From: Rafik Gindy <rgindy@cityoflakewood.us> Sent: Thursday, September 16, 2021 11:18 AM

To: DES SBCC <sbcc@des.wa.gov>

Subject: Opposition to proposed changes to 2021 WSEC

External Email Good Morning,

Members of the Washington State Building Codes Council:

I am writing in 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 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.

PS: The language in the proposed bill 21-GP1-179 uses Seattle Electrical Code for state wide installation requirements.

Thank you for your consideration,

Respectfully,

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ATTENTION: Beginning in September the City will be implementing a new software system (similar to the PALS+ system currently used by Pierce County). As a result all building, planning and public work fees will be due at the time of intake. Additional information about our new permit software, including the online user interface, will be available in the coming month.