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Subject: Energy Code update

Hello Energy Code Technical Advisory Group.

I'm told by the current President of Passive House Northwest that they have sent a new code proposal to you labeled ENV-046. I'm not familiar enough with the details of this proposal nor with what you may be contemplating for other code revisions this go around, so I can't offer an absolute recommendation that this proposal be adopted as written. However, I will say that we would be smart to have tighter air leakage standards everywhere and also smart to have good ventilation with heat recovery requirements for multi-family housing. Hopefully, you can work such provisions into the next code update.

(FYI, I led an ad-hoc group of building industry professionals that helped to get the governor and environmental groups to push energy code tightening legislation which passed nearly ten years ago. Tightening up on energy code requirements is important to me and a lot of other folks like me who are concerned about climate change and energy efficiency.)

Thanks for all the hard work that you do.

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