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Members of the Washington State Building Code Council:

I am writing in vehement opposition to commercial energy code proposals 21-GP1-103, 21-GP1-136 and 21-GP1-179. These proposals will limit my ability to choose the energy source that best meets my needs, will increase my costs and will force me to rely entirely on the electric system. More importantly, these proposals will have almost no impact on the state's emissions, which is the fundamental rationale behind them.

Worse yet, there is little recognition that the enormous output of greenhouse gas emissions by the developing world is the dominant contributor to this problem. China, in particular, is building coal-fired electrical plants at a great rate. These contributions make the US contribution insignificant, let alone this state's.

Let us put the pressure where it is in fact relevant, rather than hamstringing our economy to little effect.

Thank you for your consideration.

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