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Subject: Building Energy Code Comment

Dear Chair Orth and the Washington State Building Code Council:

My company, Counterbalance Capital LLC, would like to offer our support for the proposed 2018 Washington State Residential Energy Code.

Counterbalance Capital provides shared-savings financing for resource efficiency projects in Washington State. While we work primarily with industrial partners, we have a strong interest in the overall efficiency of the built environment and seeing Washington achieve a clean energy future. One of the more effective ways to ensure that our buildings are as efficient as possible is through strong and innovative energy codes. Washington has a legislative mandate for new buildings to be 70% more efficient by 2031 than they were in 2006. The proposed 2018 Washington State Residential Energy Code keeps the state and its new residential construction on a path to reach that goal. In addition, more efficient buildings are more comfortable for tenants, add features to homes that add to their value, and save hundreds of dollars in utility bills for residents. **We support the proposed revisions to the Residential Energy Code, and we urge the Council to approve this code.**

Thank you.

Sincerely,
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