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Members of the Washington State Building Codes Council:

The Walla Walla Valley Chamber of Commerce wishes to express opposition to commercial energy code proposals 21-GP1-103, 21-GP1-136 and 21-GP1-179.

These proposals would unnecessarily increase utility costs for business owners. Using natural gas to heat water and space is efficient and cost effective. Employers should be able to choose the energy source that best fits their needs.

Eliminating its use through these measures will have little to no impact on Washington's emissions inventory while, at the same time, punishing an industry which directly provides thousands of jobs.

Elimination of natural gas from the options for utilities is a mistake. Please show your support for our employers by rejecting these three proposals.

Thank you for your consideration,



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