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Diane Glenn  
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State Building Code Council  
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Dear Chair Glenn and Members of the State Building Code Council,

Solar Installers of Washington is a professional trade association that promotes policies related to solar energy in the State of Washington.

We have been tracking your Council's progress in the implementation of the 2018 Building Code Updates, the legislative review during last session, the Governor's proclamation, and now the present extension request brought before you by members of the building industry.

As construction professionals, we are acutely aware of the impact the COVID-19 pandemic has had on the construction industry. This pandemic does not, however, justify yet again delaying vital code updates that have been in development over multiple years. Such incremental updates are the lowest cost way to protect the citizens of the state from changes in the cost and supply of energy as required of this body per RCW 19.27A.

Across the State material handlers, tradespeople and a burgeoning industry of energy-professionals are already meeting this code on a daily basis. A delay of the update does not serve the interests of the state, it only delays delivering energy savings to the citizenry.

Please retain the November 2020 implementation as presently mandated by Governor Inslee.

Respectfully submitted,

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