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## STATE BUILDING CODE COUNCIL

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## MECHANICAL, VENTILATION and ENERGY CODES COMMITTEE SUMMARY MEETING MINUTES

**LOCATION:** DES Conference Center, Room 2331

1500 Jefferson St SE, Olympia WA

MEETING DATE: Friday, June 14, 2024

Members in Attendance: Committee Chair, Jay Arnold; Kjell Anderson; Ben Omura;

Justin Bourgault; Pete Rieke; Katy Sheehan

**Members Absent:** Daimon Doyle

**Staff in Attendance**: Managing Director, Dustin Curb; Krista Braaksma; Josh Brown;

Rozanna Ghanie; Annette Haworth

<u>Visitors Present</u>: Todd Allred, Andi Burnham, Rand Conger, Brett Conway, Gregory Johnson, Mike Kennedy, Eric Lacey, Rob Medina, Dallen Romriell, Eric Vander Mey

Agenda Items	Committee Actions/Discussion
Welcome and Introductions	Meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Jay Arnold, Committee Chair. Everyone was welcomed and roll was called. A quorum of the committee was present.
2. Review and Approve Agenda	Kjell Anderson moved to approve the agenda, Justin Bourgault seconded, the motion passed.
<ul><li>3. Opinion Request</li><li>Residential Energy</li><li>Code</li></ul>	Krista Braaksma introduced the Opinion Requests related to the 2024 Washington State Energy Code – Residential and submitted by the City of West Richland.
	R406 Typos and Clarifications
	<b>Motion:</b> Kjell Anderson moved approval of the interpretation without going to the full Council, Pete Rieke seconded, the motion passed.
	R402.2.1 Insulation in ceilings with attic spaces
	<b>Motion:</b> Kjell Anderson moved approval of the interpretation without going to the full Council, Ben Omura seconded, the motion passed.

7.	Adjourn	The meeting was adjourned at 9:49 a.m.
6.	Other Business	Ben Omura brought to the Committee's attention and shared a letter from Mitsubishi Electric Tran HVAC US LLC regarding the N-generation A1 model energy efficiency and code requirements for VRF energy efficiency. He noted the efficiencies for the AHRI testing value is lower than both the 2018 and 2021 codes due to a change in the testing procedures. He said he thought this would be resolved in the 2024 code but wanted awareness until that time and would also bring to the Council for such awareness.
		<b>Motion:</b> Kjell Anderson moved to recommend language that would include "electric resistance" in both exceptions 5 and 7 in the CR-102, to the Council, Ben Omura seconded, the motion passed.
5.	Commercial Energy Code Rulemaking for C403.1.4	Krista Braaksma provided background for the petition that was received and noted the Council did direct Staff to move forward with rulemaking and the CR-101 was filed and Staff is asking which language to move forward with for the CR-102 which can be filed on July 5, 2024. Discussion was held by the committee members.
		<b>Motion:</b> Kjell Anderson moved to recommend expedited or off- cycle rulemaking to the full Council with further research and more information provided for their decision, Ben Omura seconded, the motion passed.
4.	Adoption of Standard UL 60335-2-40-2022 in Compliance with 2021 HB 1050	Krista Braaksma reviewed the engrossed second substitute House Bill 1050 from the 2021 legislative session and provided the Committee with options for adopting standards referenced in the bill. The committee members discussed the options and were in favor of either expedited or off-cycle rulemaking but need further information before making a decision.
		<b>Motion:</b> Justin Bourgault moved to send the request to the full Council and invite the person who asked the question to gain further understanding, Kjell Anderson seconded, the motion passed.
		Discussion was held by committee members and information was provided and further questions asked by the public. It was requested the person who submitted the question be invited to the Council meeting to answer the questions for clarification before a decision was made.
		R406 Supplemental heating for air source heat pumps
		Motion: Pete Rieke moved approval of the interpretation without going to the full Council, Justin Bourgault seconded, the motion passed.
		Table R402.1.3 / Section R503.1.1