

## Finlayson, Ian (ENE)

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Dear Mr. Finlayson,

I am writing about the DOER's process of updating the Stretch Code. I would first like to thank DOER for the following:

- proposing updated Stretch Code to take effect 1/1/2023
- appointing a Technical Advisory Group
- including existing buildings
- requiring multi-family housing of more than 12,000 SF to meet passive housing standards
- improving the definition of a net zero buildings

In addition to these positive steps, I strongly urge the DOER to do the following:

- make **electrification** a requirement for **all** buildings and major renovations
- restore the deleted “**Embodied Carbon Provisions**”
- accelerate **effective dates**
- clarify and expand **on-site solar**
- show how **2030 building sector limits** are met
- correct **cost studies** and minimize **life-cycle costs**

Massachusetts has a chance to make a huge contribution to reducing the emissions from burning fossil fuels that have led to our present climate emergency. Thank you for your leadership, and please add the above requests to your update of the building code.

Sincerely,

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