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Dear Commissioner Woodcock, Secretary Card, and Secretary Kennealy,

I am writing to support DOER in developing a specialized stretch energy code that ensures the Commonwealth can meet building sector emissions targets while also making buildings a core climate mitigator and protector of our health.

First, I want to thank DOER for listening to the Commonwealth residents by making key improvements in the revised code language. However, more needs to be done, i.e., state-wide adoption of an opt-in net zero code, transforming buildings from polluters to protectors of our health and climate.

This transformation requires that all building types be constructed all-electric and require the same of all major retro-fits.

In addition, please see to it that embodied carbon provisions are restored to the code.

Finally, I ask that DOER be transparent as to how 2030 building sector emissions be met. This current proposal might reduce emission by 10% by 2030 but that is not nearly enough. The public and the legislature must be shown what it will take to meet the 2030 goals.

We cannot afford to wait any longer to transform our buildings into protectors of our health, communities and the climate. I am counting on the DOER to enable that necessary transformation now.

Sincerely,
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