9 Your total EDR accounts for both the
- 10 Energy Efficiency Design Rating, as well as the
- 11 Solar Electric Generation and Demand Flexibility
- 12 Design Rating. And last, the proposed building
- 13 shall separately comply with the Source Energy
- 14 Design Rating, Energy Efficiency Design Rating
- 15 and the Total Energy Design Rating.
- 16 In Section 150.1(b) 3B, we consolidated a
- 17 few of the field verification protocol
- 18 references, or EER, SEER, CEER, HSPF, and were
- 19 all consolidated into Subsection i.
- 20 Additionally, we added a reference to the
- 21 Variable Capacity Heat Pump protocol in
- 22 subsection ii.
- In Section 150.1(c)10C, we added fan
- 24 efficacy requirements for central fan integrated
- 25 systems with small duct high velocity air

- 1 handling units. This was done to be consistent
- 2 with the mandatory requirements, and 150,0 (m) 13
- 3 with small duct high velocity and efficacy. I
- 4 should also note that for the 15-day Express
- 5 Terms we planning to move all of Section
- 6 150.1(c)10 with Section 150.0(m)13. This would
- 7 be a non-substantive change since there are no
- 8 performance compliance trade-offs applicable to
- 9 150.1(c)10.
- In Section 150.1(c)11, we did a little
- 11 language cleanup and where we previously said
- 12 solar reflectance, we clarified that we are in
- 13 fact referring to aged solar reflectance.
- In Section 150.1(c)12, we revised the
- 15 ventilation cooling requirements for whole-house
- 16 fans, and now references the Home Ventilating
- 17 Institute Certified Products Directory, instead
- 18 of the CEC's Title 20 Appliance Efficiency
- 19 Database, as it previously did.
- 20 And lastly, we added an exception to
- 21 accept detached accessory dwelling units from a
- 22 Whole House Fan requirements. So that's it for
- 23 the changes to Subchapter 8. And now, as much as
- 24 time will allow, we can open things up for
- 25 questions. Thank you.

- 1 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you, Mikey. I
- 2 don't have any raised hands. Peter is there any?
- 3 MR. STRAIT: There is one comment, and
- 4 I'm seeing if there is a question here. Bruce
- 5 Severence has a comment, but not a question. It
- 6 might be better if they make the comment live, as
- 7 it's -- the purpose of the Q&A box is not for
- 8 comments. I want to make sure that the Q&A box,
- 9 although we will retain these, is kept as a
- 10 vehicle for questions.
- 11 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: So technically, I'm not
- 12 seeing any questions, or I don't see any raised
- 13 hands either. So with that, I thank you, Mikey.
- 14 Excuse me, Mr. Shoemaker. So I think you want to
- 15 open it up for a quick break for about a 10
- 16 minute break, Commissioner. If that's OK with
- 17 you.
- 18 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Yeah. I was
- 19 going to suggest the same. And that'll perhaps
- 20 give people a little more opportunity --
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Sure.
- 22 COMMSSIONER MCALLISTER: -- to formulate
- 23 questions if they do have questions, but really
- 24 appreciate everyone for their attention and
- 25 questions. Very, very helpful. So ten-minute

- 1 break.
- 2 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you. Okay. So
- 3 we will be back, how about at 10:20 we will
- 4 restart.
- 5 (Off the record from 10:08 a.m. until
- 6 10:19 a.m.)
- 7 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: All right. Are
- 8 we ready to jump again?
- 9 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: I think we are. Thank
- 10 you.
- 11 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Okay.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: And I apologize for
- 13 earlier today. I may -- I could not see on my
- 14 computer screen. So whatever I did, I sincerely
- 15 apologize. So I think if Peter's online, I think
- 16 we have one comment that just came in or a -- or
- 17 a question came in, in the Q&A. Peter, do you
- 18 want to take that, or should I take that? Okay.
- 19 I think I'm going to take that as a comment from
- 20 Laura Petrillo-Groh, asking us for Section
- 21 150.1(b) 3B may need to be updated to reflect a
- 22 new efficiency metrics for residential AC and
- 23 heat pumps.
- 24 We'll take a look at that and see if we
- 25 need to update that. Yeah, we'll communicate

- 1 with you, Laura, and we'll work with you. Thank
- 2 you.
- 3 We have a comment that came -- is coming
- 4 in from Russ King from CalCERTS. Can you please
- 5 elaborate on changes mentioned regarding Section
- 6 150.1(b)1 and the EDR?
- 7 I don't see any edits to that section in
- 8 the Express Terms.
- 9 MR. SHEWMAKER: Yeah, this is Michael
- 10 Shewmaker. So those changes did not make it into
- 11 the 45-day Express Terms. So they will be
- 12 included in the 15-day Language. But maybe we
- 13 could update that slide Payam, to include some of
- 14 those bullet points to share that information is
- 15 out there.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Sure.
- 17 MR. SHEWMAKER: So we'll update these
- 18 slides before posting it to the docket.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: So we'll update that
- 20 Russ, and hopefully the new slides will be
- 21 available on our docket by tomorrow.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: And another question --
- 23 a question that's coming from Laura Petrillo-Groh
- 24 is, would CEC please explain its justifications
- 25 for proposing to restrict atmospherically vented

- 1 combustion products from the dwelling unit over
- 2 1,000 square feet? And this is pertaining to
- 3 150.0(o)1K. Jeff, can you answer that question?
- 4 Jeff, if you're on call, you're muted
- 5 MR. MILLER: Sorry. Can you hear me now?
- 6 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yes.
- 7 MR. MILLER: Thanks. The Energy
- 8 Commission is proposing higher airflow rates for
- 9 kitchen range hoods. And so this requirement
- 10 only applies to atmospherically vented combustion
- 11 products that are located inside the air barrier
- 12 of a dwelling units. And so for smaller dwelling
- 13 units, the higher airflow rates from the kitchen
- 14 range hood poses a problem for back-drafting. So
- 15 that's the idea behind that. Does that answer
- 16 your question?
- 17 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Laura, do you want to
- 18 raise your hand and I can unmute you and we can
- 19 have a dialogue, or if you're good, guess we're
- 20 going to move on, and we can have a side
- 21 conversation on that.
- 22 So Jeff, the question that is coming from
- 23 Laura is which case report is this covered in?
- MR. MILLER: I think it should be in the
- 25 Indoor Air Quality Case Report, although I have

- 1 to go looking to find that.
- 2 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Okav. Okav. Thank
- 3 you, Jeff. Thank you, Laura. Any other? If
- 4 not, I think Cheng, go ahead and start on the
- 5 Additions and Alterations for Residential,
- 6 please.
- 7 MR. MOUA: I'm sorry. I was muted. So
- 8 just to confirm, can you hear me okay?
- 9 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Perfect. Go ahead.
- 10 MR. MOUA:? All right. And you see my
- 11 screen, right?
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yes, we can.
- 13 MR. MOUA: Okay. So thank you and good
- 14 morning, everyone. My name is Cheng Moua. I am
- 15 a mechanical engineer here in the Building
- 16 Standards Office. I'll be covering the 2022
- 17 Standard Subchapter 9. This is the Requirements
- 18 for Single-Family Additions and Alterations. The
- 19 subject matter areas that were revised include
- 20 some HVAC, some clarifying language relating to
- 21 IAQ, and some new envelope requirements. And
- 22 I'll be presenting them in that order.
- 23 So for HVAC there were, in general 4
- 24 revisions to the existing requirements. The
- 25 first one being the trigger for duct sealing and

- 1 duct insulation requirements. This is found in
- 2 Section 150.2(a) Exception 5 for additions, and
- 3 Section 150.2(b)1B for alterations.
- 4 For additions, duct sealing and duct
- 5 insulation requirements are now triggered if you
- 6 extend the ducts of any length to serve ana
- 7 addition, you have to do that first test and
- 8 insulate to prescriptive levels. For the system
- 9 alterations, duct sealing and duct insulation
- 10 requirements are triggered when more than 25 feet
- 11 of new or replacement ducts are installed. So in
- 12 comparison, the current 2019 Standards trigger is
- 13 40 feet of ducts for both additions and
- 14 alterations.
- 15 The Duct Sealing Leakage Target was also
- 16 revised in the 2022 Standards. This is again
- 17 pertaining to prescriptive HERS duct testing in
- 18 Section 150.2(b)1D for altered ducts. And
- 19 150.2(b)1E for altered space conditioning
- 20 systems. They now to now require the HERS rater
- 21 to test the ducts and verify that the duct
- 22 leakage is equal to or less than 10% of the system
- 23 airflow or 7% or less leakage to the outside if
- 24 you choose that option. So again, 2019 Standards
- 25 are 15% and 10% respectively, to the outside.

- 1 Duct Insulation [indiscernible] for
- 2 Alterations are revised. This is to align with
- 3 new construction prescriptive requirements.
- 4 Doing that increases insulation levels for
- 5 Climate zones 1, 2, 4, 8, 9, 10, 12, and 13 from
- 6 R-6 to R-8, as summarized in this Table. There's
- 7 no change to the other Climate zones.
- 8 There is a revision to Section 150.2(b)1G
- 9 that prohibits electric resistance heating for
- 10 certain conditions. This is when the electric
- 11 resistance heating is being replaced. So current
- 12 Code allows replacement equipment to be the
- 13 existing fuel type. The 2022 requirement
- 14 prohibits electric resistant heating when that
- 15 heating system is part of a new or replacement
- 16 ducted cooling system. So this is intended to
- 17 move to heat pump technology when both electric
- 18 resistance and the cooling equipment is being
- 19 replaced. Again, does not apply to non-ducted
- 20 systems. Does not apply if only the electric
- 21 resistance heating equipment is being replaced,
- 22 or if you have no cooling.
- 23 Lastly, it doesn't apply to Climate zone
- 24 7 or 15. So moving onto the IAQ of ventilation
- 25 revisions. The revisions that were made were

- 1 mainly to clarify the requirements for specific
- 2 components of ventilation systems when it's part
- 3 of a addition or being altered from the 2019
- 4 Standards, in general, requires new or altered
- 5 components to meet the mandatory measures, which
- 6 the IAQ requirements are and points to those
- 7 applicable Sections in 150.0. The revisions here
- $8\,$ are meant to be more explicit to describe what
- 9 IAQ requirements apply and when.
- 10 So for Whole Dwelling Unit Mechanical
- 11 Ventilation Section 150.2(a)1C, which is the
- 12 prescriptive requirement for additions and
- 13 150.2(a)2Cia, which is the Performance
- 14 Requirements for Additions. They were revised.
- 15 This revision moves the exception for additions
- 16 less than or equal to 1,000 square feet from the
- 17 Whole Dwelling Ventilation Requirements, down to
- 18 these new sections. So this also clarifies that
- 19 junior accessory units that are additions to an
- 20 existing building are also not required to meet
- 21 the Whole Dwelling Ventilation Requirements. So
- 22 junior accessory dwelling units are dwelling
- 23 units less than 500 square feet that are
- 24 contained within an existing single family
- 25 building. This is a new definition for the 2022

- 1 Standards.
- 2 Section 150.2(a)1Cii and Section
- 3 150.2(a)2Cii were revised for Local Mechanical
- 4 Exhaust Requirements in Section 150.0. So it's
- 5 basically there to clarify that it does not
- 6 apply, I mean does apply to additions. Sorry
- 7 about that. So if you add a kitchen or bathroom,
- 8 it has to comply with the Local Mechanical
- 9 Exhaust Requirements.
- 10 For alterations, Section 150.2(b)1L was
- 11 added for Entirely New or Complete Replacement
- 12 Ventilation systems. So this is installing a new
- 13 ventilation fan and at least 75% of new ducting.
- 14 So entirely new systems must comply with the same
- 15 mandatory requirements as new construction.
- 16 Section 150.2(b) 1M was added to clarify
- 17 when Altered Ventilation Systems occur. It
- 18 specifies when replacement whole dwelling
- 19 ventilation fans must comply with airflow
- 20 requirements and be HERS verified. So it also
- 21 specifies when kitchen exhaust systems need to
- 22 comply with local ventilation requirements for
- 23 airflow or capture efficiency.
- So in general, homes that were required
- 25 by a previous building permit to meet whole-

- 1 dwelling ventilation or kitchen exhaust
- 2 requirements, the replacement fans must, again,
- 3 meet the current requirements. So homes that
- 4 were built when Whole-dwelling or Kitchen Exhaust
- 5 Ventilation Requirements did not exist, don't
- 6 need to comply with the current Code.
- 7 Replacement bathroom fans must comply with Local
- 8 Ventilation Requirements in Section 150(o). Same
- 9 as new construction. And all replacement fans
- 10 must be rated for airflow and sound in accordance
- 11 with ASHRAE 62.2. And those requirements in
- 12 Section 150(o). And of course, replacement fans
- 13 must be rated with an airflow greater than the
- 14 airflow required for compliance.
- 15 Section 150.2(b)2A, which is the
- 16 Performance Approach for Alterations, was simply
- 17 revised to clarify that entirely new or altered
- 18 ventilation systems must comply with the sections
- 19 we just went over. So that's 150.2(b)1L and
- $20 \quad 150.2 \text{ (b) } 1\text{M}.$
- 21 Next we get into the Envelope Revisions
- 22 in Subchapter 9, Section 150.2(b)1I for Roof
- 23 Replacement and Roof Recovers was revised to
- 24 expand the current cool roof requirements for
- 25 steep-sloped and low-sloped roofs to additional

- 1 Climate zones. So this revises some of the --
- 2 this also revises some of the exceptions. As you
- 3 can see in the Table, for steep-sloped roofs in
- 4 Climate zones 4, 8, 9 now require a Solar
- 5 Reflectance of .2. And a Thermal Emittance of
- 6 .75.
- For low-sloped roofs, Climate zones 4, 6
- 8 through 12, and 14 require a Solar Reflectance
- 9 of .63 and Thermal Emittance of .75. So the
- 10 revisions to this section also add a requirement
- 11 for above roof deck insulation for low-sloped
- 12 roofs. For this, requirement is R-14 above deck
- 13 in Climate zone 1, 2, 4, and 8 through 16.
- 14 Section 150.2(a)1B was revised to align
- 15 Attic Insulation for Additions less than or equal
- 16 to 700 square feet to the prescriptive new
- 17 construction requirements. So this increases
- 18 insulation levels for Climate zones 2, 4, 8, 9,
- 19 10 to R-38. Section 150.2(b)1B and Section
- 20 150.2(b)1J was revised for Attic Insulation
- 21 During Alterations. So when the entire duct
- 22 system located in the attic is in place, it also
- 23 now triggers the Attic Insulation Requirements.
- 24 Revisions also increased the attic insulation
- 25 when it's altered for some Climate zones. So

- 1 depending upon what the existing insulation level
- 2 is, that's showing in the Table here. Revisions
- 3 add requirement to air seal all accessible areas
- 4 of the ceiling plane between the attic and the
- 5 conditioned space. This is in accordance with
- 6 Section 110.7 of the Standards. And recessed
- 7 luminaires must be covered with insulation to the
- $8\,$ same depth as the rest of the attic. But this
- 9 requires recessed luminaires to get IC rated.
- 10 Lastly, we have some known updates for
- 11 Subchapter 9 that we'll be revising for
- 12 draft -- for the draft 15-day Language. First is
- 13 to revise exceptions to Section 150.2(b)1Ji and
- 14 iii, eliminate the Third Party Verification of
- 15 Existing Conditions requirement. This is when
- 16 ceilings are being altered. But this change is
- 17 due to concerns over verification costs.
- 18 Also, Section 150.2 requirements has
- 19 quite a few references to the Mandatory 150.1 and
- 20 Tables that are currently being referenced in
- 21 Section 150.2 for additions and alterations. So
- 22 revisions to the 15-day Language will correct
- 23 some of these references.
- 24 So this completes my presentation for
- 25 Subchapter 9, the Additions and Alterations for

- 1 Single Family. We can take any questions if
- 2 there's any, Payam. Thank you.
- 3 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you, Cheng. Do
- 4 we have any raised hands. I don't at this time.
- 5 Peter, do you have any questions and answers?
- 6 MR. STRAIT: We do have one question in
- 7 the Q&A box, and this is from Laura Petrillo-Groh
- 8 who asks, are the cases when the kitchen fans, in
- 9 Additions or Alterations need to meet the higher
- 10 exhaust limits but is impacting atmospherically
- 11 [indiscernible] cases. I'm sorry. Not
- 12 [indiscernible], where these kitchen fans impact
- 13 atmospherically vented combustion equipment?
- MR. MOUA: I'd be --
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Okay. Go ahead.
- MR. MOUA: Oh, I was going to say the
- 17 Kitchen Range Hood requirements would be
- 18 triggered for Alterations and Additions where
- 19 again, the requirement's applied at the time of
- 20 permit. So any additions and alterations where
- 21 the requirement applied at the time of a previous
- 22 permit, then they would need to comply again when
- 23 that kitchen fan is replaced.
- 24 Jeff, if you have anything more, to add
- 25 there.

- 1 MR. MILLER: Can you hear me?
- 2 MR. MOUA: Yes.
- 3 MR. MILLER: I -- I'd have to double
- 4 check the references. My best recollection is
- 5 that all of the requirements for local
- 6 ventilation should be required to be met for an
- 7 addition. So that would include the requirement
- $8\,$ that atmospherically vented appliances should not
- 9 be used in the very small dwelling units, those
- 10 smaller than 1,000 square feet. But I have to
- 11 double check to see if its language is actually
- 12 structured that way. That's the intention, I
- 13 believe.
- 14 MR. MOUA: Yeah. Thank you. Yeah. The
- 15 question was. Yeah. For Alterations and
- 16 Additions so it's different scenarios there, but
- 17 yes, we'll get -- we can a double check on that.
- 18 MR. STRAIT: We did receive one
- 19 additional question. Bruce Severence asked -
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Peter?
- MR. STRAIT: Yes.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Can I interject real
- 23 quick? Laura just raised her hand too.
- MR. STRAIT: Oh. Okay.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Let me, since we're on

- 1 the same topic, let's --
- 2 MR. STRAIT: Yeah.
- 3 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Let's -- sorry about
- 4 that, Bruce.
- 5 MR. STRAIT: No that was a good catch.
- 6 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Go ahead, Laura. State
- 7 your name and affiliation.
- 8 MS. PETRILLOI-GROH: Hello. This is
- 9 Laura Petrillo-Groh with the Air Conditioning,
- 10 Heating, and Refrigeration Institute. Thank you
- 11 for entertaining all my questions, especially
- 12 about the atmospherically and the atmospheric
- 13 atmospherically vented combustion products. So I
- 14 just want to make sure I understand you all
- 15 correctly. So in the case of alteration, the code
- 16 applied, and the code that -- it does not need to
- 17 meet the new code so I could install a
- 18 atmospherically vented combustion product in its
- 19 -- in an alteration under 100 -- under a 1,000
- 20 square feet. Is that correct?
- 21 MR. MILLER: Golly. I'm probably don't
- 22 completely understand your question. There are
- 23 differences in the requirements for additions as
- 24 compared to alterations. And if there was a pre-
- 25 existing appliance there, we wouldn't -- we

- 1 wouldn't force it to be removed. That's the way
- 2 we usually handle alterations. So is a question
- 3 about alterations or additions?
- 4 MS. PETRILLO-GROH: It was about both,
- 5 but I think you cleared up the additional portion
- 6 with your response, Jeff, so appreciated that. I
- 7 was just more interested if there was
- 8 a -- atmospherically vented water heater in a
- 9 dwelling under a 1,000 square feet, would it
- 10 appeared to be -- would it -- would this Code a
- 11 replacement in kind of that equipment type?
- MR. MILLER: I would not expected
- 13 it -- that to be the case. You know, with that
- 14 said, these kinds of installations are not likely
- 15 to be present in newly constructed buildings.
- 16 And increasingly, I think these types of
- 17 installations are being replaced with closed
- 18 combustion appliances, which are safer for the
- 19 building occupants. Do you agree with that?
- 20 MS. PETRILLO-GROH: I know I live in a,
- 21 not in California, but in a 1,100 square foot
- 22 townhouse built in 1850 and I have an
- 23 atmospherically vented water heater.
- MR. MILLER: Right.
- MS. PETRILLO-GROH: So I'm just trying to

- 1 transpose the situation into California. I
- 2 appreciate the response.
- 3 MR. MILLER: Sure.
- 4 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Peter, go ahead. Thank
- 5 you. Thank you, Laura. Thank you, Jeff.
- 6 MR. STRAIT: No problem. Bruce Severance
- 7 asks, if additional attic insulation is required
- 8 at time of duct replacement, is the additional
- 9 insulation required to be blown varieties that
- 10 burry insulation. And our new ducts consequently
- 11 required to be on the floor of the attic so they
- 12 can be buried?
- MR. SHEWMAKER: This is Michael
- 14 Shewmaker. I can take that one. No. We do not
- 15 require any specific insulation type. So you can
- 16 use pretty much whatever you want. And no, there
- 17 is no proposed requirement that those dust be
- 18 located on the attic floor. But if that's, you
- 19 know, the route you kind of choose to go, you're
- 20 certainly open to that option.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you, Mikey.
- MR. STRAIT: I don't have any other
- 23 questions in the Q&A box currently.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Okay. So right now, I
- 25 think we're going to open it up for the question

- 1 and answer for the morning part. And I'm, like I
- 2 said, I'm going to put this slide back up for
- 3 people to know that you can submit your comments
- 4 in writing to our docket and this is just as
- 5 valuable as you presenting or participating live
- 6 here with us today. So any comments, any
- 7 questions on anything that you've heard so far
- 8 this morning? If not, Commissioner, are you okay
- 9 with us moving forward with the first part of the
- 10 afternoon, the Mandatory Minimum Requirements for
- 11 Multifamily Buildings? Commissioner?
- 12 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Sorry about
- 13 that, Payam. I was using the wrong microphone.
- 14 Yeah, I'm fine if we're wrapped up with the
- 15 morning's agenda. I think it makes sense to
- 16 continue on and just push forward until our
- 17 previously scheduled lunch time.
- 18 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Sure. Sure. Sure.
- 19 Thank you. And folks if we could get your
- 20 comments and questions to our dockets sooner.
- 21 Like I said again, I'm going to say it over and
- 22 over again by next week or the week after would
- 23 be very beneficial for us to get the proper
- 24 language out for adoption in August
- 25 With that, Javier Perez is going to be

- 1 taking over from here on. And he's going to be
- 2 presenting the Multifamily Mandatory Measure
- 3 Requirements.
- 4 MR. PEREZ: All right. Can you hear me
- 5 okay?
- 6 MR. STRAIT: Yes, we can hear you.
- 7 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yeah. Perfect.
- 8 MR. PEREZ: Okay. Thank you. So my
- 9 name's Javier Perez with the Building Standards
- 10 Office. I'm an Energy Commission specialists,
- 11 and I'll be doing all three subchapters for
- 12 multifamily buildings, this include, Mandatory
- 13 Measures, Prescriptive Requirements, and then
- 14 Additions and Alterations to Multifamily
- 15 Buildings. It's going to be a long day for me,
- 16 so hopefully you guys aren't too annoyed with my
- 17 voice.
- 18 So one of the things that we tried to
- 19 take care of with the Multifamily Requirements is
- 20 to try to merge the requirements as they pertain
- 21 to low-rise and high-rise multifamily buildings
- 22 and also relocate them to specific subsections
- 23 dedicated only to multifamily buildings. If
- 24 you're familiar with the 2019 Energy Code, or
- 25 really anything back to probably the 80s, there's

- 1 been a line drawn between low-rise residential
- 2 buildings, which are buildings with three or
- 3 fewer habitable stories, and high-rise
- 4 multifamily buildings, which are buildings with
- 5 four or more habitable stories. A habitable
- 6 stories is just a story that's 50% or more above
- 7 grade with -- designed for eating, living,
- 8 sleeping or cooking conditions, generally, and
- 9 above grade. I think conditions, generally, and
- $10\,$ above grade is kind of how we describe it.
- 11 So having said that, what we try to do,
- 12 and this is something that industry and different
- 13 stakeholders requested, was to separate that line
- 14 and move all of the language into a separate
- 15 section to make it a little bit more simple for
- 16 navigation and determining which requirements
- 17 apply to these types of buildings. So we created
- 18 three new Multifamily Subchapter, Subchapters 10,
- 19 11 and 12. 10 being mandatory where we're at.
- 20 And then 11 and 12 later.
- 21 Where appropriate, we blended the
- 22 requirements, or merged them, and it was cost
- 23 effective and technically feasible. You know, we
- 24 applied the more restrictive requirement as much
- 25 as we could. And in areas where that was not an

- 1 option, clear lines were drawn to say we're going
- 2 to follow business as usual with low-rise
- 3 requirements following different requirements,
- 4 and high-rise requirements. There were also
- 5 increased efficiency measures that were
- 6 introduced, and I'll try to highlight all of that
- 7 material this afternoon. Or it's not afternoon.
- 8 Right now.
- 9 Okay. So what subchapters were affected
- 10 in the 2019 Energy Code High-rise Residential
- 11 Subchapters for Mandatory Requirements, existence
- 12 of Chapters 3 and 4, grouped in with
- 13 nonresidential and hotel motel requirements. And
- 14 for low-rise, this is in Subchapter 7. So all of
- 15 that language was moved into Subchapter 10, which
- 16 is what we're discussing today. All right. So
- 17 let's get into it.
- 18 Ceiling and Roof Insulation. One of the
- 19 things that was identified in this process was
- 20 that in multifamily buildings that don't have
- 21 attics, there can be significant challenges. And
- 22 we wanted to create a separate pathway for
- 23 multifamily buildings without attics, and as
- 24 compared to those with attics. So for Mandatory
- 25 Insulation, R-22 is the expectation when you have

- 1 a building with an attic. And this follows the
- 2 low-rise residential mandatory requirements
- 3 currently and previously found in Section 150.0.
- 4 Buildings without an attics -- without an
- 5 attic, the requirements vary by assembly type.
- 6 This generally follows the nonresidential
- 7 mandatory insulation requirements that previously
- 8 and continue to be found in 120.7. So whether
- 9 you have metal frame, metal building, wood frame,
- 10 those requirements vary, and they're treated
- 11 differently than buildings with attics. Okay.
- 12 Moving on to the Wall Insulation
- 13 Requirements. Again, we tried to merge the
- 14 requirements, and if you have wood frame, 2x4
- 15 assemblies, max U-factor of 0.102, which is the
- 16 result of having R- 13 and 2x4. But
- 17 [indiscernible] on center, if you have 2x6, the
- 18 expectation is R-19, or U-factor 0.071 in the
- 19 event that you have different types of wood
- 20 framed assemblies. And this follows -- low-rise
- 21 res also follows the high-rise res requirements
- 22 that were previously in the 2019 Code. Or I
- 23 quess that are currently in the 2019 Code. And
- 24 for all other assemblies, similar to the roof
- 25 level or ceiling that one insulation's

- 1 requirement they vary by. Assembly type, whether
- 2 it's a metal building, metal framed, or the light
- 3 mass, the requirements will vary.
- 4 So Raised Floor Insulation or Soffits, we
- 5 merged those requirements as well. Similarly, if
- 6 you've got a wood framed assembly and 2x6, R-19
- 7 is the mandatory requirement or U-factor. This
- 8 follows low-rise res requirements and applies to
- 9 all multifamily buildings moving forward. And
- 10 all other assembly types, again, vary by what is
- 11 designed, whether you raised mass, heated slab,
- 12 etcetera. Those requirements do vary, and again,
- 13 they're just pulled over from existing language
- 14 in the non-res high-rise res and hotel motel
- 15 mandatory requirements that currently exist in
- 16 120.7.
- 17 I tried to group these together and to
- 18 try to simplify some of the requirements that
- 19 they're just going to be common practice and I
- 20 don't think this is too much of a change. But
- 21 Vapor Retarder requirements exist only in the
- 22 low-rise residential sections and the mandatory
- 23 sections, and they apply to unvented and
- 24 controlled-ventilated crawl spaces, as well as to
- 25 assemblies in Climate zones 14 and 16. What

- 1 we've done is we've expanded those to apply to
- 2 all multifamily buildings, regardless of floors.
- 3 And similarly, for Fenestration Products,
- 4 low-rise residential has a mandatory maximum
- 5 weighted average U-factor of 0.58. If you're
- 6 curious what that looks like, it's dual pane
- 7 non-metal fenestration product. Operable is the
- 8 reference point for that. And that's not to say
- 9 that you can't install something that doesn't
- 10 meet that Weighted Average U-factor. The
- 11 weighted average component is essentially there
- 12 to stay as long as overall your windows can
- 13 average out to meet the U-factor of .058, you're
- 14 in compliance. And those numbers are pretty
- 15 reasonable as far as a mandatory measure.
- 16 Fireplaces, Decorative Gas Logs,
- 17 and -- Decorative Gas Appliances, and Gas Logs.
- 18 There are specific requirements for these systems
- 19 in low-rise residential buildings and again, have
- 20 been translated to apply to all multifamily
- 21 buildings moving forward.
- Okay. Now, getting into the dwelling
- 23 units filtration indoor -- and indoor air quality
- 24 requirements. Jeff Miller spoke to that in some
- 25 detail this morning. And for the most part, the

- 1 dwelling units ventilation requirements follow
- 2 the single-family indoor air quality
- 3 requirements, with the following exceptions: the
- 4 ventilation rate requirements are a little bit
- 5 more restrictive in the sense that they require a
- 6 little more airflow. For multifamily unit,
- 7 that's consistent with current practice and
- 8 multifamily airflow rates are a little bit higher
- 9 than single-family dwelling units.
- 10 We also clarified terminology for
- 11 balanced and supply or exhaust systems with
- 12 compartmentalization. And we've also, again,
- 13 similar against low-rise res, introduced the new
- 14 maximum 1.0 watt per cfm for fan efficacy
- 15 requirements for balanced ventilation systems
- 16 that have heat recovery ventilators or energy
- 17 recovery ventilators. And again, these are for
- 18 systems serving individual dwelling units. So
- 19 that's -- this is the caveat for this
- 20 requirement.
- 21 Moving forward between 45 and
- 22 5th-day -- 15-day, we'll be modifying language to
- 23 identify which protocols are more appropriately
- 24 identified, which protocols are applicable for
- 25 testing of these systems with that reference --

- 1 the residential reference dependency testing
- 2 protocols applying to buildings with three or
- 3 fewer habitable stories. And then the
- 4 nonresidential appendices for buildings with four
- 5 or more habitable stories.
- 6 Okay. For multifamily buildings with
- 7 central ventilation systems, language has been
- 8 modified to more clearly describe what tolerances
- 9 are available for determining how much the
- 10 ventilation requirements can vary from dwelling
- 11 to dwelling when the system serves multiple
- 12 dwelling units. The idea is that the Energy Code
- 13 does require a minimum ventilation rate. From
- 14 there, the design ventilation rate, which is what
- 15 the designer will specify, can be higher than
- 16 that. And that higher point is where any
- 17 variances are measured.
- 18 So if you're here for the ventilation
- 19 requirements, this is language that was developed
- 20 and has some industry to make sure that we're
- 21 clear about how to apply those tolerances for
- 22 systems serving multiple dwelling units. And
- 23 Jeff Miller has been working on that extensively
- 24 to try and get that language to a place where
- 25 it's palatable for all audiences.

- 1 Now, with regards to HRV and ERV system
- 2 efficacy, we'll talk about this a little bit
- 3 later. But there are the prescriptive
- 4 requirements for ERVs and HRV for balance systems
- 5 serving individual dwelling units. There's an
- 6 establishment of minimum sensible recovery
- 7 efficiency and fan efficacy requirements. That
- 8 language, we'll hit on that a little bit later.
- 9 And 170.2 in the prescriptive section will likely
- 10 be moved over to this ventilation section to more
- 11 appropriately encompass all ventilation
- 12 requirements within one section for dwelling
- 13 units. So you may see some transplanting of
- 14 language at 15-day related to this requirement.
- In this section for HRV also incorporates
- 16 certain HERS verification requirements for fan
- 17 efficacy and sensible heat recovery efficiency
- 18 requirements. Also as part of the 2022
- 19 requirements, central ventilation systems to have
- 20 to meet duct sealing requirements and leakage
- 21 testing requirements for those systems.
- Okay. Common Areas. Common areas are
- 23 following the nonresidential ventilation
- 24 requirements of 120.1, which generally follows
- 25 ASHRAE 62.1. And 15-day Language, i's expected

- 1 to be modified to more appropriately identify the
- 2 common areas that we're talking about. We've got
- 3 a few definitions that we're trying to hone in
- 4 on, and the ventilation requirements for dwelling
- 5 units are very specific to dwelling units and any
- 6 common areas should follow nonresidential
- 7 ventilation requirements. And again, at 15-day,
- $8 \quad \text{you'll likely see modifications to more}$
- 9 appropriately reflect that intent, which follows
- 10 suit with ASHRAE 62.2 and 62.1s requirements.
- 11 Now, the last thing we did for
- 12 ventilation was if you're familiar with the 2019
- 13 Energy Code, there are ventilation requirements
- 14 for parking garages in the Covered Process
- 15 Section 120.6. That language has, generally a
- 16 reference to it has been reproduced here to make
- 17 sure that if you're looking for ventilation
- 18 requirements, that parking ventilation
- 19 requirements are also included in that section
- 20 for ease of readability and hopefully navigation.
- 21 All right. Now let's move on to HVAC
- 22 System Controls. We require a setback
- 23 thermostats in dwelling units and common living
- 24 areas, and that's consistent with the low-rise
- 25 res requirements or single-family in 2022. The

- 1 setback thermostats and been around as long as I
- 2 have, with regards to working on Energy Code.
- 3 And that goes back to at least 2005 and then
- 4 possibly further than that.
- 5 Common Service areas follow
- 6 nonresidential control requirements. And if
- 7 there were any changes to the non-res control
- 8 requirements, those were discussed on Monday.
- 9 Suffice to say that they follow non-resident, not
- 10 the residential requirements, although that
- 11 language has been reproduced in this section.
- 12 All right. Now, with regards to dwelling
- 13 units and space conditioning systems and ducts,
- 14 their insulation requirements follow, again,
- 15 single family expectations, though our current
- 16 draft does require 4.2 for ducts inside a
- 17 conditioned space. And if you were in attendance
- 18 during the morning session or the morning portion
- 19 when Jeff talked about the delineations that
- 20 happened for those sections, that will be
- 21 replicated here with R-1 or R-3 being the
- 22 expectation, depending on surface emissivity of
- 23 these ducts? And furthermore, like you
- 24 mentioned, there are continuing discussions with
- 25 manufacturers in the industry who are pushing for

- 1 a reduction to 0 per duct soon, 0 insulation for
- 2 ducts inside a conditioned space.
- 3 So there's that. There's research going
- 4 on. The point of that is to say it may go lower,
- 5 but this language is certainly subject to change.
- 6 But as of right now, the expectation is to have
- 7 this R-1 and R-3, depending on surface
- 8 emissivity.
- 9 All right. As far as duct ceiling
- 10 leakage and testing is concerned, this language
- 11 has been updated to match the single family
- 12 residential requirements in 2022. The leakage
- 13 targets are unchanged for multifamily buildings.
- 14 But one thing that I do want to point out, and I
- 15 think you'll find this consistently throughout
- 16 this presentation, is that any HERS verification
- 17 component that was applicable only to low-rise
- 18 residential buildings will continue to only be
- 19 applicable to low-rise residential buildings.
- 20 And that includes low-rise multifamily buildings.
- 21 We weren't looking to extend any HERS
- 22 verification measures beyond the three habitable
- 23 story line in this Code cycle.
- 24 And furthermore, in multifamily buildings
- 25 with four or more habitable stories in Climate

- 1 zones 1, 3, 5, and 7, it -- the testing
- 2 requirement really can pencil out cost
- 3 effectively. So that leakage testing is not
- 4 applicable to high-rise multifamily buildings in
- 5 those climate zones. In the climate zones where
- 6 it is applicable, it it'll be self-certification,
- 7 the installers going to perform that and is
- 8 expected to perform that test and satisfy the
- 9 leakage testing requirements.
- 10 All right, Airflow and Fan Efficacy
- 11 Requirements. And this is again, still talking
- 12 about systems serving only individual dwelling
- 13 units. These requirements, like the duct leakage
- 14 testing requirements have been extended to apply
- 15 to low-rise, I'm sorry. Extended to apply to
- 16 high-rise multifamily buildings as well.
- 17 Efficiency targets are still the same .45 or .58
- 18 watts per cfm, depending on the fuel source for
- 19 the ducted system. And airflow is still 350.
- 20 And there's the language pertaining to small duct
- 21 high velocity systems. Some language that was
- 22 introduced, I think in the 2019 Code cycle
- 23 continues to apply in the event that these
- 24 systems are used, though they seem to be very
- 25 infrequently used.

- 1 And again, the HERS measure will continue
- 2 to only apply to multi -- HERS verification
- 3 component of this service measure of this
- 4 leakage of this measure, will continue to only
- 5 apply to systems serving multifamily dwellings
- 6 with three or fewer habitable stories. If it's
- 7 four or more, the expectation is that a test be
- 8 completed, only that the installer is the one
- 9 responsible for that test.
- 10 For Water Heating, mandatory requirements
- 11 have been expanded. Low-rise heat-pump ready
- 12 requirements have been expanded to apply to all
- 13 multifamily buildings, and this is applicable
- 14 when a gas or propane water heaters installed to
- 15 serve individual dwelling units. The idea is
- 16 that we want those buildings to still be heat-
- 17 pump ready in the event that the building owner
- 18 or occupant wants to replace their gas appliance
- 19 with an electric heat-pump and all other
- 20 mandatory watering heating requirements were
- 21 merged. And Danny spoke to some of the changes
- 22 that did happen to the water heating insulation
- 23 requirements in the Single-family Section.
- 24 All right. Moving on to Lighting and
- 25 Mandatory Requirements. Inside of dwelling and

- 1 common living areas where we're at right now is
- 2 that these spaces will follow single family
- 3 lighting requirements. And when we say common
- 4 living areas, the best way that I can describe it
- 5 is a space that is shared by maybe multiple,
- 6 multiple families. Or if you think efficiency
- 7 dwelling units where maybe they have a shared
- 8 living room or shared kitchen, in general, that
- 9 that's a common living area. You know, we're
- 10 still trying to home in on these common areas
- 11 terms. Some discussions about moving to communal
- 12 living areas. So I would say stay tuned to find
- 13 out where we land on these terms. But and where
- 14 we are right now is that common living areas
- 15 follow single-family lighting requirements. And
- 16 this is the same convention in 2019's Energy
- 17 Code. If you're familiar with that in Section
- 18 130.0, it essentially says the dwelling units in
- 19 high-rise res, as well as guest rooms and hotel
- 20 motel follow the low-rise res indoor lighting
- 21 requirements so that that convention continues
- 22 through 2022.
- Now, for common service areas, which
- 24 function more like nonresidential spaces, you
- 25 know the expectation of the requirement is that

- 1 they follow the nonresidential lighting
- 2 requirements, which is most appropriate for these
- 3 spaces. If you're familiar with the 2019 Energy
- 4 Code, there is language that allows for an 80/20
- 5 that allows, or that requires, nonresidential
- 6 lighting requirements if common areas are over
- 7 20% of the conditioned floor area. So that was
- 8 removed as part of the merging of the multifamily
- 9 requirements.
- 10 With regard to the Outdoor Lighting
- 11 Controls Equipment, assuming the outdoor lighting
- 12 is not controlled from within the dwelling units,
- 13 so like a porch light where you have the switch
- 14 inside of the dwelling, it's going to follow the
- 15 nonresidential requirements. And this is again,
- 16 an effort at simplifying where we draw these
- 17 lines and generally follows the 2019 Code.
- 18 All right. In the event that a sign is
- 19 installed in a multifamily building, it'll follow
- 20 the sign lighting requirements. That's not a
- 21 significant change in the Lighting Control
- 22 Acceptance Requirements are applicable to
- 23 lighting controls that are installed in common
- 24 service areas. So if you're familiar with the
- 25 non-res requirements, they're are acceptance

- 1 testing requirements for motion sensors, day
- 2 lighting control met responsive control
- 3 requirements. And those testing procedures
- 4 continue to apply to those systems in areas where
- 5 they act like more nonresidential spaces and/or
- 6 common service areas. And this again, still
- 7 continues to follow the 2019 Convention.
- 8 So Service Electrical Metering is
- 9 reproduced in the multifamily section, and it's
- 10 the same as the 2019 Energy Code again. So it's
- 11 just an attempt to relocate these -- language
- 12 that applies to multifamily buildings and to
- 13 multifamily sections, rather than have you flip
- 14 back and forth in pages. So it only applies to
- 15 electrical service or feeders providing power to
- 16 common use areas. And that's whether interior or
- 17 exterior.
- 18 As far as Separation of Electrical
- 19 Circuits are concerned for future metering or
- 20 determining energy consumption monitoring, this
- 21 follows non-res requirements, again, and there
- 22 are specific exclusions or exceptions added to
- 23 exclude these systems when they provide power to
- 24 dwelling units or common living areas.
- The Voltage Drop, again copy and paste

- 1 requirements from the nonresidential section and
- 2 the controlled circuits, or 120-volt control
- 3 receptacle requirements have been reproduced,
- 4 again in the multifamily section. Now these
- 5 apply the common service areas. And if you want
- 6 to get into the weeds, they apply to specific
- 7 spaces in common service areas, which include
- 8 office areas, lobbies, conference rooms,
- 9 kitchens, I'm sorry, kitchens in office spaces
- 10 and coffee rooms. And again, this is -- follows
- 11 the nonresidential requirements.
- 12 So the covered processes that likely will
- 13 apply or likely will exist in multifamily
- 14 buildings, were addressed in Section 160.7
- 15 elevators and multifamily buildings, and pool and
- 16 spa systems. For elevators, efficient lighting
- 17 requirements in HVAC are ventilation
- 18 requirements, and fan efficacy power,
- 19 limitations, and occupant sensing control
- 20 requirements that make sure that these systems
- 21 aren't running when the space is vacated for a
- 22 specific period of time. There's no need to have
- 23 the lights on in an elevator when those elevators
- 24 are closed. And that's not new. That's been
- 25 around for, I believe two Code cycles already.

- 1 Pool and spa systems, whether in multifamily or
- 2 serving multifamily or single-family buildings,
- 3 have always had to comply with Section 110.4.
- 4 Anything in the 110s applies to all buildings,
- 5 not to non-res, not res all of them.
- Now, what's changed in this Code cycle is
- 7 that we've got requirements in Section 150.0(p)
- $8\,$ that address pool pumps and require multispeed
- 9 pumps, depending on the horsepower of those
- 10 pumps, as well as some pipe requirements. So
- 11 those system requirements have been expanded to
- 12 apply to pools in high-rise residential
- 13 buildings, but only when that pool is exclusively
- 14 for a single tenant. So I don't know how often
- 15 that happens, but in the event that it does,
- 16 there's no reason that those systems shouldn't be
- 17 efficient. So for that reason, those
- 18 requirements were expanded.
- 19 All right. Solar ready buildings. This
- 20 is again, minor changes in Section 110.10. But
- 21 in general, newly constructed buildings have to
- 22 meet solar ready requirements unless they already
- 23 have or are planning to have a PV system
- 24 installed. There are a number of exceptions to
- 25 reduce that size or get out of the requirements

- 1 in certain scenarios, but yeah, that language is
- 2 unchanged and exists in 110.10.
- 3 Electric-Ready. I do want to briefly
- 4 highlight that these requirements were
- 5 introduced, they were a significant part of
- 6 Monday's hearing. They have been added to
- 7 Section 160.9 and essentially require electric-
- 8 ready components or infrastructure for systems
- 9 serving individual dwelling units, space
- 10 conditioned systems, as well as cooktops, and
- 11 clothes dryers. Now if you've got clothes dryer
- 12 that's in a common use area or they're likely
- 13 multiple [indiscernible] requirements. Again,
- 14 that material was discussed in Monday's hearing.
- 15 I do want to make sure that it is identified,
- 16 that it exists here, but comments on that
- 17 certainly would be encouraged to be submitted in
- 18 writing to our docket.
- 19 And that's all of the mandatory
- 20 requirements. Payam, I'll open it up to you to
- 21 see if there are any questions.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you, Javier. I
- 23 think we have two questions in the Q&A, but I
- 24 don't see any raised hand as of right now.
- 25 Peter, do want to read those out?

- 1 MR. STRAIT: Sure.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: One -- let me pause
- 3 here real quick. I -- we do have one question on
- 4 150.2(b)1G. We'll wait and answer that at the
- 5 open session right before lunch. If that's OK.
- 6 MR. STRAIT: Okay.
- 7 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: I want to make
- 8 sure -- I want to make sure we deal with these
- 9 questions I have a mandatory minimum for
- 10 multifamily.
- MR. STRAIT: Sure. So Gina Rota asks,
- 12 will the new mandatory roof insulation
- 13 requirements talked about earlier be applied to
- 14 multifamily?
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Mike, do you want to
- 16 take that one?
- MR. STRAIT: Yeah. Go for it.
- 18 MR. SHEWMAKER: This is Michael
- 19 Shewmaker. No, we are not proposing that
- 20 mandatory roof insulation requirement for
- 21 multifamily at this time.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: All right. Michael
- 23 Joanny [ph.] asks, from a lighting perspective,
- 24 there are no changes in the requirements, as best
- 25 as I can tell. So rather than repeat the

- 1 requirements where they are the same, can the
- 2 Standard simply refer to the section number and
- 3 only have New Standard if the requirements differ
- 4 from elsewhere in the Standard?
- 5 I'll go ahead and quickly respond to
- 6 that. The purpose of the multifamily chapters is
- 7 to be standalone chapters so that
- $8\,$ a person building to those standards does not
- 9 need to hop over to the Residential or
- 10 Nonresidential chapters of the Energy Code. And
- 11 that's why there is duplication of requirements
- 12 in the multifamily chapters.
- 13 MR. PEREZ: Yeah. And this was, you
- 14 know, at the behest of industry. You know, one
- 15 of the comments that we've received. You know, a
- 16 few times is that often, to find the requirement
- 17 for one specific components, you may have to jump
- 18 to two or three different sections and traverse a
- 19 lot of pages. And this attempt was to limit that
- 20 and to address those concerns. I think that we
- 21 would result, you know what you're requesting
- 22 would result in a significant number of less
- 23 pages for our Standard. But I think the
- 24 usability of it is something that we were trying
- 25 to capture and trying to address and satisfy

- 1 different stakeholders.
- 2 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you. I -- is
- 3 there any other questions? If not --
- 4 MR. STRAIT: Bruce Severance just
- 5 submitted a question.
- 6 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Okay. Let's see.
- 7 Bruce Severence asks, are multifamily
- 8 requirements going to allow individual heat-pump
- 9 water heater units with compressors within a
- 10 conditioned space. And if so, have the case
- 11 teams fully considered the impact of having a
- 12 large air conditioner in conditioned space in
- 13 small apartments year round. And the impact this
- 14 configuration has on both water heater system
- 15 efficiency and air source pump efficiency.
- MR. TAM: This is Danny Tam, CEC staff.
- 17 We allow them. We don't -- we specify how it
- 18 needs to be installed, but certainly the people
- 19 want either could be located on a outdoor
- 20 balcony. If it's inside it can be ducted, and
- 21 then [indiscernible] can ducted outside or
- 22 elsewhere. So it doesn't affect the space
- 23 conditioning load. So we're silent on how it
- 24 needs to be installed. We leave that up to the
- 25 designers.

- 1 MR. STRAIT: Yeah, there are multiple
- 2 options for the water heating systems serving
- 3 multifamily buildings. And we'll get to it in
- 4 probably 15 slides or so. But yeah, Danny's
- 5 answer takes care of it.
- 6 MR. STRAIT: Bruce Severence just
- 7 following up. If you're allowing non-ducted
- 8 variations, have you verified impact on
- 9 efficiency?
- 10 MR. TAM: Those that will be modeled in
- 11 the software. The software does take in account
- 12 of the, you know, and all the effect. So just,
- 13 it is being dealt with in the software.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: So that so pretty
- 15 much that you have to do a performance evaluation
- 16 when you're doing this type of system. Correct
- 17 Danny?
- 18 MR. TAM: Let's allow prescriptively.
- 19 That's always been the case. Again, we just
- 20 leave it up to the designer. In most cases, if
- 21 it's non-ducted, it is perform equal or better
- 22 than being outdoor.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Okay. Thank you.
- MR. STRAIT: And I believe that's all the
- 25 questions that we have in the Q&A box with you

- 1 understand that we're holding the questions asked
- $2\,$ by Laura Petrillo-Groh to answer later.
- 3 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yeah. Thank you.
- 4 Thank you, Peter.
- 5 Commissioner. If you're okay, I'm going to open
- 6 it up for everything we've heard this morning so
- 7 far and open it up to all questions and comments.
- 8 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Go ahead.
- 9 [indiscernible].
- 10 MR. STRAIT: Should we go ahead and jump
- 11 in. Yeah, we missed that.
- 12 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yeah. Hold on one
- 13 second, Peter. And we'll take a earlier lunch
- 14 break if possible.
- 15 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Yeah, that
- 16 sounds good. Do you want to do some cleanup Q&A
- 17 on specific things that have been discussed this
- 18 morning?
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yes.
- 20 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Just kind of
- 21 apprehensively, and then we can open up to a more
- 22 general public comment and then we'll call till
- 23 the previous time that we had schedule for lunch.
- 24 Just some people have a time certain.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Sure. Sure.

- 1 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Great. Thanks
- 2 a lot.
- 3 MR. STRAIT: All right. I'll go ahead
- 4 and read these two questions while folks that are
- 5 attending can raise their hand if they want to
- 6 ask additional questions. The question from
- 7 Laura Petrillo-Groh is; a question regarding
- 8 150.2(b)1G, is electric resistance heating
- 9 proposed to be prohibited as a part of
- 10 heat-pumps?
- It is common for strip heat to be
- 12 installed as emergency backup in the event the
- 13 heat-pump becomes inoperable during the heating
- 14 season. In freezing temperatures, emergency
- 15 strip heat would prevent pipes from bursting.
- 16 MR. MOUA: Yeah. I can take this one.
- 17 This is Cheng from the California Energy
- 18 Commission. It's not intended to apply to
- 19 electric resistance that are part of a heat-pump
- 20 system. So 150.2(b)1G is applicable to a
- 21 electric furnace, electric resistant furnace.
- MR. STRAIT: And Laura asks a follow up,
- 23 also on the same section.
- 24 Eliminating resistance heat and relying
- 25 strictly on the heat-pump could result in a

- 1 system that is oversized in cooling. How would
- 2 this situation be addressed?
- 3 MR. SHIRAKH: This is Maziar. We're
- 4 not -- we're not proposing to eliminate electric
- 5 resistance from heat-pumps. Yeah, we presented
- 6 on Monday where electric heating is going. And
- 7 single-family heat-pumps are going into single-
- 8 family, multifamily, and nonresidential
- 9 buildings, and they're all allowed to have a
- 10 backup electric resistance.
- 11 MR. STRAIT: Those are the only questions
- 12 I'm seeing in the Q&A box.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Okay. Thank you,
- 14 Peter. Thank you, Maziar. Thank you, Danny and
- 15 Cheng.
- 16 Commissioner, what's your thoughts? I'm
- 17 not getting any other questions coming in in the
- 18 in the queue here. So should we maybe do a quick
- 19 lunch and then come back?
- 20 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: And there's
- 21 no -- there's no public comment. Just general
- 22 public comment. I just want to make sure
- 23 absolutely.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: We had two so far.
- 25 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Okay. Okay.

- 1 MR. STRAIT: There was one that was
- 2 submitted to the Q&A and I can read it into the
- 3 record if you would like.
- 4 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Yeah, I mean
- 5 all the questions that I've heard have something
- 6 to do with the provisions that we've got over.
- 7 So I'm not just, you know if there's any member
- $8\,$ of the public who just wants to comment on
- 9 generally the Building Code. We just want to
- 10 make sure that they've had a chance.
- 11 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Sure. Sure. So --
- 12 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: It doesn't look
- 13 like it, does it.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yeah. The floor is
- 15 open if anybody would like to make a comment, or
- 16 raise your hands, or submit something in the Q&A.
- 17 And we'll try and answer it?
- 18 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Okay. I'm not
- 19 seeing anything. Let's see, you guys are
- 20 monitoring the chat as well, right?
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yes.
- 22 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: So there's
- 23 nothing there.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: We have one. We may
- 25 oversite one area, Pipe Insulation and 160.4.

- 1 I'll tell you, we'll tackle that right after
- 2 lunch. We have to develop a slide for that.
- 3 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Oh. Okay.
- 4 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: And then that will be
- 5 the first thing we -- have Javier bring it up
- 6 right after lunch.
- 7 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Okay. That
- 8 sounds good.
- 9 MR. STRAIT: All right. Well, so going
- 10 once, going twice.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: We got one raised hand.
- MR. STRAIT: There we go.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: James, go ahead and
- 14 state your name and affiliation, please.
- I'm sorry. You're having. I apologize.
- 16 I Apologize. There's a bad connection.
- 17 MR. STRAIT: We're not able to understand
- 18 any of --
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: I had to. I'm sorry,
- 20 James, I had to mute you. We are not
- 21 understanding anything. It's -- I think you're
- 22 having a bad connection. I'm going to unmute you
- 23 one more time. Hopefully, something's adjusted.
- 24 Go ahead.
- No. Yeah, we're still having the same

- 1 problem, so I had to mute you. How about this
- 2 right after lunch? When we come back, if you
- 3 could reset your system, we could take your
- 4 question first and move from there, if that's
- 5 okay, Commissioner?
- 6 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Yeah. That's
- 7 fine.
- 8 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Okay.
- 9 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Well, I think
- 10 with that that we're ready to take a break. What
- 11 time were we convening?
- 12 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Reconvene at 12:30. Do
- 13 an hour lunch, actually, if you like.
- 14 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Yeah, that's
- 15 good. So the originally planned time of 12:30,
- 16 let's reconvene for the afternoon session.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yes.
- 18 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Thanks,
- 19 everyone.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yeah. Thank you. So
- 21 we will reconvene at 12:30.
- 22 (Off the record from 11:23 a.m. until 12:31 p.m.)

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AFTERNOON SESSION

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- 2 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Peter, would you please
- 3 read the comment that came from Mr. James Brown?
- 4 MR. STRAIT: Yeah. James Brown -- James
- 5 Brown had some technical issues and commented; I
- 6 represent a coalition of organizations and
- 7 community members in the City of Ventura called
- 8 the Westside Clean Air Coalition. If you are
- 9 paying attention to climate science, you may be
- 10 aware that the electrification of buildings
- 11 needed to happen yesterday. It won't be an easy
- 12 task. It'll be expensive, but the consequences
- 13 of inaction will be so, so, so, so, so much more
- 14 expensive and destructive that we cannot afford
- 15 to not do everything in our power as quickly as
- 16 possible. Waiting another three years to require
- 17 electrification would cost Californians one
- 18 billion dollars in unnecessary gas infrastructure
- 19 and lock them into 3 million tons of additional
- 20 carbon emissions by 2030. Please act ambitiously
- 21 with our future in mind. Thank you.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you, Peter. So if
- 23 you guys remember, Mr. Brown was the participant
- 24 who was not able to get on before the lunch
- 25 break.

- 1 MR. STRAIT: Yeah. So now if I could.
- 2 I'd like to get the direction just to general
- 3 stakeholders. Although the Q&A box, we want to
- 4 reserve that for questions so that we can sift
- 5 those out to make sure they are answered. If
- 6 anyone is having any technical difficulties that
- 7 prevents you from commenting, then let us know
- 8 when we can have you take type it into the Q&A
- 9 box and read that into the record that way.
- 10 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yeah. And Peter's
- 11 right. And if that's not possible, you can
- 12 always submit it to the docket too. Thank you,
- 13 Peter. So now back to Javier. Javier, do you
- 14 want to share your screen and go over what we
- 15 needed to add to the presentation for this
- 16 morning? Javier, if you're talking, you're
- 17 muted.
- MR. PEREZ: Can hear me okay?
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yes, perfect.
- MR. PEREZ: Okay. Thank you. Okay.
- 21 Great. And can you see my screen now?
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yes, we can. Thank
- 23 you.
- MR. PEREZ: Okay. Great. Okay. So
- 25 continuing on with where we left off. One thing

- 1 that I failed to mention earlier, and we've got a
- 2 slide for it, and we'll reinserted it in the
- 3 appropriate location before posting this. I'll
- 4 make sure to do that. Is that one of the
- 5 requirements that did change for multifamily
- 6 buildings, or water heating systems and pipes,
- 7 for systems that serve multifamily domestic hot
- 8 water systems was that for any pipe that's one
- 9 and a half inches or greater, the required
- 10 installation thickness has increased from one and
- 11 a half inches to two inches. That's represented
- 12 in this table in Table 160.4(a). And that's also
- 13 represented in the slides. Like I said, we'll
- 14 move this into one 160.4 and make sure that
- 15 that's posted after the session.
- 16 All right. You know, another thing that
- 17 that I think is important to address is that, you
- 18 know, with regards to the duplication of language
- 19 and the redundancy that may exist or does exist
- 20 in some of these sections. Another intent of
- 21 reorganizing this language in a way that
- 22 multifamily is grouped together was that,
- 23 for -- in -- for scenarios, where appropriate
- 24 that the multifamily specific requirements can
- 25 evolve independently from any nonresidential

- 1 sections that might be applicable or
- 2 single-family sections that might be applicable.
- 3 So it's fairly likely that in future Code cycles
- 4 you'll see less duplicity in some of those
- 5 sections where it might be appropriate to deviate
- 6 or increase or change requirements. So that is
- 7 addressing one of the comments that we had
- 8 earlier.
- 9 All right. Let's move on to the
- 10 Performance and Prescriptive Compliance
- 11 Approaches for Multifamily Buildings.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Javier, one second.
- 13 I'm sorry. I just wanted -- I just wanted to
- 14 make sure if there's any questions that came on
- 15 to -- on the topic they just brought up.
- MR. STRAIT: I think there's one
- 17 unrelated question in Chat, but it's a very easy
- 18 answer. It's Laura Petrillo-Groh asks; does
- 19 Title 24 apply to manufactured housing?
- 20 And the answer is indirectly.
- 21 Manufactured Housing is regulated under Title 25
- 22 and Title 25 does make some reference to Title 24
- 23 Building Standards Code. Walking through exactly
- 24 how that interaction occurs and where it would
- 25 apply is tricky. So we can provide a detailed

- 1 answer in writing later. But not directly, but
- 2 indirectly, Title 24 provisions often will end up
- 3 applying to manufactured housing (sic).
- 4 MR. MILLER: And I'll look that up at the
- 5 next question session to see if they can more
- 6 appropriately, you know, more directly answer
- 7 that question. The challenge with manufactured
- 8 homes and factory built homes is that there are
- 9 very specific definitions and some of them have
- 10 to be Title 25 and some of them have to be Title
- 11 24, including the Energy Code. And those waters
- 12 are a little bit tricky to traverse.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yeah.
- MR. MILLER: So I do have some language
- 15 that that kind of addresses that and maybe we can
- 16 maybe do that in formal responses in writing
- 17 rather than, you know, try to stumble through my
- 18 words. That may be the best way to do it.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yeah. Yeah.
- 20 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Sorry
- 21 [indiscernible] raised his hands to continue to
- 22 answer that question.
- 23 UNKNOWN SPEAKER: No. I'm sorry. That
- 24 was -- that was my mistake. Sorry, Chair, or
- 25 sorry Commissioner.

- 1 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Oh thanks.
- 2 Thanks. Appreciate it.
- 3 MR. PEREZ: All right. Okay. Well if
- 4 that -- are there anymore, Peter or Payam, before
- 5 we get started again? MR.
- 6 BOZORGCHAMI: I don't have any raised
- 7 hand. Peter, do you have any coming in?
- 8 MR. MILLER: No. Ted -- Tiffany
- 9 is -- I'm going to restate this as a question as
- 10 he's saying that it's unclear also how -- when it
- 11 comes to accessory dwelling units, ADUs that
- 12 happened to be manufactured housing are simply
- 13 considered manufactured housing. So there's some
- 14 overlap because some ADUs are accomplished
- 15 through using a manufactured home, but not all
- 16 ADUs are created by installing a manufactured
- 17 house. So those are technically distinct topics.
- 18 And then we can follow up with Laura for a more
- 19 detailed answer regarding manufactured housing.
- MR. STRAIT: Any other ones?
- 21 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yeah, we're good.
- 22 Thank you, Peter. I think Javier, go ahead.
- 23 MR. PEREZ: All right. So continuing on.
- 24 Let's get into the Prescriptive and Performance
- 25 Compliance Approaches and Requirements for

- 1 Multifamily Buildings. Now, the way that the
- 2 2019 Energy Code exists, High-rise Residential
- 3 Subchapter is relative to Prescriptive and
- 4 Performance Compliance options. They're in the
- 5 140s, generally, 140.0 to 140.8 and low-rise is
- 6 in 50.1. And similar to the other sections, you
- 7 know, that language was moved into the 170s for
- 8 addressing all multifamily buildings moving
- 9 forward.
- 10 Now, what you are seeing here, the gold
- 11 text, represents language that has been modified
- 12 for the Standard and proposed design relevant to
- 13 the Performance Approach and how those budgets
- 14 will be determined. You know, this is something
- 15 that we're still trying to home in on and trying
- 16 to get this thing look right and making sure that
- 17 we are applying the appropriate energy metrics
- 18 for multifamily building moving forward. So
- 19 what's so interesting is that source energy and
- 20 time-dependent valuation energy is going to be
- 21 the metric for multifamily buildings moving
- 22 forward. Currently low-rise, multifamily and
- 23 low-rise single-family follow energy design
- 24 rating scores, and moving forward, for
- 25 multifamily buildings were shifting to these

- 1 metrics.
- In Section 170.1(d), so we're still in
- 3 the Performance Approach. There are still
- 4 references to energy design rating scores. Those
- 5 have been taken out already. And again, the
- 6 15-day Language will represent the modifications
- 7 that we previously just went over. As far as
- 8 low-rise residential or multifamily buildings
- 9 with three or fewer habitable stories, any HERS
- 10 performance combines options that were in
- 11 existence will continue to be in existence for
- 12 those low-rise residential buildings to allow
- 13 credits and with the caveat that what's in 170.1
- 14 now, doesn't directly match within the low-rise
- 15 residential requirements. And that 150Day
- 16 Language will be matching.
- 17 All right. So moving to the Envelope
- 18 Component Requirements and Requirements for
- 19 Roofing Products or Cool Roofs, what's the more
- 20 common term. We've unified the roofing product
- 21 requirements across low and high-rise multifamily
- 22 buildings now. You know, if you know those
- 23 requirements, you know that they're
- 24 variants -- or they vary based on the pitch of
- 25 the roof and the Climate zone. Now, for

- 1 multifamily buildings, there are two added
- 2 layers. You know, the bottom being a scenario
- 3 without an attic, which is something that's new,
- 4 a prescriptive option that's been created for
- 5 2022 to more appropriately address and create
- 6 assemblies that are efficient but that do not
- 7 have a vented attic. In high-rise multifamily
- 8 buildings, that's less and less common. And one
- 9 of the movements, or one of the intents of adding
- 10 this section was to appropriately address those
- 11 assemblies and apply efficiency requirements that
- 12 are specific to those buildings more
- 13 appropriately.
- 14 The top two rows, if you're looking at
- 15 the left, I guess the ceiling insulation, and
- 16 between rafter roofs, and ducts in attic, and a
- 17 vented attic. And then the second one with ducts
- 18 conditioned space, those are mirrors of the
- 19 High-Performance attic requirements at low-rise
- 20 residential. And when they do exist in high-
- 21 rise, the requirements are following through.
- 22 You'll note that, again, depending on Climate
- 23 zone and depending on pitch in roof, the roofing
- 24 product requirements vary. But we did make an
- 25 effort to try to unify these requirements across

- 1 low and multi, low and high-rise multifamily
- 2 buildings. There previously was a requirement
- 3 for .55 in some climate zones for the Aged Solar
- 4 Reflectance requirement that was bumped up to a
- 5 .63 because in some climates it was found that
- 6 the added cost was zero. So in order to unify
- 7 that, t didn't make a difference with regards to
- $8\,$ cost. So that was an attempt to, again, more
- 9 streamline and unify those requirements.
- 10 Continuing. As far as roof insulation
- 11 requirements are concerned. Again, this
- 12 is -- this is a scenario for high-performance
- 13 attics. And, you know we, expanding on that
- 14 scenario for buildings without attics, insulation
- 15 requirements vary depending on assembly type. If
- 16 it's a metal building, you can see the U-factor
- 17 there, and those are maximums for wood framed and
- 18 other. Depending on your Climate zone, the
- 19 requirements are different.
- 20 You'll find that Climate zone 7 being the
- 21 most mild of all our climate zones, or less
- 22 temperate. .039, it's the most lenient as far as
- 23 efficiency requirements because of the lack of
- 24 heating and cooling demand for those spaces, or
- 25 those buildings in those Zones or in that Zone.

- 1 With regards to Radiant Barriers, expanded this
- 2 across low-rise and high-rise multifamily
- 3 buildings that do have attics. In the event that
- 4 there is an attic, if the building has duct and
- 5 air handlers in the attic in climate zones 2 and
- 6 7, the requirement is to install the Radiant
- 7 Barrier. If the attic does not have a space
- 8 conditioning system in it, the rating barrier
- 9 requirements are triggered for climate zones 2
- 10 through 15.
- 11 With regards to wall insulation, one of
- 12 the things that was introduced here, along with
- 13 efficiency requirements, was trying to address
- 14 high-fire rated wall assembly types and the
- 15 challenges that they may encounter when trying to
- 16 achieve some of the higher efficient insulation
- 17 requirements that we have in our standard. So we
- 18 introduce variances that will be seen on the next
- 19 slide. And as far as insulation in general, for
- 20 walls, that the requirements to vary based on
- 21 assembly type, whether it's metal buildings,
- 22 heavy mass, and you've got all this there, and
- 23 the high-fire rating if it's framed, depending on
- 24 if it's 0 or 1, or 2 or 3 fire hours, or fire
- 25 rating.

- 1 All right. So this table is split up
- 2 into two slides because our tables are really
- 3 large. So depending on the wall type, again,
- 4 insulation requirements vary by climate zone.
- 5 Some of this was meeting in the middle, meaning
- 6 high-performance wall requirements, some
- 7 requirements were increased. But and you'll see
- 8 the less restrictive variance for walls that have
- 9 2 to 3 hour fire rating in the middle of this
- 10 table.
- 11 With regards to heavy mass and light
- 12 mass, insulation again varies by climate zone.
- 13 Colder climates obviously have different
- 14 requirements than the harder climates or the
- 15 milder climates, light mass is probably the
- 16 simplest of all of our insulation requirements
- 17 for these walls.
- 18 All right. And if you've done low-rise
- 19 or if you've dealt with low-rise and high-rise
- 20 multicompany requirements, or just low-rise and
- 21 high-rise residential requirements in general,
- 22 you'll know that we have two different area of
- 23 limitations for windows. Essentially, the more
- 24 window you have, the less efficient that wall is,
- 25 right. So there's some limits for low rise-rise

- 1 and high-rise is currently in 2019 Code and they
- 2 are different. Now what we've done in 2022's
- 3 proposal is to apply both thresholds. And what
- 4 that means is there is a 20% window-to-condition-
- 5 floor-area limitation. So say, for example, you
- 6 had 1,000 square feet, you are limited to 200
- 7 square feet of window. Now there is now also so
- 8 that that limit applies to all multifamily
- 9 buildings. And similarly, on the high-rise side,
- 10 there is a 40% window-to wall ratio limitation
- 11 and a 5% skylight to roof. Those requirements
- 12 are similar to being extended across all
- 13 multifamily building. So two thresholds, two
- 14 requirements, both have to be met, and we did
- 15 remove the 5% window to condition for area
- 16 limitation for west-facing glazing for
- 17 multifamily buildings moving forward.
- 18 Okay. With regards to Fenestration
- 19 Properties. Again, unification was the target
- 20 here. As much as we could, you know, we unified
- 21 the requirements across these different types of
- 22 multifamily buildings. There's different
- 23 categories for curtain wall and storefronts,
- 24 Performance Class Architectural Windows and then
- 25 the all other category. And the Architectural

- 1 Windows are something that's new to this Code
- 2 cycle. And this is something that was introduced
- 3 as part of the multifamily proposal to address
- 4 these windows a little bit differently in the
- 5 same way that we addressed the high-fire rating
- 6 for insulation requirement for walls. But that's
- 7 the similar variance there.
- 8 So we've got three categories. AW
- 9 windows are in the middle, architecture windows.
- 10 Those are in the middle of that. You'll note
- 11 that those requirements slightly vary from the
- 12 general or all other window and from the curtain
- 13 wall. Now, one thing that I do want to point
- 14 out, or a point of emphasis here is, so the
- 15 asterisk for the all other window, which are
- 16 typically going to serve your dwelling units.
- 17 In low-rise buildings there is no solar
- 18 heating coefficient limitation for climate zones
- 19 1, 3, 5, and 16. That's in 2019 Code. 2016 had
- 20 similar exceptions, and I and 2027 will follow
- 21 suit. The idea there is that those buildings
- 22 were found to benefit from solar heat gain. So
- 23 for that reason, they have no requirement. So
- 24 that will continue. That exemption from the
- 25 solar heat gain coefficient requirements will

- 1 continue to exist for low-rise multifamily
- 2 buildings or multifamily dwellings with three or
- 3 fewer habitable stories.
- 4 All right. With regards to determining
- 5 the effect of shading the SHGC value for
- 6 fenestration products. And where we settled was
- 7 to follow solar heat-gain coefficient calculation
- 8 or requirements for, currently only four
- 9 multifamily buildings. And we're applying that
- 10 across all low -- sorry, currently only for a
- 11 high-rise. We're applying that across all high
- 12 and low-rise while buildings against an attempt
- 13 to try to simplify what we're doing here and just
- 14 go with one way to determine these efficiencies
- 15 moving forward.
- 16 All right. Exterior doors have different
- 17 requirements, dwelling unit entry doors, if they
- 18 separate the dwelling from unconditioned space or
- 19 ambient air, if there's certain dwelling units
- 20 for bringing over the low-rise residential
- 21 prescriptive maximum U-factor 0.2. And if they
- 22 are common use area entry doors, they follow the
- 23 high-rise residential requirements, which
- 24 variance depending on climate zone and also
- 25 whether they are swinging or non-swinging doors.

- 1 So treating common areas more like high-rise or
- 2 non-rise and dwelling units, continuing more like
- 3 res, but applying that across the board,
- 4 regardless of height is, again, the intent there.
- 5 QII was something that was introduced
- 6 prescriptively in, I believe 2019 for low-rise
- 7 multifamily buildings. That will continue to
- 8 apply, but only to low-rise multifamily buildings
- 9 and obviously still to-low rise, single family as
- 10 well. But we did not expand the QII requirement
- 11 to any buildings that are more than three
- 12 habitable stories. Again, there was, not this
- 13 Code cycle, but may evaluated next Code cycle and
- 14 see where kind of the chips fall. There's some
- 15 challenges with determining cost and testing
- 16 procedures and various requirements. So stay
- 17 tuned. We'll see where we land in the Code
- 18 cycle.
- 19 All right. The nonresidential or multi
- 20 high-rise residential 2019 requirements have day
- 21 light requirements for large, enclosed spaces,
- 22 which I don't think are very common in
- 23 multifamily buildings. But in the event that
- 24 they do exist,
- 25 There is a minimum daylight requirement. And the

- 1 idea is if you've got a really large open space,
- 2 over a 5,000 square feet and a reasonable ceiling
- 3 height, there's an opportunity to introduce
- 4 daylighting or skylights to reduce some of the
- 5 demand that might exist on the lighting load.
- 6 Those open spaces, you can get a reasonable
- 7 amount of illumination with a fairly small
- 8 skylight, and that's something that's been
- 9 crossed over to multifamily, really. In any
- 10 event, that you have a really large, enclosed
- 11 space in the multifamily building. Once again, I
- 12 don't know if that's too common, but it would be
- 13 a requirement.
- 14 All right. So what you find in the
- 15 common area Space Conditioning, Sizing, Equipment
- 16 Selection and Calculation requirements is that
- 17 those calculations follow the 2019 Energy Code
- 18 requirements, which essentially say to figure out
- 19 the demand or the load for the system that is
- 20 needed, or the capacity of the system that is
- 21 needed, according ASHRAE's Handbook, Fundamentals
- 22 Volume. And then select a smallest size
- 23 available to satisfy that. Though that's
- 24 business as usual. That's not changing. Again,
- 25 that's for common areas.

- 1 With regards to Dwelling Unit Space
- 2 Conditioning Systems or systems that serve
- 3 dwelling units, we have made some edits to more
- 4 appropriately identify the systems that we're
- 5 intending to regulate. And some of this
- 6 language, well actually this requirement was
- 7 discussed in Monday's hearing, but again, I
- 8 feel it might still be appropriate to identify
- 9 that it does exist, and therefore dwelling units,
- 10 there are heat-pump space conditioning system
- 11 requirements depending on climate zone and then
- 12 some variance depending on if it's a building
- 13 with three or fewer habitable stories or four or
- 14 more. But again, these are prescriptive
- 15 requirements that nonperformance. And this was
- 16 addressed during Monday's session.
- 17 Refrigerant Charge. Coming back to HERS
- 18 verification measures that only existed in low-
- 19 rise residential buildings, it will still exist
- 20 as a HERS verification measure only for low-rise
- 21 residential building. But the testing procedure
- 22 or the test is going to be applicable to all
- 23 systems serving individual dwelling units. And I
- 24 mean, assuming the qualifiers for those
- 25 requirements are triggered. But again, we're not

- 1 expanding the HERS verification component of that
- 2 to high-rise multifamily buildings, only the
- 3 testing. So the self-certification for
- 4 installers is with the expectation for
- 5 multifamily buildings with four or more habitable
- 6 stories and again, climate zones 2 through -- 2
- 7 and 8 through 15. The few other qualifiers, but
- 8 those qualifiers haven't changed from 2019.
- 9 There is language on Central Fan
- 10 Integrated Ventilation Systems within the section
- 11 as well. Which is Dwelling Unit back here in
- 12 170.2(c)3B. But that language is likely going to
- 13 be moved over to the ventilation section, and you
- 14 -- this echoes
- 15 what you heard in the morning session, the
- 16 Prescriptive Chapter from, I think, Michael
- 17 Shewmaker spoke to that. We're relocating this
- 18 to the Ventilation Section for multifamily as
- 19 well.
- New, this is a new requirement for 2022's
- 21 Energy Code. This is, again, Dwelling Unit Space
- 22 Conditioning Systems in climate zones 1, 2, and
- 23 11 through 16 in the event that the designer or
- 24 builder decides to install a balanced ventilation
- 25 system to meet the whole building ventilation

- 1 requirements, then the heat recovery ventilator
- 2 or an energy recovery ventilator must be
- 3 installed. And there are additional hoops with
- 4 regards to efficiencies for these systems. So
- 5 they're a little bit layered and detailed.
- 6 They're on the screen here, but this is a new
- 7 measure and there are efficiency targets for
- 8 these systems, and they serve individual dwelling
- 9 units and also when they serve multiple dwelling
- 10 units. And similarly to the other ventilation
- 11 requirement that we just spoke of, this language
- 12 likely will move to IQ Ventilation Section at 15-
- 13 day Language.
- Now, with regards to spaces serving
- 15 common use, Air Conditioning System Serving
- 16 Common Use Area -- Space Conditioning Serving
- 17 Common Use Areas. They essentially follow the
- 18 nonresidential space conditioning system
- 19 requirements, though that language was reproduced
- 20 in this section and any new measures that were
- 21 proposed for nonresidential mechanical systems
- 22 and that were discussed on Monday's session are
- 23 reproduced here. And the intent is to treat
- 24 these in the same manner.
- 25 All right. Water Heating Systems. In

- 1 the first bullet it says not a change. This is
- 2 not new. If a recycling system is serving
- 3 individual dwelling units, then prescriptively,
- 4 the requirement is that it must be manual demand-
- 5 controlled recirculation system.
- 6 Now moving into Water Heating Systems
- 7 that serve individual dwelling units. The three
- 8 options, and these are all ors because there is
- 9 no requirement to install one or the other. You
- 10 have three. The first one, and actually, if I do
- 11 this a little bit differently, I might make it
- 12 better. But it's following the Codes
- 13 organization. But number two is probably the
- 14 most simple one in the event that a heat-pump is
- 15 installed. If you install a heat-pump that is
- 16 fairly efficient and it's a NEEA Tier 3, I
- 17 believe switch, I think was probably going to
- 18 recon in place or higher at this point. There
- 19 are no additional requirements except for in
- 20 climate zone 16, at which point there's water
- 21 heat recovery system requirements with the colder
- 22 climate has some different demands. Now in the
- 23 event that you do not install a highly efficient
- 24 water heater, heat-pump water heater that
- 25 satisfies the NEEA Tier 3. The expectation is

- 1 that in climate zones 1 and in 16, and keep in
- 2 mind these are the colder climate zones in
- 3 California, . Compact hot water distribution
- 4 system be installed. And then again, in climate
- 5 zone 16, there's still a prescriptive requirement
- 6 for drain water heat recovery system.
- 7 And the last option, again, these are
- 8 independent of each other, and the designer can
- 9 choose one of three. A gas instantaneous water
- 10 heater is still allowed, as long as it has a max
- 11 input of 200,000 btu's and no storage tank.
- 12 Was that -- not too much change there,
- 13 but a couple identified additional drain water
- 14 heat recovery system requirements.
- 15 Okay. Now moving into Systems Serving
- 16 Multiple Dwelling Units. I'm using the word
- 17 option here because there are multiple options
- 18 and there are requirements depending on the
- 19 option that's selected. So in the event that a
- 20 central heat-pump water heater is installed to
- 21 serve multiple dwelling units, then there is a
- 22 recirculation loop tank requirement. The heater
- 23 for the tank must be electric and capable of
- 24 multipass operation, with minimum tank
- 25 temperature requirements and a few other

- 1 measures, along with design documentation, as
- 2 described in JA14.4.
- 3 And the next option is in the event that
- 4 one decides to install a gas or propane water
- 5 heating option to serve multiple dwelling units,
- 6 then the requirements -- additional requirements
- 7 are triggered in climate zones 1 through 9. And
- 8 we'll explain why not 10 through 16 in a -- in a
- 9 slide here. So stay with me. These requirements
- 10 are triggered and aligning with ASHRAE. They're
- 11 triggered at -- when systems with total gas water
- 12 heating input capacity of one million BTUs or
- 13 greater. So minimum efficiency requirement of
- 14 90%, but that is a weighted average requirement.
- 15 So in the event that there are individual gas
- 16 water heaters as part of a larger system, as long
- 17 as the average satisfies that 90% efficiency,
- 18 that is in compliance. In the event that a water
- 19 heater is installed, that's part of that system
- 20 that is below 100,000 btu's, that will not be
- 21 counted towards our weighted average calculation.
- 22 That can be excluded.
- 23 And the final exception here is kind of
- 24 leading us into the next slide. So if this
- 25 central water heating system, whether it's gas or

- 1 propane, has at least 25% of its energy coming
- 2 from site-solar energy or site-recovery energy,
- 3 then everything I said is not applicable. And
- 4 this 25% exception is why the climate zones are
- 5 limited to 1 through 9. And more to the point,
- 6 that is because of the additional requirements
- 7 that we have on this slide. Right. So essential
- 8 water heating systems still have to include a
- 9 recirculation system, except for buildings where
- 10 there are fewer dwellings. But a solar water
- 11 heating system is required. And efficiency
- 12 requirements are described in 1 and 2.
- 13 One has a minimum solar saving fraction of .2
- 14 in climate zones 1 through 9. So you'll note
- 15 that doesn't satisfy the 25%exception that we
- 16 have, but in climate zone 10 through 16,
- 17 regardless of the option you select, you'll find
- 18 that the minimum solar savings fraction is over
- 19 that 25% recovery efficiency requirement. And
- 20 for that reason, the requirements on previous
- 21 slide do not apply in climate zones 10 through
- 22 16. And again, these requirements vary depending
- 23 on the option you choose.
- 24 All right. Lighting Within Dwelling
- 25 Units. This is -- in dwelling units, the

- 1 expectation is that lightning will follow the
- 2 single family requirements. Common living areas,
- 3 and we talked about this a little bit earlier and
- 4 we're still trying to home in on how to kind of
- 5 appropriately use these terms and not step on the
- 6 toes of other terms that are already defined in
- 7 Part 2. So this is something that we're still
- 8 revising. Common living areas, again, think of a
- 9 shared living room or a shared kitchen as a draft
- 10 language, as the 45-day Language is written now,
- 11 and those spaces are required to follow the
- 12 residential lighting requirements. We're looking
- 13 into this. We're still homing in on the right
- 14 way to address these spaces. So there may be
- 15 slight modifications here at 15-day Language.
- 16 Staff is still in discussions with stakeholders
- 17 and [indiscernible] try and make sure that we
- 18 appropriately apply efficiency requirements to
- 19 lighting systems in these common living areas.
- 20 So stay tuned on that one. But otherwise, you
- 21 know, these lighting and dwelling and just follow
- 22 single-family lighting requirements and any
- 23 changes to those requirements were covered in
- 24 this morning's session with Danny Tam.
- Now, as far as common service area

- 1 lighting, that will follow the nonresidential
- 2 lighting requirements. And to summarize that in
- 3 two bullet points; there's lighting power
- 4 limitations and control requirements. Whereas in
- 5 residential lighting, it's really about efficacy,
- 6 light quality and less restrictive control
- 7 requirements and that's kind of how these two
- 8 vary. With regards to outdoor lighting, assuming
- 9 it's not controlled from within the dwelling
- 10 units that will follow the non-res outdoor
- 11 lighting requirements, and this is a slight
- 12 deviation, but it does significantly simplify
- 13 compliance or determining what requirements
- 14 should follow. Inside lighting, again continues
- 15 to follow nonresidential sign lighting
- 16 requirements.
- 17 All right. And this, again, was
- 18 something that was discussed in Monday's hearing.
- 19 This is the end of Section 170.2. This is where
- 20 we address the portable tank system, battery
- 21 storage requirements for low-rise and high-rise.
- 22 This is a very brief summary. The requirements
- 23 are a little bit different, depending on if there
- 24 are three or fewer habitable stories or four or
- 25 more. And it currently is written that language

- 1 in Section 172.2(f), (g), and (h), points to the
- 2 non-res and the single-family residential
- 3 respective sections, we'll be moving that over a
- 4 15-day. There were significant concerns about
- 5 the amount of edits that were being made and
- 6 making sure that we could make both of those
- 7 sections appropriately match each other. So at
- 8 15-day, we'll have that hammered out will be
- 9 replicated here.
- 10 That is the end of the Performance,
- 11 Prescriptive subchapter and I'll hand it over to
- 12 my Payam to see if there are any questions.
- 13 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you, Javier. I
- 14 don't have any raised hand as of right now, so
- 15 I'm going to have Peter jump on the Q&As and read
- 16 those out if possible.
- MR. STRAIT: Sure.
- 18 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: And I think, apologies
- 19 Peter. Let me jump in here one more time. Laura
- 20 Petrillo-Groh, you have quite a few comments in
- 21 here, questions in here that I think we need to
- 22 have a verbal discussion with you because, here
- 23 during this hearing, because there's some
- 24 questions that we're not really getting a good
- 25 grasp of, so we need to ask some questions so we

- 1 can answer your concerns correctly. But
- 2 meanwhile, Peter, could you read Scott's comment?
- 3 MR. STRAIT: Sure. So Scott Blunk [ph.]
- 4 asks, why not use the term Time Dependent Source
- 5 in parallel with Time Dependent Valuation? While
- 6 gas may not be time dependent, electricity is and
- 7 the correlation with TDV is nice.
- 8 MR. SHIRAKH: This is Maziar. I can
- 9 perhaps answer that. I'm Maziar Shirakh, CEC
- 10 staff. So TDS is, in our opinion, is a -- not a
- 11 well-defined term. It stands for Time Dependent
- 12 Source Energy. The source of energy that we use
- 13 for our analysis and is being currently used in
- 14 his CPEC [ph.] is a particular kind, it's called
- 15 Long-run Marginal Source Energy. So there are
- 16 other variations of that. There's a Short-run
- 17 Marginal Source Energy and there is an Average
- 18 Source Energy. So they all have different
- 19 components and consequences. Again, the one we
- 20 use is the Long-run Marginal Source Energy.
- 21 Marginal refers to the fact that what is on the
- 22 margin for a particular hour of the day. A day
- 23 like today, very sunny, mild, it's probably right
- 24 now, solar is on the margin, and later on in the
- 25 day when the sun starts going down, it will

- 1 probably be a gas turbine. So this captures
- 2 those implications.
- 3 Long-run also considers the changes to
- 4 the grid as the grid becomes cleaner in
- 5 California. You know, we have these RPS goals
- 6 for 2030 and 2045. So the Long-run part of it
- 7 captures that, the Short-run does not. So the
- 8 TDS is used outside of California. Again, it's
- 9 just not well defined. But you know, having said
- 10 that, if says someday there is a convergence
- 11 between the two terms, you know, we can use it.
- 12 I mean, TDS rhymes well with TDV. But for now,
- 13 you know, we felt like because our source energy
- 14 has a specific meaning, we need to stick to that.
- 15 Thank you.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you, Maziar.
- 17 Laura, I've unmuted you. Would you like to ask
- 18 your questions, verbally?
- MS. PETRILLO-GROH: Yes. Absolutely.
- 20 This is Laura Petrillo-Groh with the Air
- 21 Conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration
- 22 Institute. So looking at the proposed change in
- 23 170.1 for the Energy Budget for the Proposed
- 24 Building Performance Approach, I was wondering
- 25 what the impact of those changes are as it

- 1 relates to equipment that is supposed to only be
- 2 able to comply, even if it's [indiscernible]. So
- 3 it's my understanding that some of the changes
- 4 described on the Monday hearing require that
- 5 products such as gas furnaces and gas water
- 6 heaters would only be able to comply with Title
- 7 24 if using the Performance Approach. And so I
- 8 was just wondering if with -- if the -- if the
- 9 changes described here further impact those
- 10 products and want clarity to understand if
- 11 minimum efficiency products would still be able
- 12 to comply using the Performance Approach.
- 13 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Maziar, do you want to
- 14 answer that question, based on the baselines that
- 15 we have designed?
- MR. SHIRAKH: Yeah. The baselines are
- 17 all designed with the federally compliant
- 18 products for that product class. So you know, if
- 19 the building complies with all the other
- 20 prescriptive measures for windows, walls and
- 21 everything else then you know, the baseline
- 22 allows compliance with a minimally compliant
- 23 product. So I think that is -- that is the case.
- 24 Did that answer the question?
- MS. PETRILLO-GROH: Thank you. Yes, it

- 1 does.
- 2 MR. SHIRAKH: You know, the slides that I
- 3 showed on Monday for the different building
- 4 categories, multifamily, single family,
- 5 nonresidential and all the different climate
- 6 zones, and were even given building types, well
- 7 then non-res had several different categories,
- 8 all the baseline recommendations included either
- 9 a minimally compliant heat-pump, or a minimally
- 10 compliant heat-pump space heater, or a minimally
- 11 compliant heat-pump water heater.
- MS. PETRILLO-GROH: So yeah. I
- 13 understood that from your presentation on Monday,
- 14 and I was just seeking to understand what the
- 15 pathways were for certain products, such as
- 16 furnaces and water heaters.
- MR. PEREZ: So the way that, first space
- 18 conditioning systems, the way the prescriptive
- 19 requirements are modified for system serving
- 20 dwelling units is that the baselines are going to
- 21 be based off of heat-pump space conditioning
- 22 systems. I think your question is what effect
- 23 will modeling a natural gas appliance --
- MS. PETRILLO-GROH: Okay.
- MR. PEREZ: -- space conditioning

- 1 appliance --
- MS. PETRILLO-GROH: Yeah.
- 3 MR. PEREZ: -- for source energy, what
- 4 effect would that have?
- 5 MR. SHIRAKH: So, you know, all of our
- 6 approaches allows the natural gas path. It has
- 7 to either be done through the performance path.
- $8\,$ And you may have to improve other building
- 9 components, such as windows or, you know, more
- 10 insulation. But there's always a path for
- 11 natural gas appliances to comply.
- MR. PEREZ: Now, to answer the second
- 13 part of your question, Linda, as far as water
- 14 heating systems are concerned, there are three
- 15 options for system serving individual dwelling
- 16 units. Heat-pumps prescriptively, right. So
- 17 you've got heat-pumps and then you have gas or
- 18 instantaneous, I'm sorry, gas or propane
- 19 instantaneous water heaters. So that component
- 20 doesn't apply to multifamily in the way that you
- 21 think it does. With regards to systems serving
- 22 multiple dwelling units, again, you'll find that
- 23 there is a central heat-pump water heater option
- 24 and then a gas or propane water heating option.
- 25 I think that, hopefully, answers your second

- 1 part.
- MS. PETRILLO-GROH: This does help. So
- 3 just to make sure that I'm crystal clear, and
- 4 since we're running a little bit ahead, I hope
- 5 this is okay that I'm taking the time like this.
- 6 If I was going to, I guess I'll ask it
- 7 separately. For single-family and multifamily,
- $8\,$ if I was going to build a house or a building and
- 9 install minimum efficiency -- and I wanted to
- 10 install a minimum efficiency gas furnace and a
- 11 minimum efficiency gas water heater in that, in
- 12 each of those locations, multifamily and single
- 13 family, there's a pathway for that combination.
- 14 Is that correct?
- MR. SHIRAKH: There is a pathway for
- 16 that. Correct. It might involve installing
- 17 additional non-preemptive features, such as
- 18 better insulation in the walls, or better
- 19 windows, or more roof-deck insulation. But yeah,
- 20 there is a path.
- 21 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yeah. The performance
- 22 path to allow you to go beyond the prescriptive
- 23 requirements. So, yes. Y you do have a pathway
- 24 going forward.
- MS. PETRILLO-GROH: Thank you.

- 1 MR. SHIRAKH: There are other
- 2 technologies like dual-fuel heat-pumps. They can
- 3 come in handy, and they come with a standard
- 4 furnace and there's a variety of options
- 5 available.
- 6 But in general, yes. You can have a path power
- 7 for standard water heater or space heater, or
- 8 gas.
- 9 MS. PETRILLO-GROH: Thank you. My next
- 10 question is on 170.2. I just wanted to clarify
- 11 that the proposal is for climate zones 1 and 16.
- 12 That they are not -- that you would not be
- 13 permitted to use a traditional heat-pump
- 14 prescriptively, and multifamily four stories and
- 15 above? Is that -- am I understanding that
- 16 correctly?
- MR. SHIRAKH: Yes.
- 18 MR. TAM: Are you talking about space
- 19 heating?
- MR. STRAIT: I think so.
- MS. PETRILLO-GROH: Yes.
- MR. SHIRAKH: Yeah. They --
- MR. TAM: Okay. So currently 116, the
- 24 prescriptive requirement is the dual-fuel pump so
- 25 prescriptively, you know, it cannot be a straight

- 1 heat-pump. So you can do it under performance.
- 2 MR. SHIRAKH: But if you do it on their
- 3 performance and you put a straight heat-pump
- 4 instead of dual-fuel, you'll have a penalty. So
- 5 you have to make that up. And in very cold
- 6 climate zones, dual-fuel heat-pumps actually
- 7 perform better than straight heat-pumps.
- 8 MR. PEREZ: I think your, Linda, your
- 9 question is answered at the bottom of the slide
- 10 here.
- 11 MS. PETRILLO-GROH: Thank you.
- MR. PEREZ: Sure.
- MS. PETRILLO-GROH: I appreciate the time
- 14 and answering those question.
- MR. PEREZ: Well thanks for
- 16 participating. I certainly appreciate it.
- 17 Otherwise, I'm just talking to myself.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yeah. Thank you,
- 19 Laura. Those are good questions, and I think a
- 20 lot of people may have had the same questions.
- 21 Thank you.
- 22 Peter, anybody else? Any other
- 23 questions?
- 24 MR. STRAIT: Yes. Let me resolve both of
- 25 these. Danny, I see that you started typing an

- 1 answer to Laura, I'll need you to close that so I
- 2 can resolve the question.
- 3 MR. TAM: Oh. Sorry.
- 4 MR. STRAIT: Thank you. And then an
- 5 anonymous attendee asked the email site says that
- 6 comments must be received by 5-21-21. Has this
- 7 changed? And can we send comments via email
- 8 still?
- 9 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: The answer to that is
- 10 yes. Absolutely. 5-21-21 is the end of the 45-
- 11 day Language. So if you would like, actually, we
- 12 encourage you to submit your comments to us
- 13 earlier than later. So even by email, that would
- 14 be best. Most likely we will docket that email
- 15 as a comment to the records, but the sooner we
- 16 get your comments, the better we are.
- 17 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Hey, Payam and
- 18 crew, I just wanted to chime in. So just a
- 19 second. What you just Payam, you know the docket
- 20 really is the place where comments need to go.
- 21 So if, just know everyone, if you send staff an
- 22 email or you kind of, you know, take a slightly
- 23 more informal route with communication with
- 24 staff, it's pretty much assured that that
- 25 communication will go into the docket. So just

- 1 wanted to --
- 2 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yes.
- 4 basically obligated to keep the docket updated
- 5 with that sort of communications. So I think,
- $6\,$ just that expectation, I wanted to make sure it
- 7 was clear that.
- 8 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yes, exactly. Exactly.
- 9 MR. STRAIT: That -- so I'm sorry June
- 10 22nd, not May 22nd.
- 11 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: That is true.
- MR. STRAIT: Yeah.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: It is June 22nd.
- 14 MR. STRAIT: 21st. 21st.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Oh, what did I say?
- 16 21st. Sorry, Peter. I'm getting confused with
- 17 my numbers.
- 18 MR. STRAIT: Yeah. Sorry. So yeah, I'll
- 19 mark these as answered. And those are the only
- 20 questions I have at this time in the question and
- 21 answer box.
- 22 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: All right.
- 23 Well if there's nothing else, Payam, I'll -- do
- 24 you want to truck through or do you want to take
- 25 a break? How are you feeling?

- 1 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: I think -- I think we
- 2 need to take a 10 minute break.
- 3 MR. TAM: I think that we probably need
- 4 to change the recording on the for the court
- 5 recorder.
- 6 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Okay.
- 7 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: So if it's possible,
- 8 Commissioner, can we take a break till 1:30?
- 9 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Absolutely.
- 10 Yeah. Thanks a lot, guys. Nice job, Javier.
- MR. PEREZ: Thank you.
- 12 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Nice job,
- 13 everyone. Appreciate it.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you. Thank you.
- 15 And meanwhile, if anybody would like to submit a
- 16 question to the question and answer, you're more
- 17 than welcome to and we'll, before we reconvene
- 18 with the Additions and Alterations, we will try
- 19 to answer. Thank you.
- 20 (Off the record from 1:20 p.m. until 1:30 p.m.)
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yeah. Go ahead,
- 22 Javier. You're -- yeah. Go ahead and present
- 23 your first screen.
- MR. PEREZ: All right. The home stretch.
- 25 Thanks for your patience. And before I forget, I

- 1 certainly do want to say thanks to the entire
- 2 team. This is a lot of information. And I've
- 3 been able to bother a lot of people to make sure
- 4 that we get this right, whether it's on our team
- 5 or on the Case teams, or even other stakeholders.
- 6 So I certainly appreciate everyone's willingness
- 7 to help get this language to a point that's
- 8 palatable and that's enforceable, and able to be
- 9 compliant with at the state level. So all right.
- 10 Let's wrap this thing up.
- 11 So we've got Multifamily Requirements for
- 12 Additions, Alterations and Repairs in this final
- 13 subchapter. Where they existed previously in
- 14 High-Rise Residential was Subchapter 6, The
- 15 Residential, Additions, Alterations and Repairs
- 16 Chapter, or 141.0 if you're familiar with our
- 17 code. And for a Low-Rise, they exist in
- 18 Subchapter 9, which was gone over this morning,
- 19 that now only applies to single-family
- 20 residential buildings. Now, all of this language
- 21 has been moved and where efficiencies were
- 22 increases -- increased, you know all that
- 23 language now exists for multifamily buildings in
- 24 Subchapter 12. So four sections, 180.0 through
- 25 180.4. I think that's right. I may have to

- 1 double check that. But Subchapter 12 is where
- 2 the Additions, Alterations and Repairs
- 3 Requirements exist.
- 4 All right. So right off the bat, our
- 5 Additions Section has multiple exceptions to kind
- 6 of exempt specific systems or specific components
- 7 from the requirements. And this first exception
- $8\,$ is actually something that may be removed, and
- 9 not because these ventilation systems are not
- 10 subject to this requirement, and naturally, my
- 11 cat snuck into this room, so I may have to kick
- 12 him out. I apologize.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Apologies, these things
- 14 happen when you work from home.
- MR. PEREZ: You've met Ghost. He is
- 16 hungry. This is the name of the game.
- 17 All right. So as far as Ventilation,
- 18 Airflow, Grate Requirements for Additions under
- 19 1,000, the language in the appropriate section
- 20 where this is required has been modified to no
- 21 longer apply to systems for additions under
- 22 1,000. So that exception is likely going to be
- 23 removed when we get that language honed in pretty
- 24 well, which will be a 15-day. Roofing product
- 25 requirements are exempt for additions 300 square

- 1 feet or less. Pipe insulation requirements for
- 2 existing inaccessible piping, that exception's
- 3 been applied across the board. If you're
- 4 familiar with our pipe insulation requirements or
- 5 our water heating alteration requirements, what
- 6 we say is only accessible pipe while the watering
- 7 heating system is being replaced shall be
- 8 insulated, unless it already had insulation. But
- 9 if it's inaccessible, then there's not much to
- 10 talk about.
- 11 Some extensions, exceptions, and probably
- 12 one of the more important ones that I do think we
- 13 need to highlight is that the PV and battery
- 14 storage system requirements are not applicable to
- 15 additions, nor are they applicable to
- 16 alterations. Those are strictly newly
- 17 constructed requirements. And they're -- we're
- 18 still, again, modifying language just a bit to
- 19 make sure that we address that, the heat-pump
- 20 specific requirements that apply to newly
- 21 constructed buildings or newly constructed
- 22 multifamily buildings for systems that serve
- 23 dwelling units are not referenced within the
- 24 Additions Section. With regards to additions and
- 25 for alterations, the replacement system can be a

- 1 heat-pump or a gas heating system that follows
- 2 some common practice.
- 3 All right. As far as envelope
- 4 requirements are concerned, the low-rise
- 5 residential requirements had variance for the
- 6 envelope insulation requirements depending on the
- 7 size of the addition. In other words, additions
- $8\,$ over 700 had stronger requirements and then under
- 9 700 have less restrictive requirements for those
- 10 alternatives were moved over and some insulation,
- 11 what do we want to say, variances or concessions
- 12 were made for existing assemblies and that, again
- 13 just follows through from what existed in the
- 14 low-rise residential buildings.
- 15 In the High-Rise Residential Alteration
- 16 Requirements Section for 2019 there was an
- 17 exception for the solar ready requirements for
- 18 built -- for additions that increased from areas
- 19 of by 2,000 square feet or less. We brought that
- 20 over to apply to all low-rise, sorry, multifamily
- 21 buildings. So if an addition increases the roof
- 22 area of a building by more -- by 2,000 square
- 23 feet or less, Solar Ready Requirements do not
- 24 apply
- 25 All right. Mechanical Ventilation

- 1 Requirements for Indoor Air Quality for dwelling
- 2 units will match the requirements for a
- 3 single-family dwelling units. And ventilation
- 4 requirements, as described here that, you know,
- 5 the dwelling unit ventilation will follow
- 6 single-family, is consistent throughout
- 7 Subchapter 12. So additions, alterations, all of
- 8 the language that Cheng discussed as far as
- 9 ventilation requirements for these additions or
- 10 alterations for single-family, extrapolated or
- 11 expanded, are equally applied to multifamily
- 12 dwelling units.
- 13 With regards to the Performance Approach
- 14 and the options, this is language probably looks
- 15 familiar. It's -- there's still the option to
- 16 comply with the additional alone, kind of
- 17 treating it like an island, or existing plus
- 18 addition plus alteration. Which means, you know
- 19 an addition, maybe it's not as efficient, so
- 20 you're going to alter some of the existing
- 21 components to make up for that lack of
- 22 efficiency. And that's just kind of following
- 23 through to all multifamily buildings.
- 24 All right. Alterations. Again
- 25 similarly, exceptions where they existed and they

- 1 applied to high-rise systems, some of that
- 2 language was brought over to apply to all
- 3 multifamily buildings. In the event that, you
- 4 know, you have existing space commissioning
- 5 systems, there isn't an expectation to replace or
- 6 for that, say for example air handler, to meet
- 7 additional efficiency requirements if you're just
- 8 extending that. And then it should go without
- 9 saying, but the exceptions there to make sure
- 10 that we're appropriately applying only
- 11 requirements to altered components and
- 12 identifying what those altered components are. A
- 13 few other exceptions, VAV, an economizer, FDD or
- 14 Fall Detection Diagnostic exceptions were added
- 15 in mirroring what was previously in existence in
- 16 the high-rise residential sections.
- 17 All right. So as far as envelope
- 18 requirements for Envelope Mandatory Requirements
- 19 for Insulation, this language was brought
- 20 directly over from the High-Rise Multifamily
- 21 Mandatory Installation Requirements. So what
- 22 existed there with regards to different
- 23 assemblies, whether it was metal building, metal
- 24 frame, would frame, or other, those mandatory
- 25 insulation requirements were brought over to

- 1 apply to all multifamily buildings rather than
- 2 just high-rise res, as they existed in 2019. And
- 3 the exception was added of light and heavy mass
- 4 walls.
- 5 All right. With regards to the roofing
- 6 product requirements, again, we've merged
- 7 requirements to apply to 50% of roof area
- 8 alterations, or more than 2000 square feet. So
- 9 when you do exceed one of those thresholds,
- 10 either/or, there are roofing product
- 11 requirements. So the first requirement that
- 12 you'll see here is for low-sloped roofs in
- 13 climate zones 2, 4, and 6 through 15, minimum
- 14 aged solar reflectance and thermal emittance
- 15 requirements, or a SRI, which is a Solar
- 16 Reflectance Index. So the Reflectance Index
- 17 requirement of 64. And if you're not familiar
- 18 with that calculation, it's just a blend of the
- 19 two, aged solar reflectance, thermal emittance
- 20 values and punching it into a calculation and see
- 21 where the chips lie.
- 22 All right. Below is the insulation
- 23 tradeoff for aged solar reflectance requirements.
- 24 Essentially, what we're saying is in the event
- 25 that, you know, aged solar reflectance

- 1 requirements might be prohibitive or not
- 2 desirable for a designer or a builder, then that
- 3 reduction -- that requirement can be reduced to
- 4 minimum aged solar reflectance requirement can be
- 5 reduced as we see on the left hand column, if
- 6 insulation is installed as follows in the
- 7 subsequent columns. Depending on your climate
- 8 zone, the requirements to vary.
- 9 All right. Continuing. This is roofing
- 10 products section is a little bit long. But
- 11 moving to steep-sloped roofs in climate zones 4,
- 12 and 8 through 15, this is the same trigger, 50%
- 13 or 2,000 square feet of roof. A aged solar
- 14 reflectance requirements .20. And thermal
- 15 emittance, not aged, this is strictly just
- 16 thermal emittance, is 0.75 or a minimum SRI of
- 17 16. There are a number of exceptions to the
- 18 roofing product requirements. At every cold
- 19 cycle, the exceptions are, my preference is
- 20 alternatives, but in Code language, this is an
- 21 exception to a requirement. It is that we've got
- 22 four this time around, insulation being an easy
- 23 trade off. Radiant barriers in the attic, that's
- 24 fine as long as it's not directly above spaced or
- 25 skipped sheathing. If you don't have ducts in

- 1 your attic in the climate zones listed in the
- 2 second to last bullet, 2, 4, 9, 10, 12, and 14,
- 3 then there's no roofing product requirement for
- 4 these steep-sloped roofs. And if you have R-2 or
- 5 greater continuous insulation above or below the
- 6 roof deck, again it's an alternative to
- 7 installing a roofing product that meets the
- 8 values of top care.
- 9 All right. Now this is a new measure,
- 10 and it was discussed in the Low-Rise Alterations
- 11 Section. And I'm going to try and also describe
- 12 it because it's got some qualifiers. So we've
- 13 got insulation requirements when duct systems are
- 14 entirely new. And I'm going have to read this
- 15 because it's very meticulously worded, and I
- 16 worded it this way, so I have to read this one to
- 17 make sure I get it right. So duct systems are
- 18 completely -- are new or completely replaced as
- 19 part of an alteration, and, and again this second
- 20 qualifier has to exist for the following
- 21 requirements to apply, and the air handler and
- 22 ducts are located within a vented attic. So if
- 23 these two things are satisfied, then the
- 24 following applies, okay.: So in climate zones 1
- 25 through 4, it has R-49 insulation requirement or

- 1 a max U-factor 0.020.
- Now, there are exceptions to all of these
- 3 requirements. The first one has exceptions in
- 4 climate zones 1, 3, 4 and 19 with dwelling units
- 5 with at least R-19 existing insulation. I went
- 6 back to 1982's Energy Code and even at that point
- 7 there were mandatory R-19 insulation requirements
- 8 for residential buildings. So to expect say, if
- 9 the building was built in the last 40 years, it
- 10 would likely have been a mandatory requirement to
- 11 have at least R-19. You go back to 80 and 78,
- 12 the U-factors are a little bit tricky, and it
- 13 depends on the assembly type. And I don't know,
- 14 I can only go back to 82 before I can -- I can't
- 15 make any sense of the Energy Code. So in climate
- 16 zones 2, and 11 through 16, I'm moving away from
- 17 that insulation requirement. There is an air
- 18 sealing requirement. I'm sorry, a sealing
- 19 requirement for the ceiling. Saying that twice.
- 20 Sealing with an S and then ceiling, as in the top
- 21 portion of your conditioned space between the
- 22 attic and conditioned space.
- 23 Again, exception if you have that R-19
- 24 mandatory insulation requirement. And in the
- 25 last 40 years, if it was built to code, you

- 1 likely have it. And even then, older buildings
- 2 may have already been weatherized or updated to
- 3 be a little more efficient. For example, this
- 4 home was a 1920s home, so there certainly wasn't
- 5 any Energy Code requirements and I don't have R-
- 6 19 in my attic. So that's how it is for this
- 7 building. There's also an exception for dwelling
- 8 units with atmospherically vented space or water
- 9 heating combustion appliances within that
- 10 pressure boundary.
- 11 So the 15-day language -- so as described
- 12 here, is the intent of where we are for this
- 13 requirement. The wording in the 45-day is still
- 14 being worked on. So at 15, this is likely where
- 15 we're going to fall. But, you know, just know
- 16 that this language is still being massaged a
- 17 little bit to make sure that we can fully
- 18 encompass the intent and when these requirements
- 19 do apply.
- Okay. So similarly, following on the
- 21 requirements for attics in existing buildings
- 22 when the systems are completely new or if they're
- 23 entirely replaced and where the air handler and
- 24 ducts are located within a vented attic, any
- 25 recessed downlight luminaries in ceilings need to

- 1 be -- need to be covered with insulation, the
- 2 same depth as the rest of the ceiling and any
- 3 non-IC rated cans need to be fitted with fire-
- 4 roof cover to make
- 5 sure that there aren't any issues. Non-IC is
- 6 non-insulation contact. And then in climate
- 7 zones 1 through 4, 8 through 10, again, if you've
- $8\,$ got R- 19 already, keep it moving, the
- 9 requirement does not apply. And again, we're
- 10 going to hopefully get this language in a place
- 11 where we want it, probably in the next week. So
- 12 that should be fine.
- 13 All right. The last component of this
- 14 requirement is exceptions to all the requirements
- 15 that we just talked about before that trigger
- 16 where you're replacing the entire duct system, or
- 17 it's completely new and the HVAC is in the attic.
- 18 Dwelling units, if you've already got R-38, if
- 19 there's asbestos, knob and tube wiring, which the
- 20 1920s house does have, or where accessible space
- 21 in the attic is not large enough to accommodate,
- 22 you know, the requirements. And we've had that
- 23 exception or some variation of it for a little
- 24 while now in the Residential Alteration Section.
- 25 Essentially what we say is just fill the cavity,

- 1 but also don't forget some of the added language
- 2 to make sure that you don't forget that there are
- 3 ventilation, attic ventilation requirements in
- 4 other parts of Title 24. So if necessary, add
- 5 baffles. You know, make it so that you can still
- 6 satisfy the appropriate ventilation requirements
- 7 in these attic assemblies.
- 8 All right. The last exception is if the
- 9 attic space is shared with other dwelling units
- 10 and only -- and not -- and the other dwelling
- 11 units are not triggering this requirement. All
- 12 right. Another section that is still being
- 13 massaged, but I think the intent of the
- 14 requirement is appropriately depicted here. And
- 15 this is tied to roof alteration. So the same
- 16 trigger as the roofing product requirements if
- 17 the roof's being replaced, recovered, or
- 18 recoated, and if more than 50% of the roof, or
- 19 more than 2,000 square feet of the roof is
- 20 undergoing that change, then in specific climate
- 21 zones, 1, 2, 4, and 8 through 16, there's a
- 22 continuous insulation requirement of R-14 or
- 23 equivalent U-factor.
- 24 A few exceptions, that R-10 there, then
- 25 you're fine as is. There are scenarios where

- 1 mechanical equipment create challenges,
- 2 limitations, and those exceptions previously
- 3 existed, and they will continue to exist in
- 4 multifamily buildings and in scenarios where
- 5 insulation has to taper at drains or other low
- 6 points. As long as you increase the insulation
- 7 requirement or the insulation installed at other
- 8 portions to net out an average of R-14, then
- 9 that's still in compliance with the requirements.
- 10 Okay. Fenestration Requirements. And
- 11 when I say follow the high-rise residential
- 12 language, I mean kind of the way that it's been
- 13 broken down. You know, there are prescriptive
- 14 alteration requirements for U-factories, solar
- 15 heating where applicable, or visible
- 16 transmittance. And we have a table for that.
- 17 Now alternatively, you know at the builder or
- 18 designer's discretion, they can go in and just
- 19 meet the newly constructed requirements and the
- 20 weighted average requirements and [indiscernible]
- 21 and call it a day.
- The exception from the Multifamily
- 23 Section for replacements of up to 150 square feet
- 24 being only subject to U-factor requirements, is
- 25 being again, reproduced here and applicable to

- 1 all multifamily buildings. And that was
- 2 replacement, so you're going in the same size or
- 3 smaller for the hole in the wall that was there.
- 4 Alterations that add fenestration area, let's
- 5 see, maybe something bigger or punching a hole in
- 6 a wall, they have to meet the area limitations.
- 7 We talked about that earlier, 20% for the
- 8 condition floor area, or 40% window to wall
- 9 ratio, and U-factor, RSHGC, VT where applicable
- 10 as described in the table on the next page.
- Now, there are a few exceptions. The 50
- 12 square foot threshold will get you out of that.
- 13 And for skylights, 16 square foot -- square feet
- 14 is the exception to allow a reduction down to a
- 15 maximum of 0.55, down to a less restrictive
- 16 maximum U-factor. It's probably the more
- 17 appropriate way. And so we gain coefficient
- 18 requirements.
- 19 For this one, this is what the table
- 20 looks like. It, as far as the breakdown, this
- 21 is -- for categories, this is similar to the
- 22 newly constructed requirements in that we have
- 23 curtainwall requirements, we have architectural
- 24 window requirements, we have all other window
- 25 requirements and then skylights. There's a

- 1 delineation between three stories or fewer and
- 2 four or more. And similarly to what we talked
- 3 about earlier, for a newly constructed low-rise
- 4 multifamily building requirements where there is
- 5 no solar heat gain coefficient requirements in
- 6 climate zones 1, 3, 5, and 16, that exception
- 7 still applies to this table or these
- 8 requirements. And you can't read it, but it's
- 9 the smallest footnote on this table. And
- 10 similarly, VT, the Visible Transmittance
- 11 Requirements are not applicable to multifamily
- 12 dwelling with three or fewer habitable stories.
- 13 Okay. Now we're going to get into HVAC
- 14 systems and there is a number of different ways
- 15 you can alter HVAC systems, right? You can
- 16 install a completely new system, or completely
- 17 replace an existing system, which is where we
- 18 are. And then you can alter components. So
- 19 let's talk about completely new systems here.
- To completely replace systems, and we're
- 21 now under 2Ai, and in general, these follow
- 22 low-rise previous dwellings requirements. You
- 23 have to meet all the requirements specific to new
- 24 constructed except for that heat-pump fuel type
- 25 requirement. Again, the heat-pump specification

- 1 for newly constructed multifamily buildings, or
- 2 systems that serve those dwelling units, is not
- 3 applicable to this, nor is it applicable to
- 4 alterations.
- 5 Okay. Now for altered duct systems, like
- 6 Cheng said this morning, the activation threshold
- 7 was reduced to 25 feet of new a replacement space
- 8 conditioning ducts, and that was previously at
- 9 40. And consistently throughout the Multifamily
- 10 Chapter, anytime there was a high-rise
- 11 verification requirement that applied to low-rise
- 12 residential buildings, that will continue to only
- 13 apply to low-rise residential buildings. That's
- 14 the verification component only. In other words,
- 15 the test testing has to be done, but it'll be
- 16 self-certification by the installer for buildings
- 17 with three, with four or more habitable stories.
- 18 As far as duct installation requirements
- 19 are concerned. this mirrors the residential
- 20 single-family requirements that were discussed by
- 21 Cheng under the Alterations Section this morning.
- 22 Depending on your climate zone, it's either R-6
- 23 or R-8. And you'll see that it went from R-6 to
- 24 R-8 in the middle row there for those climate
- 25 zones.

- 1 Okay. So moving on from complete
- 2 replacements and from duct alterations, this
- 3 Roman numeral iii, or triple i. For altered
- 4 space conditioning systems is really talking
- 5 about when you replace the air handler. I think
- 6 that's right. I'm going to go check that. But
- 7 yeah, this is not a complete replacement. So
- $8\,$ when you alter a space conditioning system, there
- 9 are leakage test requirements. And those leakage
- 10 tests are going to follow what previously existed
- 11 for low-rise residential. Again, the HERS
- 12 verification component of that is only applicable
- 13 to buildings with three or fewer habitable
- 14 stories.
- 15 Last one on the list here on the bottom
- 16 is the refrigerant charge verification
- 17 requirements are specific to mechanical cooling
- 18 systems. So when a refrigerant containing
- 19 components are altered, and since you have to
- 20 recharge the system, well let's make sure that
- 21 the system has the appropriate refrigerant
- 22 charge, because if it doesn't, you're going to
- 23 lose a lot of efficiency. And that's been in the
- 24 Energy Code for low-rise res for as long as I can
- 25 remember. But anyways, it's being expanded again

- 1 to high-rise multifamily buildings, but not the
- 2 HERS verification component. HERS verification
- 3 stays with low-rise multifamily only.
- 4 All right. This is very similar to what
- 5 Cheng described this morning, as far as the
- 6 prohibition of electric resistance heating,
- 7 though, I do want to point out that, you know, he
- 8 did receive a comment, or maybe he or Maziar,
- 9 about whether or not this prohibits the use of
- 10 electric resistance, kind of strips in heat-pump
- 11 space conditioning systems, and that's not the
- 12 intent. This is really speaking to electric
- 13 resistance heating systems, not heat-pumps with
- 14 that electric resistant component to kind of
- 15 satisfy the demand where they're not capable.
- 16 So with that said, the exceptions are the
- 17 same. It's not applicable to replacements of
- 18 non-ducted electric resistance systems, not
- 19 applicable to ducted electric resistance if
- 20 you're not touching the cooling system. And by
- 21 not touching, I probably should say not
- 22 replacing. And doesn't apply if you have an
- 23 electric resistance existing heating system in
- 24 climate zones 6, 7, or 8 through 15. And 15-day
- 25 language will be updated to match what's in the

- 1 single-family, or what will be in the
- 2 Single-Family Section. Again, we're really
- 3 trying to home in on how this is worded to make
- 4 sure that we're disallowing electrical resistance
- 5 space heating systems, prescriptively in
- 6 appropriate situations.
- 7 Okay. Moving on to Space Conditioning
- 8 Systems that Serve Common Use Areas for
- 9 Nonresidential. They, I'm sorry, they follow the
- 10 nonresidential alteration requirements and any
- 11 changes to that section, if there were, would
- 12 have been covered on Monday's hearing. But
- 13 essentially, these are, again, following the
- 14 nonresidential convention.
- 15 As far as water heating systems are
- 16 concerned, you know, we still have delineations
- 17 for systems serving individual dwelling units.
- 18 And this is where that begins. We've got
- 19 mandatory pipe insulation requirements in
- 20 160.4(f), which if you remember, after our first
- 21 break, we discussed the pipes that are greater
- 22 than one and a half inches -- one and a half
- 23 inches or greater in diameter have to now have
- 24 two inches of insulation versus 1.5 under the
- 25 2019 Energy Code. And similarly, if it is a

- 1 recirculation system, we want manual,
- 2 prescriptively, the requirement of the demand
- 3 recirc control manual and not automatic.
- 4 Continuing with water heating systems
- 5 altered to replace water heating systems that
- 6 serve individual dwellings units. These systems
- 7 have four different options here. The two in the
- 8 middle are both heat-pump options. One is a
- 9 little more efficient. And the second one that
- 10 you see, number two, doesn't meet that Tier 3
- 11 threshold, and that option would be required to
- 12 be placed on a rigid R-10 insulated surface. And
- 13 there's still an option for natural gas or
- 14 propane water heating systems. And in the event
- 15 that the existing water heating system was
- 16 electric resistance, then following that up with
- 17 or replacing that with a consumer electric water
- 18 heater is acceptable.
- 19 All right. Lighting. Alterations to
- 20 lighting systems within multifamily buildings if
- 21 it's in a dwelling unit, you follow residential
- 22 or the low-rise residential, which again is high
- 23 efficacy and generally some control requirements
- 24 depending on the space. And if it's common area
- 25 lighting, or sign lighting, or alterations to

- 1 electrical power distribution systems, they
- 2 follow the nonresidential requirements.
- 3 And lastly, the Prescriptive Approach for
- 4 ventilation requirements are really ventilation
- 5 requirements. Again, the intent for dwelling
- 6 unit ventilation systems is to match what the
- 7 single family requirements are for dwelling
- 8 units, so that will follow through.
- 9 That's the end of my slides. Payam, do
- 10 you have any questions or are there any questions
- 11 that we might need to address?
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you, Javier.
- 13 Folks, if you have any questions, please either
- 14 raise your hands and I'll unmute you or submit a
- 15 question in the Q&A.
- 16 MR. STRAIT: I don't see any questions
- 17 currently in the Q&A, but we can give people a
- 18 couple minutes.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yeah. Let's give about
- 20 30 minutes. 30 minutes. 30 Seconds.
- 21 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: 30 minutes?
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: 30 seconds. Sorry
- 23 Commissioner. We
- 24 are -- we are ahead of schedule by three hours,
- 25 which is good. But I really, really want to

- 1 leave enough time to open up and you -- open it
- 2 up for comments and questions for what you've
- 3 heard all did today.
- 4 So I think -- I think we're -- Javier,
- 5 can you go to the next slide, please.
- 6 MR. PEREZ: Sure.
- 7 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: I think, Commissioner,
- $8\,$ I think we need to open it up now for any
- 9 comments or questions regarding today's hearing.
- 10 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: Yeah. That
- 11 sounds right. You know, I do want to thank
- 12 everyone who did have questions. Laura in
- 13 particular, you brought up a lot of good issues.
- 14 And so just thanks for --
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yes.
- 16 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: -- thanks for
- 17 your diligence there and really drilling in to
- 18 make sure the details are right or at least, you
- 19 know, understood. So appreciate that. And
- 20 anybody else who wants to make either a specific
- 21 or a general comment, please go ahead. And if
- 22 your thoughts aren't sufficiently collected now,
- 23 there's always the written comment period. And
- 24 again, as Payam has said repeatedly, sooner is
- 25 better because, you know, now is the time. The

- 1 45-day language is relatively easy to change.
- 2 And the closer we get to the --- to the end of
- 3 the 45-day period, the less malleable things get.
- 4 So I just want to encourage people to to get on
- 5 that sooner rather than later.
- 6 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you,
- 7 Commissioner. We do have one raised hand.
- 8 Laura, I'm going to unmute you. Go ahead and
- 9 state your name and affiliation.
- 10 MS. PETRILLO-GROH: Hi. Good afternoon.
- 11 This is Laura Petrillo-Groh with the Air
- 12 Conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration
- 13 Institute. AHRI represents more than 332
- 14 manufacturers of heating, ventilation and air
- 15 conditioning equipment, water heaters and
- 16 commercial refrigeration equipment. There's just
- 17 one last thing I wanted to flag today.
- We have been reviewing possible federal
- 19 preemption issues related to proposed changes to
- 20 Single-Family, Multifamily, and Nonresidential
- 21 Sections regarding space heating, space cooling,
- 22 and water heating systems. These proposals have
- 23 removed actions for certain equipment with
- 24 federal energy efficiency standards to comply
- 25 with the Energy Code using the Prescriptive

- 1 pathway. It appears that these proposals CEC is
- 2 considering the prescriptive and performance
- 3 pathways to be separate. However, they are not
- 4 separable. The prescriptive path sets forth
- 5 specific requirements the HVAC systems and
- 6 equipment must meet in order to comply with the
- 7 Code if a building does not comply with the
- 8 performance based compliance path. As we
- 9 continually review of federal preemption issues,
- $10\,$ we remind CEC that the concept of compliance to
- 11 Energy Codes through multiple pathways using
- 12 multiple -- using minimum efficiency equipment is
- 13 a fundamental aspect of [indiscernible]. If
- 14 proposal from 45-day language differs from the
- 15 proposal made in December of 2020 and the January
- 16 2021 presentation, so our review is ongoing.
- 17 AHRI will submit more detailed comments in
- 18 writing. Thank you.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you, Laura.
- 20 Laura, can we have that submitted to our docket,
- 21 please? What you just read, please.
- MS. PETRILLO-GROH: Absolutely.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you so much.
- MR. SHIRAKH: Yeah. Laura, again, this
- 25 is Maziar. I appreciate the comments and the

- 1 sooner we get those in writing, you know, will be
- 2 better for us to prepare an answer. So
- 3 appreciate the written comments to us as soon as
- 4 possible.
- 5 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you, Maziar.
- 6 Thank you, Laura. Peter, do we have any comments
- 7 in the Q&A, or questions in the Q&A?
- 8 MR. STRAIT: The -- Someone named Sarah
- 9 asks the R-49, I think that might have been typo
- 10 from R-19, but I'm not sure.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: No. It's R-49.
- 12 MR. STRAIT: R-49 installation for the
- 13 attic, can it be rigid insulation?
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yes, it can. The
- 15 installation, the only requirement for the Energy
- 16 Commission is that the proper insulation be
- 17 installed based on what's certified with the
- 18 Bureau of Home Furnishings, Thermal Insulation,
- 19 the energy part of Consumer Affairs. Okay, in
- 20 California. But yeah, as long as it's done
- 21 properly and it's placed properly, and it meets
- 22 the Qii requirements, yes, it can be installed in
- 23 the attic, as a residential.
- 24 So I do have John McHugh, who raised his
- 25 hand. I'm going to unmute you John. Go ahead

- 1 and state your name and affiliation.
- MR. MCHUGH: John McHugh speaking on
- 3 behalf of myself. I just wanted to go back to
- 4 the Table 150.0(a) and Table 160.5(a). One thing
- 5 that was brought up and I wanted to clear up
- 6 during the conversation was the change in
- 7 technology since the 2016 standards. And one of
- 8 the issues that was brought up was that back in
- 9 the -- during the 2016 Standards dim to warm and
- 10 colored tuning luminaires were rare at that point
- 11 in time. These are -- these are luminaire types
- 12 that are growing in the market. I wanted to
- 13 point out that because these have drivers is no
- 14 reason to expect that their flicker is low. And
- 15 in fact, the ANSIEEE [ph.] organized group, the
- 16 Next Generation Lighting Industry Alliance wrote
- 17 a white paper called Dim to White Dim to Warm
- 18 white paper, they evaluated four luminaires. Two
- 19 of those luminaires were unable to pass the
- 20 Flicker Requirements in J8. So this is
- 21 somewhat -- this was written in 2019, so this is
- 22 somewhat indicative that the belief that a driver
- 23 technology results in low flickers is maybe not
- 24 correct.
- 25 Also new since the 2016 standards was the

- 1 adoption of NCIEEE, i triple e Standard 1789,
- 2 which actually for the first time, you know,
- 3 created a referenceable standard of what is low
- 4 Flicker operation. And we didn't know that back,
- 5 you know, it hadn't gone through the process.
- 6 The current California standard is three times
- 7 higher in terms of the modulation of light. And
- 8 so if anything, we should be more restrictive
- 9 than we were in 2016, now, now, now that there is
- 10 a referenceable standard. And there is a, ASHRAE
- 11 189.1 is actually using the J10 test method to
- 12 evaluate that. And that is going to be adopted
- 13 into the IGCC, the International Green
- 14 Constructions Code.
- 15 Finally, you know, it's pointed out the,
- 16 you know, that the test, the testing requirements
- 17 are onerous. But instead of throwing out the
- 18 baby with the bathwater, I'm somewhat encouraged
- 19 to see, you know it's hard to tell, right, from a
- 20 you know, a very high overview slide what the
- 21 25th, with the 15-day changes might be. But
- 22 actually looking at the Lumen Maintenance Test,
- 23 which requires a 3,000 hour test, that's
- 24 probably, you know, the 80-20 rule in terms of
- 25 reducing regulatory burden on manufacturers for

- 1 the -- for the inseparable lighting fixtures, and
- 2 I think would be widely appreciated by the
- 3 industry.
- 4 For lamps I think, you know, the
- 5 Commission needs to think about, for lamps and
- 6 LED light engines, the commission might want to
- 7 consider, you know, should we -- should we be
- 8 remaining to align with the Energy Star
- 9 requirements for these two light sources? They do
- 10 still require a lumen maintenance requirement,
- 11 and it would probably be worthwhile to talk with
- 12 Energy Star to see what their thoughts are about
- 13 the value of that part of their standard. Thank
- 14 you very much.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you, John.
- 16 MR. STRAIT: I think just to quickly
- 17 clarify some of the comments that I made earlier.
- 18 The comment was not to indicate that we think
- 19 there is 0 issue with flicker and in those, in
- 20 the categories lighting of dim to warm, or color
- 21 shifting, but more to indicate that those
- 22 products necessarily need a more advanced driver.
- 23 Flicker behavior is driven by the driver that is
- 24 supplying power to the LED. And in order to
- 25 provide those functions where you have this

- 1 dimming between two or three different color
- 2 modules, and typically if you're using, for
- 3 example, pulse with modulation, you have to have
- 4 a driver that that's operating at a pretty high,
- 5 you know, Hertz, pretty high speed. So it would
- 6 be less likely for such a driver to fall into
- 7 that red zone that we're trying to block off of
- 8 impact because we're trying to identify for these
- 9 devices. But it's not that the product wouldn't
- 10 be designed that way. It's if were we to
- 11 evaluate that product today, what would be the
- 12 likelihood of discovering that that there was
- 13 enough of a problem in the marketplace to require
- 14 a -- the government to intervene, basically.
- Just, so to clarify that, it's not to say
- 16 that that problem doesn't exist, it's that these
- 17 products ultimately were not evaluated when the
- 18 Standard was adopted. It's not clear to staff
- 19 whether it is necessary that this Standard be
- 20 applied to these products. But given the
- 21 Standard has been applied to this -- these
- 22 products to this point, we're internally
- 23 considering how we might retain JA-10
- 24 requirements for those products and maybe make
- 25 modifications to other JA8 requirements.

- 1 So that's what we're saying, is that
- 2 Staff are still going to be considering these
- 3 comments. We find that it's likely that we
- 4 should retain the Flicker for at least the time
- 5 being, the current Code cycle. And that we would
- 6 also agree that if we receive industry comment
- 7 about the relative burden of the different
- 8 testing that JA8 requires, including JA10, that
- 9 would be valuable information to us, because
- 10 certainly the, you know, lifespan of these
- 11 products, we adopted that Standard back when
- 12 these products were far more expensive and far
- 13 less proven and still had a lot of issues. For
- 14 example, with heat. Nowadays, if a LED lamp
- 15 fails, a replacement LED lamp is relatively
- 16 inexpensive. And for these installed integrated
- 17 luminaires, we're seeing that it's hard to find a
- 18 product that won't last well in excess of the
- 19 minimum standard that we borrowed from the Energy
- 20 Star. So yeah, in terms that balance point
- 21 between burden and cost to the manufacturer that
- 22 gets passed on to the consumer, and that consumer
- 23 protection to ensure that the consumers are
- 24 getting products that will reliably perform,
- 25 especially if the products are installed in the

- 1 house before they arrive. We're interested in
- 2 continuing that conversation and trying to find
- 3 the right balance point there.
- 4 MR. MCHUGH: That's outstanding. I
- 5 appreciate how responsive the Commission staff
- 6 is, and I'd recommend that it's that potentially
- 7 some of the data to make this evaluation actually
- 8 already exist in the MADAD's [ph.] database and
- 9 would recommend to take a look at the dim to warm
- 10 products that are already in the -- in the
- 11 database and what their performance is. Thank
- 12 you so much.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you, John. Thank
- 14 you, Peter for the response. Any other? Any
- 15 other raised hands? Questions? Answers.
- 16 So if not, Commissioner, are you okay
- 17 with adjourning today's session?
- 18 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: I am. As long
- 19 as everyone has been heard and we've had the back
- 20 and forth it's appropriate to have today. I
- 21 think we are ready to wrap up and just to
- 22 reiterate for more detailed comments and to
- 23 expand on anything that was said today with a
- 24 little more ability of time to put it down
- 25 properly on paper. Please do that and submit it

- 1 to the comments as soon as possible.
- MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Yes.
- 3 COMMISSIONER MCALLISTER: I really
- 4 appreciate everyone's attention. Good attention.
- 5 Good turnout, both Monday and today. And we'll
- 6 hope for the same tomorrow when we pick it up and
- 7 do our final day of hearings on the Express
- 8 Terms. So thanks to everybody, and back to you
- 9 for any final logistics and to close it out,
- 10 Payam.
- 11 MR. BOZORGCHAMI: Thank you, sir. So,
- 12 again, I'll reiterate what Commissioner
- 13 McAllister had said. Please, please, please by
- 14 either next week or the week after, please submit
- 15 your comments. We really, really value your
- 16 input. And we really want to do the right job
- 17 and get the right message out in our next Set of
- 18 Standards or Energy Codes. So I thank you and I
- 19 hope you have a nice rest of the day. The
- 20 session has adjourned.
- 21 (Session adjourned at 2:13 p.m.)
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