

## Docket Optical System - Staff Workshop on the Proposed Revisions to the NSHP Guidebook

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**From:** Le-Quyen Nguyen  
**To:** Docket Optical System  
**Date:** 9/23/2011 6:06 PM  
**Subject:** Staff Workshop on the Proposed Revisions to the NSHP Guidebook

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Hello Dockets Unit,

Here is an email I received for Docket Number 06-NSHP-1.

Sincerely,  
 Le-Quyen Nguyen  
 Renewable Energy Office

>>> On 9/20/2011 at 4:27 PM, <kim@cabec.org> wrote:

Hi, Le-Quyen,

Here's feedback I just received from a CABEC certified CEA.

Kim Coolbaugh  
 CABEC Executive Director  
 (877) 530-3045 Phone

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**From:** skeer [mailto:skeercds@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 20, 2011 4:15 PM  
**To:** kim@cabec.org  
**Subject:** RE: The CEC is requesting your feedback on the NSHP Draft Guidebook

Kim,

Here is some language I might take exception to.

*Solar energy systems installed on renovated, existing residential buildings shall be eligible for NSHP only when the building is permitted as a newly constructed building by the building code.*

I recently added another 6kw photo voltaics to my old existing house. I did get the rebate, although greatly reduced from the one I received in 2001. I am not sure what the word "renovated" means in this context, because the code uses words like alteration and addition and defines them very specifically. One interpretation of this statement above would exclude my house from this program.

If that is true, it would also exclude many more. That would be a shame in an economic climate where most industries could use a boost, not the hammer. Why not get as many people and buildings involved as possible? Most existing buildings could not possibly meet the current code. We are not talking about getting T24 credit towards compliance. We might be talking about just helping the average home owner with average house set themselves free from corporately controlled energy; but of course we know that PGE does not want that. I had to fight tooth and nail with them just to get my systems approved and on line with them, a completely unnecessary war, which I eventually won; but the country and its economy can ill afford such behavior.

Anyway, that is my 2 cents.

Respectfully,  
 Skeer

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**From:** Kim Coolbaugh [mailto:kim@cabec.org]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 16, 2011 2:23 PM  
**To:** 'Kim Coolbaugh'  
**Subject:** The CEC is requesting your feedback on the NSHP Draft Guidebook

The NSHP Guidebook is going through a revision, and a draft of the proposed language is available for review and comment. In the draft, the current guidebook language has been lined out and the new language has been added, for ease of comparison.

CEPEs and CEAs have been specifically invited to provide comments on the changes since many of you are involved with the process, either at the beginning, at the end, or all the way through and have a valuable perspective.

The CEC has extended an invitation to attend the staff meeting on September 23 either in person or via webcast. In any case, written comments must reach the CEC by Friday September 30<sup>th</sup>, a week after the meeting. See the attached materials for details.

CEPE's and CEA's are welcome to attend the NSHP workshop on 9/23 and provide comments by mail or email.

Comments should be e-mailed to Le-Quyen Nguyen [Lqnguyen@energy.state.ca.us] and the Energy Commission's Docket Unit. A paper copy of your comments will also need to be mailed to the Docket Unit.

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