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Re: Proposed amendments to the Washington State Building Code submitted by Northwest SEED and WSU Energy Program

To members of the State Building Code Council,

Central Wind & Solar in Ellensburg strongly supports one unified installation policy at the State level. As a business that's been installing for the major uptick in solar sales the last 7 years, we are starting to become bogged down with the various permitting requirements. We have been told over the last 5 years we have applied for more L&I permits for solar than anyone. While the L&I process is somewhat consistent we are finding a wide variety starting to creep into the building permit side. This makes it extremely difficult when we are doing a solar this week in Ellensburg, next week in Grandview and so fourth. One unified state policy would in theory streamline the whole process. Either proposal moving forward is a step in the right direction.

Thank You,
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